Choose Your Path Forward

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What you should have learned

After finishing foundations section of The Odin Project you should be able to:

- 1. Typing commands into your computer's command line
- 2. Understand what happens when you enter a web address into your browser and it returns a functioning page
- 3. Create a basic web page and make it do some basic things with JavaScript
- 4. Understand of how all this fits together in your future as a builder of web applications.

The aim of The Odin Project

The aim of finishing The Odin Project is to be able to build a full-featured and scalable web application.

Learning Programming

Learning how to program is much more than just learning a language. It's:

- 1. learning how to research and solve difficult problems
- 2. building an engineering mindset
- 3. working on complex problems and codebases
- 4. communicating effectively with other developers

Luckily, all these skills are transferrable to other languages and domains of software and because most languages are similar in concept and structure, **moving into a different language will be much easier** than learning your first.

Choose your path forward

You can choose between two paths:

One important thing is to not switch halfway though; this will only set you back.

- 1. Ruby with Ruby on Rails
- 2. JavaScript with Node/Express