

1 Reading

Read the text about Bill Gates and put the correct heading above each paragraph.



BUSINESS CAREER

CHARITY WORK

PERSONAL LIFE

1

Bill Gates is an American business magnate. He is one of the richest people in the world. In 1975, he co-founded Microsoft, the world's largest PC software company. During his career, Gates has held the positions of chairman, CEO, and chief software architect. He has invested in other businesses outside Microsoft, including Corbis, a digital media company. Gates has also written several books about business and technology.

2

Bill Gates married Melinda French on January 1, 1994. They have three children and live in a large house on the side of a hill in the U.S. state of Washington. The house took seven years to build and cost \$63.2 million.

3

During the later stages of his career, Gates became a philanthropist. In 2000, he established the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation with his wife Melinda. They have given large amounts of money to different charities and research organizations. In June 2006, Gates decided to work part-time for Microsoft in order to work full-time at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

2 Find the word

Read the text again and find ...

1. a word which means 'a very rich and important businessman' (P1) _____
2. a verb which means 'establish with another person' (P1) _____
3. a word which means 'a few' (P1) _____
4. a word which means 'a small mountain' (P2) _____
5. a word which means 'a rich person who gives a lot of money to people who need help' (P3) _____
6. a word for organizations that help and get money for people who need help, for example very poor people (P3) _____

3 Present perfect tense vs. Simple past tense

Study the sentences and cross out the incorrect choices to complete the rules below.

- A *He has invested in other businesses outside Microsoft.*
B *In 1975, he co-founded Microsoft.*

1. Sentence A/B is in the present perfect tense.
2. Sentence A/B is in the simple past tense.
3. In sentence A, the word **invested** is the past form/past participle of the verb **invest**.
4. The past participle form of regular verbs is the same as the simple present/simple past tense.
5. The present perfect tense/simple past tense is formed with *have/has* + past participle.
6. In sentence A/B, we are thinking about a specific event in the past.
7. In sentence A/B, we are not thinking about a specific event in the past.