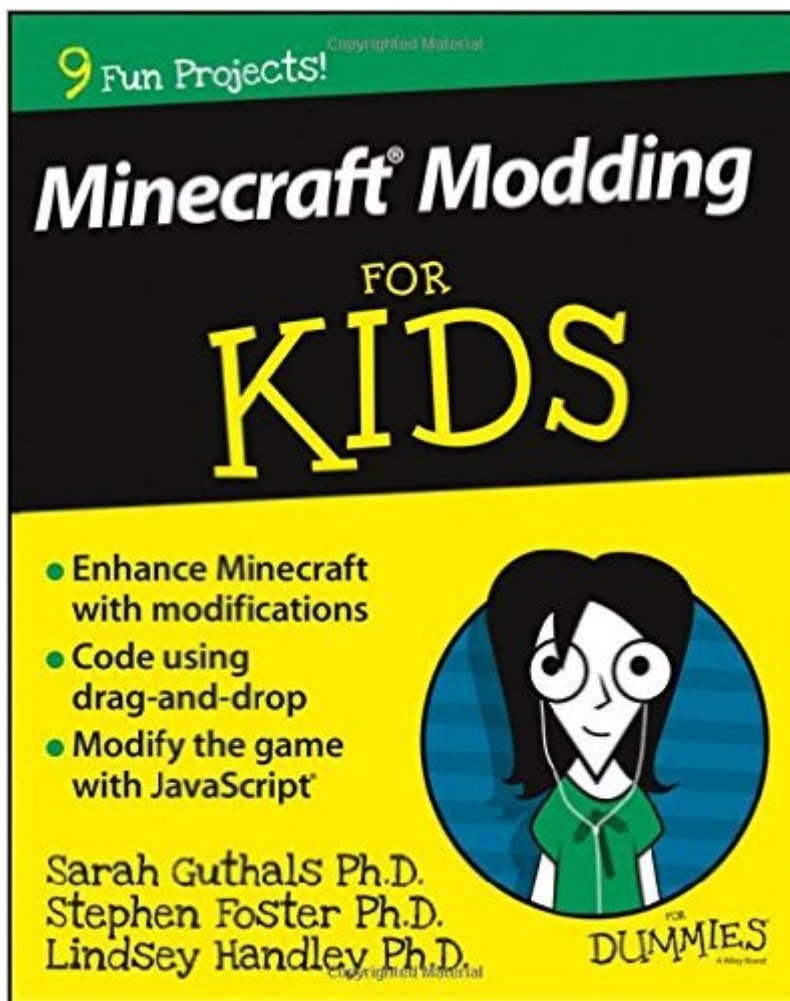


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# Minecraft Modding For Kids For Dummies



## Synopsis

Join more than 100 million players in the online world of Minecraft! Are you a Minecraft fanatic looking to mod your games? Hours of fun await! *Minecraft Modding For Kids For Dummies* teaches you how to mod in easy-to-do parts. Offering loads of helpful explanations and cool projects along the way, this friendly guide will have you advancing levels, keeping score, respawning players, building portals, creating an archery range—and much more—faster than you can say redstone! There's no denying that modding is cool. After all, it allows you to alter your Minecraft gaming world to constantly keep things new and fun. While it isn't incredibly difficult to learn to mod, it does take some practice. Luckily, *Minecraft Modding For Kids For Dummies* is here to help you build basic coding skills to make modding your games as easy as 1-2-3! The book is in full color and lies flat so you can look while you play. Includes lifetime access to LearnToMod software with 3 months free access to a private Minecraft server. Features larger print to make the text feel less daunting. Offers next steps you can take if you want to learn even more about modding and coding. If you're one of the millions of kids who play Minecraft every day, this hands-on guide gets you up and running fast with modding your favorite game!

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This book is HEAVILY tied to an online framework at [...], access to which is provided by a code inside the front cover. Based on a quick response from their support line, that code is good for one

year of access for one person. Additional years or additional people cost \$30/ea for just the code so it's currently a better deal just to buy multiple books for the first year for each person. Lots of questions can be answered here: ( removes URLs so see my comment outside the review below.) Essentially to make best use of this book you need individual Minecraft accounts and individual learntomod.com accounts for each person both teacher and student. With that said, the framework they use looks really nice. It's essentially Scratch for Minecraft Mods. This would be especially good for younger programmers who may not grasp the concepts of loops and conditionals without the visual reminders languages like Scratch provide.

Kids are automatically drawn and interested in the game Minecraft, and "Minecraft Modding for Kids" provides an excellent avenue to move children's interest from the game, to programming and coding. Having used the LearnToMod program in the classroom myself, I have witnessed first-hand the enthusiasm and drive students have to accomplish the different tasks and projects. "Minecraft Modding for Kids" is a great resource for parents and teachers, especially those without any coding experience. It guides readers (users) with clear and concise instructions for each project. The online program provides videos for those auditory and visual learners who do better when they hear and/or see the steps, and also provides a place for students to share programs they have modified or created on their own. Even though the online program provides the means to put the coding into action, the book goes beyond the online program by providing additional tips and tricks as well as challenging the students to work at solving additional variations on the programs they created. I would highly recommend this book to any parent or student who wants to learn how to mod Minecraft and to learn the basic fundamentals of programming.

Got this as a Christmas gift for my 10YO daughter who is a avid fan of the desktop and PE Minecraft game editions. She's been using this most of her break with the desktop MAC version. We did have some issues with the book not matching the online lessons, but I emailed the help and they got back to me within 2 hours! They sent some links and mentions that the website was updated to improve. They even sent a follow-up email.

Man I wanted, I REALLY wanted to like this. I was prepared to LOVE it, with no effort. but, yo, the book doesn't match the website, which is slow to load and buggy as hell and not very user friendly, much less for kids that don't know what's going on. The software itself feels more like it's in beta, and only ports over to the playable server half the time, and the "live preview" is filled with these

FREAKY looking monsters rather than minecraft objects. Look, nice ideas, the plug-in visual coding stuff is fantastic, but the current thing is unusable, I am super sorry to say. I hope it's still a work in progress and I come back in a year and it's suddenly awesome, because there's that potential, but this is not ready for the public.

I can't give a great review on this book simply because I purchased it for my granddaughter. She is learning about coding and LOVES anything to do with Minecraft (as most kids her age). I don't really get the whole Minecraft craze but if it keeps her happy it keeps me happy. She is always talking about various mods she is downloading on Minecraft and what they can do. Now that she has this book she is creating her own Mods and sharing them with others in her Minecraft group. As I said I don't really get the whole Minecraft craze but this book with a few others she is interested in are always in arms reach on her bookshelf. She is reading and learning over the summer without her realizing she is reading and learning over the summer, lol and I am NOT going to tell her either. Anything that keeps her busy learning I am all for. So I would say if you or if someone you know is really into Minecraft I think this book would be just right for them.

The Minecraft Modding for Kids book and the LearnToMod platform have been indispensable tools at our local CoderDojo coding club. I was already familiar with the LearnToMod system before I read the book. The Minecraft Modding for Kids book has given me several ideas about ways to use LearnToMod I hadn't thought of before. The exercises in the book get you to think beyond just earning badges in LearnToMod. Thank you ThoughtSTEM for creating such a wonderful platform and book that helps kids learn to code!

Although some of the written instructions were a little confusing when they deviated from the website, nothing was too bad, and the program as a whole was fun, easy to use, and the skills we learned from it were useful. Working through websites ThoughtSTEM and Learn to Mod was great. This book would benefit adults as well as kids (my daughter is 7 and did fine) who are interested in understanding the basics of javascript and other coding since the technical language is carefully moderated and designed to introduce the specialized terms in no-pressure bits. (haha). This is a great introductory program to allow a child to see if they have an interest in learning how to code. Minecraft is very popular, and this is a good way to get kids to develop skills beyond just playing the game.

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