

Alex Rick, you wrote to us about Bill Gates. Why did you choose him?

Rick Well, he's a very person and he was born in my town. When he was about my age, he became interested in computers, and a few years later he the world! And he didn't even finish his university course.

Alex Why not?

Rick Well, in 1975 he university early and formed his own He called it Microsoft. That was the beginning of the ' '. Before that, most people didn't have computers in their homes.

Alex How old was he then?

Rick He was twenty.

Alex And he became a multi-millionaire!

Rick Well, no, he didn't – he a multi-billionaire! The company was incredibly . In 1998 he moved into his 'dream house'. It's fantastic. It cost ninety-seven million dollars and it's got an theatre and a huge . It's even got heated paths in the gardens!

Alex Does he give any money to ?

Rick Yes, he does. He's very . A long time ago he promised ninety per cent of all his money to charity and he still keeps his

Alex Well, you chose a fascinating person. And who knows, Rick, perhaps you'll be the next Bill Gates!

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