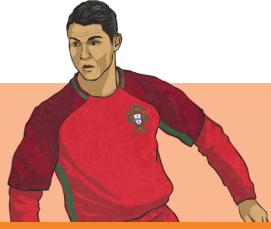


Who's the Best Footballer on the Planet?

Cristiano Ronaldo



Club Teams:

Sporting CP, Man Utd, Real Madrid

Games: 719

Goals: 529

League titles: 5

Champions Leagues: 4

International Team:

Portugal

Games: 140

Goals: 73

Euro Championships: 1

World Cups: 0

Career Hat-tricks: 47

World Player of the Year: 4

Lionel Messi



Club Teams:

Barcelona

Games: 615

Goals: 518

League titles: 8

Champions Leagues: 4

International Team:

Argentina

Games: 118

Goals: 58

Euro Championships: 0

World Cups: 0

Career Hat-tricks: 41

World Player of the Year: 5

They have been wowing crowds and entertaining television viewers for years with their silky skills and unbelievable goals. Between them, they have scored over 1000 club goals, winning 13 league titles, 8 Champion's Leagues and 9 World Player of the Year awards! Many people believe they are the best players of all time! But throughout their years of dominance, there's one question that has divided the footballing world...who's better - Cristiano Ronaldo or Lionel Messi?

In terms of raw stats, there's not much to choose between them. The debate could go on forever! There is, however, one thing that everyone agrees on - both are awesome players! Check out their stats below. Which one do you think is the best footballer on the planet?



1. Which international teams do Messi and Ronaldo play for?

Ronaldo: _____

Messi: _____



2. Complete the missing stats:

Cristiano Ronaldo		Lionel Messi	
Club goals		League titles	
Career Hat-tricks		Champions Leagues	4
Euro Championships	1	World Player of the Year	



3. '...there's one question that has divided the footballing world'

Explain what it means by 'dividing the footballing world':



4. Who do you think is the best player between Ronaldo and Messi? Write an argument for your choice. Use the text to include at least two stats to support your view.
