

PROGRESSION IN COMPUTING

RATIONALE

This document outlines the subject knowledge and skill requirements for the Primary computing curriculum, incorporating EYFS, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2.

Progression in Computing Skills: Reception

	Keyboarding Skills	Text, Sound & Multimedia	Logo and Control	Electronic Communication	Images, Video and Animation	Data
z	Use a mouse to	Using drawing tools: Using	Explore the commands needed to	Use different forms of	Use Think-U-Know	At this stage, children
61	rearrange objects and	Tizzy's Tools to paint	control a range of electronic	electronic communication in	videos to discuss online	should be made aware of
RECEPTION	pictures on a screen.	themed/topic pictures - mouse	toys.	free play, e.g., email, mobile	activities -what	everyday devices that
ECI		control		phones, hand-held devices,	information should we	<u> </u>
2	Begin using keyboard to		Control simple games on-screen	walkie-talkies, sound	keep private online.	codes, metal detectors,
	add marks to the	Sound: Using Discovery	using the arrow keys.	recording devices.		simple sound recorders,
	screen (adults	Education tool kit to develop a	Understanding		'Stranger danger'	automatic doors, light
	encourage use of first	simple sound sequence	instructions/algorithms;	Explore simple web-based		sensors, stick-on
	fingers).	simple sound sequence		communication tools with		thermometer strips.
		Moving and assembling	Use a variety of electronic toys	adult support, e.g., on		
	use iuminated paper	pictures Discovery Education-	in play situations,	Discovery Education		Collect simple data
	Reybour us to help	animate a seed growing	e.g., dance mats, Bee-Bots, and			about 'Ourselves', noting
	children identity		remote control toys, using basic	Class email to another school.		eye colour, hair colour,
	alphabet		directional language.	Adult read and talk about contents of email		age, shoe size etc. or favourite fruit.
			Explore the commands needed to	contents of email		Tavourite fruit.
			control a range of electronic	Participate in simple video		How many children in
				conferencing and webcam		the class have brown
			toys.	activities with adult help.		eyes etc.?
			Beebot: give simple instructions	activities with addit help.		eyes erc.?
			to Bee Bot at the various levels	Foundations in computing		Simulations and Modelling
			or Daisy the Dinosaur or Light	i oundarions in comparing		Simulations and modelling
			Bot Lite- iPads	The Big Bus - Activities from		Big Bus: Enchanted
				Enchanted World.		World - Bo Bear visits
						Friends, Sweet Maze,
				Class email to a school locally		My First 35 Words
				or in another country		Wy 1 1 31 33 W01 US
				or in unorner country		

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	Use a word, sound or	Use computing to generate ideas	Bee Bots (app & program)	Websites (Purple Mash &	Use Think-U-Know to	Tizzy's Tools
YEAR	picture bank to present	for their work.	Give and follow instructions,		discuss online	Know that images give
Ϋ́E,	ideas. Finger exercises	Tizzy's Tools	which include straight and	Talk about websites they	activities -what	information.
	using Tizzy's Tools to	Use various tools including	turning commands, one at a time		information should we	
	fomilioning with home	brushes, pens, lines, fill, spray	to navigate other children and	Explore a website by clicking	keep private online.	Say what a pictogram is
		and stamps. Use save, retrieve,		on buttons, arrows, menus		by showing them.
		amend and print.	course or a familiar journey.	and hyperlinks.	See KS1 E-Safety	
	top row keys.		Explore outcomes when	Navigate 'back' by clicking on	1	Put data into a program
		iPad (BookCreator)	instructions are given in		videos.	(pictogram).
	Use index fingers (left	Use iPad app to create own	sequence.	Complete a search under the		Collect data on: Ways
		eBook or topic trailer link to	Give a simple sequence of			we travel to school,
	keyboard to build words	relevant topic area.	instructions.		whether or not	favourite fruit, our pets
	and sentences.	Use camera and built in video.			statements or images	
		Use the spacebar, back space,	Bee Bots (app)			Sort objects and
		enter, shift and arrow keys.			are likely to be true.	pictures in lists or
	USE THE SPACE DAK	Start to use two hands when	when instructions are given in a	passwords allowed within the		simple tables/bar
	(thumbs) to make single	typing.	sequence.	program. Send text, pictures	· ·	graphs.
	spaces between words.			· ·	devices that can go on	
		Word process short texts,	Give a sequence of instructions to		the internet, and	
		rather than copying up written	complete a simple task.	email program.	separate those that do	
		work			not. E.G. Xbox,	
			Tizzy's Tools		Nintendo Wii	
			Plan, generate and follow a			
			sequence of commands (actual		Identify what things	
			and on-screen) to complete a		count as personal	
			given task or problem.		information. E.g. name,	
					address, telephone no	
			Discovery Education coding		etc.	
					Tolontifu when	
					Identify when	
					inappropriate content is accessed and act	
					appropriately	

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S		KS1: use technology purposefully	KS1: • understand what	KS1: recognise common uses of	fKS1: use technology safely and	KS1: recognise common
2		to create, organise, store,	algorithms are, how they are	information technology beyond	respectfully, keeping personal	uses of information
Б		manipulate and retrieve digital	implemented	school	information private; identify	technology beyond school
Ę		content	as programs on digital devices,		where to go for help and	
Comput			and that programs execute by		support when they have	
ŭ		recognise common uses of	following a sequence of		concerns about content or	
		information technology beyond	instructions		contact on the internet or	
		school	 write and test simple 		other online technologies.	
			programs			
			 use logical reasoning to 			
			predict the behavior of simple			
			programs			

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~	Finger exercises using	Video (iMovie app): Create a	Bee Bot (program or app)	Email	Think-U-Know videos to	Place objects and pictures
YEAR	Dance Mat Typing to	trailer on Year group topic: Fire	Give and follow instructions, which	Recognise an email address.	discuss online activities -	in a list or a simple table.
YE	familiarise with home row,	of London or other topic	include straight and turning	Find the @ key on a keyboard.	what information should	
	bottom row and top row		commands, one at a time.	Contribute to a class email.	we keep private online.	Make a simple Y/N tree
	keys.	Capture video.	Explore outcomes when instructions			diagram to sort
	NC 75.	Discuss which videos to keep and	are given in sequence.	Open and select to reply to an	Identify obviously false	information.
	Use keyboard to enter	why.	Give a sequence of instructions to	email as a class.	information in a variety	
	text, Use colour coded	Arrange clips to make a short film	complete the 'Race Track' or locate			Create and search a simple
		that conveys meaning on	the treasure on the 'Island'.	Class email to a class in another		branching database.
	fingers to help use correct	storyboard.		school, locally, nationally or	Recognise that a variety	
	fingers (index fingers left	Add aimple titles and enadits	Discovery Education coding Use the 'repeat' command within a	internationally.	of devices (XBox, PSP	
	and right hand).	Add simple titles and credits. Select text and make simple	series of instructions.		etc. as well as computers and phones) connect	
		changes including bold, italic and	Plan a short 'story' for a sprite and		users with other people.	
	Complete Instruction Key,	underlined.	write the commands for this.		users with other people.	
	Falling letters, Falling		Edit/refine a sequence of commands.		Identify personal	
	words and 2Pop	Export the video			information that should	
			Tizzy's Tools (app)		be kept private.	
	Know when and how to use	Discovery Education Coding	Generate a sequence of instructions			
	the RETURN/ENTER key.	Plan a multi-scene animation	including 'right angle' turns.		Consider other people's	
	Use SHIFT and CAPS	including characters, scenes and			feelings on the internet.	
	LOCK to enter capital	special effects.	Create a sequence of instructions to			
	letters. Use DELETE and		generate simple geometric shapes		Remember and use Sid's	
	BACKSPACE buttons to	Use 2Animate with an external	(oblong /square).		Top Tips in Lee and Kim's	
	correct text. Create	camera (computer webcam) to shoot			Animal Magic video	
	sentences, SAVE and edit	the animation frames e.g. waving	sequence of commands.			
	them later.	hands.				
	mem later.					
		Adjust the number of photographs				
		taken to improve the quality of the animation. The more photos you				
		have the better the animation				
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		Save and retrieve animation				

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보			and that programs execute by		support when they have	
ರ		recognise common uses of	following a sequence of		concerns about content or	
		information technology beyond	instructions		contact on the internet or	
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e	Finger exercises using	Graphics	What is an algorithm? Relate to	Emailing	Use Think-U-Know and	Choose information to
AR	Dance Mat Typing to	Acquire, store and combine	Maths and other scenarios.	Navigate to view their	appropriate KS2 videos	put into a data table.
YEAR	familiarise with home	images from cameras or the		class/school blog.	e.g. Jessie and Friends	
	row, bottom row and	internet for a purpose.	Tizzy's Tools Move-Write a			Recognise which
	top row keys.		simple program to produce a line	Understand that their	issues - safe and	information is suitable
	TOP TOW Reys.	· ·	drawing of 2D shapes.	-	unsafe practices.	for their topic.
	Sebran-ABC Rain,	to capture an image.		updated from a range of		
	Letter Rain		Use more advanced features,	devices.	,	Design a questionnaire
	Letter Ruin	image and resize, rotate an	including pen up, pen down etc.		of what they see on	to collect information.
	In MS Word-Alter	image.		Comment on their	the internet.	
	FONT type, size and		Write a program to reproduce a	class/school blog.		Sort and organise
			defined problem, e.g. geometric		Use a browser address	
	colour for emphasis and		shape/pattern.	Subscribe with an adult's	• •	other ways.
	effect. Amend text and	manipulation software.		email to receive updates	box and shortcuts.	
	save changes.		Discovery Education Coding-	about their class/school blog.	Think had an an dima	
			Create a Simple Game	Tutowat wasanak	Think before sending	
	ose marriadar (mgers,	Create a new eBook with a front		Internet research	and suggest	
	. e. a	cover and add or remove pages.	program?	Type in a URL to find a website.	consequences of sending/posting.	
	to input text.	Combine text and images within	program	Add websites to favorites e.g		
		each page, embed sound clips		Google, Mathletics, Bug Club.		
	Use the shift key	and simple page animation.		obogie, Marnierics, Bug club.	behaviours that would	
	(little finger) to type	and simple page animation.		Use a search engine to find a		
	characters, such as guestions marks,	Add information about the		range of media, e.g. images,		
	exclamation mark and	author and title for publishing.		text.		
	speech marks.	Get quicker at typing using both		Think of search terms to use		
	speech marks.	hands.		linked to questions they are		
	Drag over text to be			finding the answers for.		
	amended. Amend text	Use different fonts sizes,		5		
		colours and effects to		Talk about the reliability of		
	and COPY/PASTE.	communicate meaning.		information on the internet,		
		Align text left, right and		e.g. the difference between		
		centre.		fact and opinion (link to E-		
				Safety)		

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Computing POS		KS 2 understand computer networks including the internet; how they can provide multiple services, such as the world wide web; and the opportunities they offer for communication and collaboration	KS2: design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals, including controlling or simulating physical systems; solve problems by decomposing them into smaller parts	KS2: understand computer networks including the internet; how they can provide multiple services, such as the world wide web; and the opportunities they offer for communication and collaboration use search technologies effectively, appreciate how results are selected, ranked, and be discerning in evaluating digital content	KS2: use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour; identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact	KS2: select, use and combine a variety of software (including internet services) on a range of digital devices to design and

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Þ	F		MS PowerPoint		Emails	Use Think-U-Know and	Create and search a
QD	ź		Plan what they would like to happen		Log in to 2email, open emails,	KS2 videos to discuss	branching database.
VEAD	j		in their slide show Topic related -		create and send replies.	themes in the videos	
		bottom row and top row	Tudors	Quiz, Multi Choice,		http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbb	
		leave			Attach files to an email.		information to use in other
				Create a background and sprite for a		Newsround: Caught in the	ways.
			, J	game.	Download and save files from an	Web:	
			series of pictures to add to		email.	http://www.youtube.com/	
			backgrounds to form modern day Tudor animation.	Add inputs to control their sprite.	Curvelland and the second second second		database from information individual or teacher has
		speed on keyboard.	ludor animation.		Email more than one person and		selected.
		In MS Word- Use font	Move items within their show using	Use conditional statements (if then) within their game.	replying to all'.	Recognise social	selected.
			transitions and animation to create	within their game.		networking sites and	
				Discovery Education Coding	Unit 2: Video conferencing	social networking	
		bullet points appropriately.			Teacher load and add a contact	features built into other	
				with land, water and scenery.		things (such as online	
						games and handheld	
		PASTE to organise and	Sound Recording (Audacity)	Add a sprite to their world.	Class make/receive and voice and	3	
		reorganise text on screen.	Collect audio from a variety of		video call.	Xbox).	
				Program their sprite to navigate their			
		INSERT and OVERWRITE	and internet clips.	3D world with an input.	Adjust the audio/video settings	Make judgements in order	
		as appropriate.			to ensure good quality of the call.		
			Create a multi-track recording using	Debug errors in the program		communicating with	
		Drag over and move text.	effects.			others online.	
		Know how to use a					
		speneneen. ese marriadar		Use conditional statements ('ifthen')		Tell an adult if anything	
			· ·	to create dangerous items in their		worries them online.	
		keys, to input text.		world.			
			Create your own Newspaper			Identify dangers when	
			http://www.brainboxx.co.uk/a4_res			presented with scenarios,	
			ource/pages/history/TUDORS.htm			social networking	
		such as £ () + Input	http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/clips/p			profiles, etc.	
						Articulate examples of	
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		кеуз.				J	
		numbers using individual fingers, returning to home keys.				Articulate examples of 'good' and 'bad' behaviour online.	

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S		KS 2 understand computer	KS2: design, write and	KS2: understand	KS2: use technology	KS2: select, use and
POS		networks including the	debug programs that	computer networks	safely, respectfully and	combine a variety of
ing		internet; how they can	accomplish specific	including the internet;	responsibly; recognise	software (including
d		provide multiple services,	goals, including	how they can provide	acceptable/unacceptable	internet services) on
Computing		such as the world wide	controlling	multiple services, such	behaviour; identify a	a range of digital
Ŭ		web; and the opportunities	or simulating physical	as the world wide web;	range of ways to report	devices to design and
		they offer for	systems; solve problems	and the opportunities	concerns about content	create a range of
		communication and	by decomposing them	they offer for	and contact	programs, systems
		collaboration	into smaller	communication and		and content that
			parts	collaboration		accomplish given
						goals, including
			use sequence, selection,	use search technologies		collecting, analysing,
			and repetition in	effectively, appreciate		evaluating and
			programs; work with	how results are selected		presenting data
			variables and various	and ranked, and be		and information
			forms of input and	discerning in evaluating		
			output	digital content		
			use logical reasoning to			
			explain how some simple			
			algorithms work and to			
			detect and correct			
			errors in algorithms and			
			programs			

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2		eBooks-Book Creator	Discovery Education Coding	Internet research	Use KS2 videos to discuss	Using Spreadsheets
AR	using Dance Mat Typing to	Create a new ebook with a front		Use advanced search functions in	themes in the videos:	
YEAR	familiarise with home row,	cover and add/remove pages/sub		Google, e.g. quotations.	,	Create data collection
		pages.	using inputs and outputs to		<u>http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/cl</u>	
	Itoya		control an object's properties.	Understand websites such as		these accurately.
		Produce a multimedia ebook		Wikipedia are made by users (link		
	Sebran- to increase speed	combining video, pictures, text	Create and edit variables -		,	Know how to check for and
	on keyboard.	hyperlinks and audio	including speed, direction and co-		http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/cl	spot inaccurate data.
		Antes de suntes a dense ferre reute l'aleire a	ordinates.	Use strategies to check the	<u>ips/p01g2pg0</u> (Saxon Monk- Internet	Know which formulas to use
		Attach author data for publishing and publish book.	Use conditional statements by	reliability of information, e.g. cross checking with books.		when I want to change my
	individual fingers,	ana publish book.	creating a pinball game.	cross checking with books.	http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/cl	
	-	Digital Film Making- IMovie	creating a pinban gane.	Use their knowledge of domain	ips/p01g2ppl (Lady Jane	spredusneer moder.
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	orginal film making- imovie	Write code that uses random			Make graphs from the
	keys, to input text. Use	Capture video using Flipcams or	number generation to change	the validity of websites.		calculations on my
	The understanding of the	similar.	speed and headings.			spreadsheet.
	editing tools of a text	Discuss which videos to keep and		Cloud computing		
	1 11	why.			Judge what sort of privacy	
	different versions and	Arrange clips to make a short film			settings might be relevant to	
		that conveys meaning on		(servers: e.g Dropbox, Fronter,	reducing different risks.	
		storyboard.		Purple Mash).		
	Use knowledge of text				Judge when to answer a	
		Add simple titles and credits.		Upload/download a file to the	question online and when not	
		Select text and make changes		cloud on different devices.	to.	
	, ,	including bold, italic and underlined.				
	Use the shift key (little				Be a 'good online citizen and	
	finger) to type characters	Add subtitles or own narration			friend', not a' digital	
					bystander'.	
		Export/ save the slideshow the video			Articulate what constitutes	
	Input numbers using	VIGEO			good behaviour online.	
	individual fingers,				good benaviour onime.	
	returning to home keys.				Find and cite the web address	
	reruining to nome keys.				for any information or	
	Complete dictation				resource found online.	
	exercise					
					Use different sources to	
					double check information	
					found.	

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9	Timed finger exercises	Film making (IMovie/ Windows	Scratch Temple Run	Searches		Using Spreadsheet Models
YEAR	using Dance Mat Typing to	Movie Maker)		From given websites find	themes in the videos:	Create data collection
Ř	familiarise with home row,		sprites, backgrounds, scoring	information to answer a specific		forms and enter data from
	bottom row and top row	Storyboard and capture videos for	and/or timers.	question(s). Develop key	http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/clip	these accurately.
	keys.	a purpose.		questions to search for specific	s/p00nxznx	
	,	Plan for the use of special	Their game uses conditional statements, loops, variables and	information and begin to refine	(Guy Fawkes- Internet Privacy Settings)	Know how to check for and spot inaccurate data.
	In MS Word or MS	effects/transitions to enhance	broadcast messages.	search criteria based on results.	http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/clip	spor maccurate data.
	Publisher - Use individual	their video.		Be aware of the opportunities	s/p01q2pq0	Know which formulas to use
	fingers, returning to home		Their game finishes if the	that the internet provides for		when I want to change my
	keys, to input text. Use	Import footage to IMovie/Movie	player wins or loses and the	nublishing learning and	forever)	spreadsheet model.
	the understanding of the	Maker for more advanced editing.	player knows if they have won or	collaborating (Links to e-Safety	http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/clip	
	editing tools of a text		lost.	conduct army. (Links to e-surery	s/p01g2ppl (Lady Jane Grey-	Make graphs from the
	handling program to write	Trim, arrange and edit audio levels		Search - examples:	· · · ·	calculations on my
	different versions and	of video to improve the quality of	Evaluate the effectiveness of		CEOP: Tom's (boy) video	spreadsheet.
		their outcome.	their game and debug if	1.http://www.rocksforkids.com/		
	genres of texts.		required.	WebQuest/VolcanoWebQuest.h		Sort and filter information.
	Use knowledge of text	Add titles, credits, transitions,	Ninger Education Coding	tml	Find report and flag buttons in	
	marking/editing to extract	special effects.	Discovery Education Coding Expand on knowledge of	<u> </u>	commonly used sites and name sources of help (Childline,	Understand that changing the numerical data effects
	Marking/earing to extract	Export their video in different	variables and use them to	2. The children's war - Imperial		a calculation.
	key points from texts. Use	formats for different purposes	change the properties of shapes	·	button and explain to parents	
			on screen.	······································	what it is for. Write explanation	
	to type characters as	Year Book Creation- write personal	Use Booleans to make a	3. <u>Http://www.guestgarden.com</u> -		
	needed.	text, Add photos, individual and	stopwatch.	examples and create. Select		
	-	group		suitable information and make	Discuss scenarios involving	
	Input numbers using		Combine knowledge of co-	simple judgments about sources	online risk.	
	individual fingers,		ordinates, conditional events,	of information selecting a url		
	returning to home keys.		random numbers and variables	and navigate to their webquest		
			ro ci curc u guine.	once it is created.		
	Complete dictation					
	exercise in Dance Mat Typing level 12.		Develop understanding of object properties e.g. friction and how			
	i yping iever 12.		to pass properties from the			
			pointer to an object.			
			Create a golf simulation game,			
			consisting of several holes.			

Progression in Computing Skills: Year 6 (continued)

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Computing POS				re-edit it. Embed photos,	found on the internet. Act as a role model for younger pupils, including promoting Jessie and friends advice from Think-U-Know	

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Computing Program of Study

Attainment target Levels

Band 1

Pupils explore information from various sources, showing they know that information exists in different forms. They use computers to work with text, images and sound to help them share their ideas. They recognise that many everyday devices respond to signals and algorithms/instructions. They make choices when using such devices to produce different outcomes. They talk about their use of computing.

Band 2

Pupils use computing to organise and classify information and to present their findings. They enter, save and retrieve work. They use computing to help them generate, amend and record their work and share their ideas in different forms, including text, tables, images and sound. They plan and give algorithms/instructions to make things happen and describe the effects. They use computing to explore what happens in real and imaginary situations. They talk about their experiences of computing both inside and outside school.

Band 3

Pupils use computing to save information and to find and use appropriate stored information, following straightforward lines of enquiry. They use computing to generate, develop, organise and present their work. They share and exchange their ideas with others. They use sequences of algorithms/ instructions to control devices and achieve specific outcomes. They make appropriate choices when using computing based models or simulations to help them find things out and solve problems. They describe their use of computing and its use outside school.

Band 4

Pupils understand the need for care in framing questions when collecting, finding and interrogating information. They interpret their findings, question plausibility and recognise that poor quality information leads to unreliable results. They add to, amend and combine different forms of information from a variety of sources. They use computing to present information in different forms and show they are aware of the intended audience and the need for quality in their presentations. They exchange information and ideas with others in a variety of ways, including using email. They use computing systems to control events in a predetermined manner and to sense physical data. They use computing based models and simulations to explore patterns and relationships, and make predictions about the consequences of their decisions. They compare their use of computing with other methods and with its use outside school.

Band 5

Pupils select the information they need for different purposes, check its accuracy and organise it in a form suitable for processing. They use computing to structure, refine and present information in different forms and styles for specific purposes and audiences. They exchange information and ideas with others in a variety of ways, including using email and video conferencing. They create sequences of algorithms/instructions to control events, and understand the need to be precise when framing and sequencing instructions. They understand how computing devices with sensors can be used to monitor and measure external events. They explore the effects of changing the variables in a computing based model. They discuss their knowledge and experience of using computing and their observations of its use outside school. They assess the use of computing in their work and are able to reflect critically in order to make improvements in subsequent work.

Band 6

Pupils develop and refine their work to enhance its quality, using information from a range of sources. Where necessary, they use complex lines of enquiry to test hypotheses. They present their ideas in a variety of ways and show a clear sense of audience. They develop, try out and refine sequences of algorithms/ instructions to monitor, measure and control events, and show efficiency in framing these instructions. They use computing based models to make predictions and vary the rules within the models. They assess the validity of these models by comparing their behaviour with information from other sources. They discuss the impact of computing on society.