## Kobe Bryant 20 years Contents List

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| 28 June 1996 | C7 | "Laker in waiting might be an NBA star in the making" |
| 13 July 1996 | C1 and C8 | "Teen idol - Lakers won't treat Kobe Bryant like an ordinary rookie" |
| 14 July 1996 | C4 | "Bryant leaves quite an early impression" (Summer pro-League debut) |
| 15 Oct 1996 | C1 and C6 | "Kobe Bryant humbly begins his jump from preps to pros" |
| 4 Nov 1996 | C 1 and C 11 | "Bryant becomes youngest player in NBA history as they beat Timberwolves, 91-85" |
| 9 Feb 1997 | C6 | "At 18, Lakers' Bryant steals the show by becoming youngest to win Slam-Dunk contest and scoring 31 points in Rookie All-Star game" |
| 28 Jan 1999 | D1 and D7 | "Kobe is getting a big deal; Laker agrees to a six-year, $\$ 70 \mathrm{~m}$ extension, the most a third-year player can get" |
| 22 March 1999 | D1 and D4 | "Kobe steps up, makes big deficit disappear; Bryant scores 33 in second half as Lakers rally from 24 points down to beat Magic, 115-104" |
| 8 May 1999 | D1 and D4 | "The Kobe paradox; When he's good, he's very, very good, but when he's bad..." |
| 16 May 1999 | D1, D10 and D11 | "Lakers can keep Spurs on; L.A. defeats Houston, 98-88, and advances to play San Antonio in second round" |
| 11 Jan 2000 | D1 and D5 | "Bryant takes Lakers higher; He airfully scores 27 of his 30 points in an L.A. seasonhigh 72-point first half for $15^{\text {th }}$ win in row, 130-95" |
| 28 April 2000 | D1, D8 and D9 | "Bryant scores 32 points and Laker defense shuts down Kings in 113-89 romp" |
| 11 May 2000 | D1, D8 and D9 | "Kobe is go-two-up guy; Bryant makes the winning shot with 2.6 seconds left" (Lakers 97, Phoenix 96) |
| 8 June 2000 | S1 and S7 | NBA Finals Game 1; Lakers 104, Indiana 87 |
| 10 June 2000 | S1 and S10 | NBA Finals Game 2; Lakers 111, Indiana 104 |
| 15 June 2000 | S1 and S9 | NBA Finals Game 4; Lakers 120, Indiana 118 (OT) |
| 20 June 2000 | S1 and S10 | "First at Last; With Shaq and Kobe in the starring roles, Lakers win first championship in a dozen years" NBA Finals Game 6; Lakers 116, Indiana 111 |
| 12 May 2001 | D1 and D9 | "Bryant scores 36 points as Lakers take a 3-0 series edge on Kings" (Lakers 103, Sacramento 81) |
| 14 May 2001 | D1 and D11 | "Bryant scores 48 points to send Lakers into Western Conference finals with series sweep" (Lakers 119, Sacramento 113) |
| 20 May 2001 | D1 and D13 | "Kobe is overtowering; Bryant scores a spectacular 45 as Lakers grab home-court edge from Spurs with $16^{\text {th }}$ victory in a row, 104-90" |
| 26 May 2001 | D1 and D9 | "Bryant (36) and O'Neal (35) combine to score only one point fewer than Spurs as Lakers take a commanding 3-0 edge" (Lakers 111, San Antonio 72) |


| 9 June 2001 | S1 and S5 | NBA Finals Game 2; Lakers 98, Philadelphia 89 |
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| 11 June 2001 | V1 and V5 | NBA Finals Game 3; Lakers 96, Philadelphia 91 |
| 16 June 2001 | Front page | "To repeat: Lakers champs; Record postseason brings home second straight title" NBA Finals Game 5; Lakers 108, Philadelphia 96 |
| 15 Jan 2002 | D1 and D6 | "Shaq's out; Kobe's way in; Bryant fills O'Neal void with 56 points in 120-81 rout of Memphis Grizzlies" |
| 11 Feb 2002 | D1 and D6 | NBA All-Star Game: "Kobe drives points home; He scores 31, wins MVP award in West's 135-120 victory" |
| 13 Feb 2002 | D1 and D5 | "Kobe is wizard of awes; Bryant gets 15 assists, the most in his career, and third triple-double as Lakers rally to beat Washington, 103-94" |
| 13 May 2002 | D1 and D8 | "Bryant's spectacular rebound and put-back caps frantic fourth-quarter rally that lifts L.A. to a two-point victory and 3-1 series lead over Spurs" |
| 15 May 2002 | D1 and D6 | "Matchup with Sacramento in the Conference finals is next after Bryant, Fox and Horry help finish off San Antonio, 93-87" |
| 3 June 2002 | D1 and D13 | "It takes overtime in Game 7 for Lakers to get past the Kings and into Finals again" (Lakers 112, Sacramento 106) |
| 6 June 2002 | W1 and W6 | NBA Finals Game 1; Lakers 99, New Jersey 94 |
| 8 June 2002 | W1 and W8 | NBA Finals Game 2; Lakers 106, New Jersey 83 |
| 10 June 2002 | W1, W8 and W10 | NBA Finals Game 3; Lakers 106, New Jersey 103 |
| 15 June 2002 | W1 | NBA Champions |
| 8 Jan 2003 | D1 and D5 | "Kobe's game is 3-Dimensional; Bryant sets NBA record with 12 three-point baskets, including nine in a row, and scores 45 points in Lakers' 119-98 victory over Seattle" |
| 13 Feb 2003 | D1 and D6 | "Kobe's 51 make it best of seven; With season high in 113-102 victory over Nuggets, he continues his amazing run" |
| 19 Feb 2003 | D1 and D7 | "Kobe scores a nifty 52; Bryant makes it six consecutive games with more than 40 points as Lakers defeat the Rockets, 106-99" |
| 29 Mar 2003 | D1 and D7 | "Bryant strokes a half volley; Kobe steals spotlight with 55 points, a Laker-record 42 coming in first 24 minutes, and Lakers defeat Wizards, 108-94" |
| 2 May 2003 | D1 and D14 | "Lakers earn their Spurs; Bryant and O'Neal finally finish their workout against the Timberwolves in six games, setting up a series against San Antonio" |
| 15 April 2004 | D1 and D6 | "Bryant, Lakers on the rise; His three-pointer at buzzer gives L.A. a 105-104 win over Trail Blazers in double overtime, the division title and a first-round matchup with the Rockets" |
| 29 April 2004 | D1 and D9 | "Lakers enjoy close-out sail; Defending champion Spurs are up next after Bryant gets there on time and has one of his most complete games in a 97-78 rout of the Rockets" |
| 12 May 2004 | D1 and D9 | "Bryant's just 2-2 much; He scores 42 points as L.A. rallies in the second half to even the series with the Spurs" |
| 16 May 2004 | D1 and D11 | "Lakers make it four in a row and eliminate defending champions. Bryant scores 26" (Lakers 88, San Antonio 76) |


| 1 June 2004 | D1 and D5 | "L.A. pulls away to finish off the Timberwolves, 96-90, and reach the NBA Finals" |
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| 21 Dec 2005 | D1 and D6 | "Kobe's one-man show: 62; Bryant has a career-best, record-setting night in the Lakers' $112-90$ victory over the Mavericks" |
| 23 Jan 2006 | D1 and D12 | " 81 ! Bryant's record night is stunning but not shocking - he's been working up to this" |
| 15 April 2006 | D1 and D6 | "L.A. gets 50 points from Bryant and manages to defeat Portland, 110-99, and move closer to playoff berth" |
| 20 April 2006 | D1 and D7 | "Lakers end the regular season strong with a 115-95 win over Hornets. Bryant earns his first scoring title with 35.4 average" |
| 6 Feb 2007 | D1 and D5 | "Bryant is at his game-changing, finger-wagging best in fourth quarter, helping Lakers beat Atlanta, 90-83" |
| 17 March 2007 | D1 and D5 | "Bryant cleans up with 65; It's the second-highest total of his career, and he helps the Lakers end seven-game losing streak, 116-111 over the Portland Trail Blazers" |
| 23 March 2007 | D1 and D4 | "Kobe's 60 good for history, win; He becomes fourth player to score 50 or more points in three consecutive games, in a 121-119 victory over the Grizzlies" |
| 24 March 2007 | D1 and D11 | "Kobe still has 50 sense; Bryant becomes the second NBA player to score at least 50 points in four consecutive games, as Lakers beat Hornets, 111-105" |
| 24 April 2008 | D1 and D6 | "49er Kobe good as gold; Bryant just misses playoff high as he starts fast, then dominates the Nuggets down the stretch, and Lakers take a 2-0 lead" |
| 7 May 2008 | D1 and D8 | "His day is letter-perfect; As coaches and teammates watch, Bryant accepts his first MVP award" |
| 9 May 2008 | D1 and D8 | "Mere mortals in L.A. love their stars, but hero worship lavished on Bryant transcends all" |
| 17 May 2008 | D1 and D6 | "Lakers' great escape; Utah misses its shots in the final seconds and L.A. reaches conference finals" |
| 22 May 2008 | D1 and D4 | "Kobe's rallying points; Bryant scores 25 of his 27 points in the second half, including the go-ahead basket, as Lakers overcome San Antonio, 89-85" |
| 30 May 2008 | D1 and D10 | "Kobe has Finals say; Bryant scores 39 points, 17 in fourth quarter, as Lakers rally to dethrone Spurs" |
| 22 July 2008 | D1 and D7 | "Kobe's passion reignited; Lakers star is ready to win an Olympic gold medal" |
| 25 Aug 2008 | S1 and S3 | Beijing 2008 Olympic Final; United States 118, Spain 107 |
| 3 Feb 2009 | D1 and D5 | "Bryant paints a Madison Square Garden masterpiece with an arena-record 61 points in Lakers' 126-117 win" |
| 24 May 2009 | C1 and C6 | "Taking high ground; Bryant scores 41 in 103-97 Game 3 win over Denver" |
| 30 May 2009 | C 1 and C10 | Lakers win Western Conference Finals 4-2 against Denver |
| 5 June 2009 | S1, S4 and S7 | NBA Finals Game 1; Lakers 100, Orlando Magic 75 |
| 8 June 2009 | S1 and S3 | NBA Finals Game 2; Lakers 101, Orlando Magic 96 |
| 12 June 2009 | S1, S2 and S3 | NBA Finals Game 4; Lakers 99, Orlando Magic 91 |


| 15 June 2009 | U1, U2 and U4 | "Lakers finish off Magic for 15th NBA title, their 10th in L.A." <br> NBA Finals Game 5; Lakers 99, Orlando Magic 86 |
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| 4 June 2010 | V1 and V5 | NBA Finals Game 1; Lakers 102, Boston Celtics 89 |
| 9 June 2010 | V1 and V5 | NBA Finals Game 3; Lakers 91, Boston Celtics 84 |
| 16 June 2010 | V1 and V5 | NBA Finals Game 6; Lakers 89, Boston Celtics 67 |
| 18 June 2010 | V1 and V5 | "De-fense! Lakers rally for second consecutive title" <br> NBA Finals Game 7; Lakers 83, Boston Celtics 79 |
| 20 June 2010 | C1 and C13 | "Can you top this? Kobe Bryant's five championships" |
| 21 Feb 2011 | C1, C4 and C5 | "Mamba's House; Bryant is star of stars Sunday, leading West with a vintage <br> performance" (NBA All-Star game; West 148, East 143) |
| 27 April 2011 | C1 and C7 | "Bryant has a couple of game-changing dunks and sparks Lakers to 3-2 edge in series" |
| 11 Jan 2012 | C1 and C7 | "Bryant scores 48 against Suns, the most in the league this season, to lead his short- |
| handed team, 99-83" |  |  |

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