

# Inspirational People in Technology

Steve Jobs	Bill Gates	Ada Lovelace
		
<p>Steve Jobs, the co-founder and chief executive of Apple Computer, is a pioneer, working in personal computing and product design. Jobs was born in 1955 in San Francisco, and during his high school years, he showed his early enthusiasm for computing by attending after-school lectures.</p>	<p>As joint founder of the world's biggest software company, Microsoft, Bill Gates' approach to technology and business was instrumental in making technology available to the masses. At school, Gates excelled in mathematics and the sciences, and by the age of 13, he was deeply engrossed in software programming.</p>	<p>Ada Lovelace is the world's first computer programmer. She was the first person to write a program - a series of commands - that Charles Babbage's mechanical computer could use to do complicated calculations. Ada believed machines could do more than just maths and correctly predicted many of their future uses, such as creating graphics and music.</p>