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int dataPin = 2;
int latchPin = 4;
int clockPin = 3;
byte dec digits[] =
1111111,0b010111110,0b01111111 };
void setup() {
 //set pins to output so you can control the shift register
 pinMode(latchPin, OUTPUT);
 pinMode(clockPin, OUTPUT);
 pinMode(dataPin, OUTPUT);
void loop() {
 for (int numberToDisplay = 0; numberToDisplay < 10; numberToDisplay++) {
  // take the latchPin low so
  // the LEDs don't change while you're sending in bits:
  digitalWrite(latchPin, LOW);
  // shift out the bits:
  shiftOut(dataPin, clockPin, MSBFIRST, dec_digits[numberToDisplay]);
  //take the latch pin high so the LEDs will light up:
  digitalWrite(latchPin, HIGH);
  // pause before next value:
  delay(1000);
}
```