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FANS VS FOLLOWERS

1 Numbers can lie but we are fascinated by them. If you look at someone's profile and you see an X number of followers, you quantify that as influence.
2 Fans are easy to come by. They are more like casual acquaintances. They might just like something you said once or followed back as a courtesy.
3 Followers are people who support you, who champion the cause and who are engaged. They are invested.
Bottom line: Just because someone else has what appears to be MORE, it doesn't mean their influence is greater. Don't worry about trying to be popular. Focus on developing relationships.
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RETHINK

Can you handle being INTERNET FAMOUS?

AS WE ENTER THE ERA OF THE INTERNET CELEBRITY, THANKS TO THE GROWING "INFLUENCER" CULTURE, IT'S GOOD TO KNOW THAT INTERNET FAME IS NOT AS EASY TO HANDLE AS IT LOOKS

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If you are on social media – and who isn't – you'd know the *flavour du jour* changes every day, even every minute. At the rate what's "viral" changes, if it were a flu you'd not be able to invent vaccines fast enough to keep up. Social media is a weird place. Here, anybody who's a nobody has a shot at fame. A dance can make you a star, a song can get you a recording and an accent video can get you a million plus followers. Social media has made being 'internet'-famous a full-time career option. Now YouTube, Instagrammers, bloggers, SnapChatters are actual designations, and being an influencer is a coveted post.

A Mayo Clinic study showed that teens with greater emotional investment in social media had higher levels of anxiety and depression. Studies suggest that the amount of teen use of social media is linked with loneliness, self-harm, and feelings of inadequacy.

WHAT IS INTERNET FAMOUS?

The widening reach of social media has created the curious phenomenon of 'social media famous' people. A social media or internet famous person is an Internet celebrity or what we now also know as an influencer. These are people who have acquired or developed their fame and notability through the Internet. Earlier celebrities used to be musicians, actors or athletes but social media celebrities are highly visible media figures whose fame is native to social media platforms. The logic of branding and celebrityfication now infiltrates ordinary people's everyday life. They are also referred to as 'micro-celebrities'. According to Marwick and Boyd (2011), micro-celebrities con-



struct an image of the self to be consumed by peer users on social media, thus attracting them as a fan base.

home, where I work out and whom I meet. I have put myself out there... but there are days when I feel like it's taking over my life." Social media fame is easy to court, but not easy to manage.

Activist and writer Gurmehar Kaur tasted the negative side of viral fame when she was attacked for a picture she had posted in response to campus violence. In an earlier interview to The Times of India she said: "The internet can be the greatest space if you know how to make it work in your favour. It can be the worst if you don't know how to work around it. It depends on how you react."

KEEP IT REAL

Most bloggers and influencers aka digital celebrities have a keep-it-real strategy. Some go for digital detoxes, others post 'real' posts where everything is not carefully curated and air-brushed, and few abstain from mining their whole life for content. But the real trouble, according to psychologist Dr Rachna K Singh, is managing expectations. "The digital boom has created an expectation explosion. Everyone wants a piece of the pie without realising that getting digital fame is as difficult as getting real fame," she says. "Today, it's difficult to survive without social media presence, even for established

Girls tend to be more strongly affected by excessive social media use and they also are more likely to become victims of cyberbullying. A 2014 study on 11,000 14-year-olds found that 40% of girls spend a three hours on social media every day, whereas just 20% of boys did so.

THE PRESSURE TO BE POPULAR

Psychologist Harsheen K Arora mentions pursuing internet fame can be detrimental to your self-esteem. "I have had adolescent girls approach me for counselling because they felt judged by their followers on social media for some photo they had put up," she says. The virtual world becomes tough for young people to manage because the rules of engagement here are not defined. "There are no boundaries. It's free for all," she says. In fact, Kaur had to attend a Vipassana meditation course to feel 'normal' again. Singh says, "Opening up of the internet has created a pressure to be popular. Stray examples of people making big money through internet, and movies like 'Secret Superstar', that show one video being a catapult to fame creates a hysteria where it's seen as a deliverer."

3 CS OF SOCIAL COMMUNICATION

■ **Conduct.** Control yourself, and check yourself. Never put a temporary emotion on the permanent internet.
■ **Content.** Ask yourself if this will embarrass or humiliate someone or yourself. Fifteen minutes of humour is never worth a lifetime of humiliation. Are you truly prepared to go viral? Being internet infamous isn't always a good place to be.
■ **Caring.** Post with empathy. Even if you are in a heated debate online, be constructive, not combative. Are you posting a controversial comment or video that may hurt people? Is this really the way you want to be recognised? When in doubt – click out.
— Source: Psychology Today



WELLNESS

Yoga for BEGINNERS

Start your yoga journey with these easy to do yoga asanas with various benefits



Steps:
1. Place your palms flat on the ground directly under your shoulders. Bend your elbows straight back and hug them into your sides.
2. Pause for a moment looking straight down at your mat with your neck in a neutral position.
3. Inhale and lift your chest off the floor. Roll your shoulders back and keep your low ribs on the floor. Make sure your elbows continue hugging your sides.
4. Keep your neck neutral. Your gaze should stay on the floor.

SETU BANDHASANA

As you perform Setu Bandhasana, also known as Bridge Pose, you will become more alert in both body and mind. This rejuvenating backbend will open your chest up and keep your spine flexible.

Steps:
1. Lie on the floor, bend your knees and set your feet on the floor, heels as close to the sitting bones as possible.
2. Exhale and, pressing your inner feet and arms actively into the floor, lift the buttocks off the floor.
3. Keep your thighs and inner feet parallel. Clasp the hands below your pelvis and extend through the arms to help you stay on the tops of your shoulders.
4. Lift your chin slightly away from the sternum and, firming the shoulder blades against your back, press the top of the sternum toward the chin.
5. Firm the outer arms, broaden the shoulder blades, and try to lift the space between them at the base of the neck up into the torso.
6. Stay in the pose anywhere from 30 seconds to 1 minute. Release with an exhalation, rolling the spine slowly down onto the floor.

The ancient practice of yoga is known to offer scientifically proven solutions to many everyday problems both physical and mental. Yoga lowers stress hormones and also strengthens the nervous system while stimulating the lymphatic system which is responsible for removing toxins from the body. Yoga also calms the mind and can contribute to a deeper regulated sleep which is very crucial for wellness.

lengthens the hamstrings and calves. It is regarded as a relaxing and stress-relieving pose. Traditionally, it is said to help relieve insomnia.

Steps:
1. From raised hands pose, sweep your arms down on either side of your body to come into a forward fold from your hips.
2. Bring your fingertips in line with the toes. Press your palms flat to the mat if you can. You can use blocks under your hands here if they don't reach the floor.
3. Bend the knees a little bit so that they are not locked.
4. Bring your weight a little bit forward into the balls of your feet so that your hips stay over your ankles.
5. Let your head hang.
6. Inhale and place your hands onto your hips, press your tailbone down and contract your abdominal muscles as you rise up slowly.

BHUJANGASANA

Cobra Pose increases the mobility of the spine, strengthens spinal support muscles, and can help relieve back pain. It opens the chest and the front of the body.

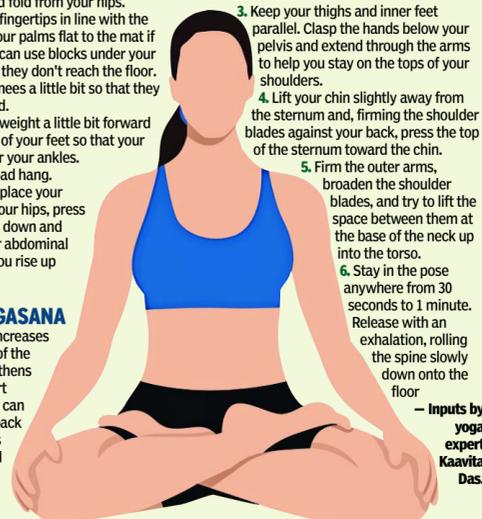
SUKHASANA

Sukhasana refers to a cross-legged, seated position, and one of the most basic poses used in yoga practice and meditation. It is also a calming pose and it is one commonly used for meditation and practicing breathing exercises.

Steps:
1. Sit on your padding in a comfortable, cross-legged position.
2. Slide the shoulder blades down your back so your shoulders move away from your ears. The crown of your head should rise towards the ceiling.
3. Your hands can rest in your lap or on the tops of your thighs.
4. On your inhalations, feel your spine grow long. On your exhalations, root down through your seat.

UTTANASANA

Standing forward bend stretches and



— Inputs by yoga expert Kaavita Das.

MIND MATTERS

Could MINIMALISM be CRUSHING your creativity?

Research says that the right kind of messiness can actually make you more creative, efficient and productive

Scientist Albert Einstein, famous for his genius and creative thinking, was known for having a messy desk. So was Mark Twain and Thomas Edison. Back in the day, a clean desk was considered a sign of slothful laziness. Busy people, and smart people didn't have time to straighten up. Einstein famously pointed out that "If a cluttered mind, then, then, is an empty desk a sign?" Marie Kondo, the queen of decluttering, herself has warned against the tidiness temptation, saying organising one's possessions in clever storage solutions is a "booby trap".

CLUTTER EQUALS CREATIVITY

People usually tend to dislike disorder, perceiving it as a sign of being unorganised or unproductive. Surprisingly

enough, this is not exactly true. Kathleen Voets, Ph.D., and her fellow researchers at the University of Minnesota did a series of experiments on the psychology of messiness. They found that while working in an orderly room encouraged behaviors such as generosity and healthy eating, working in a messy environment actually led to greater creativity. The researchers believed that doing work in a clean and tidy space activates social norms encouraging people to do what is expected of them. Working in a messyspace, on the other hand, relaxes that need and allows people to break free of social norms and expectations.



CHANNELISE YOUR INNER-MESSMAKER

This doesn't necessarily mean that everyone who is exposed to a messy environment will become more creative. Forcing a person who prefers a tidy space to work in a disorderly environment, for example, might actually result in less creativity and lower productivity. Science suggests that perhaps tidiness (or the lack thereof) is an inherent trait: some of us are naturally neat, while others are born messy. If you fall in the latter category, then imposing a compulsive orderliness on yourself goes against your essential nature and could actually damage your productivity and peace of mind.

METHOD TO THE MADNESS

Each person's mess comes with a certain logic of its own. Mess isn't always the absence of order. On a messy desk, for instance, the more important, urgent work tends to stay close by, near the top of the clutter while the ignorable stuff tends to get buried to the bottom or near the back. This makes perfect sense. Disorderly environments inspire breaking free of tradition, which can produce fresh insights.

NUTRITION

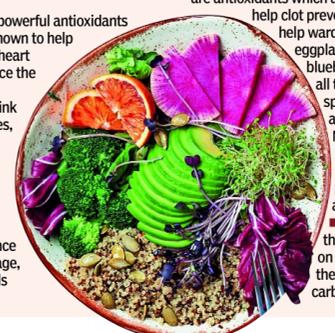
HUES THAT

Fill your plate with the right colours for good health

Docs around the world recommend the Rainbow Diet – eating as many colours as possible on a daily basis. This is because the deep greens, vibrant reds, deep purples, bright oranges and yellows that we consume every day, provide far more than just "a rainbow" of colourful visual stimulation. Since all fruits and vegetables contain different micronutrients, eating the rainbow is ensures that you are consuming the entire spectrum of micronutrients.
■ **Orange/Yellow:** The colour means Vitamin C! Peppers, oranges, squashes, carrots are great for your eye health and overall immunity.
■ **Red:** Red fruits and veggies are packed

with a variety of powerful antioxidants that have been shown to help fight cancer and heart disease and reduce the risk of macular degeneration. Think tomatoes, cherries, cranberries, pomegranate.
■ **Yellow/Green:** These colours clear toxins from the body and are found in abundance in broccoli, cabbage, bok choy, Brussels sprouts, Kale.

■ **White:** Foods like onions, garlic and cauliflower fight inflammation, support the immune system and lower cholesterol. They also have anti-fungal and anti-bacterial properties.
■ **Blue/Purple:** These foods contain Anthocyanins and Vitamin C. Anthocyanins are antioxidants which are heart healthy, help clot prevention and may also help ward off cancer. Eat eggplants, blackberries, blueberries, prunes. Of all the colours in the spectrum, blue is an appetite suppressant. No wonder then that a lot of weight loss plans suggest putting your food on a blue plate!
■ **Browns:** Reduce the browns and beiges on your plate since they mostly mean carbs and calories.



THE VISIONARY

An Italian fashion designer, she was known for her groundbreaking designs

ELSA SCHIAPARELLI
BIRTHDAY: SEPT. 10, 1890

Born in Rome in 1890 to an aristocrat mother and scholar father, she went on to study philosophy at the University of Rome before publishing a book of sensual poetry. The controversial book shocked her family and, as a result, she was sent to a convent. She soon went on a hunger strike there and was released at the age of 22, at which point she took a job as a nanny in London. She spent much of her free time at museums or attending lectures.

ART TO DESIGN

It was in London that she met her husband Count William de Wendt de Kerlor who was a theosophist. They moved to New York where Schiaparelli started to work with Gaby Picabia – the ex-wife of French Dadaist artist Francis Picabia and owner of a boutique selling French fashions in New York. After her marriage ended, she decided to follow Picabia

to Paris. It was in Paris that she began to design clothes and in 1927, she started her own business. Affectionately known as "Schiap" to her close friends, her first collection consisted of sweaters adorned with surrealist trompe l'oeil images – a theme that was to become her calling card.

DESIGN EVOLUTION

Progressing from her debut range of sweaters, Schiaparelli produced a collection named Pour le Sport –

She became associated with a shade of magenta known as "Schiaparelli pink". Her fascination with the colour came from a Cartier diamond owned by her friend, describing the jewel's colour as "bright, impossible, impudent, becoming, life-giving". She first used it on her debut fragrance packaging. It became her signature



a range of bathing suits, ski-wear and linen dresses. She also created the revolutionary divided skirt which was worn by Lili de Alvarez at Wimbledon in 1931 and shocked the tennis world.

In 1931, Schiaparelli added eveningwear to her repertoire. She collaborated with Salvador Dali to create the shoe hat, the Tears dress, and the Skeleton dress, a black gown featuring padded pieces that looked like bones.

FASHION MAVERICK

She is noted for introducing many styles and techniques into the fashion history. She was the first designer to create zippers in colours that matched the material used in her garments, and to follow Picabia

adorn clothes with detailed, brooch-like buttons. She was also the designer that introduced the idea of showcasing designs on a catwalk, accompanied by music and art. When France declared war on Germany in 1939, Schiaparelli moved back to New York. She returned when the war ended but soon discovered that fashions had changed. She closed her design house in 1954. In the same year, she wrote her autobiography Shocking Life – which detailed her life and career. She died on November 13 1973.

Trompe-l'oeil is an artistic term for the highly realistic optical illusion of three-dimensional space and objects on a two-dimensional surface

Once-in-a-generation artist

Her throaty, raspy voice was as iconic as her hairstyle and eye makeup

AMY WINEHOUSE
BIRTHDAY: SEPT. 14, 1983

Known for her deep, contralto voice Amy Winehouse, was a British singer and songwriter. Singing in the soul, jazz, and rhythm and blues genres, Winehouse had a range that many considered prodigious. Her albums won her awards during her lifetime, and she was widely glorified for her philanthropic work. Her distinct makeup and hair earned her rave reviews, and she even collaborated with the Fred Perry label for a collection.

Winehouse's debut album, 'Frank', was released in 2003. Many of the album's songs were influenced by jazz and, apart from two covers, were co-written by Winehouse.

Her album, 'Back to Black', in 2006, which went on to become an international success and one of the best-selling al-

bums in UK history. At the 2007 Brit Awards it was nominated for British Album of the Year, and she received the award for British Female Solo Artist. The song 'Rehab' won her a second Ivor Novello Award. At the 50th Grammy Awards in 2008, she won five awards, tying the then record for the most wins by a female artist in a single night and becoming the first British woman to win five Grammys.



She donated much of her earnings to charities, especially those working with children. A charitable foundation, the Amy Winehouse Foundation, was set up by her family to help the youth after her tragic death

QUEEN OF CRIME

INARGUABLY THE BEST DETECTIVE NOVELIST, CHRISTIE HAS BEEN THE CREATOR OF MANY ICONIC CHARACTERS

AGATHA CHRISTIE
BIRTHDAY: SEPT. 15, 1890

Born in Torquay in 1890, Agatha Christie began writing during the First World War and wrote over 100 novels, plays and short story collections. She was still writing to great acclaim until her death, and her books have now sold over a billion copies in English and another billion in over 100 foreign languages. Yet Agatha Christie was always a very private person, and though Hercule Poirot and Miss Marple became

household names, the Queen of Crime was a complete enigma to all but her closest friends.

Her writing career spanned more than half a century, during which she wrote 80 novels and short story collections, as well as 14 plays, one of which, 'The Mousetrap', is the longest-running play in history. Two of the characters she created, the brilliant little Belgian Hercule Poirot and the irrepressible and relentless Miss Marple, went on to become world-famous

detectives. Both have been widely dramatised in feature films and made-for-TV movies.

Agatha Christie also wrote romantic novels under the pseudonym Mary Westmacott. As well, she wrote four non-fiction books including an autobiography and an entertaining account of the many expeditions she shared with her archaeologist husband, Sir Max Mallowan



NEWSMAKER OF THE WEEK

QUEEN ELIZABETH II
(APRIL 21 1926-SEPT 8, 2022)

LIFE & TIMES OF UK'S LONGEST-SERVING MONARCH

QUEEN ELIZABETH II PASSES AWAY AT 96 LEAVING A LIFETIME OF LEGACY

Queen Elizabeth II, the UK's longest-serving monarch, died on Thursday at Balmoral Castle in Scotland after reigning for 70 years. She was 96. Her death brings to an end the longest reign in the history of the United Kingdom, and one of the longest rule by any head of state. Here are some key facts about the Queen's long reign and the legacy she has left behind...

WAS HOMESCHOOLED

It may come as a surprise to most of us, but the Queen never went to school. That's not to say that she isn't educated. She and her sister, Princess Margaret, received private tutoring at the palace. During World War II, she joined the British armed forces and trained to be a mechanic, making her the first female royal to join the armed services.

SAW 15 BRITISH PMS, 14 US PRESIDENTS

Queen Elizabeth II ascended to the throne on the death of her father on Feb 6, 1952, while she

was in Kenya on a royal tour. She was crowned on June 2, 1953 at Westminster Abbey, the first ever coronation to be televised. On Sept 9, 2015, she surpassed the 63 years, 7 months, 2 days, 16 hours and 23 minutes that her great-great-grandmother Queen Victoria spent on the throne. During her reign, there have been 14 US presidents. In seven decades on the throne, Queen Elizabeth II saw 15 British prime ministers come and go.

Elizabeth was the queen of as many as 15 realms including the United Kingdom, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Jamaica, Antigua and Barbuda, the Bahamas, Belize, Grenada, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, St Kitts and Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent and the Grenadines, and Tuvalu

QUEEN'S INDIA TIES

Queen Elizabeth II was the first British monarch to accede to the throne after India's Independence from colonial rule in 1952 and cherished the "warmth and hospitality" she received during her three State Visits over the course of her reign – in 1961, 1983 and 1997.

THE 'ORDINARY' SIDE OF ROYALTY

During her long life of public duty and protocol, Queen Elizabeth II occasionally shared in her subjects' ordinary lives – often during sneaked or staged encounters. As a 19-year-old, Elizabeth and her sister Margaret sneaked out of the Palace to celebrate the end of World War II in Europe on May 8, 1945. She entered the London Underground on six occasions. She also popped into a McDonald's restaurant in northwest England and toured a trainer store!

SIGNATURE STYLE

Brightly coloured outfits, a matching hat and a pristine pair of gloves: Queen Elizabeth II's look

was instantly recognisable and a self-created uniform to suit her role. During her reign, the monarch tried out every shade in the colour chart, from canary yellow to lime green, fuchsia and navy blue.

THE 'ROYAL' DOGS

Queen Elizabeth II's corgi dogs went together in the British imagination like tea and cake, giving worldwide exposure to the obscure breed. The little, mainly sandy-coloured dogs with pointy ears were a busy presence in the queen's court, following her from room to room in Buckingham Palace and featuring in official photos. They were even given a starring role in the spoof James Bond clip filmed with the queen for the opening ceremony of the 2012 London Olympics.

A GREAT MIMICKER

She often gave the impression of a serious demeanor, and many have noted her "poker face," but those who knew her described her as having a mischievous sense of humour and a talent for mimicry in private company. Rowan Williams, the former Archbishop of Canterbury, has said the queen could be "extremely funny in private – and not everybody appreciates how funny she can be." Recently, she showed her mischievous side during the Platinum Jubilee celebrations, when she starred in a comic video alongside an animated Paddington Bear and spoke of hiding sandwiches in her purse. ^{TMN}



INDIAN CRICKET'S FIRST SUPERSTAR

The Royal cricketer is still known as the finest batsman of all time

RANJITSINHJI VIBHAJI
BIRTHDAY: SEPT. 10, 1872

Ranjitsinhji, better known as Ranji, an Indian prince, was probably one of the finest batsmen of all time, not only in terms of runs scored but also because he brought new strokes to the game. His keen eye, unorthodox and speed of reaction introduced the late cut and leg glance, as well as the art of back-foot defence.

He arrived at Cambridge in 1891 (where he was nicknamed "Smith") never having played an organised game and won a Blue in his final summer. After serving his qualification, he marked his debut for Sussex at Lord's in May 1895 with 77 and 150 against MCC. He led the county for five years (1899-1903) but at the end of 1904 he returned to India to deal with increasing domestic responsibilities, and played only two more complete summers (1908 and 1912), again passing 1000 runs each time.

Away from cricket, Ranji had become Maharaja Jam Sahab of Nawanganar in March 1907. His work with the Chamber of Princes and in the League of Nations after the Great War was also vital. "When Ranji passed out of cricket," wrote Sir Neville Cardus, "a wonder and a glory departed from the game forever." In 1897 Ranji produced what is generally considered to be one of cricket's classic works, 'The Jubilee Book of Cricket'. Ranji Trophy, was named in his honour and inaugurated in 1935 by the Maharaja Bhupinder Singh of Patiala.

Alibaba & his Store

Chinese entrepreneur and founder of Alibaba Group, Jack Ma's story is one of a risk taker and a visionary

JACK MA
BIRTHDAY: SEPT. 10, 1964

EARLY LIFE

He began studying English at a young age by conversing with English-speakers at Hangzhou International Hotel. Ma attended Hangzhou Teacher's Institute and graduated in 1988 with a BA in English. Later, Ma struggled attending college. The Chinese entrance exams are held only once a year and Ma took four years to pass. After college, he became a lecturer in English and International Trade at Hangzhou Dianzi University. He enrolled at the Beijing-based Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business and graduated in 2006.

FACED REJECTION

Ma applied for 30 different jobs and got rejected by all. "I went for a job with the police; they said, 'you're no good,'" Ma said in an interview. "I even went to KFC when it came to my city. Twenty-four people went for the job. Twenty-three were accepted. I was the only guy..." In addition, he applied ten times to Harvard Business School and got rejected.

ALIBABA

From 1998 to 1999, Ma headed an IT company established by the China

She donated much of her earnings to charities, especially those working with children. A charitable foundation, the Amy Winehouse Foundation, was set up by her family to help the youth after her tragic death



Help young people. Help small guys. Because small guys will be big. Young people will have the seeds you bury in their minds, and when they grow up, they will change the world.

International Electronic Commerce Centre, a department of the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation. In 1999, he quit and returned to Hangzhou with his team to found Alibaba, a China-based business-to-business marketplace site in his apartment with a group of 18 friends. He started a new round of venture development with 500,000 yuan.

In September 2014 it was reported Alibaba was raising over \$25 billion in an initial public offering (IPO) on the New York Stock Exchange. Alibaba became one of the most valuable technology companies in the world after raising \$25 billion, the largest initial public offering in US financial history. Ma now serves as executive chairman of Alibaba Group, which is a holding company with nine major subsidiaries.

NET WORTH

As of March 2022, with a net worth of \$37.1 billion, Ma is the fifth-wealthiest person in China and the 35th wealthiest person in the world, ranked by Bloomberg Billionaires Index. In 2019, 'Forbes' named Ma in its list of 'Asia's 2019 Heroes of Philanthropy'.

RETIREMENT

On September 10, 2018, he announced that he will retire from Alibaba and pursue educational charity work. In 2017, 'Fortune' ranked Ma second on its World's 50 Greatest Leaders list. Same year a KPMG ranked Ma third in global tech innovation visionary survey.

Pitch Perfect

A cricketing genius who lived a life of 'no regrets'

SHANE WARNE
BIRTHDAY: SEPT. 13, 1969

The maverick leg spinner, Shane Warne added substance, style, glamour to the art of leg spin bowling. A charismatic performer who made as many headlines on the field and off it, he finished second-best to Muttiah Muralitharan in the Test wickets tables, but for many he remains the greatest spinner. His shocking death at the age of 52 left many fans bereft. We look at some of his best achievements.

1 When he debuted for Australia, against India at the Sydney Cricket Ground in Feb 1992, Ravi Shastri and a young Tendulkar showed him that Test cricket wasn't child's play. His figures were far from impressive as he picked up just a solitary wicket at the expense of 150 runs.

2 In 1993, he came into his own courtesy the successful tours of New Zealand and England where he took 71 wickets in 1993, then a record for a spin bowler in a calendar year.

3 In the 1996 World Cup, he collected 12 wickets including a match winning 4-36 in the semi-final against West Indies. Australia though went on to lose the finals to Sri Lanka. In the 1999 World Cup, he finished as the highest wicket taker as Australia lifted the trophy.

4 In 2007, Cricket Australia and Sri Lanka Cricket names the Australia-Sri Lanka Test cricket series, as the "Warne-Muralitharan Trophy". In 1998, Warne it was revealed that he and fellow Australian cricketer Mark Waugh had taken bribes from an Indian bookmaker four years earlier. The pair claimed they only gave pitch information and weather forecasts. The two were secretly fined by the Australian Cricket Board.

6 Controversies followed Warne when just before the 2003 World Cup he was sent home after a drug test found the presence of a banned diuretic; he subsequently received a 12-month ban. He made a comeback to international cricket in February 2004 and in

an engaging spin battle with Muralitharan, he took 26 wickets in 3 matches. He was named Wisden Leading Cricketer in the World for the year 2004 in Wisden Cricketers' Almanac.

7 Tendulkar was Warne's Achilles' Heel. He has once said that he had nightmares of Tendulkar dancing down the wicket and hitting him for six. His average against India was 47, not impressive by any standards.

8 His international retirement came in 2007, after Australia

reclaimed the Ashes series of 2006-07, which was his ultimate goal. He ended his Test career with 708 wickets.

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