

Unit 7 — People in IT



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Ada Lovelace

(December 10, 1815 - November 27, 1852) British mathematician known for being the world's first computer programmer as well as envisioning computers as more than just military number crunchers

"Ada Lovelace was actually born Augusta Ada Byron, the only child of poet Lord Byron and mathematician Lady Byron."

Alan Mathison Turing

(June 23, 1912 - June 7, 1954) English computer scientist known as the "father of computer science"; inventor of a famous test used to see if a computer can think and behave like a human.

"Alan Turing helped invent the 'Tunny' machine, which cracked the Germans' 'Enigma machine' encryption code during World War II."

Bill Gates

(born October 28, 1955) American co-founder of Microsoft Corporation, and developer of Windows; he was the richest man in the world for many years, before he gave away a lot of his wealth to charity.

"The boy told his mother he wanted to be as rich as Bill Gates."

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