

**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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