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Carey Price is a National Hockey League goaltender currently playing for the Montreal Canadiens.

He is an imposing physical figure for a goaltender, listed as 6-foot-3 and 226 lbs. Price was named Tournament MVP at the 2007 IIHF Junior Ice Hockey Championship in Sweden, in Canada's third-straight gold medal win. He was also named the tournament's top goaltender and selected to the All-Star team.

He spent his junior hockey career playing for the Tri-City Americans in the Western Hockey League and started his pro career with the Hamilton Bulldogs in the American Hockey League. His father Jerry Price (also a goaltender) was selected 126th overall in the 1978 NHL Amateur Draft by the Philadelphia Flyers, though he never played in the NHL. Shane Doan, current captain of the Phoenix Coyotes, is a cousin of Carey Price. His mother Lynda is the current elected Chief of the Ulkatcho First Nation.

Drafted in the first round, fifth overall in the 2005 NHL Entry Draft by the Montreal Canadiens, Price was named to the Canadiens roster for the start of the 2007-08 season. Carey Price made his highly-anticipated debut versus the Pittsburgh Penguins and recorded 26 saves for the Canadiens in a 3-2 win.

After the Canadiens were eliminated from 2008 Eastern Conference semi-final by the Philadelphia Flyers, four games to one, Carey Price said he was going to hop into his truck, head west and not look at his goaltending equipment for three months.

"I don't like losing one bit," Price said. "It's probably the toughest moment of my career so far.... It feels like we've got practice tomorrow. When it ends, it ends in a hurry." At the end of the 2008 season, The Hockey News asked 21 NHL Scouts to rate the league's Top Five prospects. Carey Price received 16 first-place votes and was a runaway winner. The Montreal Canadiens have their goalie for the future.

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