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Pop Superstar!

Ariana Grande came onstage, and the crowd went wild. It was 2014, and the pop music superstar was performing in New York. For 90 minutes, she sang and danced. The **arena** rocked with energy and excitement—just like Ariana’s music!

Ariana poses
for a selfie
with a fan.






**Ariana's
music videos
have been viewed
online more than
8 billion times.**

Born in the U.S.A.

Ariana Grande-Butera was born on June 26, 1993, in Boca Raton, Florida. From an early age, Ariana wanted a **career** in music. She started dreaming about it when she was just three years old!



Ariana with her
brother, Frankie

A photograph of Ariana Grande and her mother Joan walking together. Ariana is on the left, wearing a black peplum top, dark pants, and a quilted crossbody bag. Joan is on the right, wearing a black blazer, a wide black belt, and dark pants. They are both looking off to the side. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

Ariana
shopping
with her
mom, Joan

Ariana's name
was inspired by
Princess Oriana
in the movie
Felix the Cat.

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Ariana Grande is one of pop music's shining stars. So how did this incredible talent rise to the top? Look inside to learn all about Ariana's life, from her childhood to superstardom!

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