

A crucial part of mastering digital tools is understanding the basics of **programming**. Programming is about giving instructions to a computer. In this manner, computers can perform calculations, produce images, animations, games, and much more. To give instructions, we use different **programming languages**, and there's a myriad of languages to choose from. In Norwegian schools, the most commonly used languages are [Scratch](#), [Python](#), and [JavaScript](#)¹. There's a vast array of free resources for learning programming languages, including:

- [code.org](#) (general coding)
- [w3schools.com](#) (general coding)
- [scratch.mit.edu](#) (Scratch)
- [microbit.org](#) (coding with micro:bit)
- [espensklasserom.co](#) (Coding in Scratch, micro:bit, etc.)
- [kidsakoder.no](#) (coding in Scratch, micro:bit, Python, etc.)

Have you already reached a high level as a programmer and feel confident with data types, functions, classes, etc.? Then, the language [Rust](#) is recommended. Many consider this to be the successor to C++ and similar languages.

¹Admittedly in a block-based version when coding with [micro:bit](#).