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What is the Terminal?

-  An interface to a 'lower-level' of your computer than the Graphical User Interface (GUI, or 'point and click')
-  Similar to older computer systems without a GUI
 -  Every command must be typed in
 -  a mouse is not used to interact with the terminal

Why are we learning about the terminal?

-  Some programs needed for development only run from within the terminal
-  More advanced programming isn't possible without using the terminal, so it's good to start when you start learning
-  This way, you can practice your skills as you go before they become crucial and a stumbling block
-  Your friends will think you're a l33t h4ck3r when they see you typing commands into a black screen!

What can you do with the Terminal?

-  Quickly navigate around your computer's filesystem
-  Run command-line-only programs like Git and your own web server
-  Monitor the processes running on your computer and have control over them

