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PREFACE

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) is so important in the world today that it makes it imperative for every person to be competent in the use of ICT for the many tasks that one will have to accomplish. This book is written to provide the basic skills in ICT for Grade 9 students of Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia. It is expected that the knowledge and skills gained through this book will help the students to use ICT in almost all their courses at school. The book covers selected basic topics in ICT which offer hands-on activities to help students in acquiring the required ICT skills.

The key features of this book will help the students to:

- understand the development of computers and communication technology.
- develop interest and use ICT for learning in other subjects.
- understand information and computer security
- acquire the knowledge for application of ICT in word processing, presentation and spreadsheet application.
- use the Internet to communicate effectively.
- access and share information through the Internet.
- follow basic ethics in the use of ICT.
- learn LOGO language.

The text has been designed in a simple and user friendly way. This text focuses on the fundamentals of ICT, which change slowly. This not only makes the information remain useful to a student when one graduates, but also makes the student focus on the foundation concepts on ICT. This book also illustrates the latest developments in the rapidly changing world of ICT. Review questions have also been given at the end of each unit.

Suggestions for the improvement of this book will be gratefully acknowledged.

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