**It is a way of thinking**
**It is making the impossible possible**
**It is creating solutions to problems in everyday life**

**It is not thinking like a computer**
**It is not always using a computer as the solution**
**It is not limiting creativity**

# The Computational Thinker:
## Attitudes and Skills

Problem solving
Designing solutions
Understanding behaviour

## Attitudes

### Making mistakes

I can enjoy things that go wrong and learn from them.
I see mistakes as a normal part of solving problems.

### Perseverance

I don't give up. I'm prepared to keep having a go to see what happens.
I keep going, even when things seem confusing.
I'm determined to find solutions

### Imagination

I can look at things in unusual ways.
I'm ready to consider the impossible.
Sometimes I leave a problem for a while. A solution might come to me when I'm thinking about something else.

### Collaboration

I can use other people's ideas.
I can share my ideas.
We can talk together to solve a problem.
I can teach my peers and they can teach me.

## Skills

### Pattern recognition

Is this similar to a problem I've already solved? How is it different?
Which parts of the problem are the same?
Which parts of the problem are different?

### Decomposition

Can I explain the different parts of this problem and solution?
How are the parts of the problem connected?

### Algorithm design

What do I need to think about to make this happen?
What are the steps I will need to do to solve this problem?

### Abstraction and generalisation

Which is the information I actually need?
What don't I need to know?
Have I made this more complicated than I need to?
Will this work for other things?

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