

## A - Pre-requisites for the IoT 101 Workshop

Welcome to IoT 101 workshop. Before getting to the actual training you have to setup your machine and install drivers, libraries and all necessary software.

### 1. Install Arduino IDE

All programming on the Node-MCU board is made using Arduino IDE. If you already have it installed, you may skip this section.

1. Go to [www.arduino.cc](http://www.arduino.cc) then click Software/Downloads and Download Arduino IDE

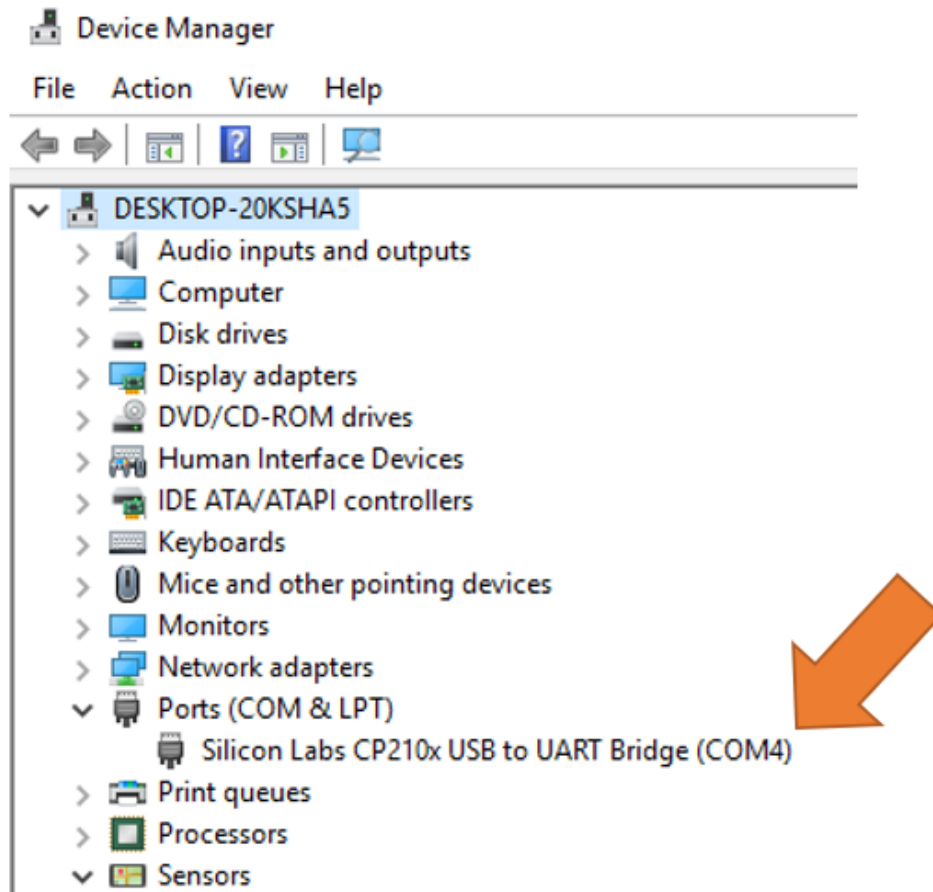
Download the Arduino IDE



2. Execute and follow the instructions (basically agree and click next)
3. At the end of the installation, you'll be prompted to allow the installation of several drivers. Accept them all as these drivers are used to allow the serial communication between the computer and the board.
4. Once you're finished with Arduino setup, you may proceed to the next step.

## 2. Connect the board to your computer for a quick check

- A. Connect the board to any available USB port
- B. Open the Device manager (by typing "device manager" in the windows search box) or right-clicking the windows button and selecting "device manager"
- C. Check if you see a **Silicon Labs CP210x USB to UART Bridge** device, as shown in the next picture.



- D. In the picture above, you can see the device got COM4 assigned to it. Make sure your device has a COM port showing as well.
- E. If you can't see any USB to UART Bridge in your device manager under Ports, please reboot your computer. Sometimes a reboot is required so Windows can recognize the driver you just installed.
- F. In some rare cases, it is required to remove Arduino IDE and reinstall it to the latest version.
- G. If you can't still see it even after a reboot, please let us know so we can assist you.

**Attention Mac users:** Silicon Lab driver for the board is not installed on the default load. The driver can be found at: <https://www.silabs.com/products/development-tools/software/usb-to-uart-bridge-vcp-drivers>.

### 3. Install support for the ESP8266 in the Arduino IDE

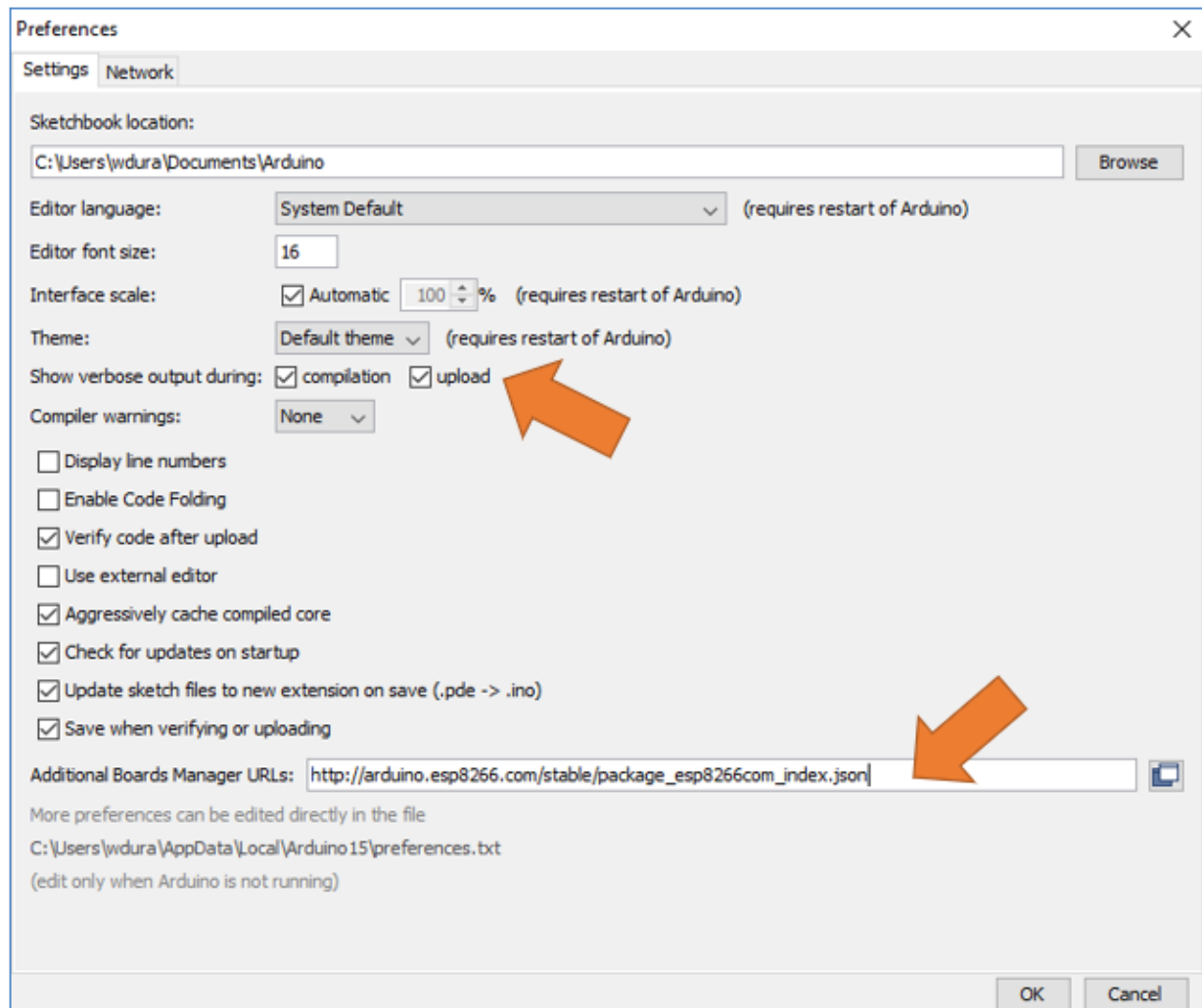
While the Arduino IDE supports most official and unofficial Arduino boards, the ESP8266 / node MCU boards are not supported by default. In this step you'll install the additional information to enable it.

Make sure you have internet connection before starting this process. You won't be able to install this board support with no Internet access.

1. Open Arduino IDE
2. Open File/Preferences
3. Find a text box called "Additional board manager URLs and type:

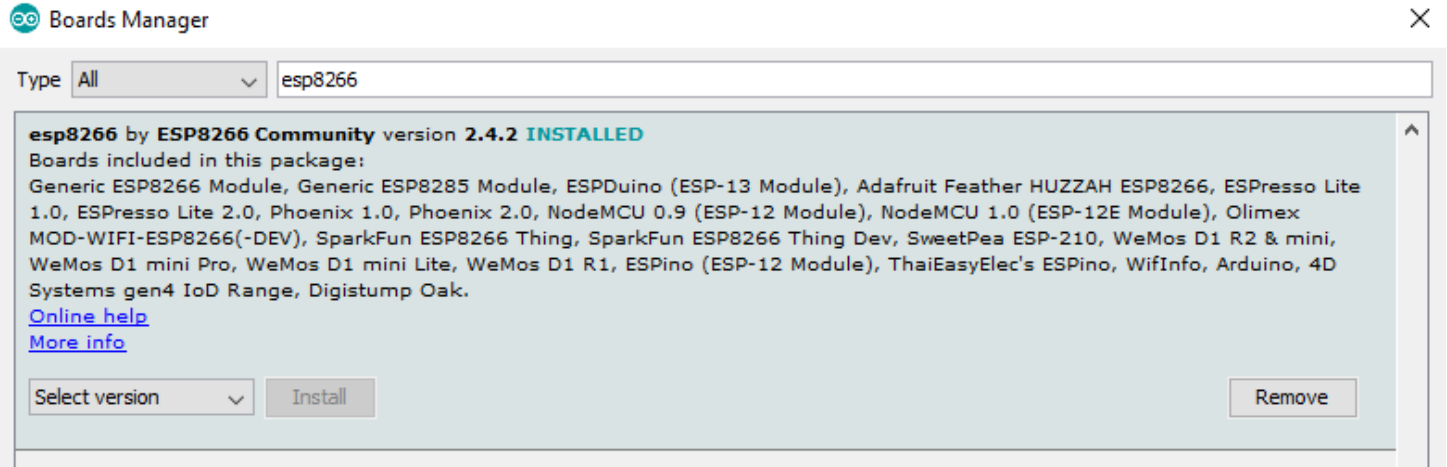
`http://arduino.esp8266.com/stable/package_esp8266com_index.json`

4. Under the "Show verbose output during" configuration mark the checkboxes "compilation" and "upload". This is important as this will give us clear error messages, we can use to identify future problems.
5. Click OK

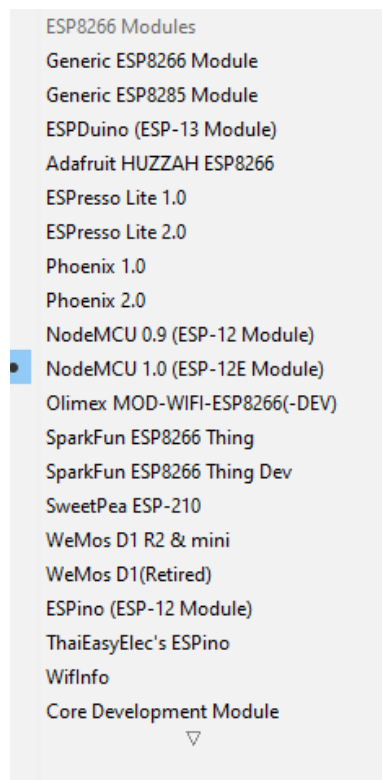


6. Now go to menu Tools/Board/Boards Manager (as the picture below shows)

7. Type ESP8266 in the search box and wait until the board manager finds “esp8266 by ESP8266 Community”
8. Click on it
9. Select the latest version (as of October 2018, latest is V2.4.2)
10. Click “Install”
11. Be patient, this process can take several minutes underwower connections



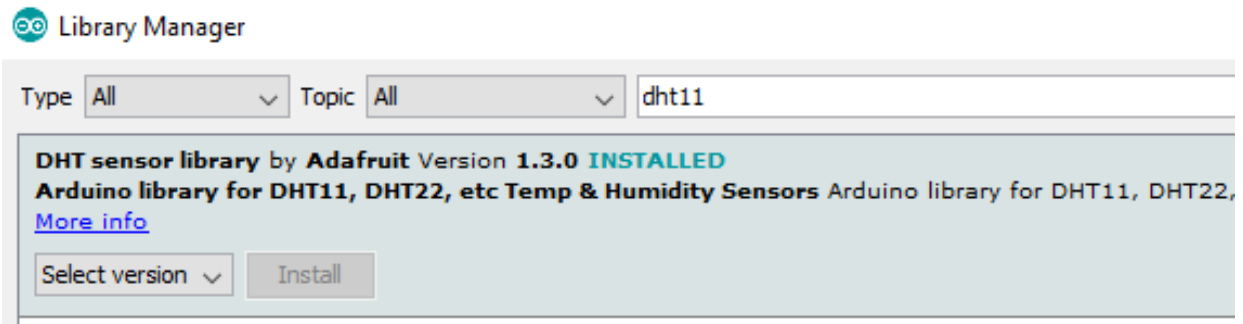
12. Once this process is complete, make sure you have the boards installed by clicking Tools/Board/ and see if you can find Generic ESP8266 and NodeMCU 1.0 (ESP-12E Module). You might have to scroll down the list to find it.
13. If you find NodeMCU 1.0 (ESP-12E Module), please go ahead and select it. This is the board we'll be using throughout this workshop.



## 4. Install Arduino Libraries

This workshop will require several libraries that are not native to Arduino IDE, so we'll have to install them.

1. On the Arduino IDE go to menu Sketch/Include Library/Manage Libraries
2. Type **DHT11**, wait to see the results, click on **DHT Sensor Library by Adafruit**, select the highest version in the "Select Version" dropdown list, and then click Install.



3. Follow the same procedure to install 3 additional libraries:

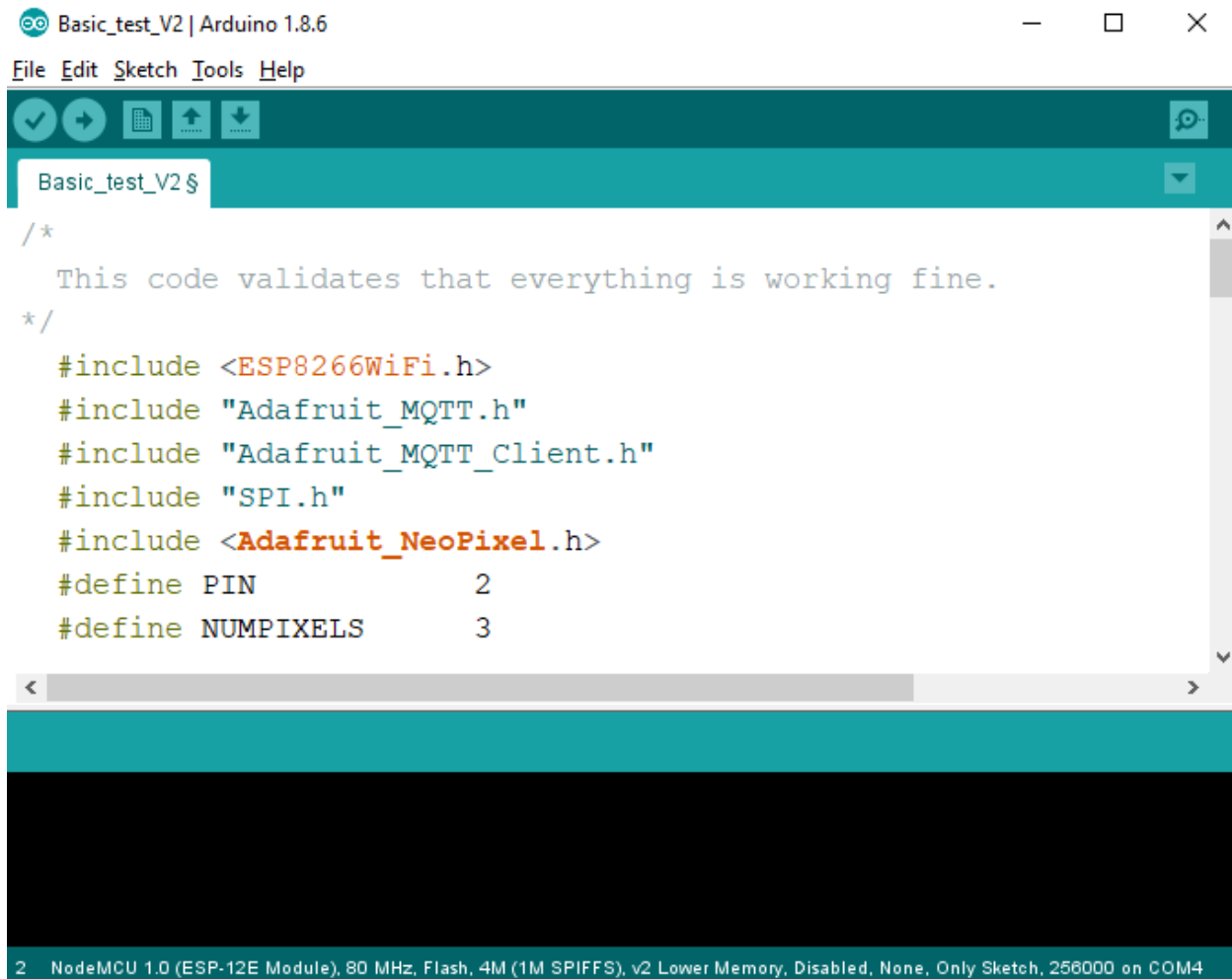
What to type	Library name
MQTT	Adafruit MQTT Library by Adafruit
Neopixel	Adafruit Neopixel by Adafruit
Adafruit unified sensor	Adafruit unified sensor by Adafruit

4. Click Close.

## 5. Basic Test

It is time now to test the board connectivity to your computer:

1. Navigate to <https://github.com/oneweekiot/iot101> select Code, Basic\_test\_V2, Basic\_test\_V2.ino, and copy its content to an empty file on Arduino IDE.
2. Open a new Sketch in the Arduino IDE and paste the code you just copied.
3. Make sure NodeMCU 1.0 board and the correct COM port are showing in the bottom right part of the Arduino IDE (as the picture below shows)



4. Select menu Sketch/Upload or simply press CTRL+U.
5. Wait for the compilation.
6. Last message we expect to see after compiling and uploading successfully is "flush complete".
7. Press button 1 on the OneWeekIoT shield, and the 3 NeoPixels on the board should light up and sounds will play on the speaker. Press button 2 for a different tone and different colors on the NeoPixels.
8. If this was the case, congratulations, you got all libraries needed for this workshop and now you're all set.

## 6. Creating an Adafruit Account

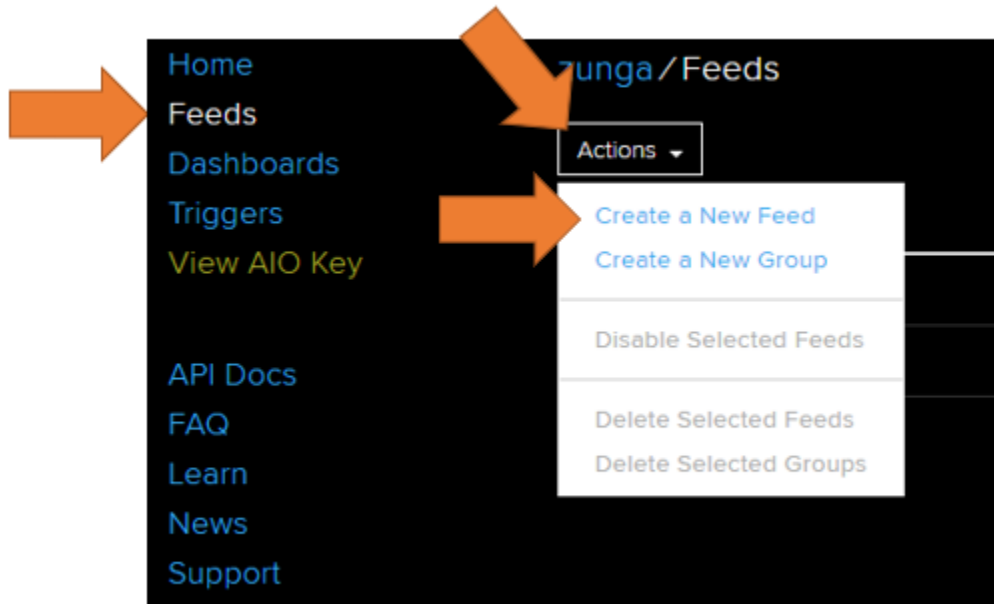
This workshop requires an online MQTT broker. While several professional options exist, we'll be using Adafruit IO given its simplicity and continuous support of the maker community.

1. Visit <http://io.adafruit.com> and click "Get Started for free" – don't worry, it's REALLY free.
2. The free account provides you with (information as of Oct 2018):
  - a. Up to 10 feeds
  - b. Up to 5 Dashboards
  - c. Storage for 30 days
  - d. Rate: 30 transactions per minute
3. **IMPORTANT:** after creating your account, log out, visit <https://io.adafruit.com> again so you'll be able to get to the Dashboard.

## 7. Creating Feeds and the Dashboard

We need to create 5 new feeds:

1. To create them click feeds, then click in the Action menu and select New Feed. All you need to provide is a name and an [optional] description.



2. Feeds to create:
  - **Temperature**
  - **Humidity**
  - **Light**
  - **Neopixel**
  - **Slider**
3. Once you have the feeds, you need to create a Dashboard to show them. Click in the Dashboards (left menu), then Actions, create a new dashboard.
4. Name your dashboard **IoT-101**
5. Select your new dashboard IoT-101 to navigate to it.



## 8. Configuring the Dashboard

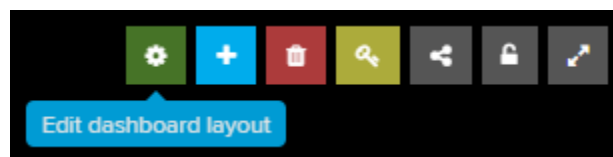
You'll get a blank dashboard. Now you will need add new blocks. Click the blue button with a plus sign.



We're creating 6 new blocks:

1. **Stream:** for this block, select feed named "temperature", click "next step", set the block title as "Temperature", then click "Create block"
2. **Stream:** for this block, select the feed named "humidity", click "next step", set the block title as "Humidity", then click "Create block"
3. **Stream:** for this block, select the feed named "light", click "next step", set the block title as "Light", then click "Create block"
4. **Line chart:** for this block, select the feed named "temperature", then select another feed named "humidity", click "next step", set the block title as "Temperature and Humidity" then click "Create block"
5. **Slider:** for this block, select the feed named "slider", click "next step", set slider max value to "1000", set the block title as "Slider", then click "Create block"
6. **Color Picker:** for this block, select the feed named "neopixel", click "next step", set the block title as "NeoPixel", then click "Create block"

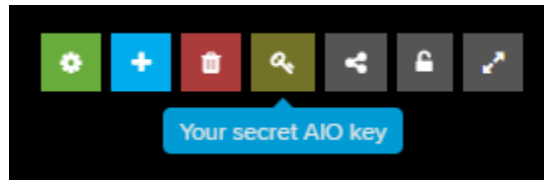
While creating dashboards, blocks are placed randomly. Once you have created all block, you can rearrange blocks, resize, reconfigure and delete them.



## 9. Updating credentials

In this step we'll get and store MQTT credential in the code, so the device can authenticate and connect.

1. In the top menu, click in the yellow button with a key:



2. Copy both username and the key.
3. Navigate to <https://github.com/oneweekiot/iot101> select Code, Complete\_test, Complete\_test.ino, and copy its content to an empty file on Arduino IDE.
4. Find the #define declarations and update both AIO\_USERNAME and AIO\_KEY with the values from your Adafruit IO account.

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Complete_test
#define WLAN_SSID "WIFI NAME"
#define WLAN_PASS "WIFI PASSWORD"
#define AIO_SERVER "io.adafruit.com"
#define AIO_USERNAME "YOUR USER NAME"
#define AIO_KEY "YOUR ID"
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5. Update WLAN\_SSID with your Wi-Fi network name and WLAN\_PASS with your password.
6. Make sure NodeMCU board and the correct COM port are showing in the bottom right part of the Arduino IDE.
7. Select menu Sketch/Upload or simply press CTRL+U.
8. Wait for the compilation.
9. Last message we expect to see after compiling and uploading successfully is "flush complete".
10. Board will connect to the Wi-Fi, sound a beep, connect to the MQTT service and sound another beep.
11. If this was the case, watch for data showing up in your dashboard.