

Parent Resources

Classes

- <https://www.codecademy.com/> - FREE
- <https://www.tynker.com/> - ages 7-14
- <http://codecombat.com/> - For all ages
- <https://code.org/> - Free
- <http://www.sylvanlearning.com/edge/coding-for-kids> - OnSite Classes
- <https://www.khanacademy.org/computing/computer-programming> - FREE
- <https://www.pluralsight.com/kids> - Freemium
- <https://www.techrocket.com/code> - Freemium
- <http://www.youthdigital.com/minecraft-mod-design.html>

Websites

- <https://blockly-games.appspot.com/>
- <http://www.hackety.com/> - Mac Program
- <http://kidsruby.com/> - PC and Mac Program
- <https://www.kodable.com/> - Elementary School
- <https://www.madewithcode.com/>
- <http://scratch.mit.edu/>
- <https://jam.com/> - Online STEM Learning

Games and Toys

- <https://www.playosmo.com/en/> - Ages 5-12
- <http://www.kano.me/> - All ages
- www.legomindstorms.com - 10+

Apps

- Cargo Bot - iOS
- Cato's Hike - iOS
- Hopscotch - iOS
- Kodable Pro - iOS
- ScriptKit - iOS
- Tynker - Android
- Lightbot - Android
- Run Marco - Android

Kids and Blogging Safety

General Tips

- Understand your child's limitations
- Know what your child is blogging about
- Control the blog settings to a level you are comfortable with (See Below)
- If comments are allowed, understand that bullying may be an issue, you can use this as an educational tool or prevent them until a later time.
- Make sure that personal information is not shared online: Name, Address, Phone, School, Sports Teams, Etc are all ways predators track kids online.

Privacy Setting Options

- My Site -> Settings -> Privacy
 - Public.
This is the setting used by most sites. It allows everyone to read your site and enables your site to be included in search engine results and other content sites.
 - Hidden.
If you want all human visitors to be able to read your blog, but want to block web crawlers for search engines, this is the setting for you. (Please note, however, that not all search engines respect this setting.)
 - Private.
Select this option to make your site private. If you want specific people to be able to view it (and add comments, if you've enabled them), you'll need to invite them to be a viewer.
- My Site -> Settings -> Discussion ->
 - Under "Default article settings," check/uncheck the box next to "Allow people to post comments on new articles," and then click "Save Settings."

Other Assistance - <https://en.support.wordpress.com>