

# Block Editor Documentation

## hint

**Spotty internet? No problem!** (1) When online, go to <https://www.microbit.co.uk/app/> (<https://www.microbit.co.uk/app/>) and bookmark this URL; (2) use the bookmark to reload the web app, even without the internet.

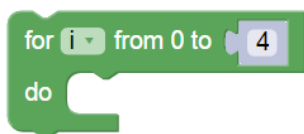
Find the list of programming and BBC micro:bit blocks below. If you want to understand the difference between Block Editor and Touch Develop programs, [read more... \(https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/to-td\)](https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/to-td)

- Block Editor lessons (<https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/lessons>)
- Block Editor book (<https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/book>)
- offline support (<https://www.microbit.co.uk/offline>)

## Programming blocks

### Loops

[for](https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/for)  
(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/for>)



[repeat](https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/repeat)  
(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/repeat>)

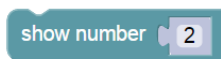


[while](https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/while)  
(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/while>)

## BBC micro:bit blocks

### Basic

[show number](https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/show-number)  
(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/show-number>)



[show string](https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/show-string)  
(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/show-string>)



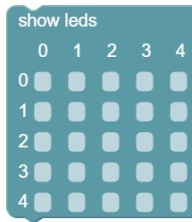
[show LEDs](https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/show-leds)  
(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/show-leds>)

## Authoring

- the Block Editor (<https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/editor>)
- convert a Block script to TouchDevelop (<https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/convert>)
- publish a script (<https://www.microbit.co.uk/td/publishing>)

## Running

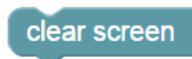
- run scripts in the browser (<https://www.microbit.co.uk/td/simulator>)
- run scripts on your BBC micro:bit (<https://www.microbit.co.uk/device/usb>)

**o.uk/blocks/while)****leds)****forever**

**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/forever>)**

**clear screen**

**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/clear-screen>)**

**Logic****if**

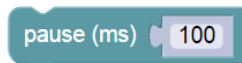
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**forever**

**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/forever>)**

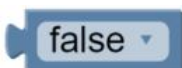
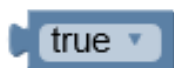
**pause**

**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/pause>)**

**Boolean**

**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/boolean>)**

values: *true*; *false*

**LED****plot**

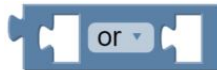
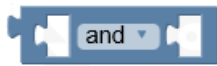
**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/plot>)**

**unplot**

**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/unplot>)**



Boolean binary operators: *and* (conjunction); *or* (disjunction)



Boolean negation operator



Comparison operators  
(=, !=, <, >, <=, >=)



## Maths

### Numeric

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/number>)

values: 0, 1, 2, ...



Arithmetic binary operation (+, -, \*, /)



### point

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/point>)



### brightness

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/brightness>)



### set brightness

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/set-brightness>)



### stop animation

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/stop-animation>)



### plot bar graph

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/plot-bar-graph>)



## Images

### show image

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/show-image>)

## Absolute value



## Minimum/maximum of two values



## Random value



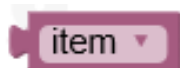
# Variables

## Assign

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/assign>)  
(set) a variable's value



## Get a variable's value



## Change

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/change-value>) a variable's value



# Game

## create sprite

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/create->

## [o.uk/functions/show-image](https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/show-image))



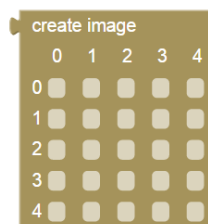
## scroll image

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/scroll-image>)



## create image

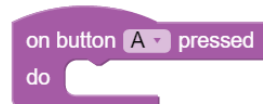
(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/create-image>)



# Input

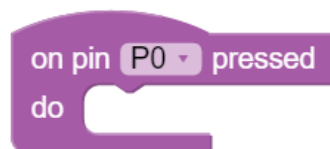
## on button pressed

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/on-button-pressed>)



## on pin pressed

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/on-pin-pressed>)



**sprite)****move**

**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/move>)**

**turn**

**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/turn>)**

**change**

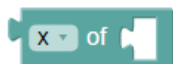
**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/change>)**

**set**

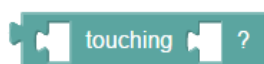
**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/set>)**

**reports**

**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/reports>)**

**touching**

**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/touching>)**

**on shake**

**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/on-shake>)**

**on logo up**

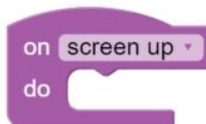
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**on logo down**

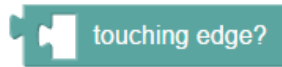
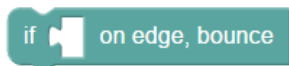
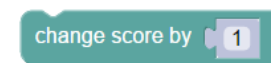
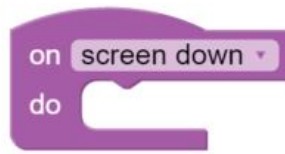
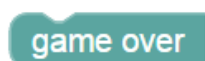
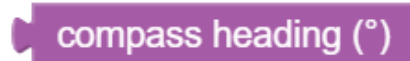
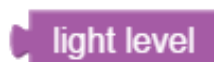
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**on screen up**

**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/on-screen-up>)**

**on screen down**

**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/on-screen-down>)**

**touching edge****(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/touching-edge>)****if on edge, bounce****(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/if-on-edge-bounce>)****change score by****(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/change-score-by>)****score****(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/score>)****start countdown****(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/start-countdown>)****game over****(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/game-over>)****button is pressed****(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/button-is-pressed>)****compass heading****(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/compass-heading>)****temperature****(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/temperature>)****acceleration****(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/acceleration>)****light level****(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/light-level>)****rotation**

## Music

### play tone

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/play-tone>)



### ring tone

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/ring-tone>)



### rest

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/rest>)



### tempo

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/tempo>)



### set tempo

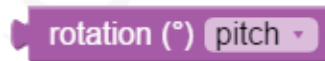
(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/set-tempo>)



### change tempo

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/set-tempo>)

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/rotation>)



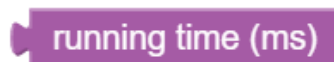
### magnetic force

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/magnetic-force>)



### running time

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/running-time>)



## Pins

### digital read pin

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/digital-read-pin>)



### digital write pin

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/digital-write-pin>)



### analog read pin

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/analog-read-pin>)

change tempo by (bpm)

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## Comments

### comment

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/blocks/comment>)

analog read pin P0

### analog write pin

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/analog-write-pin>)

analog write 1024 to pin P0

### analog set period

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/analog-set-period>)

analog set period 20000 (micros) to pin P0

### servo write pin

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/servo-write-pin>)

servo write 180 to pin P0

### servo set pulse

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/servo-set-pulse>)

servo set pulse 1500 (micros) to pin P0

### map

(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/map>)

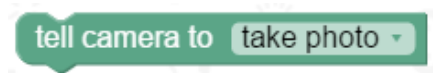
map 500  
 from low 0  
 from high 1023  
 to low 0  
 to high 4



# Devices

Functions in this category require to be connected to a remote device.

**tell camera to**  
**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/tell-camera-to>)**



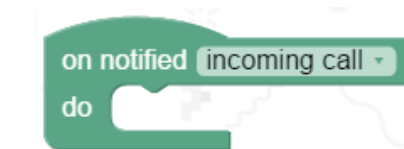
**tell remote control to**  
**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/tell-remote-control-to>)**



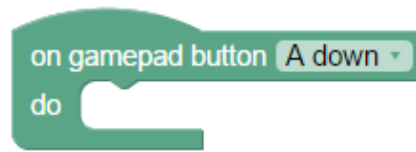
**raise alert to**  
**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/raise-alert-to>)**



**on notified**  
**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/on-notified>)**



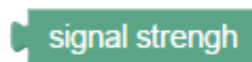
**on gamepad button**  
**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/on-gamepad-button>)**



**on notified**  
**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/on-notified>)**



**signal strength**  
**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/signal-strength>)**



**on signal strength**  
**changed**  
**(<https://www.microbit.co.uk/functions/on-signal-strength-changed>)**

