

15 Bill Gates predictions since 1999 have come true

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In 1999, **Bill Gates** wrote a book entitled ' *Business @ the Speed of Thought* '. In this book, Bill Gates gave **15 predictions about the future of the technology world** , those predictions at that time were thought to be crazy.



Bill Gates. Photo source: Chip Somodevilla / Getty

But an economics student Markus Kirjonen pointed out on his blog that Bill Gates' *prediction* turned out to be ' *bizarre prophecy* '.

However, the truth today proved that Bill Gates' prophecies in 1999 were accurate. Join us to see what the world's richest man predicted in 1999 in the following article!

1. Compare prices of products on the website



Photo source: Carlos Barria / Reuters

Bill Gates predicts that ' *The price comparison service of online products will grow, allowing people to see the price of products on many different websites and choose the cheapest price .* '

Current reality: You can easily search, consult the price of a product on sites like **Google** or **Amazon** and see the different prices of the same product. Some websites like NextTag and PriceGrabber also build a special system that helps users compare prices of products visually.

2. Mobile device



Photo source: Apple

Bill Gates predicts: ' *People in the future will have small devices, allowing them to stay in touch, work, and do business anywhere. They can read news, view booked flights, information on financial markets and can do many other utilities anywhere .* '

Current reality: Smartphone has become a very popular device and it can do everything that Bill Gates mentioned above, even more.

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3. Online financial and health care payment



Photo source: Reuters / Philippe Wojazer

Bill Gates predicted that: ' *People will pay their bills via the Internet. Meet your doctor and check your health through online applications* ' .

Current reality: Today's technology and the Internet have changed the way we care for health, just like the way Uber's transport changes, but there are websites like **ZocDoc** that make finding doctors and up Exam schedules also become easier. In addition, there are startups for startups like **One Medical and Forward** , which are trying to change what is available at the clinic by providing members with online health care and monthly data orientation.

With personal health monitoring devices, you can easily monitor your health every day and consult your doctor online. Thanks to an Internet connection, you can also pay your bills online without going to the place to pay cash as before. Everything becomes much more convenient. Besides, you can also borrow money online through the web like **Lending Club** and easily make payments through sites like PayPal and Venmo.

4. Virtual Assistant and Internet of Things



Photo source: George Frey / Getty Images

Bill Gates predicted that: *' Virtual personal assistant will be very developed, they can help you in many different jobs in the most logical and intelligent way. Like an assistant, these applications intelligently connect and sync all home and office devices so you can control them through a single device. This device will check your email or notifications and display the information you need. When you arrive at the store, you can talk about the recipe you want to prepare and it will create a list of ingredients you need. It will notify all the devices you use to make purchases and review the schedule, allowing yourself to adjust what you're doing .'*

Current reality: Google Now , a smart assistant running on mobile devices, is starting to turn in this direction. Meanwhile, smart devices like **Nest** can collect data about your daily routine to help regulate the air conditioner temperature appropriately. In addition, there is a wave of devices with voice control feature, such as Echo of Amazon and Google Home, you can request to read your email to you or guide you through recipes. Virtual assistants are becoming a powerful arm and make your life easier.

5. Monitor online security



Photo source: Dropcam

Bill Gates predicts: ' *Online video capture devices will be popular, allowing you to know who visits you while you're away or alert when a stranger breaks in .* ' Currently there are many surveillance camera systems that allow you to monitor your home's status online with mobile devices, alerting you immediately if someone enters the house illegally.

Current reality: Google bought **Dropcam** , which specializes in Internet-connected cameras for \$ 550 million. A house or a smart home is a market in the early stages of development, in which Google is trying to assert its position. Dropcam can distinguish between objects and people, and even send intrusion alerts. Google's advantage in the market of connected devices is multiplied. There's even a camera like **PetCube**, which lets you control a laser so you can play with the pet while you're away.

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6. Social network



Photo source: REUTERS / Robert Galbraith

Bill Gates predicts that ' *Personal websites will allow your friends or family to update status, plan or chat online* '.

Current reality: It is the online social network today like **Facebook** or **Twitter** .The development of online social networks today is very powerful and popular worldwide.Two billion people use Facebook to see what their friends are doing and event planning.In addition, there are Snapchat, Instagram, WhatsApp and Messenger along with the explosion of other small social networks.

7. Automatically notify promotion



Photo source: Patrick Foto / Shutterstock

Bill Gates predicted that: ' *The software will automatically identify when you book a tour and use that information to suggest activities at the destination. It provides activities, discounts, offers and promotional rates related to your routine* '.

Current reality: Travel sites like Expedia or Kayak automatically send promotional ads to users based on their previous deals. This helps reduce irrelevant ads and annoys customers, concentrating products towards interested audiences.

Ads by Google and Facebook can provide promotional ads based on user locations and interests. **Airbnb** , short for ' *AirBed and Breakfast* ', is a booking service, apartment ., allowing people to rent apartments rather than hotels, starting to offer special trips at the point. come so you can experience life in that locality.

8. Website discussing sports directly



Photo source: Jason Miller / Stringer / Getty Images

Bill Gates predicted: ' *While watching a sports match on television, the service will allow you to discuss what's going on directly, and can discuss it online. The debate around live matches will be very interesting and engaging* . '

Current reality: Many websites allow this in which Twitter is a leader. You can also leave comments in real time on some sports websites like ESPN.

9. Smart advertising



Photo source: YouTube / Dos Equis

Bill Gates predicted: " Devices will own smart advertising. They know your shopping trends and will display ads designed according to your own preferences ."

Current reality: Almost every online advertising service has this feature, where advertisers target users based on click history, personal interests, past shopping. Today's advertising service providers are using AIs to collect user habits from which to offer the most appropriate ads. Therefore, online advertising is becoming more and more effective.

10. The Internet will change radio television



Photo source: Thomson Reuters

Bill Gates predicts that ' *Radio TV will include links to online sites and content that are relevant to what you are watching* '.

Current reality: What we see now is that most live matches have ads that link to a specific website. Even the ads show the team Twitter account. The habit of watching TV has changed, viewers no longer enjoy watching TV but instead watch it on mobile devices. It is also a great opportunity for online advertisers and content promoters.

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11. Online discussion forum



Photo source: Biancoshock

Bill Gates predicts: ' *People in cities or countries will be able to give their opinions on an online forum about great issues, such as politics, city planning or security. full* '.

Current reality: Most websites now have their own comments or forums for viewers to give their own opinions. Even social networking sites like Twitter and Facebook act as a news channel and get people's opinions in election campaigns or involve the political revolution in Libya, Egypt, Tunisia as well as the "Black Lives Matter" movement - racist in America.

12. Online news sites

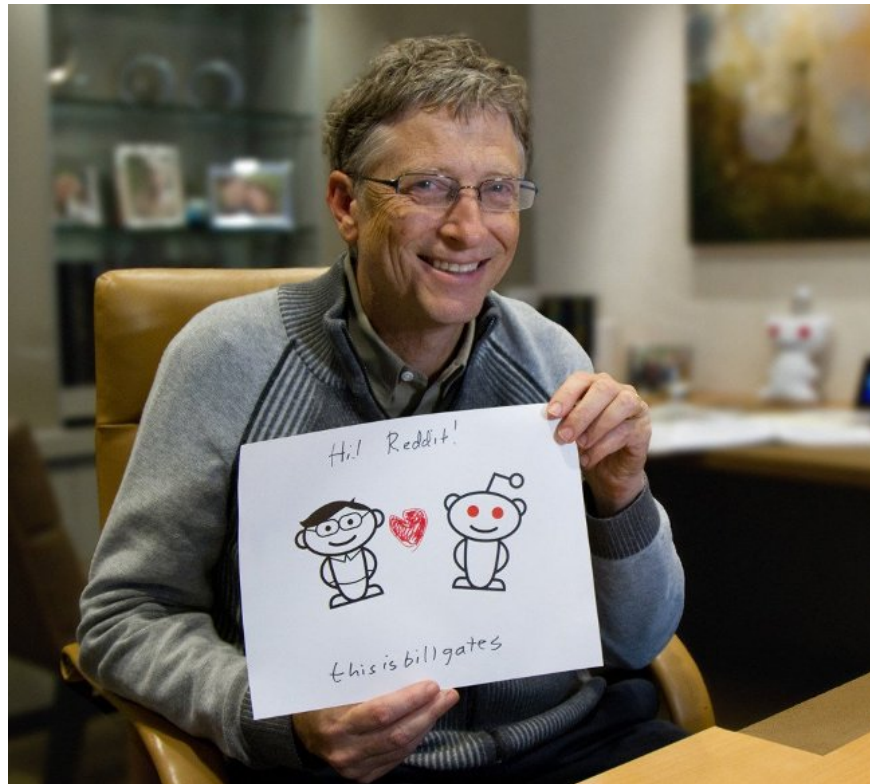


Photo source: Bill Gates / Reddit

Bill Gates predicts: *' Online news sites will be more intensive and you can read all you need on the Internet. It will not be affected by users ' locations and preferences .*

Current reality: Today, the development of online news sites is very wide as well as many in-depth topics serving different audiences. You can search all the issues you care about on the Internet. Many news sites open independent channels to dig deeper than a certain topic.

13. Project management software



Photo source: Pixabay / Unsplash

Bill Gates predicts that: ' *Project management software and applications will play an important role, they can help organize a project, connect members, assign, manage and monitor public each person's job* '.

Current reality: Today there are dozens of different project management applications, from business and project management to smaller groups. They make it easier to work together and complete a project. The importance of enterprise applications is undeniable.

14. Recruitment online



Photo source: REUTERS / Mike Segar

Bill Gates predicts: ' *In the future, businesses need to recruit or workers need to find a job just post a notice on the Internet. There will be online bridges between them, making job search easier and more convenient* . '

Current reality: Some job search websites today like **LinkedIn** allow job seekers to upload their personal profiles online. Employers can easily choose the right people for their company through the archives of these websites.

15. Business cooperation software



Photo source: Courtesy of Apple / Paul Sakuma

Bill Gates predicts: ' *With the development of the Internet, new companies can call for investment with capital from the community which can be a project to build, produce a good film or invent a device. New technology. This link not only helps companies with funding from the community, but also helps them promote products and find customers before their products are released .* '

Current reality: Today websites like **Kickstarter** allow new projects to promote and call for investment. This is a very new form of business for those who want to start a business. You have an idea that without the capital and how to promote the product, rest assured because there is Internet. Many business software focuses on the social field so that users can approach other businesses and discuss and bring to bigger projects right in the application.

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