

Hopscotch

Version 3.40.1

Hopscotch Technologies

Target Audience: Kids who are ages 7-13, but anyone can use it.

Software Type(s): Coding Software

Curriculum & Environments: I would use this in my class when teaching a lesson on STEM.

Cost: The app itself is free, but subscriptions are available for \$7.99/month and \$79.99/year. You can cancel anytime.

About the Software:

Hopscotch is an app that was designed for children to help them learn the basics of coding. The children can use Hopscotch to create their own images, games, and projects. The application has a step by step tutorial video running in the corner of the screen that the students can follow along with or they can figure out the way the coding works on their own. The app itself was very kid friendly and focused on the appropriate subject matter.

Impressions and Classroom Usage:

We really enjoyed playing around with this app. In comparison to the other coding apps that we tried out it was better overall, but if you are wanting your students to really follow step by step instructions that are given to them, they really have to pay attention to the video because it did not require them to finish one step before it moved on to the next meaning that they would have to really pay attention to the video. Apart from that I loved this app and could really see myself using this application in my classroom while teaching a lesson on STEM or one of the specific subject lessons that can be found within the app.