

Israeli president becomes Guinness Record holder

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Israel's 90-year-old president, a Nobel Peace Prize winner, has added another title to his extensive repertoire: holder of a Guinness record.

Guinness official Marco Frigatti says President Shimon Peres won the record when he taught the largest online civics class in the world on Thursday.

Frigatti says Guinness liked the idea "because it combines civics, technology and a teacher who has seen the country from its origins to today."

Peres reached out to 9,000 students nationwide. He gave the class from the office of Cisco Systems Inc. in the northern city of Netanya.

Despite his age, Peres has a busy daily schedule. He has kept on top of the latest technology, embracing [social media](#) and backing high-tech industries.

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