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DO YOU KNOW

MICHAEL JORDAN

Do You Know | Michael Jordan

Listening Practice | Intermediate

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EARLY LIFE

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NBA LEGEND

Jordan was a star from his first season with the Bulls. He was a [14] _____ [15] _____. The Bulls were not one of the NBA's better teams, but they gradually improved. They made the NBA playoffs in their first five [16] _____ with Jordan. However, they failed to make the NBA championship finals.

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