

AN URBAN LEGEND

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"Oh, no! I have to help," thought Mickey. One day last summer, he was driving slowly along a quiet road when he saw a car next to the road. A man had a flat tire, and he was trying to change it. Mickey stopped his car and helped the man. While they were changing the tire, they talked about their families. Then the man asked Mickey for his address. At first, Mickey said no, but the man asked him again and again, so Mickey gave it to him. One week later, Mickey got a letter:

Dear Mickey,

Thanks for your help. I know a lot about computers but nothing about cars!

Bill Gates

Finally, Mickey knew who the man was – the founder of one of the world's largest computer companies. He was also one of the richest people in the world. And there was a check for \$10,000 with the letter!