

My favorite athlete is Miroslav Zalesak





- Forward of "Irtysk" Miroslav Zalesak told merry about his childhood, his debut in the NHL, playing in one link with Alexander Ovechkin, the matches against Kazakhstan at the world Championships.



- - Get to traditions find out why and how did you get in hockey.
- On skates stood up when I was about four years old. I was one of those kids who couldn't sit still, which constantly need something to do, somewhere to run. My father was a professional footballer, so I did both soccer and hockey until 14 and then I had to choose. To play hockey I did it better, so the choice fell on him.



- Zalesak played at number thirteen. Much time elapsed as he changed the number to twenty, it was his best friend who died in a car accident. They played together in the Junior League. And on every stick was written with a marker number twenty, in memory of his friend



- Smile is his way of life. Always positive, humorous mood, the soul of the company. How can one not smile during the game? When you do what brings you pleasure, you're happy. Here he is a happy man. And whatever happens on the ice, he always repeats himself that it's only a game.



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## Miroslav ZÁLEŠÁK (Košice)

- I chose this athlete, as it is my idol. In his thirty-five years he has achieved much. He is the best player and scorer. He's not famous as all, he goes to his goal, with each step getting better, I am confident that he will succeed, I wish him huge wins in his future hockey