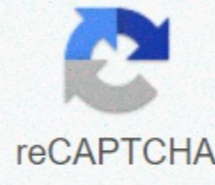




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Pro wings shoes 80's

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Bo Jackson Cross Trainers One of the greatest sports studs at the time, Bo Jackson played played Sports! It was extremely rare at the time and would be even rarer today given the levels of performance required by professional athletes. The Bo Jackson Cross Trainers Cross trainers with the BJ name came in virtually two colours: yellow and grey. They were also pretty big shoes, more similar to basketball shoes than anything else. But if you take a look at the old photos, you'll see that they really don't look much different than the cross trainers we wear today. British Knights Originally launched in 1983 as a casual shoe brand, British Knights was apparently an overnight sensation when it released its first sneakers in 1985. They were also the first to truly acknowledge that sneakers could make a fashion statement rather than just be shoes you bought for gym class. They were also the first shoe brand to enlist hip hop artists and entertainers to endorse their brand. 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