Title: Steve Ballmer: Microsoft CEO

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Steven Anthony Ballmer is an American businessman. He was born on 24 March 1956 in Detroit, Michigan, and has been the CEO of Microsoft since January 2000. According to [Anonymous, undatedd], "Ballmer is the first person to become a US dollar billionaire based on stock options received as an employee of a corporation in which he was neither a founder nor a relative of a founder."

According to [Anonymous, undatedb], "Ballmer graduated from Harvard University with a bachelor's degree in mathematics and economics. While in college, he managed the football team, worked on the Harvard Crimson newspaper as well as the university literary magazine, and lived down the hall from Bill Gates."

He is not a stranger to controversy. According to reports, "Mr Ballmer vowed to "kill" Google in an expletive-laced, chair-throwing tirade when a senior Microsoft engineer told him he was leaving the company to go work for Google." [Anonymous, undateda]

He has been quoted as saying: "I like to tell people that all of our products and business will go through three phases. There's vision, patience, and execution." [Anonymous, undatede]

From 1980 to 1998, Steve Ballmer was the head of "several Microsoft divisions, including operations, operating systems development, and sales and support. In July 1998 he was promoted to President, and in January 2000 he became Chief Executive Officer, a position previously held by Bill Gates." [Anonymous, undatedc]

He is famous for his Monkey Dance at a show in 2001. According to [AnchorDesk Staff, Aug 24, 2001], "After 40 seconds of jumping around, Ballmer finally settled behind the lectern to catch his staggered breath. 'I have four words for ya,' he said, breathing heavily. (I thought he was about to say, 'Get me a doctor!') But ever the inspirational leader, he gave the audience what it wanted. 'I...love...this...company...yesssssss!' ".

So that's all you probably need to know about Steve Ballmer.

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