



# BBC micro:bit Coding

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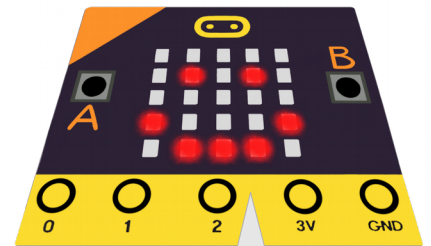
### Show CPU Temperature

```
from microbit import *  
  
while True:  
    # obtain and show CPU temperature  
    t = temperature()  
    display.scroll(str(t) + 'C')  
    # wait 5 seconds  
    sleep(5000)
```



### Capture a Movement Gesture

```
from microbit import *  
  
while True:  
    # obtain the current gesture  
    g = accelerometer.current_gesture()  
    # is the micro:bit face up or down?  
    if g == 'face up':  
        display.show(Image.HAPPY)  
    else:  
        display.show(Image.SAD)
```



Try turning  
me over ...

### Build an Accelerometer Dice Shaker

```
from microbit import *  
import random  
  
while True:  
    if accelerometer.was_gesture('shake'):  
        # generate a random integer from 1 to 6  
        diceNumber = random.randint(1,6)  
        # show the dice number  
        display.show(str(diceNumber))  
        sleep(1000)
```

Can you  
shake a  
6?



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## Make a Spirit Level

```
from microbit import *

while True:
    x = accelerometer.get_x()
    val = x // 20
    if val > 0:
        display.show(Image.ARROW_E)
    elif x < 0:
        display.show(Image.ARROW_W)
    else:
        # Yes - I am level
        display.show(Image.YES)
```

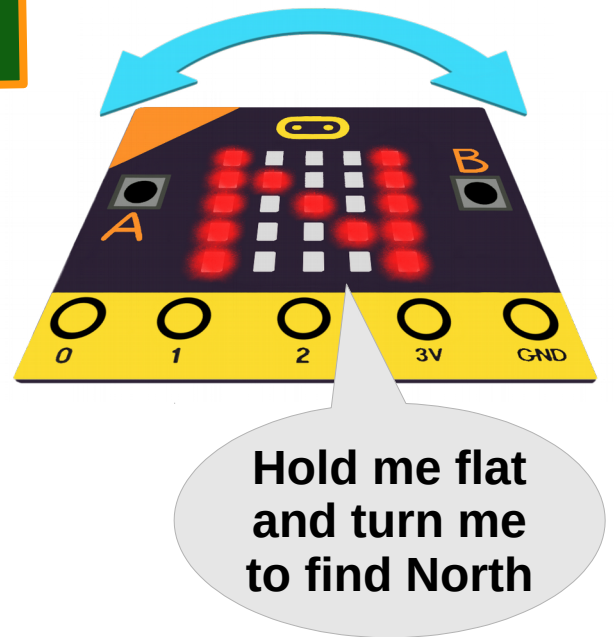


## Find North with the Compass

```
from microbit import *

# draw a circle calibration
compass.calibrate()

while True:
    sleep(100)
    val = compass.heading()
    if (val < 10 or val > 350):
        display.show('N')
    else:
        display.show(Image.NO)
```



## Some Python Coding Tips

```
# comments like this make code easier to understand

# this is how to create an endless loop
while True:
    # but make sure you indent your loop code

# str() converts integer numbers to strings
age = 9
display.scroll('I am ' + str(age) + ' years old')
```

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