Preface

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Becoming a Computational Thinker: Success in the Digital Age

The book has a single purpose: to help everyone become a **computational thinker**. A computational thinker is someone who has acquired computational thinking (CT) and can apply that thinking everywhere, every day. Reading the book, you can better navigate the digital world and improve your efficiency, productivity, and success immediately.

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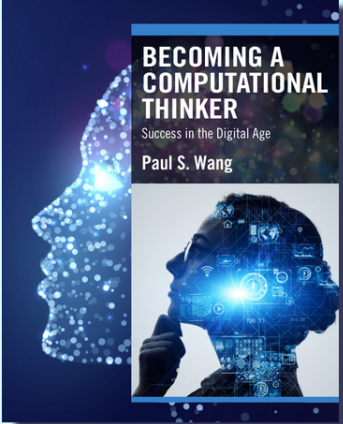
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