

## Computing - Programming: Computational Thinking

**abstraction** - identifying the important detail and ignoring irrelevant information

**algorithm design** - creating clear step-by-step instructions to make something work

**computational thinking** - using logic to solve problems step by step

**decomposition** - breaking a problem down into smaller, easier steps

**logical** - makes sense and follows a clear order or pattern

**pattern recognition** - finding similarities or repeated parts in a problem to help solve it more easily

**sequence** - steps arranged in the correct order to make something work

### Remixing code

Remixing code saves time by using ideas from existing projects.

Pattern recognition helps to understand how the code works and algorithm design helps to change it.

Programmers edit code to fix problems, add new features or make it work better.



### Real-life examples of computational thinking



#### Planning a journey

When planning a journey, the route, stops and transport are decomposed into smaller steps.



#### Cooking a recipe

Cooking requires a sequence of steps to be followed.



#### Solving a jigsaw puzzle

Looking for patterns and grouping pieces together helps solve a jigsaw.