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VOCABULARY LIST

- Algorithm A list or set of instructions given to a computer to do a task. For example, following a recipe on how to bake a cake.
- **Branching** Checking conditions by making a decision that depends on what is happening or what has happened. For example, before getting ready to go outside you check the weather.
- **Bug** Stops a program from running its code properly. For example, if you saw a bug in your soup you would stop eating it until it is safely removed.
- **Code** The method of giving instructions to a computer to tell it what to do. For example, if you were to tell someone how to brush their teeth you might talk directly to them.
- **Command** A specific instruction given to a computer to perform a specific task. For example, if you told a dog to sit and they sat down.
- **Conditionals** If something is true then it will be followed by an action and if it is false then it will be followed by a different action. For example, if it is raining outside you would choose to bring an umbrella but if it is sunny you would take your sunglasses.
- **Debugging** Finding then fixing a problem in a code, algorithm or program. For example, removing a bug that flew into your soup so you can eat the soup.
- Decomposition Breaking down problems into smaller steps to make it easier. For example, to brush your teeth you will first need a toothbrush and toothpaste. Next, you need a sink with running water. Next, you need to put toothpaste onto your toothbrush. Next you will...
- Event An action code that causes something to happen. For example, when I say GO you will run as fast as you can across the yard.
- Loop An action in a code that causes the code to repeat over and over. For example, instead of telling someone to cut a piece of cake, then cut another piece, then cut another piece, you could say, cut enough cake for three people.
- **Program** The art of creating an algorithm that a computer can follow to do something. For example, creating step-by-step rules to play a game you created so others can play it.
- Sequence Completing a task in a specific order. For example, when baking a cake you can't put it in the oven until all the ingredients are added and stirred.
- Variable A temporary piece of information that can change in a code. For example, a variable is something that can change in a game like the score. If you shoot a soccer ball into the next, then you will get a point.



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