MindShift (Cryptography)

For this challenge, a bunch of characters were given:  
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The first hint was included in the title of the challenge (Shift). If you hold down the “shift” key and then type in the characters, you will get:

87 84 66 49 88 50 100 80 86 70 57 112 86 65 61 61

which is an ASCII code. When you decode it, you’ll get:

A screenshot of a computer

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This looks like a base64 encryption. When you decrypt it with any base64 decoder, you’ll get this:

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