



The Hour of Code is coming.

Code.org is organizing a massive campaign to get 10 million students of all ages (and adults) to participate in the Hour of Code this December. [Lean more at http://csedweek.org](http://csedweek.org)

What's the Hour of Code?

The Hour of Code is a self-guided activity anyone can do, to introduce them to the basics of computer science. No experience or prior training is needed.

Today, yet very few of us know how they actually work. Computer science education is an increasingly important foundation for success, and everybody can benefit from learning the basics.

Did you know:

- Software jobs outnumber students 3-to-1. The gap is 1 million jobs over 10 years.
- 90% of K-12 schools in the U.S. do not teach computer science.
- In many countries (including China, the United Kingdom and Australia), computer science is—or soon will be—required.
- Anyone can learn the basics, starting in elementary school, but fewer than 10% of students (and just 4% of female students, 3% of students of color) take computer science classes.



How can you participate?

Help promote the Hour of Code campaign in any of these ways:

- Host an Hour of Code celebration at a local school, and have a student or teacher teach YOU to code.
- Encourage your district school superintendents to promote the Hour of Code in their schools.
- Write an op-ed that supports more access to computer science education.
- Issue a proclamation recognizing Computer Science Education Week and urge constituents to participate in an Hour of Code.

Computer Science Education Week: December 9-15, 2013

This year, Code.org is launching the **Hour of Code** as part of the annual Computer Science Education Week (CSEdWeek). CSEdWeek celebrates the birthday of Admiral Grace Hopper, a founder of modern computer science. But more importantly, it aims to raise awareness and generate interest in the field.

Code.org is a non-profit dedicated to growing computer science education. Our vision is that every student in every school should have the opportunity to learn computer programming. [For more information, visit http://code.org](http://code.org), or emailhelp@code.org.

