

# High School: Computer Science in the Modern World

## Computer Systems and Computational Thinking

- 1 Use predefined functions and parameters, classes and methods to divide a complex problem into simpler parts. [CS.MW.1](#)

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- 2 Describe a software development process used to solve software problems (e.g., design, coding, testing, verification). [CS.MW.2](#)

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- 3 Explain how sequence, selection, iteration, and recursion are building blocks of algorithms. [CS.MW.3](#)

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- 4 Compare techniques for analyzing massive data collections. [CS.MW.4](#)

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- 5 Describe the relationship between binary and hexadecimal representations. [CS.MW.5](#)

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- 6 Analyze the representation and trade-offs among various forms of digital information. [CS.MW.6](#)

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- 7 Describe how various types of data are stored in a computer system. [CS.MW.7](#)

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- 8 Use modeling and simulation to represent and understand natural phenomena. [CS.MW.8](#)

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- 9 Discuss the value of abstraction to manage problem complexity. [CS.MW.9](#)

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- 10 Describe the concept of parallel processing as a strategy to solve large problems. [CS.MW.10](#)

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- 11 Describe how computation shares features with art and music by translating human intention into an artifact. [CS.MW.11](#)

## Collaboration

- 12 Work in a team to design and develop a software artifact. [CS.MW.12](#)

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- 13 Use collaborative tools to communicate with project team members (e.g., discussion threads, wikis, blogs, version control, etc.). [CS.MW.13](#)

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- 14 Describe how computing enhances traditional forms and enables new forms of experience, expression, communication, and collaboration. [CS.MW.14](#)

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**15** Identify how collaboration influences the design and development of software products. [CS.MW.15](#)

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**Programming and Algorithms**

**16** Create and organize Web pages through the use of a variety of web programming design tools. [CS.MW.16](#)

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**17** Use mobile devices/emulators to design, develop, and implement mobile computing applications. [CS.MW.17](#)

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**18** Use various debugging and testing methods to ensure program correctness (e.g., test cases, unit testing, white box, black box, integration testing). [CS.MW.18](#)

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**19** Apply analysis, design, and implementation techniques to solve problems (e.g., use one or more software lifecycle models). [CS.MW.19](#)

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**20** Use Application Program Interfaces (APIs) and libraries to facilitate programming solutions. [CS.MW.20](#)

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**21** Select appropriate file formats for various types and uses of data. [CS.MW.21](#)

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**22** Describe a variety of programming languages available to solve problems and develop systems. [CS.MW.22](#)

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**23** Explain the program execution process. [CS.MW.23](#)

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**24** Explain the principles of security by examining encryption, cryptography, and authentication techniques. [CS.MW.24](#)

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**25** Explore a variety of careers to which computing is central. [CS.MW.25](#)

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**26** Describe techniques for locating and collecting small and large-scale data sets. [CS.MW.26](#)

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**27** Describe how mathematical and statistical functions, sets, and logic are used in computation. [CS.MW.27](#)

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**Computers and Communication Devices**

**28** Describe the unique features of computers embedded in mobile devices and vehicles (e.g., cell phones, automobiles, airplanes). [CS.MW.28](#)

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**29** Develop criteria for purchasing or upgrading computer system hardware. [CS.MW.29](#)

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**30** Describe the principal components of computer organization (e.g., input, output, processing, and storage). [CS.MW.30](#)

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**31** Compare various forms of input and output. [CS.MW.31](#)

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**32** Explain the multiple levels of hardware and software that support program execution (e.g., compilers, interpreters, operating systems, networks). [CS.MW.32](#)

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**33** Apply strategies for identifying and solving routine hardware and software problems that occur in everyday life. [CS.MW.33](#)

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**34** Compare and contrast client-server and peer-to-peer network strategies. [CS.MW.34](#)

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**35** Explain the basic components of computer networks (e.g., servers, file protection, routing, spoolers and queues, shared resources, and fault-tolerance). [CS.MW.35](#)

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**36** Describe how the Internet facilitates global communication. [CS.MW.36](#)

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**37** Describe the major applications of artificial intelligence and robotics. [CS.MW.37](#)

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## Impacts of Computing

**38** Compare appropriate and inappropriate social networking behaviors. [CS.MW.38](#)

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**39** Discuss the impact of computing technology on business and commerce (e.g., automated tracking of goods, automated financial transactions, e-commerce, cloud computing). [CS.MW.39](#)

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**40** Describe the role that adaptive technology can play in the lives of people with special needs. [CS.MW.40](#)

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**41** Compare the positive and negative impacts of technology on culture (e.g., social networking, delivery of news and other public media, and intercultural communication). [CS.MW.41](#)

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**42** Describe strategies for determining the reliability of information found on the Internet. [CS.MW.42](#)

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**43** Differentiate between information access and information distribution rights. [CS.MW.43](#)

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**44** Describe how different kinds of software licenses can be used to share and protect intellectual property. [CS.MW.44](#)

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**45** Discuss the social and economic implications associated with hacking and software piracy. [CS.MW.45](#)

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**46** Describe different ways in which software is created and shared and their benefits and drawbacks (commercial software, public domain software, open source development). [CS.MW.46](#)

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**47** Describe security and privacy issues that relate to computer networks. [CS.MW.47](#)

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**48** Explain the impact of the digital divide on access to critical information. [CS.MW.48](#)

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