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Crystal clear instruction and well crafted This book was suggested to me by our computer club's President. Anyway, thanks a lot to make it available, it's a great help. The majority of our fellow "late bloomers" who've not acquired basic computer skills are being forced to do so if they want to communicate with the kids and grandchildren.What's great about Stokes approach is that she recognizes the fear and the sensation that computers are simply as well complex and overwhelming. Using various programs I purchased it for my partner. This wonderful reserve, 'Is This Factor On? I pick up some points and will follow her approach in potential classes and will strongly recommend this publication.Also, if you are looking for help with choosing or using smartphones, tablets, etc.! A lot of people who've not acquired computer skills will find nearly any entry-level brand laptop or desktop more than enough to meet their requires. screaming" technophobes. Those gifts then often require more basic instruction. It's best for beginners. In Green Valley, as is the case in various other communities, we offer refurbished computer systems, most with Home windows 7, for a small donation of $30 - $45. Like it or hate it, 8 is definitely a major departure from earlier versions of Home windows and it's all you're going to discover on a new computer nowadays (2014) unless you get a Mac.Abby Stokes has given a gift to all who would like to use computers but for whatever reason have not completed so. The author originally began writing this handbook to impart info for her mother's make use of, and the restof us reap the benefits of her kind explanations. There's only 1 sentence about Android despite the fact that it's the most popular OS for all non-Apple cellular devices, and the just tablet mentioned may be the iPad actually though there are several non-Apple tablets on the market now. This advice is too complete, which can be overwhelming. In the late 50s my summer job was hole-punching cards for an enormous IBM computer. In the first 60s, a fellow college student showed me the U of Alaska's first computer: it took up a whole small area, and it might play chess!! Even so, the 80s still discovered me the last gal in the office to switch kicking and screaming from a typewriter to a--horrors!--computer! To create a long story mercifully brief, I muddled along in computerdom (or rather computerdumb) till this year: I had finally become more or less expert at word processing (so long as it wasn't Term), I could do e-mail (though still baffled by accessories), and if not really surfing the net I could at least dogpaddle. This book gets six superstars cuz it includes a consultant--Abby welcomes e-mails and she's what she telephone calls a handholding website! (means little old woman laughing out loud! That means that more of the book does apply to Windows 10 compared to Windows 8 - however the book still requirements updating. The perfect resource for the electronically challenged like me!) Seniors delight! I'm not just one of the kids, but Personally i think like I'm catching up with their technology.. Her approach is amazing getting people along a simple step at the same time but beyond that her presentation of the fundamentals is present to all who want to understand or an assessment of beginning computer understanding.' by Abby Stokes is certainly by far the very best go-to guidebook that There is. I gave someone to my husband, he loves it, (he's like me computer-sensible), and I've sent someone to my parents who would like to like computer systems, but are afraid to. Inside our computer golf club, I assist and have taught a class titled Pc Kindergarten in Green Valley, AZ, a 55 or older community. Good for essentials but doesn't cover recent versions of Home windows, and info about smartphones and tablets is sparse and outdated My major issue with the book is that it definitely needs updating to cover Home windows 8. The main point is not to spend a whole lot in the beginning.!My just criticism, and it is not the primary of the book, is the advice about what computer to get. viewers the book is lacking in details - and here too is also somewhat outdated. SIX stars! who actually is among the "kicking &1 system to become more like old Home windows, which isn't difficult to do).But if they have a new Windows 8 (or Windows 8. Five Stars The title made me laugh and I had to buy it.--------------2015 UPDATE:Microsoft has learned their lesson; most of the weirder top features of Windows 8 have already been removed from Home windows 10, and the familiar "Start" menu is certainly back. If you know Windows 7 or Vista, using Home windows 10 will be less of a shock than using Windows 8. lol lol!.. Althoughthis is written for PC users, the writer DOES add information for those of who are

iMAC users. She writes in order that any fresh and nervous computerowner can understand. Some handbooks are written with unneeded difficulty and too much "computerese"; this one is even more comprehensiblein its use of down-to-earth language. Her book rates more than five stars. Four Stars It helps to explain a whole lot about computers for all those of us who are not tech savy.) Exactly What I Was Looking For! But the book seems to end around Home windows Vista which is 2 versions and 5+ years back (which is certainly eons in the tech world).. Wow! We purchased 2 copies of the book.one for myself as a quick reference &. CLEARLY THE BEST COMPUTER HANDBOOK WRITTEN! I've caused computers on a superficial level for a long time, simply skimming along, asking questions and oft occasions feeling dropped.. one for a pal.Still, overall I wouldn't hesitate to recommend this book to anyone who isn't familiar with computers and wants to learn how to use their Mac pc, or their *not* brand-new Windows PC (or if a knowledgable friend/family members member first reconfigured their Home windows 8 or 8. Also, many seniors receive computer systems of all types from their kids who want more conversation. It has just the type of information necessary for seniors who have some familiarity with computers but have been out of the workforce for a bit and have to catch through to what's changed in the last decade. The bigger font was especially helpful for my friend and will truly be of assist in interacting with the guy who is servicing and updating her computer. If I would just take the time to read all of this publication, I know I'd be more technologically prepared to use my computer. With humor and very clear composing, she brings the pc into concentrate with the basics. She's a PC and I've a MAC. Rather than having independent chapters for each computer the publication combines them both in each chapter which made it tough for her to understand. It's good for beginners Most of this information you may google search. I was wishing that the book could provide more info. Also, many used computer systems are a lot more than adequate. Four Stars happy customer Have not had to learn it yet, bu I ..! Have got not had to learn it yet, bu I am certain it can help me, a tecnically chalenged 70 woman! Four Stars Who needs this? (It's wise to learn ahead--before you grab yourself into a cyberspace mess! Five Stars As advertised, haven't go through it however.1) PC they will be scratching their heads - and if they're looking for buying information on things such as smartphones and tablets, they'll not get a precise picture of what's available and most suitable for their needs. It is very informative and helpful.

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