Computer Science Discoveries

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INTRODUCTION

CS Discoveries introduces students to computer science as a vehicle for problem solving, communication, and personal expression. The course focuses on the visible aspects of computing and computer science, and encourages students to see where computer science exists around them and how they can engage with it as a tool for exploration and expression.

Computing is so fundamental to understanding and participating in society that it is valuable for every student to learn as part of a modern education. Computer science is a subject that provides students with a critical lens for interpreting the world around them. Computer science prepares all students to be active and informed contributors to our increasingly technological society whether they pursue careers in technology or not. Computer science can be life-changing, not just skill training.

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## UNIT 1: PROBLEM SOLVING and COMPUTING and Community Building - MARKING PERIOD 1

- Intro to Problem Solving
- The Problem Solving Process
- Exploring Problem Solving
- What is a Computer?
- Input and Output
- Processing
- Apps and Storage
- Project - Propose an App

## UNIT 2: WEB DEVELOPMENT - MARKING PERIODS 1 & 2

- Exploring Websites
- Websites for Expression
- Intro to HTML
- Headings
- Digital Footprint
- Lists
- Intellectual Property and Images
- Clean Code and Debugging
- Project - Multi-Page Websites
- Styling Text with CSS
- Styling Elements with CSS
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- RGB Colors and Classes
- Project - Personal Portfolio Website

## UNIT 3: INTERACTIVE GAMES AND ANIMATIONS - MARKING PERIODS 2, 3 & 4

- Programming for Entertainment
- Plotting Shapes
- Drawing in Game Lab
- Shapes and Randomization
- Variables
- Sprites
- The Draw Loop
- Counter Pattern Unplugged
- Sprite Movement
- Booleans Unplugged
- Booleans and Conditionals
- Conditionals and User Input
- Other Forms of Input
- Project - Interactive Card
- Velocity
- Collision Detection
- Complex Sprite Movement
- Collisions
- Functions
- The Game Design Process
- Using the Game Design Process
- Project - Design a Game

## UNIT 4: THE DESIGN PROCESS - MARKING PERIOD 4

- Analysis of Design
- Understanding your user
- User centered design Micro Activity
- User Interfaces
- Feedback and testing
- Identifying user needs
- Project- Paper prototype

* For students and teachers requiring further enrichment, you may explore Chapter 2 of Unit 4, Units 5 and/or Unit 6
UNIT OF STUDY: UNIT 1: PROBLEM SOLVING

Students learn the problem-solving process, the input-output-store-process model of a computer, and how computers help humans solve problems. Students end the unit by proposing their own app to solve a problem.

Targeted CSTA K-12 Computer Science Standards (2017):

**AP - Algorithms & Programming**
- 1B-AP-08 - Compare and refine multiple algorithms for the same task and determine which is the most appropriate.
- 1B-AP-11 - Decompose (break down) problems into smaller, manageable subproblems to facilitate the program development process.
- 1B-AP-16 - Take on varying roles, with teacher guidance, when collaborating with peers during the design, implementation and review stages of program development.
- 2-AP-10 - Use flowcharts and/or pseudocode to address complex problems as algorithms.
- 2-AP-17 - Systematically test and refine programs using a range of test cases.
- 2-AP-15 - Seek and incorporate feedback from team members and users to refine a solution that meets user needs.
- 2-AP-18 - Distribute tasks and maintain a project timeline when collaboratively developing computational artifacts.

**CS - Computing Systems**
- 1B-CS-01 - Describe how internal and external parts of computing devices function to form a system.
- 1B-CS-02 - Model how computer hardware and software work together as a system to accomplish tasks.

**IC - Impacts of Computing**
- 2-IC-20 - Compare tradeoffs associated with computing technologies that affect people’s everyday activities and career options.


**Unit Objectives/Enduring Understandings:**
Students will be able to...
- Define and use the 4-step Problem Solving Process - Define, Prepare, Try, Reflect
- Understand all Components of a Computer - Input, Output, Storage and Processing

**Attitudinal Goals:**
Students will...
- Build a collaborative classroom environment
- View computer science as relevant, collaborative, fun and empowering

**Essential Questions:**

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**Unit Assessment:** Students propose their own app to solve a problem; Students take a summative Unit Assessment

## UNIT 1

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| Lesson 4                       | Understanding Computing Devices | Models of Computing Devices: Identify a computer as a machine that processes information and give a high level description of the input-output-storage-processing model of computing devices. | Lesson 4: What is a computer?  
- Picture worksheet  
- Groups sort, discuss, and defend what a computer is. | Objectives to be Assessed:  
- Understand components of a computer  
- Class discussions  
- Journal Questions  
- Quick-check levels include multiple choice or short answer questions.  
- Programming levels challenge students to complete a small programming task.  
- Activity Guides |
| Lesson 1, 2, 3                 | The Problem Solving Process | Use a structured problem solving process: Given various problems, identify individual actions that would fall within each step of a structured approach. | Lesson 1: Aluminum boat building  
- Collaboration  
- Problem solving  
Lesson 2: The problem solving | Objectives to be Assessed:  
- Define and use the 4-step Problem Solving Process |
Students should be able to define and use a structured problem solving process, identifying key components of the process and how they apply to various problems. Students should use multiple strategies to approach problems, iteratively improving on the solution through collaboration and reflection.

**Process to solve them.**

**Define a problem to be solved:** Assess how well defined a problem is and use strategies to define the problem more precisely

**Plan a solution:** Consider various approaches to solving a problem, and decide which is the most appropriate

**Implement a solution:** Carry out and evaluate a solution to a problem, iteratively improving on it as needed

**Definitions:**
- Define, Prepare, Try, and Reflect
- Apply the process to boat activity and other situations for design

**Lesson 3: Using the problem solving process**

- **Word search partner activity**
- **Use DPTR process** and discuss how each group worked

**Class discussions**

- **Journal Questions**
- **Quick-check levels** include multiple choice or short answer questions.
- **Programming levels** challenge students to complete a small programming task.

**Activity Guides**

**Lesson 5, 6, 7, 8, 9**

- 1B-CS-01
- 1B-CS-02
- 2C-CS-02
- 2-AP-10
- 2-AP-15
- 2-AP-17
- 2-AP-18
- 2-IC-20

**Computing and Algorithms**

Students should combine their understandings of computing and problem solving to identify and design solutions for computational problems. In doing so, they should develop algorithms that can automate the processing of information, producing a desired output from a given input.

**Identify and define computational problems:** Choose problems that can be solved with computing and justify those choices.

**Develop computational solutions:** Identify the inputs associated with a given problem, and define the processing and storage needed to produce the desired output.

**Developing algorithms:** Develop and iteratively improve algorithms for processing information.

**Lesson 5: Inputs and Outputs**

- **Worksheet handout for what is an input/output**
- **Use Definition of input and output to discuss with partner**

**Lesson 6: Card Sorting**

- **Playing cards**
- **Analyze method of sorting cards and define computer algorithm**

**Lesson 7: Storage and Processing**

- **Playing cards**
- **Analyze cards develop algorithm to find smallest card in stack**

**Lesson 8: App Exploration**

- **Worksheet on Apps**
- **Analyze different apps to see what input is needed for functionality of app**

**Lesson 9: Propose an App**

**Objectives to be Assessed:**

- Understand components of a computer
- Use the 4-step Problem Solving Process

**Lesson Level Assessments:**

- **Class discussions**
- **Journal Questions**
- **Quick-check levels** include multiple choice or short answer questions.
- **Programming levels** challenge students to complete a small programming task.
- **Activity Guides**

**Unit Level Assessments:**

- **End of unit project**
- **Student-facing rubrics**
- **Practice reflections**
- **Post-project test**
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| - Worksheet  
| - Poster  
| - Propose an App and determine what inputs are needed for desired output |
UNIT OF STUDY: UNIT 2: WEB DEVELOPMENT (HTML & CSS)

Unit 2 introduces computer languages and how students can use these languages to create digital artifacts. By the end of the unit, students should be able to create a digital artifact that uses multiple computer languages to control the structure and style of their content. They should understand that different languages allow them to solve different problems, and that these solutions can be generalized across similar problems. Lastly, they should understand their responsibilities as both creators and consumers of digital media.

Targeted CSTA K-12 Computer Science Standards (2017):

**AP - Algorithms & Programming**
- 1B-AP-11 - Decompose (break down) problems into smaller, manageable subproblems to facilitate the program development process.
- 1B-AP-12 - Modify, remix or incorporate portions of an existing program into one’s own work, to develop something new or add more advanced features.
- 1B-AP-15 - Test and debug (identify and fix errors) a program or algorithm to ensure it runs as intended.
- 2-AP-13 - Decompose problems and subproblems into parts to facilitate the design, implementation, and review of programs.
- 2-AP-15 - Seek and incorporate feedback from team members and users to refine a solution that meets user needs.
- 2-AP-16 - Incorporate existing code, media, and libraries into original programs, and give attribution.
- 2-AP-17 - Systematically test and refine programs using a range of test cases.
- 2-AP-18 - Distribute tasks and maintain a project timeline when collaboratively developing computational artifacts.
- 2-AP-19 - Document programs in order to make them easier to follow, test, and debug.
- 3A-AP-20 - Evaluate licenses that limit or restrict use of computational artifacts when using resources such as libraries.

**IC - Impacts of Computing**
- 1B-IC-18 - Discuss computing technologies that have changed the world and express how those technologies influence, and are influenced by, cultural practices.
- 1B-IC-21 - Use public domain or creative commons media and refrain from copying or using material created by others without permission.
- 2-IC-20 - Compare tradeoffs associated with computing technologies that affect people’s everyday activities and career options.
- 2-IC-21 - Discuss issues of bias and accessibility in the design of existing technologies.
- 2-IC-23 - Describe tradeoffs between allowing information to be public and keeping information private and secure.

**NI - Networks & the Internet**
- 1B-NI-05 - Discuss real-world cybersecurity problems and how personal information can be protected.

**21st Century Skills/Career Ready Practices:** Critical thinking, Creativity, Collaboration, Communication, Information literacy, Media literacy, Technology literacy, Flexibility, Leadership, Initiative, Productivity, Social skills

**Unit Objectives/Enduring Understandings:**
Students will be able to...
- Implement the Problem Solving Process for Programming
- Set Up a Web Page - Content, Structure, Style
- Code in HTML and CSS
- Define and Understand Digital Citizenship

**Attitudinal Goals:**
Students will...
- View computer science as a form of expression
- See themselves as creators and not simply consumers of online content
Consider the impact of the choices they make when creating and consuming digital content

**Essential Questions:**

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<td>- How do I modify the appearance and style of my web pages?</td>
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<td>- Why do people create websites?</td>
<td>- How do I safely and appropriately make use of the content published on the internet?</td>
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<td>- How can I incorporate content I find online into my own webpage?</td>
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<td>- What strategies can I use when coding to find and fix issues?</td>
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**Unit Assessment:** Students develop their own personal websites; Students take a summative Unit Assessment

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| Lessons 3, 4, 10, 11, 12, 13 | Using Computer Languages | Understand and explain the need for computer languages: Understand why specialized languages exist to communicate with computers and describe the features a language might need.

**Attend to precision and syntax when creating a digital artifact:** Understand the need for precision when using computer languages and use appropriate syntax.

**Combine computer languages within a digital artifact:** Use multiple computer languages to manage the complexity of a digital artifact.

**Choose an appropriate**

Lesson 3: Intro to HTML
- Unplugged analysis of web pages
- Explore weblab
- Start to use HTML code to open and close pages

Lesson 4: Headings
- Introduce different tags
- Device to write code and access internet
- Learn basic HTML commands

Lesson 10: Styling Text with CSS
- Learn the differences between HTML and CSS
- Use a separate style sheet to enhance HTML Code

Objectives to be Assessed:
- Set Up a Web Page - Content, Structure, Style
- Code in HTML and CSS

- Journal Questions
- Quick-check levels include multiple choice or short answer questions.
- Programming levels challenge students to complete a small programming task.
- Activity Guides
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<td>Students should be able to break down complex problems into their component parts, distinguishing between content, structure, and formatting. They should also recognize and use abstraction as it is built into computer languages, grouping elements by type or by classes that they create.</td>
<td>Distinguish between the content, structure, and formatting in the design of a digital artifact and ensure that they are logically separated in its encoding (e.g. by using HTML for structuring and CSS for formatting).</td>
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**Lessons 1, 2**
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- 2-AP-13
- 1B-IC-18

**Objectives to be Assessed:**
- Implement the Problem Solving Process for Programming

- **Journal Questions**
- **Quick-check levels** include multiple choice or short answer questions.
- **Programming levels** challenge students to complete a small programming task.
- **Activity Guides**
| Lessons 9 & 14 | Creating a Digital Artifact | Structure content on a web page using HTML: Use HTML to create a web page that includes hierarchical headings, paragraphs, lists, and images. **Apply formatting in a web page using CSS:** Use external style sheets to control placement, size, and appearance of elements. Define colors with RGB codes: Use RGB color codes to specify colors for elements on a web page. | Lesson 9: Project - Multi-Page Websites
- Students will use Peer review worksheet to examine web pages
-Continue to develop website to be published
- Internet device for research | Objectives to be Assessed:
- Set Up a Web Page - Content, Structure, Style
- Code in HTML and CSS

- **Chapter and Unit Level Assessments:**
  - End of chapter projects
  - Student-facing rubrics
  - Practice reflections
  - Post-project tests

| Lessons 6, 8 | Debugging and Clean Code | Format code to make it easier to read and maintain: Use whitespace and indentation to make code easier to read and maintain. **Comment code where appropriate:** Use comments | Lesson 6: Lists
- Device to learn how to create different kinds of list in HTML | Objectives to be Assessed:
- Implement the Problem Solving Process for Programming

- **Journal Questions**
- Quick-check levels include multiple choice or short answer questions.
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<th>easier to read and maintain. Students should use multiple strategies to find and eliminate bugs from their code.</th>
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| Lessons 5, 7 | Responsible Creation and Consumption of Digital Media | Use good judgement in sharing personal information online: Justify and adhere to guidelines for safely publishing information online, **Respect Copyright:** Explain the purpose of copyright and follow copyright law, accurately attributing others when using their work. **Vet sources:** Use basic web searching techniques to find relevant information online, identify elements that contribute to a website's trustworthiness or untrustworthiness. | Lesson 5: Digital Footprint - Social Sleuth and social privacy worksheets - Internet and code device to do detective work and investigate where privacy and content needs to be protected Lesson 7: Intellectual Property and Images - Worksheet on Licensing your work - Students research different ways to protect their content - Device for Internet and coding |
| ❑ 2-AP-16 ❑ 3A-AP-20 ❑ 1B-IC-21 ❑ 1B-NI-05 ❑ 2-IC-20 ❑ 2-IC-23 | Students should recognize their responsibilities as creators and consumers of digital media. They should be able to make ethical and safe choices when publishing information online. They should understand that not all information found online is trustworthy, and have strategies for finding relevant and reliable information on the web. | Objectives to be Assessed: ❑ Define and Understand Digital Citizenship ❑ Journal Questions ❑ Quick-check levels include multiple choice or short answer questions. ❑ Programming levels challenge students to complete a small programming task. ❑ Activity Guides |

**Resources:** Essential Materials, Supplementary Materials, Links to Best Practices

Code.org platform; Journals; Activity Guides; **Web Lab** — A browser-based tool for creating and publishing HTML and CSS web sites.

**Instructional Adjustments:** *Modifications/Student difficulties/Common errors/Possible misunderstandings*

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UNIT OF STUDY: UNIT 3: INTERACTIVE GAMES AND ANIMATIONS (JavaScript)

Unit 3 focuses on algorithms and programming. By the end of the unit, students should be able to create an interactive animation or game that includes basic programming concepts such as control structures, variables, user input, and randomness. They should manage this task by working with others to break it down using objects (sprites) and functions. Throughout the process, they should give and respond constructively to peer feedback and work with their teammates to complete a project.

Targeted CSTA K-12 Computer Science Standards (2017):

AP - Algorithms & Programming
- 2-AP-10 - Use flowcharts and/or pseudocode to address complex problems as algorithms.
- 2-AP-11 - Create clearly named variables that represent different data types and perform operations on their values.
- 2-AP-12 - Design and iteratively develop programs that combine control structures, including nested loops and compound conditionals.
- 2-AP-13 - Decompose problems and subproblems into parts to facilitate the design, implementation, and review of programs.
- 2-AP-15 - Seek and incorporate feedback from team members and users to refine a solution that meets user needs.
- 2-AP-16 - Incorporate existing code, media, and libraries into original programs, and give attribution.
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IC - Impacts of Computing
- 2-IC-21 - Discuss issues of bias and accessibility in the design of existing technologies.


Unit Objectives/Enduring Understandings:
Students will be able to...
- Implement the Problem Solving Process for Programming
- Learn and correctly implement sequencing and program flow
- Implement abstraction in programming
- Define and correctly use common programming structures: Variables, Conditionals, Functions
- Code using JavaScript

Attitudinal Goals:
Students will...
- View programming as fun, creative, and expressive
- See themselves as computer programmers
- Feel that programming is a form of communication

Essential Questions:

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<td>What are the core features of most programming languages?</td>
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<td><strong>Constructively give and respond to peer feedback:</strong> Give feedback to peers using a structured process that points out strengths and areas for growth in a project, and incorporate given feedback for their own programs into their revisions.</td>
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<td><strong>Using a structured process to plan and develop a program:</strong> Use a structured process to describe a program’s behavior, identify the core programming constructs necessary to complete the project, then use them as a guide to complete the program.</td>
<td>- Activity worksheet for examining the impact of computer science in different entertainment areas</td>
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| Lessons 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 | **Modularity** | **Use objects to manage the complexity of on-screen elements:** Create and modify objects (sprites) to represent on screen elements and their associated properties. Use dot notation to get and set sprite properties.
 Manage complexity through abstraction: Use abstraction to reason about a program at different levels of complexity. Describe the benefits of abstraction, including simplifying code to more easily program complex behavior.
 **Define and call functions in a program:** Create and use functions to organize reuse code within the same program. Modify and use functions created | **Lesson 4: Shapes and Randomization** | **Objectives to be Assessed:**
- Implement the Problem Solving Process for Programming
- Learn and correctly implement sequencing and program flow
- Implement abstraction in programming
- Define and correctly use common programming structures: Functions
- Code using JavaScript

- Journal Questions
- Quick-check levels include multiple choice or short answer questions.
- Programming levels challenge students to |
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Lesson 21: Using the Game Design
- Draw game in project guide game platform handout
- Design game to catch alien stars
Lesson 22: Project - Design a Game
- Students will design and build their own game using project guide from previous two lessons
- Describe games behavior and scope of variables
- Handouts, Device, and Internet

- **Objective:** Students should be able to break down complex problems into their component parts, both to increase readability and organization of code and to allow them to reuse portions of code many times. Algorithms should be broken into functions, and screen elements into sprites/objects. They should also recognize and use abstraction as it is built into programming languages.
### Algorithms and Control

Students should be able to use basic programming constructs to create a wide range of behaviors in their programs. These constructs should be combined to create complex behaviors, such as screen elements that move according to user input, or properties that change after a certain threshold has been reached. Programs should run differently each time according to user input or random chance.

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- Learn and correctly implement sequencing and program flow
- Define and correctly use common programming structures: Conditionals, Code using JavaScript

#### Quick-check levels
- Journal Questions
- Quick-check levels include multiple choice or short answer questions.

#### Programming levels
- Challenge students to complete a small programming task.

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| ● 2-AP-13                   | Lesson 2: Plotting Shapes  
  ● Students learn to how a computer processed information to come up with different styles  
  ● Easel for computer drawing simulation |
| ● 2-AP-16                   | Lesson 3: Drawing in Game Lab  
  ● Students are introduced to game lab  
  ● They need to change three colors of an existing page |
| ● 2-AP-17                   | Lesson 15: Velocity  
  ● Students are introduced to the properties that set velocity and rotation speed directly  
  ● Create basic side scroller game  
  ● Device and Internet |
| ● 2-AP-19                   | Lesson 16: Collision Detection  
  ● Use sprite location and size and math to determine if two sprites are touching  
  ● Use activity sheets to draw sprites  
  ● Create different effects when sprites collide |
|                            | Lesson 17: Complex Sprite Movement  
  ● Combine the velocity property of sprites with the counter pattern to create complex sprite |
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  ● Define and correctly use common programming structures: Variables, Conditionals, Functions  
  ● Code using JavaScript |
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**Resources: Essential Materials, Supplementary Materials, Links to Best Practices**

Code.org platform; Journals; Activity Guides; **Game Lab** — A browser-based JavaScript programming environment designed to create sprite-based drawings, animations and games. Enables students to switch between programming in blocks or text.

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UNIT OF STUDY: UNIT 4: The Design Process (Chapter 1, paper prototype only)

Unit 4, Chapter 1 extends the problem solving process to incorporate user centered design. By the end of the chapter, students should see the design process as a form of problem solving that prioritizes the needs of a user. They should be able to identify user needs and assess how well different designs address them. In particular, they know how to develop a paper prototype, gather and respond to feedback about a prototype, and consider ways different user interfaces do or do not affect the usability of their apps.

Students should leave the unit with a basic understanding of other roles in software development, such as product management, marketing, design, and testing, and to use what they have learned as a tool for social impact.

Targeted CSTA K-12 Computer Science Standards (2017):

AP - Algorithms & Programming
- 2-AP-10 - Use flowcharts and/or pseudocode to address complex problems as algorithms.
- 2-AP-15 - Seek and incorporate feedback from team members and users to refine a solution that meets user needs.
- 2-AP-17 - Systematically test and refine programs using a range of test cases.

IC - Impacts of Computing
- 2-IC-20 - Compare tradeoffs associated with computing technologies that affect people’s everyday activities and career options.
- 2-IC-21 - Discuss issues of bias and accessibility in the design of existing technologies.
- 2-IC-22 - Collaborate with many contributors through strategies such as crowdsourcing or surveys when creating a computational artifact.

CS - Computing Systems
- 2-CS-01 - Recommend improvements to the design of computing devices, based on an analysis of how users interact with the devices.
- 2-CS-02 - Design projects that combine hardware and software components to collect and exchange data.


Unit Objectives/Enduring Understandings:
Students will be able to...
- See the design process as a form of problem solving that prioritizes the needs of a user.
- Identify user needs and assess how well different designs address them:
  - know how to develop a paper prototype,
  - gather and respond to feedback about a prototype, and
  - consider ways different user interfaces do or do not affect the usability of their apps.

Essential Questions:
- How do designers identify the needs of their user?
- How can we ensure that a user’s needs are met by our designs?
- What processes will best allow us to efficiently create, test, and iterate upon our designs?

Unit Assessment: Students create a Paper Prototype project; Students take a summative Unit Assessment
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| Lessons 1, 2, 3, 6            | Understanding the user | Identify user needs as distinct from the needs of the developer: Describe the target users for a computational artifact and identify those user's needs, distinguishing between the needs of the student and those of the user. | Lesson 1: Analysis of Design  
- Examine real world objects to see how the problem solving process can be used to help others  
- Tea pot activity handout | Objectives to be Assessed:  
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Understanding the user  
Students should actively consider the needs of others while developing a solution to a problem. They should identify user needs as central criteria for the development of a computational artifact and distinguish their own needs from those of the user, taking steps to identify those needs through a variety of strategies.

Collect and analyze user information to better understand user needs: Collect information on users, either through research, interviews, or surveys, and analyze that information to create a profile for the user, including the needs that the user may have in interacting with the intended computational artifact.

Lesson 2: Understanding Your User  
- Handouts for user profiles  
- Students role-play to determine the wants and needs of potential customers.  
- Helps to address marketing issues

Lesson 3: User-Centered Design Micro Activity  
- Brainstorm a list of smart clothing users  
- Put them into potential groups and identify needs or concerns of the user  
- Design clothing for the user based on information

Lesson 6: Identifying User Needs  
- Activity guides user interface and paper prototype  
- Conduct an interview to collect information about user needs  
- Analyze interview
### Designing to criteria

**Students should be able to use set criteria to guide their design of a computational artifact, both in the overall design and purpose of the artifact and in the specific ways that users can interact with it.**

**Generate and evaluate ideas for meeting specific criteria:** Generate multiple strategies for meeting user needs, then organize them into meaningful categories so that they can be analyzed. Select the most appropriate strategies from the list.

**Design according to specific user needs:** Design an artifact, including core functionality and user interface, that meets the needs of a specific user, or design improvements to an existing artifact in order to meet those needs.

### Lesson 4: User Interfaces
- **Students use the mini design process to develop a prototype to meet a user's needs**
- **Activity sheets for user interface, testing computer, and testing user**

### Lesson 5: Feedback and Testing
- **Use feedback to create a development plan to improve an app**
- **Activity guides for feedback, improve a screen, use interface screens**

### Lesson 7: Project - Paper Prototype
- **Activity guide computer science best practices**
- **Design the functionality of an app to address the specific needs of a user**
- **Identify improvements to an app based on user testing**
- **Design the user interface of an app**

### Objectives to be Assessed:
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