

Scratch Resources



Scratch is free to download and free to use online. Our class Scratch Page where you can see student projects is at <http://scratch.mit.edu/users/NorthMarinScratch>.



Learn Scratch – Tutorials

You can get started right away online using the Hour of Code Tutorial: http://scratch.mit.edu/projects/editor/?tip_bar=hoc. Just follow the video links in the right column, then close and open the tutorial using the X and ? icons at the upper right. You can watch a video, try it in Scratch, then go back to the tutorial and watch the next video.



There are other online resources to help you get started with Scratch at <http://scratch.mit.edu/help/>. They include a Get Started guide, video tutorials, FAQs, the Scratch Wiki, a link to the forums and more.

Scratch Versions & Downloads

Scratch 1.4: If you do not want your child to go online, download Scratch 1.4 and they will be able to use Scratch without the Internet. This version is stable and easier to use. It comes with many examples so that kids can still learn by remixing code. You can upload projects made 1.4 to the new website, you just can't download projects made on the new website to your 1.4 program. Download 1.4: http://scratch.mit.edu/scratch_1.4/

Scratch 2.0 is in beta so updates are still being made. This is the version you use online. You need to create an account (see below) to save your work and remix online. You can download it for offline use here: <http://scratch.mit.edu/scratch2download/>.



Create a Scratch Account

Create a Scratch Account to upload projects, remix online projects, and interact with other Scratchers. You will need an email to do this. <http://scratch.mit.edu/signup>

Learn Scratch Remixing

One of the best ways to learn Scratch is by remixing other projects. You can open up the example projects that come with Scratch 1.4, play with them and make your own version. Once you create an account you can remix any Scratch project that you find on the Scratch website. Any remixed project always shows who created the original, so don't worry about copying someone else's work when you remix. You will learn as you play with and change the code blocks in other people's projects. Maybe one day someone will learn from yours!

Learn Scratch – Take a Class or Join a Club

Look for after school classes that offer Scratch. Friend other Scratchers you meet in classes. For more information, visit the Scratch website at scratch.mit.edu.



Keep on Scratching!

- Alfia Wallace and the San Rafael Scratch Team
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