

Reaching & Teaching

Gen Alpha



# The Generations



**Silent Generation**  
Born: 1925-1945



**Baby Boomers**  
Born: 1946-1964



**Generation X**  
Born: 1965-1979



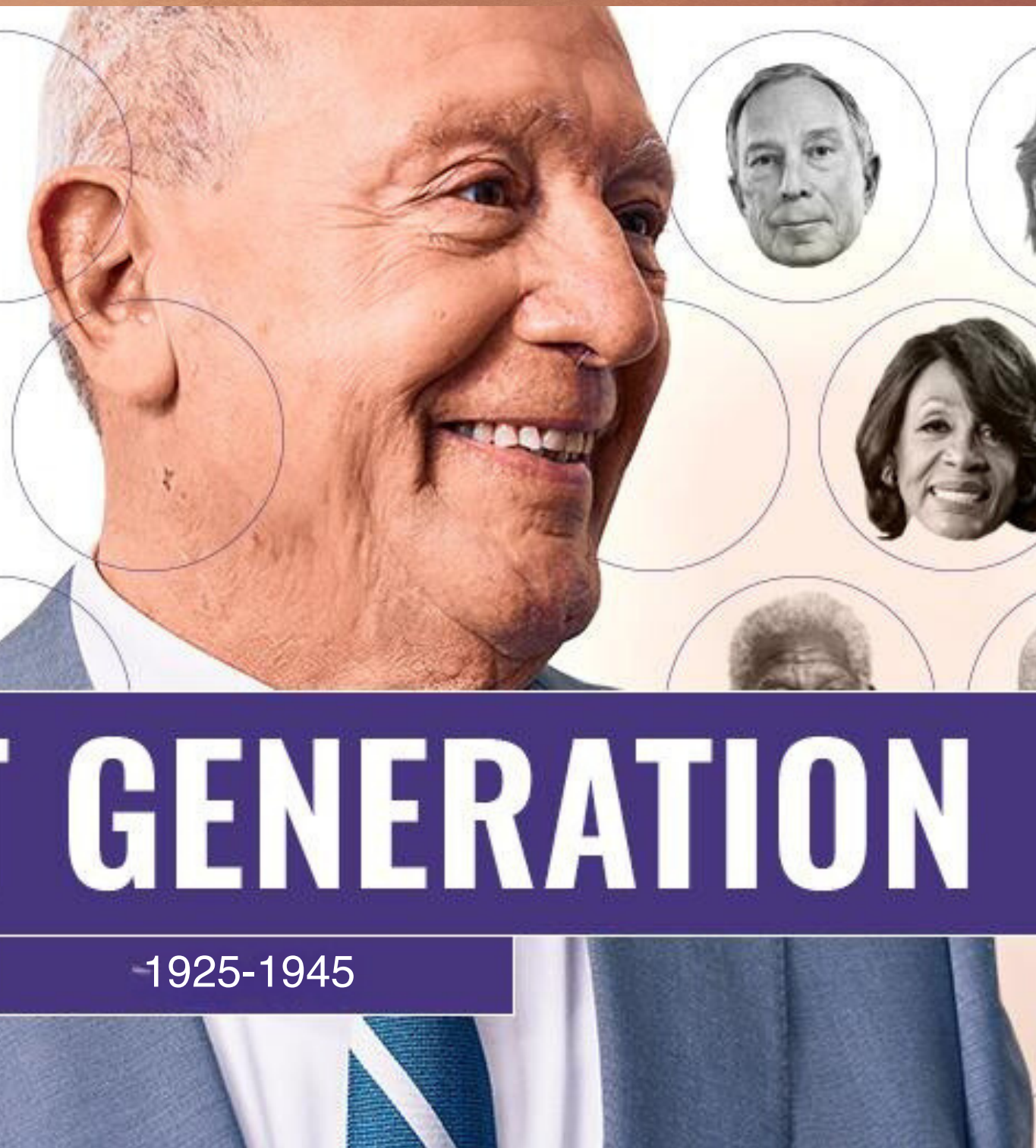
**Generation Y**  
Born: 1980-1994



**Generation Z**  
Born: 1995-2009

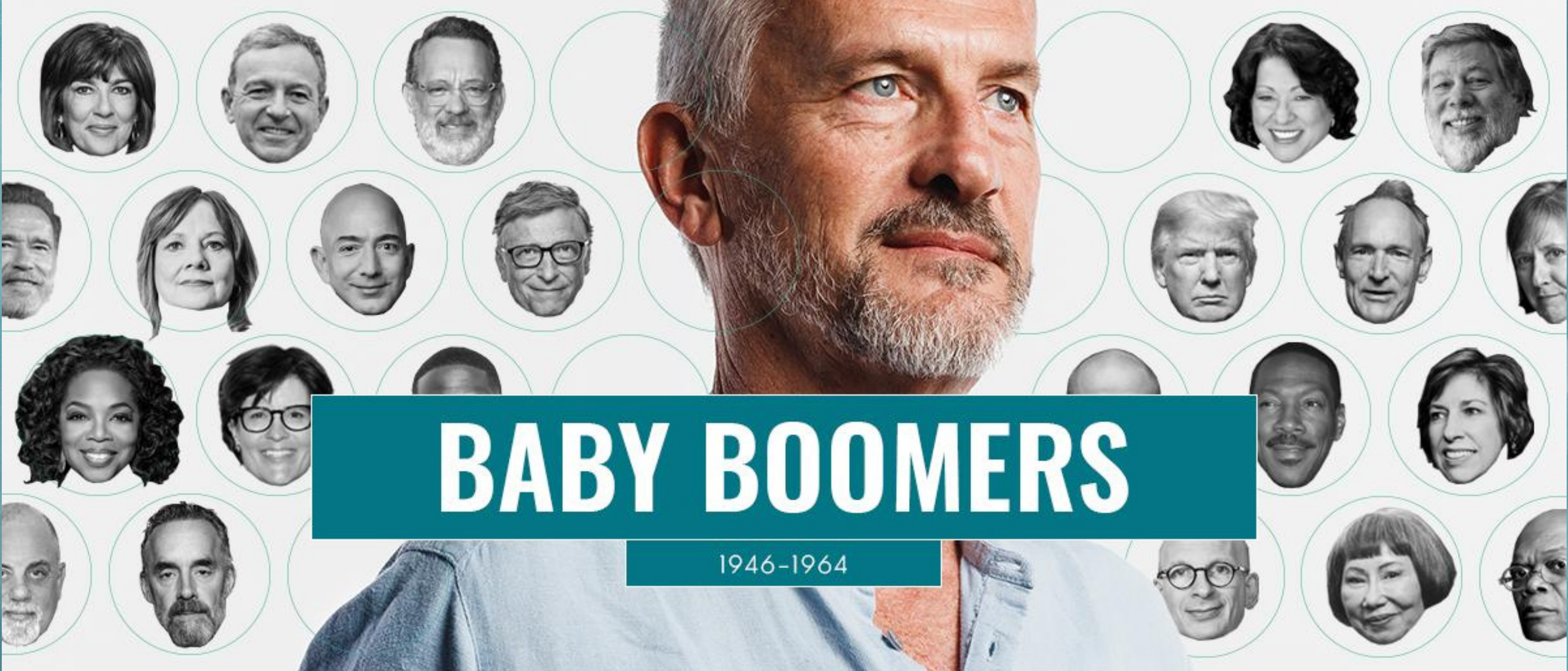


**Gen Alpha**  
Born: 2010-2024



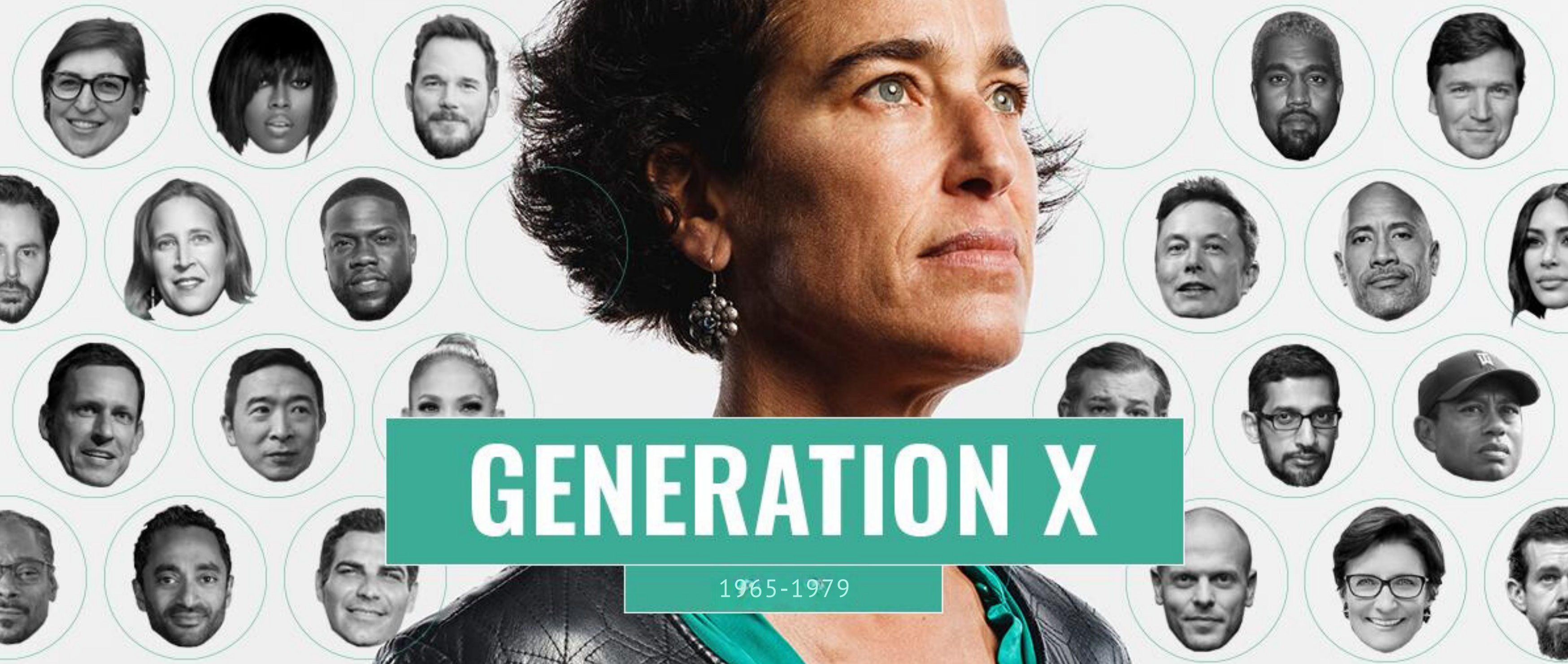
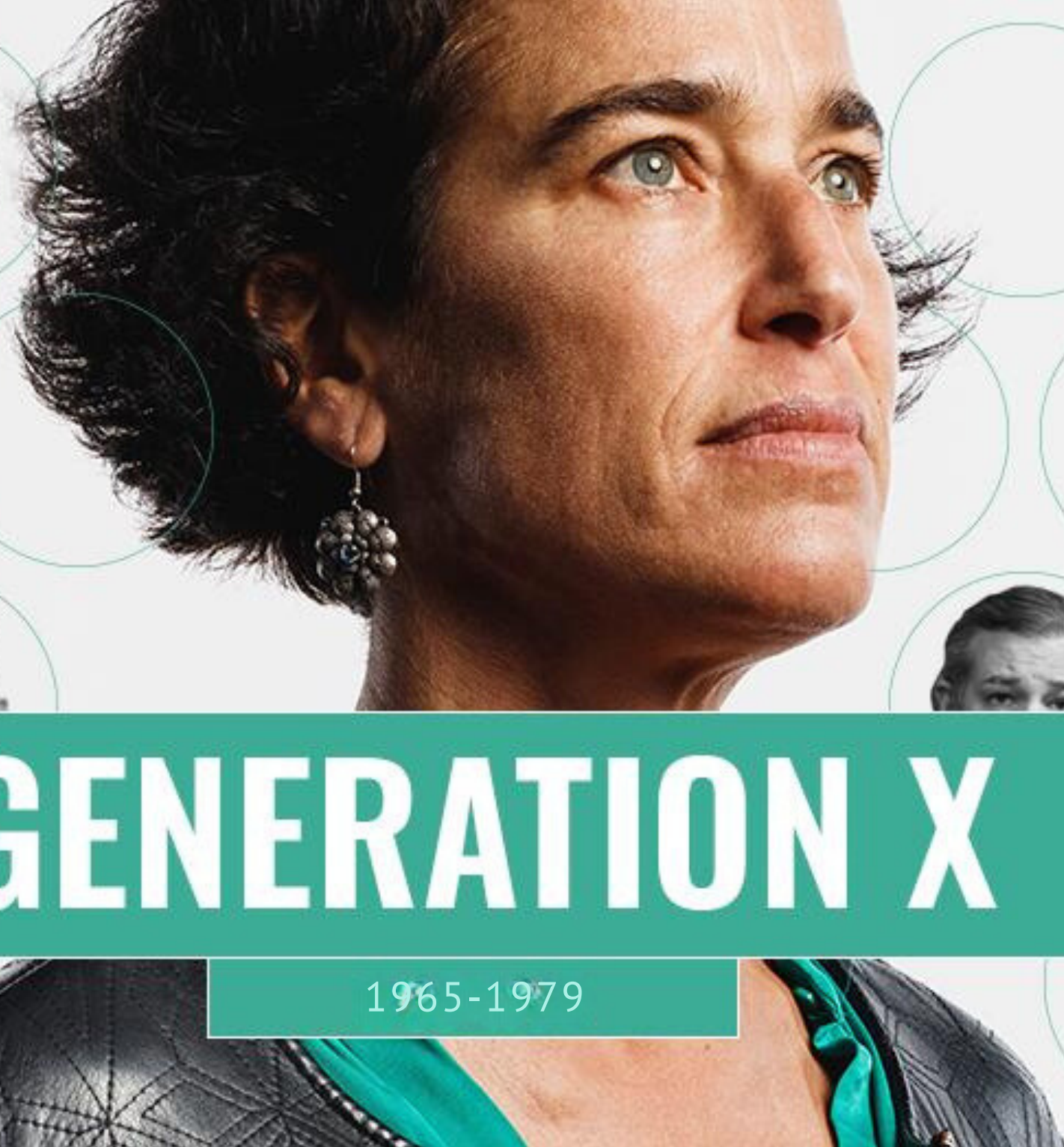
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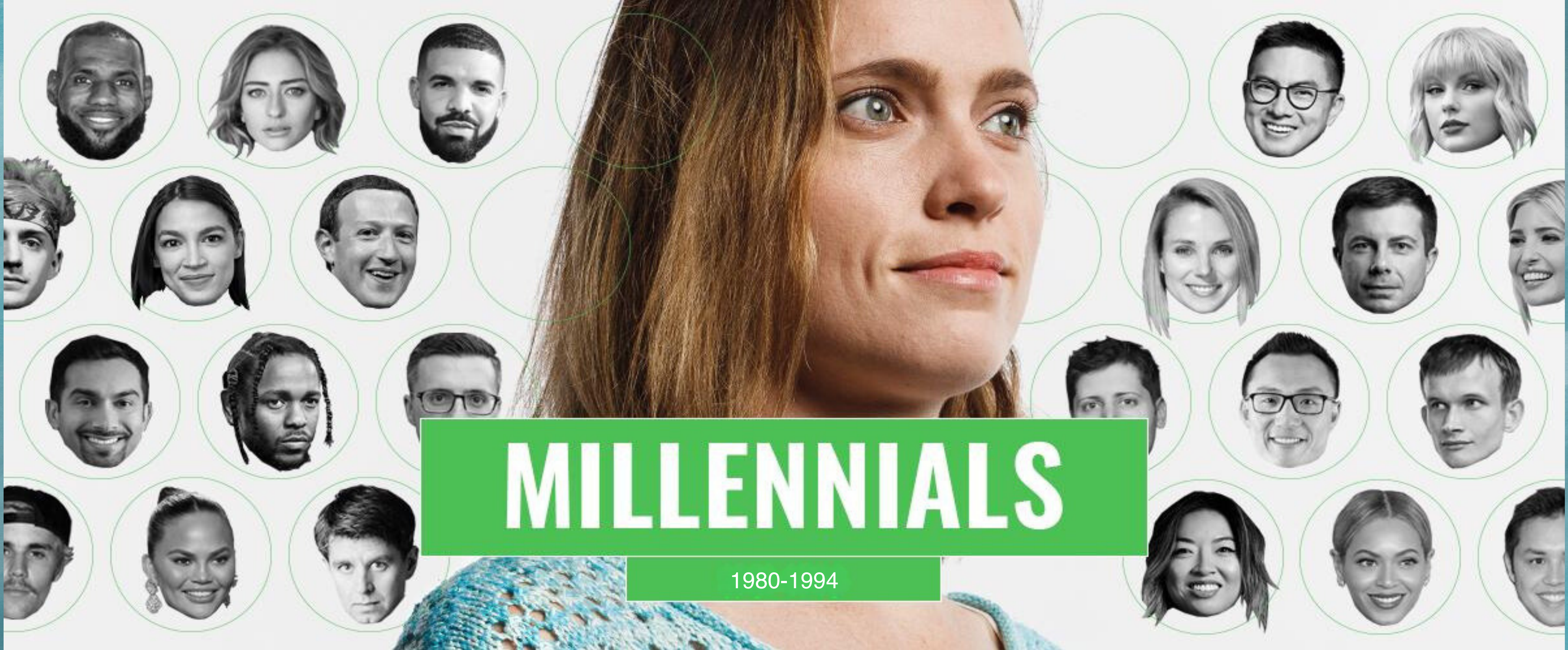
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2010-TODAY



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# Downsides



To reach the next generation,  
we must be:

**Timely & Timeless**



# How Gen Alpha Learns





## Traditional Methods of Learning

## Modern Methods of Learning

Verbal

Visual

Sit & Listen

Try & See

Authoritarian

Participative

Curriculum-centered

Learner-centric

Closed book exams

Open book world

Book & paper

Devices



# Inquiry Based Learning

“Research shows that it’s not possible to transmit understanding to students by simply telling them what they need to know. Instead, teachers need to make sure that they challenge their students’ thinking.”

Cambridge International Education  
Teaching and Learning Team

**“With active learning, students play an important part in their own learning process.”**

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## Practical Ideas:

- Ask open-ended questions
- Leave time for small group discussion
- Use games as a learning tool
- Allow for movement
- Use visuals
- Incorporate technology wisely
- Mix short teaching segments with varied activities



**When You See  
Fireflies**  
By Janine McNally

**Resilient**  
By Valerie Bell,  
Chris Marchand,  
Matt Markins & Mike Handler

