

## Bill Gates (Business People)

Bill Gates was born in Seattle, Washington. He has accomplished a lot in the business world, but his rise to fame came when he developed Microsoft. He co-founded the company in 1975 with business partner and childhood friend, Paul Allen. Microsoft became the world's largest computer software company.

Bill Gates was chairman of the company and Chief Executive Officer (CEO). He stepped down from his CEO position in January 2000, but continued as chairman and chief software architect.

In February 2014 he stepped down as chairman of Microsoft and put more effort into a charity founded by him and his wife, The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. He also takes time to focus on climate change, global health and development, and education.

### Did you understand the text?

1) **Bill Gates created...**

- a) Google
- b) Microsoft
- c) Laptops
- d) Yelp

2) **Bill Gates was born in...**

- a) Texas
- b) Utah
- c) Mississippi
- d) Washington

3) **In what year did Bill Gates cofound his company?**

- a) 1975
- b) 1980
- c) 1982
- d) 1984

4) **What is the name of Bill Gates' wife?**

- a) Melinda
- b) Carol
- c) Susan
- d) Nancy

5) **With whom did Bill Gates found the company?**

- a) Paul Frank
- b) Frank Allen
- c) Paul Allen
- d) Melinda Gates

6) **What role(s) did Bill Gates play in the company after January 2000?**

- a) Chairman
- b) Chairman and chief software architect
- c) Chief software architect
- d) Game developer

7) **Which of the following global issues is something Bill Gates concentrates on?**

- a) Climate change
- b) Human rights
- c) Food security
- d) Global trade

8) **What does CEO stand for?**

- a) Current Employee Officer
- b) Credited Employee Officer
- c) Chief Executive Officer
- d) Chief Entity Organization