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Early Years

Jack Ma was born on the 10th of September 1964 in Hangzhou, China. Even at such a young age, he wanted to learn how to speak English so he thought himself, by trying to converse with foreigners. He went to Hangzhou Teacher's Institute, and in 1988, attained his bachelor's degree in English. He went to Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business and graduated in 2006.

Career

He started out as a lecturer, and then in 1995, he visited the U.S. who introduced him to the Internet. Ma and his wife started an Internet company with \$20,000. The company went on to become "China Yellow Pages". He the went on another business venture and started Alibaba, an online marketplace.

Video #1



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Current Status

Last year, Alibaba raised \$20 billion, and became one of the biggest tech companies worldwide. The company gained a \$1 billion investment from Jerry Yang, Yahoo's co-founder. He was included in Time Magazine's Asia's Heroes of Philanthropy in 2010. He was also named one of the most powerful people in the world in 2014.

Wealth

Jack Ma has an estimated net worth of \$22.7 Billion. Forbes currently lists him as the 33rd wealthiest person in the world, and the richest man in China.

Video #2



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Personal Life

Jack Ma is the son of a couple of who tells stories through traditional music. He was born in Hangzhou during the time of communism. Jack Ma belonged in a poor family and has two siblings He revealed that he was rejected ten times in Harvard, and was also rejected from a lot of jobs. He continued to strive hard and founded Alibaba. His wife is named Zhang Ying. Together they have two kids.

Beliefs and Interests

Jack Ma supports environmental causes. He announced in 2007 that his family stopped eating shark fin soup.

Video #3



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Fun Facts #1-4

- He failed his entrance exam twice.
- He was rejected from KFC.
- He only made \$12 per month as a teacher.
- He began a translation business in 1995.

Fun Facts #5-8

- "Beer" was his first search online.
- He started Alibaba in his apartment.
- Alibaba began with only 18 people.
- The team he started consisted of his friends.

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Fun Fact #9-12

- He and his team used to do handstands during break time to keep their level of energy.
- His first two businesses failed.
- He had his first computer encounter when he was 33 years old.
- He and his team that consisted of his friends, remain very close even to this day.

Fun Quiz #1

- 1. What year was he born?
- 2. Where was he born?
- 3. What high school did he go to?
- 4. Where did he attend graduate school?
- 5. What was his parents' occupation?

Answers #1

- 1. 1964
- 2. Hangzhou, China
- 3. Hangzhou Teacher's Institute
- 4. Cheung Kong Graduate School
- 5. Traditional musician-storytellers

Fun Quiz #2

- 1. How much is his net worth?
- 2. What was his first job?
- 3. What is the name of his company?
- 4. How many times has he been rejected from Harvard?
- 5. How many children does he have?

Answers #2

- 1. \$22.7 billion
- 2. English teacher
- 3. Alibaba
- 4. Ten times
- 5. Two

Video #5



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