

Is Marcus Rashford a changemaker inspired by his faith?

1. What is racism? (keywords)
2. What does it mean to have class privilege?
3. If we say someone has strong conviction, what do we mean? (keywords)
4. How can we decide if someone's a changemaker?

BBC BREAKFAST

As we watch:

- What did he do?
- Why did he do it?

Yeah definitely, 45% of people like me, black people, people in different ethnic minorities

Marcus Rashford: A Champion On and Off the Field

Marcus Rashford, born on October 31, 1997, in Manchester, England, is not just known for his incredible talent on the football field but also for his impactful work off it. Growing up in a working-class family, Marcus faced many challenges. However, his determination and passion for football helped him rise above these difficulties, eventually becoming one of Manchester United's star players and a key figure in the England national team.

Early Life and Football Career

From a young age, Marcus showed a natural talent for football. He joined the Manchester United academy at the age of seven and quickly progressed through the ranks. By 2016, at just 18 years old, he made his first-team debut and scored two goals in his very first game.



Since then, Marcus has become a regular starter for Manchester United and has represented England in major international tournaments.

Faith and Inspiration

Marcus Rashford is a devout Christian, and his faith plays a significant role in his life. Raised in a Christian household, Marcus often speaks about how his beliefs have shaped his values and actions. His faith teaches him the importance of kindness, compassion, and helping those in need, which has greatly influenced his charitable efforts.

Campaigns Against Racism and Poverty

Rashford's commitment to his faith and his personal experiences have driven him to fight against racism and poverty. Growing up, Marcus understood what it was like to struggle, often relying on free school meals. This personal experience became a catalyst for his campaign to end child food poverty in the UK.



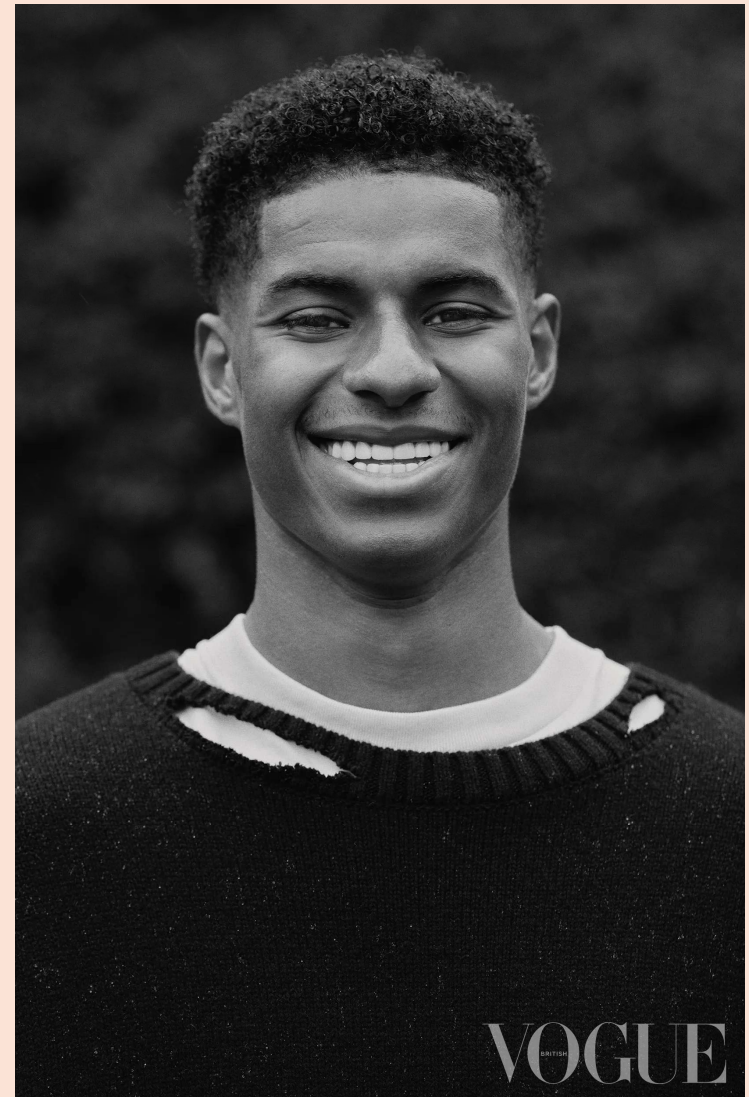
In 2020, during the COVID-19 pandemic, Marcus launched a campaign urging the UK government to provide free school meal vouchers for

Let's read about his story.

Is he inspired by his faith?

"The faith we have in God is shown by the people that we are."

"For me and my family, that's definitely the case. If you could see our lives 15-20 years ago to where we are now, it's impossible not to have faith in God and all he does for us,"



How does this connect to his faith?: Parable of the Sheep and the Goats

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Then the righteous will answer him, '**Lord, when was it** that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?'

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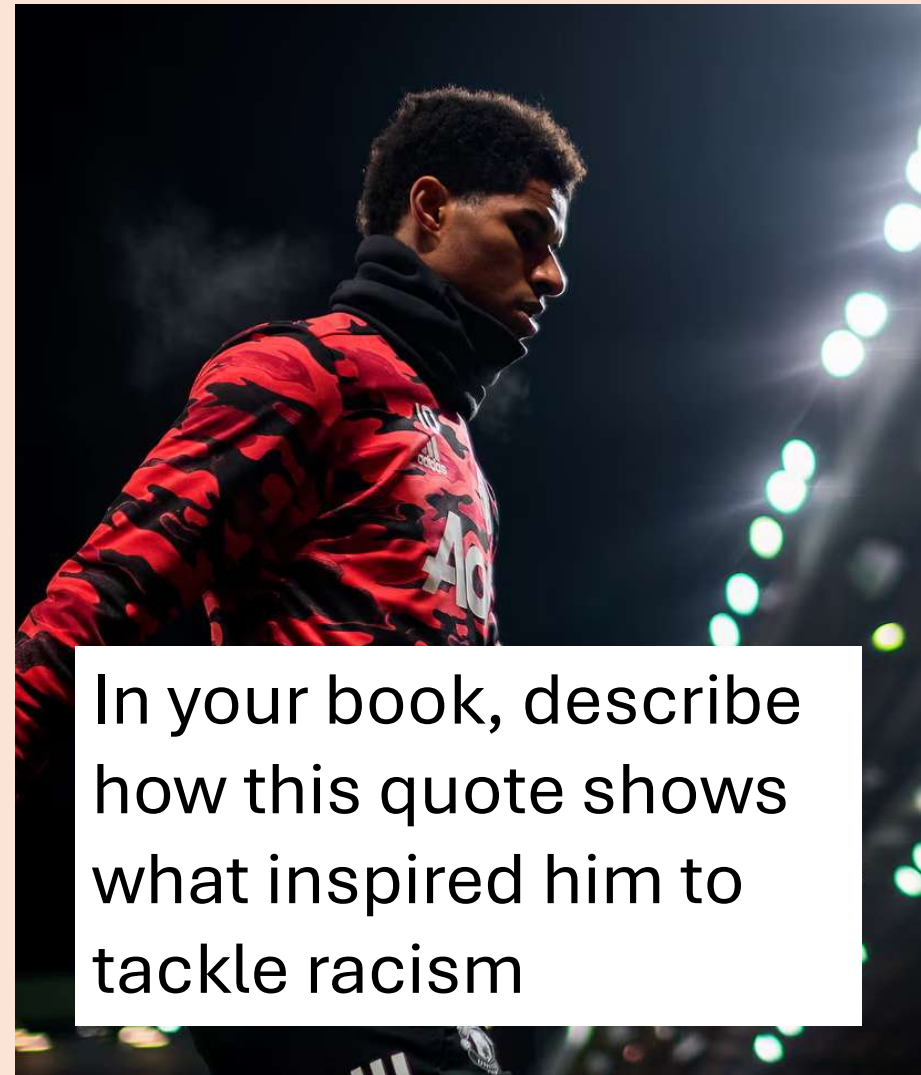
What else has inspired him?

Rashford was one of several Premier League footballers to have abuse directed at their social media accounts this past week. He wasn't even the only one in his team. No one knows how many players have been targeted in total, however, how many messages sent. There is nobody both able and willing to count.

In a thread of three tweets, Rashford did acknowledge obliquely that he had been abused (his club confirmed that fact), but he wanted to make a broader point.

“Yes, I’m a black man and I live every day proud that I am,” he wrote. “No one, or no one comment, is going to make me feel any different. So sorry if you were looking for a strong reaction, you’re just simply not going to get it here.

“I’m not sharing screenshots. It would be irresponsible to do so and as you can imagine there’s nothing original in them. I have beautiful children of all colours following me and they don’t need to read it. Beautiful colours that should only be celebrated.”



In your book, describe how this quote shows what inspired him to tackle racism

What else has inspired him?

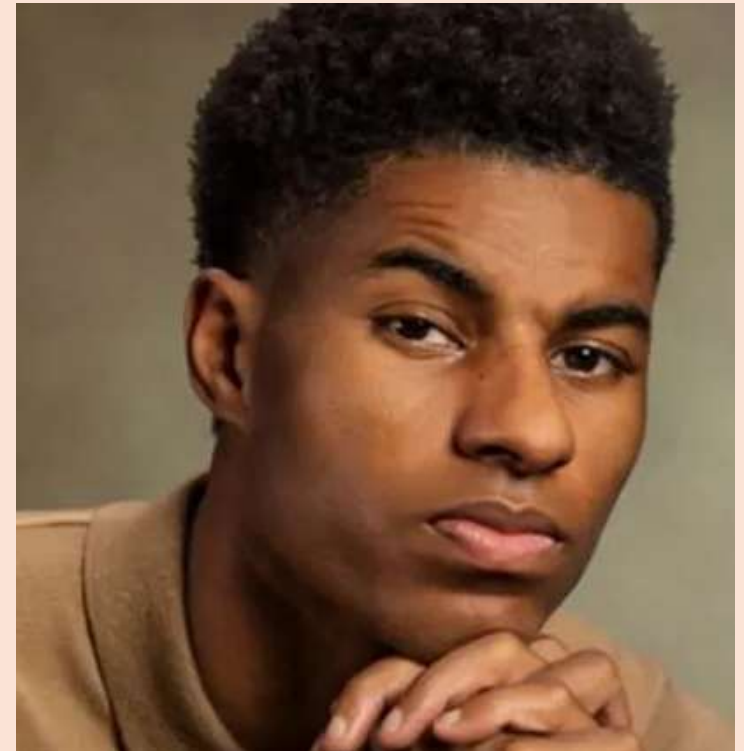
His mother Mel - a single parent of five - explains how she worked three jobs when Rashford was growing up.

While working as a bookmakers' cashier, she took on another job in the shop. "I used to finish my shift and then go back and do the cleaning," she says, adding: "I used to do pot-washing on a Saturday as well."

Mel says there were times she served up food for her children but there would not be enough for herself.

"Sometimes we didn't even have a loaf of bread in the house," she says. "But I wouldn't tell somebody I was struggling - it was embarrassing."

In one scene in the documentary, Rashford visits Wythenshawe - the area of south Manchester where he grew up. He reflects on how local businesses supported him and his family. "If they knew my mum was in work, they'd just let me have a portion of chips or something," he says.



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Giving a new opinion

- I think that ...
- I believe that ...
- In my view ...
- My opinion is ...

Agreeing

- I agree with ... because...
- I would argue the same thing because...
- The reason I agree is ...
-'s point interests me because...

Building

- I would like to build on your point because ...
- I agree, but would like to add ...
- In addition to your point ...
- It's a good argument, but it needs ...

Challenging

- I don't think that's right because ...
- I'd like to challenge your point because ...
- This argument is less convincing because...

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Write 2 PEEL paragraphs (point, evidence, explain, link)

1 Agree

1 Disagree

1 Conclusion

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