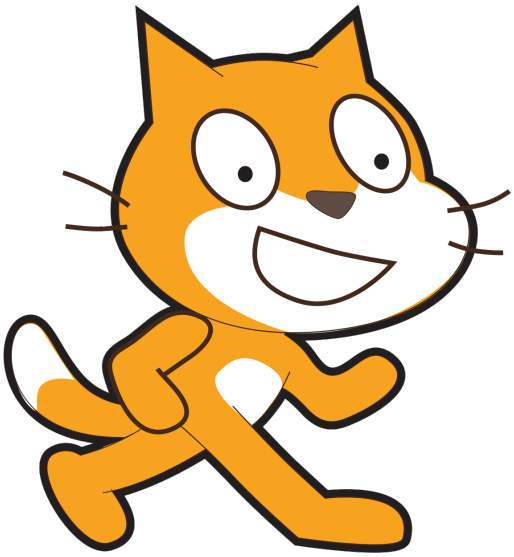

Starting from Scratch:

Storytelling & Artmaking with Computer Programming

Community Coding in Central Texas

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Activities are free for everyone.

Introducing Scratch

Scratch is different things, depending on what you're making.

First, Scratch is a computer programming language that teaches kids how to code. Teachers from elementary through high school, as well as in higher education, work with Scratch to introduce principles of computational thinking to students who might have never programmed a computer. While the target audience is children in about 3rd to 5th grades, kids and adults of all ages work with Scratch to make stories, art, games, puzzles, and even Mother's Day cards.

Second, Scratch is a social network for sharing what you've made. Posting and commenting on the Scratch website will seem familiar to anyone who has ever posted on Facebook, for example. But, in Scratch, the emphasis is on sharing things that you've made yourself, or that you've remixed from other Scratch projects.

For example, Scratch is a place to play games and make games with friends, or to learn about music, or history, or science, or art—or about a thousand other things that spark your curiosity.

Scratch Ed is a network of teachers who are sharing curriculum ideas and other learning resources: http://scratched.gse.harvard.edu/

Experience Scratch for yourself—it's free! http://scratch.mit.edu/

Families Learning Together (FLT) is building sustainable computational fluency in Central Texas. Our goal is to understand what works in teacher CS education and then to implement that understanding across K12 learning ecologies, including schools, afterschool clubs, community centers, and libraries.

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