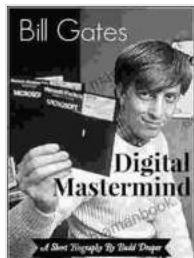


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Childhood and Early Life



William Henry Gates III was born on October 28, 1955, in Seattle, Washington. His parents, William H. Gates Sr. and Mary Maxwell Gates, were both prominent lawyers. Gates showed an early interest in computers and programming, spending countless hours playing with a computer terminal at his elementary school.

In 1973, Gates enrolled at Harvard University, where he met his future business partner, Paul Allen. Together, they dropped out of Harvard in 1975 to start a new venture called Microsoft.

Microsoft

Microsoft's first major product was the BASIC programming language interpreter for the Altair 8800 microcomputer. The success of this product led to the development of the MS-DOS operating system, which became widely used on personal computers.

In 1985, Microsoft released Windows 1.0, the first graphical user interface for MS-DOS. Windows became a major success and played a key role in the growth of the personal computer industry.

Gates led Microsoft for more than 20 years, transforming it into one of the largest and most successful companies in the world. He stepped down as CEO in 2000 but remained chairman of the board until 2014.

Philanthropy

In addition to his business success, Gates is also known for his philanthropy. In 2000, he and his wife Melinda founded the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, one of the largest private charitable organizations in the world.

The foundation focuses on a variety of global health and development issues, including poverty, disease, and education. Gates has also made significant personal donations to various causes, including efforts to eradicate polio and combat climate change.

Legacy

Bill Gates is one of the most influential figures of the digital age. His innovations helped to make computers more accessible and user-friendly, and he has played a major role in the development of the internet and the modern economy.

Gates is also known for his philanthropy, which has helped to improve the lives of millions of people around the world. He is a true visionary and a symbol of American innovation and success.

Timeline of Bill Gates' Life and Career

- **1955:** Born in Seattle, Washington
- **1973:** Enrolls at Harvard University
- **1975:** Drops out of Harvard to start Microsoft
- **1985:** Releases Windows 1.0
- **1986:** Becomes the youngest self-made billionaire in the world
- **2000:** Steps down as CEO of Microsoft
- **2000:** Founds the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- **2014:** Steps down as chairman of the board of Microsoft
- **2021:** Announces that he will be giving the majority of his wealth to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

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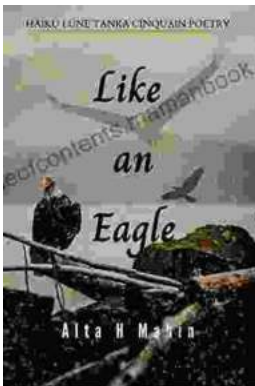
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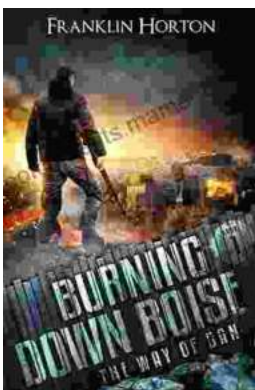


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