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Arnold's article about cloud computing was a good resource for learning an overview of the history of cloud computing and its possible application to many areas that have previously been thought to be unaddressable by this style of computing. He claims that Google is really the entity responsible for popularizing cloud computing with its suite of office applications and other things such as e-mail clients, calendar apps, RSS Feed Readers, etc. However, Microsoft, Apple, and many other big name tech companies have begun to recognize the model of Software as a Service (SaaS) as a viable direction for the computing of the future to head in. He sees 2007 as the year that will go down in history as the advent of cloud computing. While the article is a little short on technical substance, it does provide a very concise and easy to read summation of the history of cloud computing and should be used as a reference for such history.