



# BBC micro:bit Coding

## 4 Simple Steps to Coding in Python

1 Connect the PC to the micro:bit board using a USB cable...



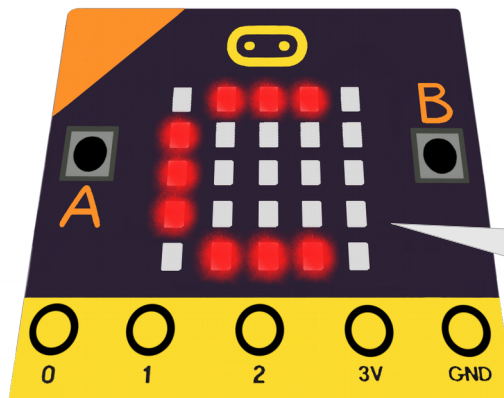
2 Now open your web browser and visit this web page...

[python.microbit.org](https://python.microbit.org)

3 In the editor enter the python code statements on the right...

```
from microbit import *  
display.scroll('Be Cool!')
```

4 Click the 'Download' icon and select the micro:bit device



Watch my LEDs!



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## Try These 4 Python Programs

### A Countdown Timer

```

from microbit import *

display.show('3')
sleep(1000)
display.show('2')
sleep(1000)
display.show('1')
sleep(1000)
display.show('0')

```

### Capture Button Presses

```

from microbit import *

while True:
    if button_a.is_pressed():
        display.show(Image.HAPPY)
    if button_b.is_pressed():
        display.show(Image.SAD)

```

### Images and Animations

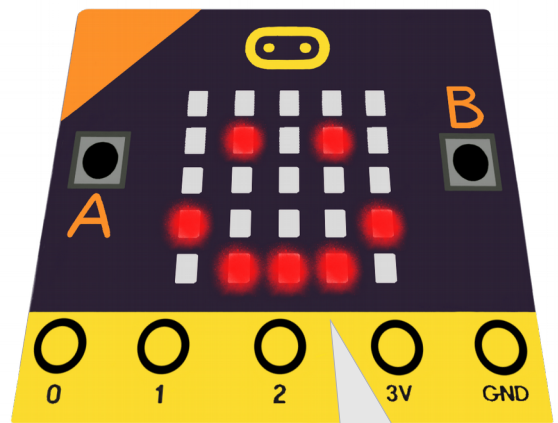
```

from microbit import *

# images
display.show(Image.SQUARE)
sleep(2000)
display.show(Image.HEART)
sleep(2000)
display.show(Image.PACMAN)
sleep(2000)
display.show(Image.SNAKE)
sleep(2000)
# animations
display.show(Image.ALL_CLOCKS)
sleep(2000)
display.show(Image.ALL_ARROWS)

```

Visit [goo.gl/EbrszB](http://goo.gl/EbrszB) for more image names and lots of code examples.



I can run your code!

### Design Your Own LED Images

```

from microbit import *

# define a 5x5 digit string where
# 9=max-brightness and 0=min-brightness
img = Image('99999:07770:00500:03330:11111')
display.show(img)

```



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