

# Ben McRedmond

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*I am in my senior year of high school in Dublin, Ireland. I was born in Boston, MA and have lived in the United States, Great Britain and, for the past 9 years, in Dublin, Ireland. I am an accomplished student in my high school which is regularly rated the #1 high school in Ireland.*

## **DATE OF BIRTH**

13<sup>th</sup> February 1993

## **CITIZENSHIP**

Dual USA/Ireland

## **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- *First Place in Junior Technology*, Ireland's Young Scientist Awards 2007 (Plagiarism detection software)
- *First Place in Intermediate Technology*, Ireland's Young Scientist Awards 2008 (Social networking aggregator)
- *Highly commended*, Ireland's Young Scientist Awards 2009 (New web specific programming language)
- *Shortlisted Best New Web Application*, Irish Web Awards 2009 (Picomarks.com)

In January 2010, A colleague and I entered our project, WePredict, into the national Young Scientist Competition sponsored by Google, Intel, BT and The Department of Education. WePredict is social networking analysis software we developed which we used to predict the winner of the XFactor, within 1% of the final vote. The project received national news coverage from the Irish Times, The Irish Independent and the national broadcaster, RTE. The Irish Independent suggested that we were an example of "the real smart economy" that the Irish Government should be investing in. We were invited to speak about our work to engineers at IBM. We won the following awards for the project:

- *Gonzaga Union Award for Student Achievement of The Year*
- *First Place in Senior Technology*, Ireland's Young Scientist Awards 2010
- *The Google Prize for Innovation*, Ireland's Young Scientist Awards 2010

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

- *Paid Research Intern*, Clarity Research Group, University College Dublin — Summer 2010, Full Time. (Currently working with UCD to publish my research for peer review to an international post graduate level conference.)

## **OPEN SOURCE SOFTWARE**

- *Bolt*, static site generator, <http://usebolt.com>
- *Stikked*, open source pastebin software, <http://code.google.com/p/stikked>
- *OhEmbedr*, Ruby OEmbed library, <http://github.com/benofsky/OhEmbedr>
- More at Github: <http://github.com/benofsky>

## **INTERESTS**

- Sailing (Qualified Irish Sailing Association Instructor)
- International Politics and Business

## **REFERENCES**

References available on request.