



## Gary Neville - From Football Legend to Building a Business Empire

Gary Neville is an English former football player for Manchester United F.C. He has since built a large business portfolio including property development, hospitality ventures and co-ownership of a football club. He also works extensively as a broadcaster for sport.

Gary Neville is originally from the Greater Manchester area in North-West England. He therefore speaks with a Manchester or 'Manc' accent.

Watch the video in the link below, and answer the questions. Some questions require more information than others. Some of the answers to the questions may also contain unfamiliar names or information which is not part of the question. The key aim of the exercise, therefore, is to be able to identify the important information which is relevant to the question.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cMCucLELzd0>

### Vocabulary to check before answering the questions:

**United** - A short name for Manchester United Football Club

**robustness** - An ability to handle really difficult situations

**lorry** - A British English word for 'truck'

**to live vicariously through someone** - to live through someone else's experience rather than being a part of those events yourself.

1. **(01:28-02:22)** What does the interviewer feel is strange about Gary Neville's family?
2. **(02:22-03:51)** What 2 'not normal' examples does Gary Neville give to illustrate his family's drive and commitment to what they do?
3. **(03:51-04:40)** What do you think Gary Neville is referring to here when he talks about 'layers'?
4. **(04:40-05:00)** What are the exact words that Gary Neville says in these 20 seconds?
5. **(05:00-05:40)** What does the interviewer say is the best way to learn lessons from our parents, and what example does he give about his mum?
6. **(05:40-06:51)** What was Gary Neville's dad's occupation; what time did he leave for work and what time did he return?
7. **(07:08-08:02)** What did Gary Neville do after school, and what did he never risk?



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8. **(08:02-08:37)** What problems did Gary Neville's dad have at a young age, and what were the potential causes of these problems?

### **SKIP TO 'YOUR BUSINESS' (01:01:02)**

9. **(01:01:02-01:01:40)** What does the interviewer find so impressive about Gary Neville's business portfolio?

**BONUS QUESTION: (01:01:40-01:01:51)** What 2 words does Gary Neville not like to refer to himself as? **[strong language]**

10. **(01:02:30-01:03:09)** What do all of Gary Neville's business ventures have in common and why?
11. **(01:03:09-01:03:38)** What does Gary Neville like and dislike about startups?
12. **(01:03:38-01:03:50)** What 2 things does Gary Neville really enjoy about his businesses?