

Michael Jackson

29 August 1958 - 25 June 2009

American singer and songwriter, producer and dancer



Private life

- * born in Gary, Indiana (USA)
- * the 8th child of 10 children in an African-American working-class family
- * married Lisa Marie Presley (1994) ; divorced (1996)
- * married Debbie Rowe (1996) ; divorced (1999)
- * 3 children

Career :

- began his professional career as a member of the Jackson 5, in 1964 along with his elder brothers
 - began his solo career in 1971
- In the early 1980s, became a dominant figure in popular music
 - „Thriller“ = best selling album of all time
 - at the origin of very innovative videos
 - great performer and dancer
- massive influence on numerous artists of various music genres

Which songs and albums to remember?



« Thriller » 1982 : most successful album ever (65 million copies worldwide)

Included such hits as *Beat it*, *Billie Jean*, *Thriller*

« **Bad** » 1987 : 7 successful singles (*The way you make me feel*, *Man in the mirror...*)

↳ 'Dangerous' 1991 : 32 million copies worldwide (*Black or White*,)

'History' 1995 : *They don't care about us*

