

Tiger Woods

3 Most golfers never
 9 make a **hole-in-one**. Tiger
 12 Woods **accomplished** this
 18 **feat** when he was just six
 23 years old. At that time,
 27 people who knew Tiger
 31 already believed he would
 35 become a great golfer.
 39 They had **proof**. Tiger
 43 began hitting golf balls
 49 before he was a year old.
 55 Day after day, he hit golf
 66 balls into a net in his garage. He even entered **competitions**
 79 early. He won a **pitch, putt, and drive** contest for kids when he
 91 was only two years old. At four, he won a **junior golf**
 92 **tournament**.



92 Tiger also believed in and **challenged** himself. He played
 101 all the time. He hung a list of golf-great Jack Nicklaus's
 113 **successes** on his wall. The list helped him stay **focused** on his
 125 **goal**. As the years passed, Tiger continued to **refine** his skills
 136 and win an **increasing** number of golf tournaments.

144 In 1997, the world knew how great Tiger was at golf. Tiger
 156 won the 1997 **Masters** Tournament with a score of 270. He
 167 beat the second place golfer by 12 **strokes**—a **Masters record**.
 178 Tiger set five other Masters records too, one of which he
 189 reached just because of his age. At 21, he was the youngest
 201 person to win the tournament.

words read

- errors

= score



Quick Quiz

17. What is the main idea of *Tiger Woods*?
- n. Jack Nicklaus is an inspiration to Tiger Woods.
 - o. Tiger Woods is a great golfer who has set many records.
 - p. Unlike most golfers, Tiger Woods can make a hole-in-one.
18. Which of the following was a record Tiger set at a Masters Tournament?
- e. oldest person to win the tournament
 - f. youngest person to win the tournament
 - g. first to come in second place with 270 strokes
19. What does **strokes** mean in this story?
- j. rubs gently
 - k. swimming movements
 - l. swings of a golf club
20. What has been the key to Tiger Woods' success?
- d. his idol, Jack Nicklaus
 - e. his age
 - f. his dedication



Talk about what you learned

How was Tiger able to keep improving at golf?