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## Taming the Electronic Beast: Conquering Computer Fear by Michael Bremer

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> Now, through the Advice From The Neighborhood Nerd series of books, his writing style, techniques and humor are available to the general consumer audience, to help simplify and humanize computers and technology.

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