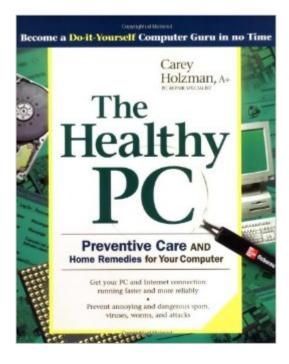
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The Healthy PC: Preventive Care And Home Remedies For Your Computer (Consumer Education)





Synopsis

Learn routine maintenance as well as desktop basics, hard drive care and defragmentation, and plenty more to make your PC more efficient and keep it running smoothly. Learn software management, tame the Internet, secure your machine, deal with downloads, and much more.

Book Information

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