What is Computational Thinking?

Computational thinking means **thinking like a computer in order to solve problems and create programs**. Computational thinking skills are useful for coding, and they're also useful for solving problems in everyday life.

Abstraction

Looking at a problem from **different angles**, or **zooming in or out** to focus on different parts of the problem.

Decomposition

Taking a complicated problem and **breaking it into smaller parts** that are easier to understand and solve.



Pattern recognition

Noticing when **something gets repeated** and using it to make predictions or solve problems more efficiently.

Algorithmic thinking

Developing a clear, specific **step-by-step description** of how to solve a problem or complete a task.



Debugging

Testing a solution or program, finding errors, figuring out what's wrong, and fixing it.