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Tech genius billionaire Bill Gates is one of those people. He and Melinda are huge philanthropists, and one of their many priorities over the years has been education. And two-way trust must be established for a leader to feel comfortable delegating and sharing responsibilities. If you're a reluctant leader unwilling to let go of control, look at the upside: Filling up your employees' plates with shared and delegated work will make you a resource, a mentor, and put you in a position to facilitate coaching conversations that will build the trust you need to strengthen ties with team members. While some level of patience is required, delegating tasks effectively leads to employees feeling useful, empowered, and integral to the functioning of the organization. On the flipside, in micromanaged environments, the work is scrutinized to the last detail. Photo Courtesy: Mad Lib/YouTube Made out of concrete that has been broken in some places, this garage was designed to look that way on purpose to give it a "deconstructed" look. It had to be great for family vacations when he needed a break from the work that earned his fortune, and it definitely gives him some bragging rights. In this case, it was people management. Being that it is the job of any leader to navigate the human side of the business, Gates brought in the exuberant Steve Ballmer, who "really liked people and management," says Gates. Just in 2017, for example, he invested \$50 million into research for the disease. Anyone can charter it — as long as you have a few million to spare. Favorite TreeTech geniuses can have a soft spot for nature too. The California ranch sits on 228 acres and was bought for a mere \$18 million. It sounds like an ideal spot for getting away from Seattle during the colder months. He also had a second ranch in Wyoming, but he sold it. Photo Courtesy: Shmee150/YouTube His fleet includes a lineup of famous cars, including a Porsche 911, a Ferrari 348, a Jaguar XJ6 and several others. Dream car, check. The Seattle-born-and-raised tech giant founded Microsoft with his friend Paul Allen back in 1975, and his success just continued to snowball from there. He has supposedly taken the tree under his wing, using technology to make sure it's properly taken care of at all times. Well, Bill Gates certainly seems to think so. Loyal workers trying to find meaning in their jobs are left with nothing but taking their marching orders. But he knew his obsession with programming wasn't sustainable if the company was to scale, so he chose to trust in other people's coding skills and let go of the rein. As the company grew, he had to delegate what he knew to be one of his weaknesses since he was a kid to other people's natural strengths. Photo Courtesy: Design Miss C/Pixabay The tree apparently grows close to his driveway, and Gates reportedly has it monitored on a computer. Along with his wife Melinda, he donates a significant portion of his money every year. On one notable occasion, he treated his whole family to a lovely vacation in the Mediterranean on board a superyacht that he reportedly chartered for \$5 million per week. Gates simply has the resources to indulge in his a little more than the rest of us. Dream home, check. Let's just say "nice" is an understatement. Regardless of the design, it can still hold up to 10 cars. Luxury HotelsOver the years, Gates has made a lot of investments in a lot of different businesses and markets. In some cases, those markets make sense, but sometimes the inspiration seems to come from out of left field. California is a great spot for enjoying the sun and the outdoors virtually year-round. Investments in Cleaning (In More Ways Than One) Gates has invested in even more niche — and sometimes bizarre — markets than most of us realize. You don't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you FIND YOURSELF. He may be a tech giant with an education and healthcare philanthropic streak, but he still has stocks in a lot of weird places. Rule No. 6: It's not your parents' fault. In addition to the usual rooms you would expect to find in a home, Gates' house has a 2,300-square-foot reception hall — complete with a huge fireplace — that can accommodate 200 guests. Florida Equestrian HomeWashington may be his primary residence, but that doesn't stop Gates from having houses in other parts of the world. Each one was designed specifically to look beautiful, of course, but one particularly interesting garage looks a little broken. The foundation has received about \$1.6 billion from the Gates. Sweet Exercise RoomIf we're being honest, exercising isn't something most of us are excited about doing. Maybe that opinion would change if we could work out in the exercise rooms Bill Gates has at his Seattle home. He has owned other vehicles over the years but has sold many of them. Exotic Tropical IslandWho wouldn't want their own private island? So before you save the rain forest from the parasites of your parent's generation, try cleaning the closet in your own room. Rule 8: Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life HAS NOT. On the other hand, if giving away his billions in giant chunks counts as "spending," he could certainly get rid of his fortune in record time. Investment GroupGates is a team player who works well with others, partially because he enjoys doing it. In the end, this crushes the spirits of people and is bad for business. The co-founder of Microsoft, an avid reader of about 50 books a year returned to his alma mater, Lakeside School, to help celebrate the prep school's 100th anniversary. Speaking to high schoolers about what type of mindset is required to build your own success, Gates offered up plenty of great advice, including having an unquenchable desire to learn and a sense of wonder and curiosity about how things work. Gates said, "For the curious learner, these are the best of times because your ability to constantly refresh your knowledge with either podcasts or [online] lectures is better than ever. "The top takeaway that I found useful for entrepreneurs juggling intense workloads and schedules came from an early lesson Gates had to learn: delegation. In the early days of Microsoft, Gates recalled, he was doing what he had been most passionate about since the age of 13--writing software. Most of us would never be able to afford something like that in our lives. Luxury vacation, check. Photo Courtesy: @alzassociation/Twitter If billionaires like Gates keep donating such vast amounts to Alzheimer's research, it could dramatically increase the likelihood of improving outcomes in the next decade. One of his daughters, Jennifer, is an avid equestrian. Gates was able to make his dream a reality in 1994 when he bought the book for a little more than \$30 million. Private Beach and Stream... Sort OfAt Gates' property in Washington, he has created an artificial stream that is kept stocked with salmon and trout. We wouldn't mind giving it a try!Codex LeicesterGates might not own the "Mona Lisa," but he does own one Da Vinci piece: the Codex Leicester. One of them is a ranch located in California. Photo Courtesy: @BillGates/Twitter His property does have an actual beachfront, but rather than deal with the Seattle sand — more small pebbles than silky grains — he supposedly imported smooth sand from St. Lucia and spread it across the beach. This doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to ANYTHING in real life. Rule 9: Life is not divided into semesters. He's also known as one of the most philanthropic people in the world. The Giving PledgeWith presidential candidate Tom Steyer talking about his signing of The Giving Pledge, it may be worth mentioning that Bill Gates was a founding member of the campaign back in 2010. Hotels might seem an odd market for a tech guy to invest in, but Gates seems to know exactly how to make it work. Foundation to Close the Education GapWhile Bill Gates doesn't hesitate to spend on himself and his family, he has already stated he will only be leaving his children \$10 million each in his will. It's also equipped with two locker rooms, one for men and one for women. Various Vehicle Investments as well. Whether he drives one of his Porsches to get to the airport is unclear, but it's definitely clear that he owns his very own private jet. It's not just any pool, however. When you're a billionaire like Bill Gates, you could actually own one. After all, if you could create a more perfect beach in your backyard, wouldn't you do it?George Bellows PaintingGeorge Bellows was an American painter who was famous in the early 20th century for depicting urban scenes, mostly of New York, as well as for the way many of his paintings made social commentaries on the upper class and the daily themes of living in the city in general. As of 2016, the Gates Foundation still donated to Amyris for its work related to anti-malaria drug treatments. Alzheimer's Research Bill Gates obviously doesn't "own" Alzheimer's research, but he has put an awful lot of money into it over the years. Photo Courtesy: Unsplash His Bombardier BD-700 Global Express doesn't come cheap, either. It was definitely an interesting choice for a tech billionaire. He seems to have an interest in keeping things clean by tackling the industry from a few different sides. Possible to Spend It All? A lot of people have asked whether Bill Gates could possibly spend his billions, and several have even calculated an answer. Photo Courtesy: Josep Monter Martinez/Pixabay The yacht's name is Serene, and it's one of the largest private superyachts in the world. In some schools, they have abolished failing grades and they'll give you as MANY TIMES as you want to get the right answer. He was mostly self taught, although he did study under a master for a year. Photo Courtesy: @BillGates/Twitter That's a lot of cars and islands to buy. He would do most of the code and edit most of other people's code. Some financial experts have determined that if he were to spend \$1 million every single day, it would take him 245 years to spend all that money. Their foundation was established in 2000 and has more than \$46 billion in assets. One market that might seem a little surprising is the hospitality market, he owns or co-owns several different hotels around the world. Rumor has it Gates has a soft spot for one piece of nature in particular: a maple tree on his property in Washington. This is the flip side of "It's my life," and "You're not the boss of me," and other eloquent proclamations of your generation. It depicts the life of North Atlantic fishermen. Private JetWhen a busy bee billionaire like Bill (okay, we'll stop) needs to get somewhere fast, he doesn't take regular transportation. Photo Courtesy: Julius Silver/Pixabay The island Gates owns is called Grand Bogue Caye in Belize, and it's valued at around \$25 million. Your grandparents had a different word for burger flipping: they called it opportunity. Rule 6: If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.Rule 7: Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. Gates is no different, and he fulfilled the internationally shared dream by having one within his very own home. Photo Courtesy: @BillGates/Twitter The company has taken a slightly different road in the years since the original investment was made and now focuses on health by creating sustainable ingredients for fragrances, skincare and other health and beauty products. If you screw up, you are responsible. Don't whine about it, or you'll sound like a baby boomer. Photo Courtesy: @BillGates/Twitter The group focuses on investing money in renewable energy sources, like solar energy and wind power, to bolster the government funding of those energies. He has a net worth of about \$108.8 billion, and he has investments and stocks in companies all over the world. This sounds like exactly the kind of magical, cozy library a billionaire needs to unwind after a long day at work. Photo Courtesy: The Four Seasons Additionally, he reportedly co-owns the Ritz-Carlton hotel in San Francisco, along with several other unknown buyers. MORE FROM CONSUMERSEARCH.COM Photo Courtesy: Vaunce/Wikimedia Commons He has said in interviews that his three children absolutely adore the trampoline room. Currently, his estimated worth is nearly \$109 billion — that would be a lot of money to spend. In real life people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs. Rule 11: Be nice to nerds. They have even been named the most generous philanthropists in the United States. If mere mortals can set up personal theaters in their homes, it's an easy feat for a billionaire. Take a look! The Source of All That DoughWe've heard Bill Gates' named the most generous philanthropists in the United States. everywhere, and most of us use his key invention daily, but maybe adding a few details to the billionaire's story wouldn't be amiss. For Bill Gates, it's practically pocket change. Seattle Luxury HomeBorn and raised in Seattle, Washington, Gates decided long ago to establish his primary residence in the area as well as make it the central location for Microsoft. Having a great team in your corner is the first pillar to successful delegation for a leader. Most of the art that hangs on the walls of his home can be changed with the touch of a button, alternating between modern art and classic works. Photo Courtesy: @BillGates/Twitter He held a lot of different positions in Microsoft over the years before finally stepping back. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you thought you were. (Fully stocked library or wine cellar, anyone?) Of course, some lucky members of society don't have to wait to win the lottery to buy all the things their hearts desire. It's now one of the few real pieces of artwork hanging on his walls. Multiple GaragesTo house his fleet of collector cars as well as the cars of any guests who come to stay, Gates has built a lot of garages on his Seattle property. They might be adults now — or close to it — but their childhood memories of the room will surely last with them forever. Photo Courtesy: laughingmango/E+/Getty Images In addition to the regular workout rooms with plenty of equipment for all the house guests, the area has a sauna and a steam room. According to other sources, he has invested in John Deere tractor company as well, although the exact amount he invested is unknown. Write numbers only. Bill Gates has fulfilled that dream as well, with a massive library inside his Seattle home. Photo Courtesy: Fernando Álvarez Rodríguez/Unsplash Gates' pool is in its very own building — about 1,900 square feet — and it has its own underwater music system. Those are obvious buys, but what about less obvious purchases that are custom made for your own personal tastes? Photo Courtesy: @Forbes/Twitter He's done a lot of renovations to the property, and the results are gorgeous. It comfortably seats about 20 guests in cushy comfort. It's a manuscript from the 16th century that contains notes and general scientific writings by Leonardo Da Vinci himself. Photo Courtesy: Free-Photos/Pixabay In addition to all that, it has secret bookcases and secret staircases, one of which reportedly leads to a secret bar. According to various sources, the library is around 2,100 square feet and has a Great Gatsby quote written on the ceiling. When you have billions to spend, it's easy to dabble in as many industries and as many companies as you want. Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Bill and Melinda Gates focus a lot of their time and energy on charity work, especially now that he has stepped back from most official roles within his company. The environment can be stifling because control-freak-managers want to oversee and have the final say in all the decisions. In such a psychologically-overwhelming setting, there's hardly room for group discussion or input to foster healthy collaboration. Version Download 153 File Size 2.23 MB File Count 2 Create Date June 10, 2019 Last Updated July 13, 2019 Created by Karen KalfaBrief DescriptionStudents will reflect on the a summary of Bill Gates's speech at an American high school. Lead-in / PreparationSee PowerPoint presentationDescription of ActivitiesWatch the pptThen Read the rules again (see below)Reflection task: Divide the rules as YOU see them according to the following categories. Photo Courtesy: @BillGates/Twitter If you woke up tomorrow and found out you won the lottery, you would probably go on a bit of a spending spree, right? Photo Courtesy: @TomSteyer/Twitter Gates seems pretty on-point in terms of his charity work. The hope is that one day we will be able to prevent the disease and perhaps even cure it.Luxury VacationsOne thing Gates doesn't own is a superyacht, but that's not a problem. Photo Courtesy: Ryan McGuire/Pixabay As long as you have a device with your favorite painting on it, you can upload the image to the screens that cover his walls to change the artwork being displayed. According to the same source, he has also invested more than \$2 billion in Republic Services, a waste collection company. Together, the cars are estimated to be worth \$650,000. Ballmer took the helm as chief executive officer of Microsoft from 2000 to 2014. The very act of delegating alone doesn't work. Photo Courtesy: @aolrealestate/Twitter The ranch reportedly includes five barns as well as a racetrack and an orchard. He can always rent one, and he has been known to do exactly that. You won't be a vice-president with a car and house until you earn both.Rule 4: If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss. Rule 5: Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. He also painted many landscapes. There's no need to redecorate his whole house. To support her passion, he purchased an equestrian estate in Florida — her siblings probably enjoy it too — valued at about \$55 million. In 2015, for example, he founded Breakthrough Energy with more than 20 other entrepreneurs. Although he doesn't spend most of his time there, his daughter has certainly gotten a lot of use out of it over the years. Magic WallsOkay, so he doesn't really have "magic" walls, but it's about as close as you can get with modern technology. But who says adults can't play on trampolines, anyway? Personal TheaterTo enjoy the latest musicals and movies, Gates has his own home theater room. Photo Courtesy: @BillGates/Twitter Through their main foundation, the couple has created the Gates Millennium Scholars Program to help African American American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American and Hispanic American students pursue undergraduate education. Do that on your own time. Rule 10: Television is NOT real life. He spent some time on the fronts of the Civil War sketching scenes of battles as well as calmer scenes of the soldiers' lives. He has invested a lot on his own, but he also makes investments and branches out to work on projects with other people. For example, if the soil is determined to be too dry, water is automatically pumped to the tree. Originally, he invested via the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, with a purpose to help fund the company in its journey to create lower-cost technologies for making the compounds used in anti-malaria drug treatments. Photo Courtesy: FandangoNOW Extras/YouTube First, his theater boasts an Art Deco style. He purchased his home in Medina many years ago, and it has been updated to suit the tastes of a billionaire. Not many people can say they own an island, after all. Chances are you'll end up working for one. Attached FilesFileActionLife Rules - Bill Gates.pdfDownload11 things you will not learn at school.pptxDownload Bill Gates has had plenty to say about achieving success over the years. It's valued at \$19.5 million, and that's not even counting annual fuel costs. People aren't entirely sure exactly how large the trampoline is, but if Gates' other toys are any indication, we can assume it's pretty big. He is worth so much that he still has a fortune available to spend on himself and his family. Fleet of CarsJust like any other car enthusiast, Bill Gates has used some of his massive fortune to invest in a fleet of sports cars. Photo Courtesy: @BillGates/Twitter The couple has donated more than \$36 billion to various charities via the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Photo Courtesy: StockSnap/Pixabay At an auction, Bill Gates purchased one of Bellows' paintings, "Polo Crowd," for around \$28 million. (His ideas on plate tectonics and reasons the moon isn't as bright as the sun pre-date the proven science by hundreds of years.) Photo Courtesy: @BillGates/Twitter For science, history and art enthusiasts alike, this manuscript is a dream come true for a science geek. Photo Courtesy: Marco Verch/Flickr One of his stranger investments is Ecolab, a cleaning supply company where he has reportedly invested nearly \$2 billion. The world will expect you to accomplish something BEFORE you feel good about yourself. Rule 3: You will NOT make \$60,000 a year right out of high school. It even includes its own helicopter — you know, just in case a private yacht on the high seas isn't quite enough luxury for your vacation. Even after retiring from the company, money isn't something he will ever need to worry about. Ever wondered how a man with such a creative mind spends his fortune? Based in Seattle, the foundation focuses on everything from healthcare and education to reducing poverty and increasing access to information technology. California RanchIf a massive Washington mansion and an equestrian estate in Florida aren't enough to impress you, Gates has property holdings elsewhere as well. Through his personal investment firm, for example, he apparently owns almost half of the Four Seasons hotel chain. Photo Courtesy: Top Trending/YouTube The home is estimated to be worth around \$80 million and is absolutely massive, coming in at about 66,000 square feet. He can just change all the artwork to create a totally new look. Trampoline RoomNo billionaire's mansion would be complete without an entire room dedicated to a massive trampoline, right? Photo Courtesy: Lutz Blohm/Flickr He has, for example, more than \$680 million invested in AutoNation, the national vehicle retailer. The Giving Pledge is a campaign that encourages the wealthiest people to donate the majority of their wealth instead of hoarding it for themselves and their descendants. Hello, movie night! Winslow Homer Painting Winslow Homer — no relation to the Greek storyteller — was an American painter in the mid- and late-19th century. He also has his own popcorn machine — a necessity in any dream theater. Everyone has a favorite hobby, right? Be prepared to talk I don't agree, This is stupid. I knew it before I agree. I didn't know it before never thought about itSummary of the Bill Gates life rules Rule 1: Life is not fair - get used to it!Rule 2: The world won't care about your self-esteem. Some purchases are sure to surprise you. Yeah, we didn't know those are two different things, either, but apparently billionaires know differently. When you turn 18, it's on your dime. Gates has actually made that dream a reality. Huge Swimming PoolAsk any toddler, child, teenager or adult, and they will tell you that it's essential for their dream house to include a swimming pool. Who wouldn't love to have a plane ready to jet across the world at a moment's notice? Photo Courtesy: The Athenaeum/Wikimedia Commons The painting that Gates owns, "Lost on the Grand Banks" (purchased for \$36 million), is one of Homer's many maritime paintings. We're not sure why a regular music system wasn't good enough for the billionaire — or how much time he spends underwater — but, hey, if you can afford it, why not show off a bit? Massive Library A personal library is yet another universal childhood dream for many. Gates apparently gave around \$2 billion to the project himself and brought together wealthy people from around the world to help contribute. Amyris is another company that Gates has given some money to over the years. Of course, his room is a little different than the type of home theater most of us might hope to have in our own homes. He kept up the pattern and recently invested around \$30 million — along with other investors — in something called the Diagnostics Accelerator, a fund to help diagnose Alzheimer's earlier than ever before. Many of his paintings are displayed in museums — but not all of them. Just think of it as a little something to add to a house that is already nestled on waterfront property and surrounded by nature on all sides. It's a little bigger than a simple room as well.

