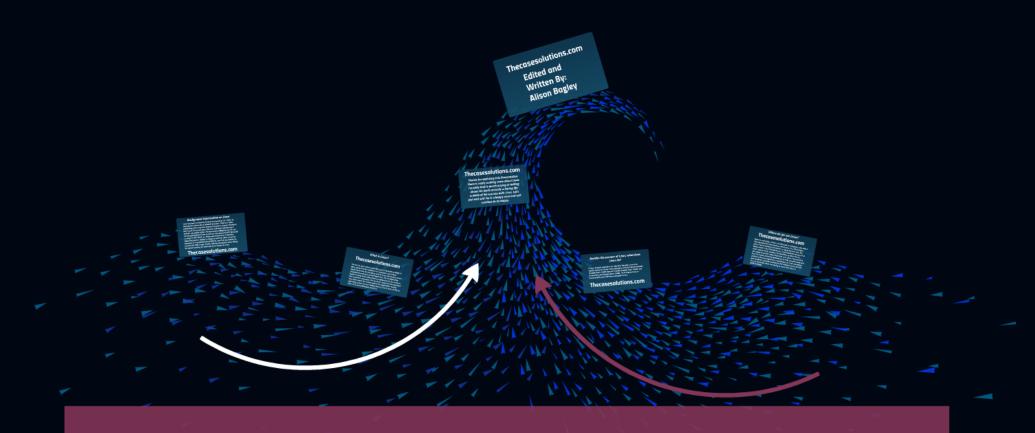


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Background Information on Linus

Linus was born in Helsinki, Finland on December 28, 1969. He attended the University of Helsinki between 1988 and 1996, graduating with a masters degree in computer science. He was in the Finnish Army and was a Second Lieutenant specializing in ballistic calculation officer. He returned to college where he was introduced to UNIX for the first time in the form of a DEC MicroVAX running ULTRIX. His M. Sc. thesis was titled Linux: A Portable Operating System. Before he began to work on Linux, he had to purchase an Intel 80386 based IBM PC, and that was before he received his MINIX copy. Finally, after he had gotten those things, he started working on what was to be known as Linux.

What is Linux?

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Linux is an open-source operating system modeled on UNIX. In other words it is the software on a computer that allows applications and the computer user to access the devices on the computer to perform a desired functions. The OS (Operating System) relays instructions from an application to, for instance, the computer's processor. The processor performs the instructed task, then sends the results back to the application, via the operating system. In even simpler terms, Linux is very similar to other OS such as Windows and OS X.

Where do we use Linux? Thecasesolutions.com

Since its early days, Linux is mostly used on computers. But now it has expanded into microwaves, cell phones, TVs, DVD players, pretty much anything that receives a signal of some sort. The Government is one thing that uses Linux constantly because A. it saves money and B. provides the flexibility no other OS can. Education is another major thing that uses Linux. They use it to have the luxury of having applications to help you with work and problems that you might have. Businesses use it for everything and anything. Scientific Institutions like NASA use it for all that they do. Basically what I am trying to say is that Linux is EVERYWHERE!

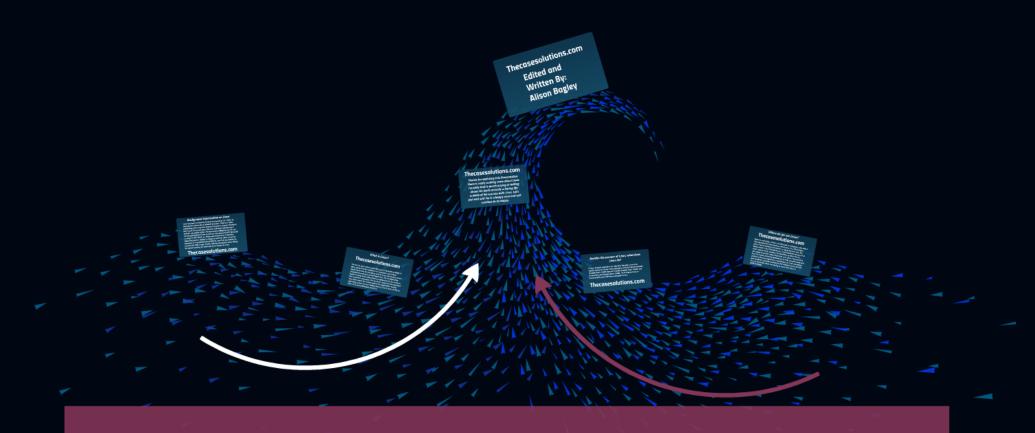
Besides the success of Linux, what does Linus do?

Linus is happily married to his wife Tove Torvalds, a six-time karate champion. He has three daughters named Patricia Miranda Torvalds (born 1996), Daniela Yolanda Torvalds (born 1998), and Celeste Amanda Torvalds (born 2000). He is happily living in America with good intentions and good morals.

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Thanks for watching this Presentation.
There is really nothing more about Linus
Torvalds that is worth saying or talking
about. He leads actually a boring life
outside of his success with Linux. Let's
just end with he is a happy man and will
continue to be happy.

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