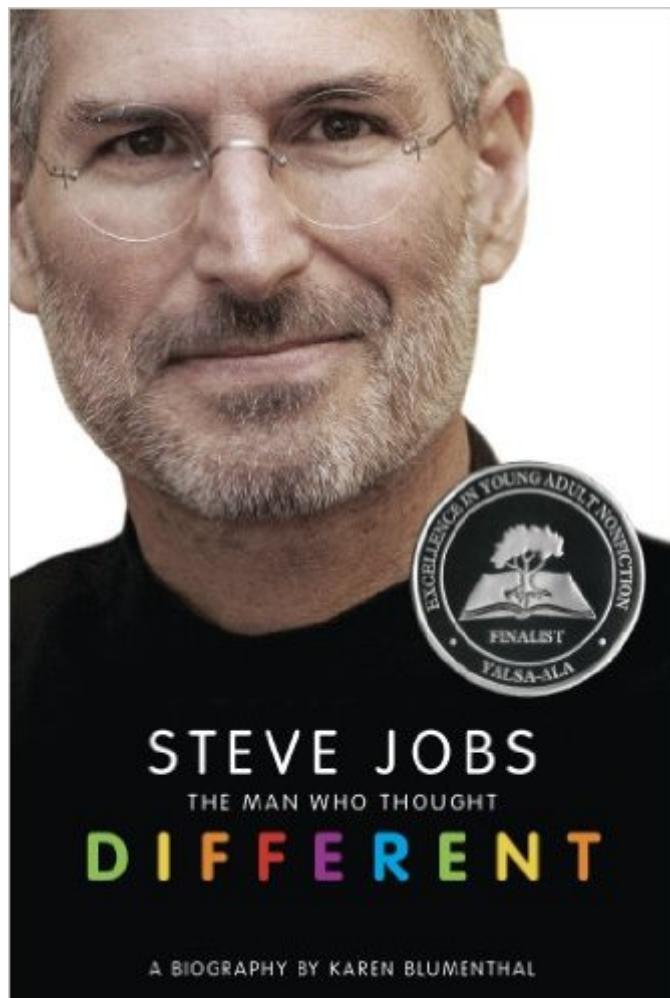


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# Steve Jobs: The Man Who Thought Different



## **Synopsis**

"Your time is limited. . . . have the courage to follow your heart and intuition."--Steve Jobs From the start, his path was never predictable. Steve Jobs was given up for adoption at birth, dropped out of college after one semester, and at the age of twenty, created Apple in his parents' garage with his friend Steve Wozniak. Then came the core and hallmark of his genius--his exacting moderation for perfection, his counterculture life approach, and his level of taste and style that pushed all boundaries. A devoted husband, father, and Buddhist, he battled cancer for over a decade, became the ultimate CEO, and made the world want every product he touched. Critically acclaimed author Karen Blumenthal takes us to the core of this complicated and legendary man while simultaneously exploring the evolution of computers. Framed by Jobs' inspirational Stanford commencement speech and illustrated throughout with black and white photos, this is the story of the man who changed our world.

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Steve Jobs: The Man Who Thought Different, by Karen Blumenthal, is a biography about the charming life of Steve Jobs. This biography delivers a pressing tale of a quirky young boy who becomes one of the most influential and successful men in the world, and shows that not everyone

is a perfect person. Steve Jobs: The Man Who Thought Different is a great book for someone who wants to get a good idea of Jobs' life, without getting too bogged down by the deeper details. For someone who did not know much more about Steve Jobs than he was the CEO and founder of Apple, this biography was very informational. The book sets itself up on the three points which Jobs based his 2005 Stanford graduation speech: connecting the dots of life, love and loss, and death. Each told a general area of his life which was conveniently in chronological order. Connecting the dots focuses on Jobs' early life and how events just connected up until he was fired from Apple. Love and loss details how Jobs moved on afterwards, realizing he could still follow what he loved to do. This section also detailed on Jobs development of personal relationships and his family life. Death reflected on Jobs' final years, describing his battle with cancer, and his roles in the development of the iPhone and iPad. The author describes Jobs in both good and bad light, which gives Jobs a humanistic feel. By showing his bad side, Jobs becomes less of an idol and more of someone a reader can relate to. Jobs was an innovative man, but his crave for innovation and perfection made him hard to work with, as he would often nitpick the smallest details of a design. But his push created products few would have ever imagined.

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