

Reading Comprehension Questions: Faustino Asprilla Biography

True or False Questions

1. Faustino Asprilla was born in Italy.
2. He played football in the streets when he was young.
3. His first professional team was Atlético Nacional.
4. He never played in the World Cup.
5. Asprilla could do backflips after scoring goals.
6. He played for Newcastle United in England.
7. He spoke only Spanish.
8. He always wore the number 10 shirt.
9. He was born in 1969.
10. He played for Colombia's national team for 8 years.

Answers: 1. False (Colombia), 2. True, 3. False (Cúcuta Deportivo), 4. False (played in 1994 and 1998), 5. True, 6. True, 7. False (spoke Spanish, Italian, and some English), 8. False (number 11), 9. True, 10. True (1993-2001)

Multiple Choice Questions

1. Where was Asprilla born?
 - a) Italy
 - b) England
 - c) Tuluá, Colombia
 - d) Barcelona
2. Which team did he play for in Italy?
 - a) AC Milan
 - b) Parma
 - c) Juventus
 - d) Roma
3. How many goals did he score against Barcelona for Newcastle?

- a) One
- b) Two
- c) Three
- d) Four

4. How many games did he play for Colombia?

- a) 37
- b) 47
- c) 57
- d) 67

5. What was his nickname?

- a) Tino
- b) Fino
- c) Tina
- d) Fausto

Answers: 1.c, 2.b, 3.c, 4.c, 5.a

Fill in the Blanks

1. Asprilla started playing professional football in _____ (year).
2. He played for _____ United in England.
3. His _____ was not rich, but they supported his love for football.
4. He could speak _____, _____, and some _____.
5. He played _____ games for Colombia's national team.

Answers: 1. 1988, 2. Newcastle, 3. family, 4. Spanish, Italian, English, 5. 57

Short Answer Questions

1. Name three teams that Asprilla played for.
2. What special thing did he do after scoring goals?

3. How many goals did he score for Colombia?
4. What did he do after he stopped playing football?
5. What number did he wear on his shirt?

*Answers:

1. Any three from: Cúcuta Deportivo, Atlético Nacional, Parma, Newcastle United
2. Backflips
3. 20 goals
4. Any from: helped young players, talked about football on TV, met fans, started his own business, helped poor children
5. Number 11*

Discussion Questions (For Speaking Practice)

1. Why do you think people loved watching Asprilla play?
2. What can we learn from Asprilla's life story?
3. Would you like to be a professional football player? Why or why not?
4. What do you think was Asprilla's biggest achievement?
5. How is football different today compared to when Asprilla played?

Writing Tasks

1. Write three sentences about Asprilla's early life.
2. Write a paragraph about why Asprilla was special as a football player.
3. Write five important facts about Asprilla's career.
4. Imagine you are a journalist. Write three questions you would like to ask Asprilla.
5. Write a short paragraph about what Asprilla did after football.

Vocabulary Matching

Match these words from the text with their meanings:

1. Professional
2. Support
3. Famous

4. Inspire
5. Legacy
6. Creative
7. Impact
8. Personality

- a) To help or encourage
- b) Something left behind
- c) The way someone behaves
- d) Doing something as a job
- e) Well known by many people
- f) To make others want to do something
- g) The effect on others
- h) Having new and original ideas

Answers: 1-d, 2-a, 3-e, 4-f, 5-b, 6-h, 7-g, 8-c

Timeline Activity

Put these events in the correct order:

- Moved to Newcastle United
- Born in Tuluá
- Started playing for Colombia
- Joined Parma
- Started playing professional football
- Joined Atlético Nacional

*Correct order:

1. Born in Tuluá (1969)
2. Started playing professional football (1988)
3. Joined Atlético Nacional (1989)
4. Joined Parma (1992)

5. Started playing for Colombia (1993)

6. Moved to Newcastle United (1996)*