

## A Powerful Midfielder

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Kaka (Ricardo Izecson dos Santos Leite) is known as the youngest and the most powerful offensive football player in the world. He is now playing for Spanish La Liga Club, Real Madrid and the Brazilian National Team. Kaka's quick rise to fame also made his name appear on a list of the world's 100 most influential people in Time Magazine. However, Kaka's success has not been easy.

Kaka was born in 1982 in Brazil. He began his football career at the age of eight. At the age of fifteen, he decided to become a football player. Unluckily, at the age of eighteen, he suffered a spine fracture as a result of a swimming pool accident, which made him nearly paralyzed. Fortunately, he recovered quickly and picked up football playing again.

Kaka joined AC Milan in 2003. He was voted the best midfielder of the Champions League the next year. Many people said that 2007 was the most successful and significant year in Kaka's football career so far. He was named the FIFPro World Player of the year. Two years later, Kaka signed for Real Madrid and aimed to continue his career at a higher level.

Kaka is now one of the famous young stars in world football. Although Kaka has a handsome face, it has never driven him away from his football career. "I'm glad when people say I'm handsome, but I prefer to be the best in the game." he says. To me, Kaka is a perfect football player, not because of his attractive face, but because of his humble personality as well as his outstanding performance on the football field. He knows clearly his direction and it seems that he has determined that football will accompany him for his whole life.

Nothing can switch his direction. Nothing can distract him from his determination.

**Teacher's Feedback : Your quotation of Kaka's words impresses me most. An interesting biography. (Miss Chung See Wai)**