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Apple boss Steve Jobs dies aged 56

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THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

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The chairman and co-founder of Apple Steve Jobs has died aged 56. Jobs became one of the most famous people in the world after making his technology company Apple into a household name. He gave us many amazing and beautifully designed products, including the iPod, iPad, iPhone and iTunes. A lot of the technology he pioneered changed our lives. In 2004, Jobs announced that he had pancreatic cancer. He stepped down as Apple CEO in January 2011 due to ill health.

Tributes to Steve Jobs reflect how important he was. Apple said: "The world is immeasurably better because of Steve...and the world has lost an amazing human being". New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg said: "America lost a genius who will be remembered with Edison and Einstein, and whose ideas will shape the world for generations to come." U.S. President Barack Obama said Mr Jobs was "bold enough to believe he could change the world, and talented enough to do it".

PHRASE MATCH

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Match the following phrases from the article.

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. one of the most | a. products |
| 2. a household | b. down as Apple CEO |
| 3. beautifully designed | c. health |
| 4. the technology | d. famous people |
| 5. He stepped | e. he pioneered |
| 6. due to ill | f. name |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Tributes to | a. better |
| 2. The world is immeasurably | b. with Edison |
| 3. the world has lost an amazing | c. Steve Jobs |
| 4. a genius who will be remembered | d. the world |
| 5. shape the | e. human being |
| 6. he could change | f. world |

LISTENING GAP FILL

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MULTIPLE CHOICE

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The chairman and (1) _____-founder of Apple Steve Jobs has died aged 56. Jobs became one of the most famous people in the world (2) _____ making his technology company Apple into a (3) _____ name. He gave us many amazing and beautifully designed products, (4) _____ the iPod, iPad, iPhone and iTunes. A lot of the technology he pioneered changed our (5) _____. In 2004, Jobs announced that he had pancreatic cancer. He stepped down as Apple CEO in January 2011 (6) _____ to ill health.

Tributes to Steve Jobs reflect (7) _____ important he was. Apple said: "The world is immeasurably better because of Steve...and the world has (8) _____ an amazing human being". New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg said: "America lost a genius who will be remembered (9) _____ Edison and Einstein, and whose ideas will (10) _____ the world for generations to come." U.S. President Barack Obama said Mr Jobs was "(11) _____ enough to believe he could change the world, and talented enough to (12) _____ it".

Put the correct words from this table into the article.

- | | | | |
|-----|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) pre- | (b) co- | (c) pro- |
| 2. | (a) after | (b) later | (c) finished |
| 3. | (a) home | (b) housing | (c) household |
| 4. | (a) plus | (b) including | (c) and |
| 5. | (a) lives | (b) living | (c) lively |
| 6. | (a) because | (b) due | (c) so |
| 7. | (a) who | (b) which | (c) how |
| 8. | (a) found | (b) searched | (c) lost |
| 9. | (a) to | (b) with | (c) by |
| 10. | (a) shape | (b) sharp | (c) ship |
| 11. | (a) told | (b) gold | (c) bold |
| 12. | (a) do | (b) have | (c) be |

SPELLING

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Spell the jumbled words (from the text) correctly.

Paragraph 1

1. the nrhcmaai
2. a duoelhhs name
3. beautifully designed ucdstrpo
4. heandcg our lives
5. He etpsdep down as Apple CEO
6. due to ill hhtale

Paragraph 2

7. reflect how tonipmtra he was
8. an amazing mahnu being
9. America lost a unseig
10. ideas will hasep the world
11. ebilvee he could change the world
12. talented oenugh to do it

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () the iPod, iPad, iPhone and iTunes. A lot of the technology he pioneered changed our
- () down as Apple CEO in January 2011 due to ill health.
- () lives. In 2004, Jobs announced that he had pancreatic cancer. He stepped
- () immeasurably better because of Steve...and the world has lost an amazing
- () of the most famous people in the world after making his technology company Apple into a household
- () world for generations to come." U.S. President Barack Obama said Mr Jobs was "bold
- () who will be remembered with Edison and Einstein, and whose ideas will shape the
- () human being". New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg said: "America lost a genius
- () enough to believe he could change the world, and talented enough to do it".
- (**1**) The chairman and co-founder of Apple Steve Jobs has died aged 56. Jobs became one
- () name. He gave us many amazing and beautifully designed products, including
- () Tributes to Steve Jobs reflect how important he was. Apple said: "The world is

WORD JUMBLE

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With a partner, put the words back into the correct order.

1. founder chairman of and Apple co - The.

2. the people world of famous the One most in.

3. Many and designed amazing beautifully products.

4. of lot A pioneered he technology the.

5. down CEO 2011 stepped Apple January He as in.

6. was to reflect he Tributes Jobs important Steve how.

7. world of is Steve immeasurably better The because.

8. lost be a remembered genius who America will.

9. will Ideas world the shape.

10. the could Bold world believe enough change he to.

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. STEVE JOBS: Search the Internet and find more information about Steve Jobs. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about Steve Jobs. Include imaginary interviews with someone he worked with and an Apple fan. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

4. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

5. LETTER: Write a letter to ex Microsoft boss Bill Gates. Ask him three questions about Steve Jobs. Give him three of your opinions on Steve Jobs. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Your partner will answer the questions you asked.