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Synopsis

In the beginning, there was the computer. And it was big. As big as a room. Sometimes as big as a house. Early computers required teams of white-coated scientists to keep them running, yet one of those giant behemoths could not match the computing power of a single microchip today. From the first massive computers to today's nanotechnology, DIGITAL REVOLUTIONARIES offers a guided tour of the history of computers and a celebration of the human ingenuity that led the world from ENIAC to iMAC.

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Fast-paced and engaging, Digital Revolutionaries provides readers with an overview of some of the most important players and events in the development of the computer industry. With his background in journalism at some of the world's leading newspapers, author Steve Lohr knows how to grab and maintain the attention of readers, and examples such as computer-animated feature films, ipods, and web pages are sure to appeal to the current generation of young people. The book

makes a good non-fiction resource for teaching middle-grade students about the gains to society from technological change and innovation, as well as the personal gains to individuals who are smart and fortunate enough to make such cutting-edge contributions.

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