

## How Not To Code!

Coding is hot. It's the new language everyone is talking about. It's EASY! ANYONE can do it! This robot will teach your kids to code, that software will get you coding...If you're a smart parent in the know, don't forget about *that* computer, it's a must if you want your kid to get a head start.



At Project Gnosis, we've said it repeatedly: Smart software, or hardware cannot teach your kids to code any more than a calculator can substitute for a math

teacher! You know what teaches math, language, literacy, science and art? Teachers. They use well planned curriculums as well as all kinds of other supplementary programs and tools to teach children hands on. The reality is the years it takes to get from kindergarten to grade 12, only gives a student a working knowledge of the basics. It takes an adult at least 4 years to complete a degree in computer science. Why people believe a robot can teach a 4 year old to program in 6 months is a mystery to say the least.

Learning to code is as fundamental for students today as learning math, science and literacy was at the dawn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Technology drives everything. It effects everything be it social, political, personal, educational, industrial, and economical. So why aren't we teaching it to school aged kids? We say that math, language and science is mandatory. Why isn't coding? Likely because it's new (even though it dates back over 50 years!!). People often resist and are afraid of what they don't understand. Now that we are living in an age of digitization the only limitations we face are our imagination and whether or not we choose to overcome our fears and educate ourselves properly.

Relying on a handful of tech geniuses to be the solution while the rest of us follow blindly needs to stop. If we do not do something drastic now, we will continue to be slaves to societal ignorance. That is the best possible scenario if we do not teach kids more than interfacing with technology.

The staggering pace of technology over the last 10 years is no excuse to sublimely ignore the potentially huge threat that will come if we do not educate people how to cope with it all. It is

not good enough to tweet about it any longer. We have become a society in awe of technology. Rather than grab the bull by the horns we have fallen into a trap of laziness, complacency, and the results have left us passively interfaced instead of intelligently engaged. It is a disservice not only to ourselves, but also to our children and their future!

The world sits on the edge of a political, economic, environmental and social collapse. The one saviour is technology. We have the means by which to use our intelligence to cohabitate in peace on this planet. We have the means by which to let every human being thrive. How do we cultivate this potential? Simple, teach the children. They are the future. They are the ones to heal the world, but not if we do not teach them.

Coding is to technology what the CPU (central processing unit) is to a computer.

It's time to seize the day and be the change we want to see in the world. It begins with relevant education. At Project Gnosis we believe it takes a village to raise a child. Will you join our global village?

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