

## **Getting Started**

MIT App Inventor is a simple way to build Android Apps. Like Scratch, App Inventor uses an editor with building blocks to create logic. With App Inventor, you can use an Android device to test as you build.

## What you'll do:

- Open a web browser (Firefox, or Chrome only. No Internet Explorer)
- Go to <a href="http://appinventor.mit.edu/">http://appinventor.mit.edu/</a>
- From top menu, hover over Resources and click Getting Started from dropdown
- Click the orange "Create apps!" button in the top right corner
- Sign into Google account. If you don't have one, ask a mentor to help your parents set one up.
- Return to Getting Started menu and follow all 4 steps
  - 1. Setup Instructions: How to set up your phone for live testing (or, if you don't have a phone, how to start the emulator).
  - 2. Designer and Blocks Editor Overview: Gives a tour of the App Inventor environment.
  - 3. Beginner Tutorials: Complete *TalkToMe Text-to-Speech App* tutorial.
  - 4. Packaging and Sharing Apps: After you completed an app, you can package it for your phone and share it with friends.