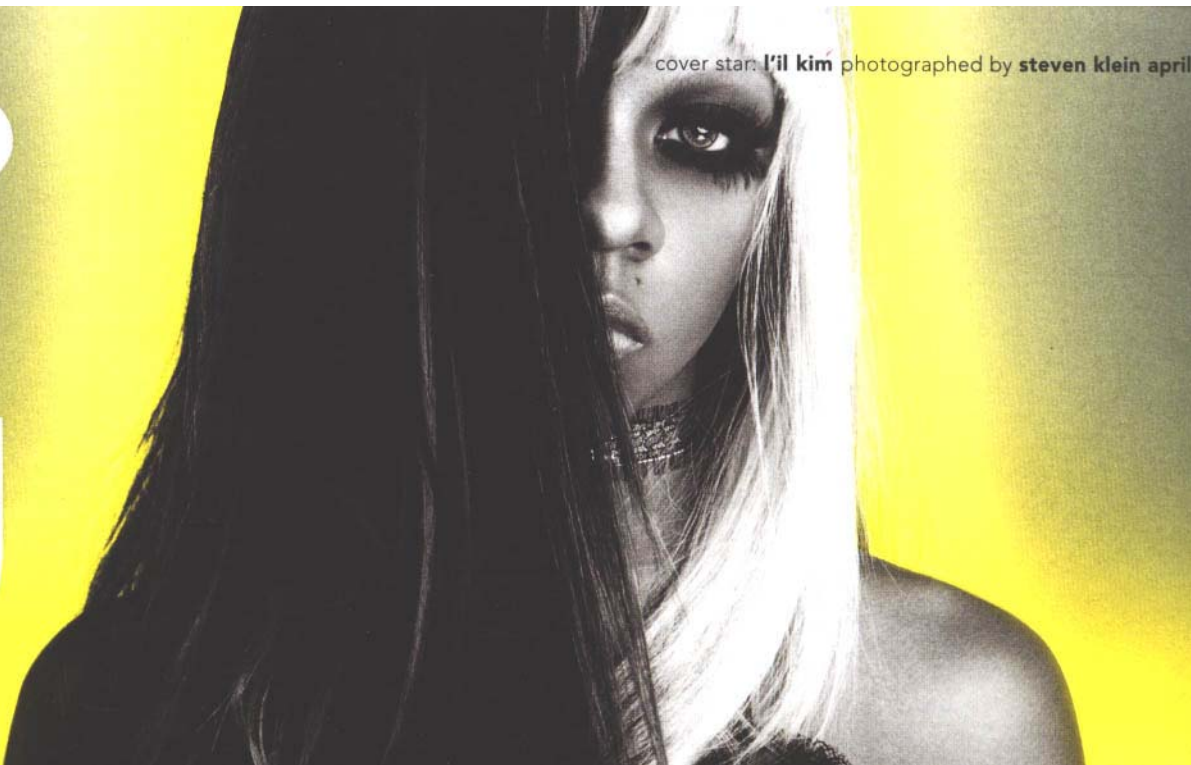


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14 years old. The average teenage boy is reading *Smash Hits*, 'discovering' Top Man and flicking through the women's underwear pages of the Freeman's Catalogue. Ben Woldring is a little different. At 14, he is Managing Director of his own web-based company, www.internetten.com, one of three specialist sites giving up-to-the-minute information on cheap telephone lines in the Netherlands. Originally inspired by winning a school prize for technology, Ben soon left small time ambition behind to become a Dutch media phenomenon. With magazine covers and radio show appearances to boost his credentials, worldwide communication companies are taking him very seriously indeed. Although he may still have to sleep with the light on, Ben Woldring is not afraid of success.

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