

# WHAT HAPPENS TO TALENTED CHILDREN WHEN THEY GROW UP?



Do successful children become successful adults?  
We look at two talented children and see what  
happened to them when they became adults.

## ANDREW HALLIBURTON

Andrew Halliburton has an IQ of 145 and was very <sup>1</sup>succeeded / talented at maths at a young age. But, rather than making a fortune in banking or computers, he ended up clearing tables in a fast-food restaurant. As a child, his parents pushed him very hard, but he didn't spend enough time making friends. He thinks that the other children at school didn't like him because he was always so clever. He went to university to study computing, but he thought the course was too easy, so he <sup>2</sup>gave up / succeeded after six months. He got a job in a burger bar instead, and worked there for several years.



## OPRAH WINFREY

Oprah Winfrey is a <sup>3</sup>success / successful TV presenter in the USA. She had a very difficult family life and she never had any money. But she was very <sup>4</sup>intelligent / talent and did well at school. She always had a <sup>5</sup>positive attitude / positive thinking towards life and she was <sup>6</sup>determined / brilliant to work on TV. At the age of 19, she got a job with a local radio station. In the mid 1970s, she became the first black female newsreader on American TV. This was the beginning of her <sup>7</sup>successful / success story. Her TV show, where she interviewed famous people like Tom Cruise, Michael Jackson and Barack Obama, became famous around the world. Now she is one of the richest women in America.

