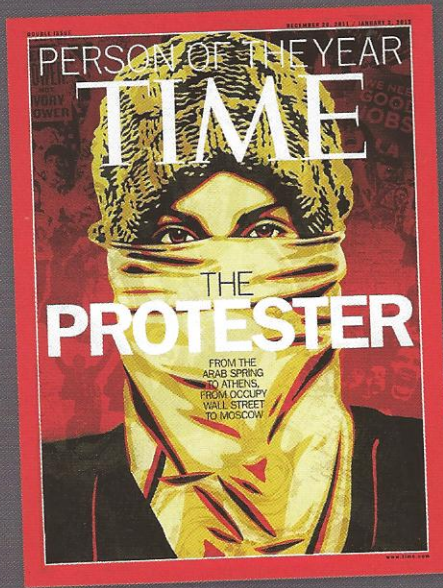




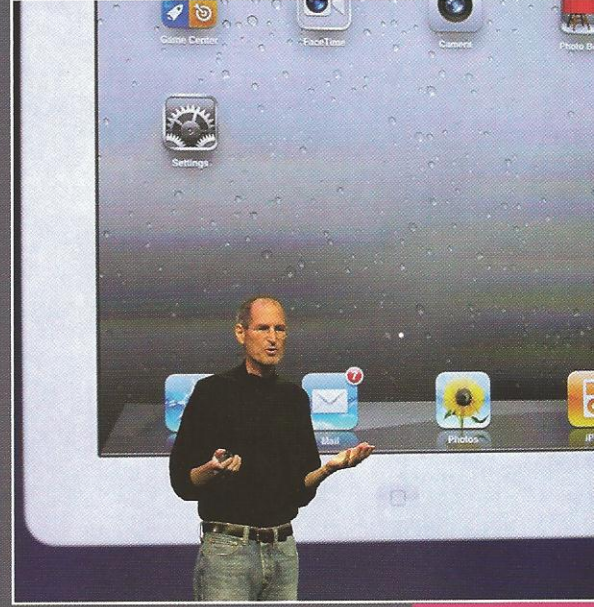
### Tuscaloosa Survives Tornado

When a tornado hits the town of Tuscaloosa, these University of Alabama students seek shelter in a bathtub under a mattress.



### "The Protester" Is Person of the Year

As demonstrations in Tunisia, Egypt, Libya, Syria, and New York make headlines, Time magazine names "The Protester" as 2011's Person of the Year.



### Steve Jobs Dies

Apple co-founder Steve Jobs, a pioneer in the personal computing and consumer electronics fields, dies at age 56 of pancreatic cancer.



### Women Leaders Share Nobel Peace Prize

Liberian peace activist Leymah Gbowee, Liberian President Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, and Tawakkol Karman of Yemen all receive the Nobel Peace Prize.



### New LED Lightbulbs Shine for Decades

Pricey, Energy Star-rated LED bulbs debut in stores and outshine compact fluorescent bulbs, lasting five times longer.



### New Standards Regulate Fracking Practices

Regulators announce national anti-pollution standards to oversee the natural gas industry's practice of hydraulic fracturing, or fracking.



Lance Cpl. Emmanuel Ramos/ Marine Corps Base Quantico Public Affairs/AP Photo

### YouTube Request Snags Timberlake

Corporal Kelsey de Santis successfully asks Justin Timberlake to be her date for the Marine Corps Ball by posting a video on YouTube.



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### Joplin Mall Is Makeshift School

After Missouri's Joplin High School is destroyed by a tornado, students attend class at nearby Northpark Mall.



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### London Builds an Eco-savvy Olympic Park

Green building practices transform former industrial land into London's Olympic Park for the 2012 Summer Games.



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### Airlines Fly Toward Greener Fuels

Seeking to decrease greenhouse gas emissions and shrink their carbon footprint, passenger jets are starting to switch to new bio-fuels.