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Interacting With Computers: The Command Line Interface (Cont.)

A **shell** is a type of command line program. In other words, it is the *shell* used to interact with your command line interface.

Most operating systems are GUI-based. So, if you want to interact with the command line from within Mac or Windows, you'll need to open a shell program.

- On a Mac, the default CLI shell is called the terminal.
- On Windows, the default CLI shell is called Command Prompt.

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