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Thread: [How do you stay motivated?](#)

HappyFeet - February 7, 2015, 11:43 am

How do you guys stay motivated and keep learning programming? I've bought a good book and I've learned some stuff and the basic syntax and made many mistakes and still I want to keep learning but I'm never in the mood to program since I'm a gamer and people always talk with me on skype and I don't want to be a douche and ignore them since i enjoy to talk with them but I can't code at the same time. Please reply how you do :)

ObscureCoder - February 7, 2015, 11:50 am

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Accessory - February 7, 2015, 11:50 am

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Xerotic - February 7, 2015, 11:51 am

Talk with people on Skype that are programming ?

Find something that you want to do with programming. A problem that you want to solve. Something that you want to change. Then make it happen.

MrOrang - February 7, 2015, 12:54 pm

Talking with people, working on fun stuff and sometimes making money :p

I enjoy learning new things and creating programs.

HappyFeet - February 7, 2015, 1:06 pm

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Yupp, Its pretty hard to keep the motivation up but I will keep learning untill i can do something study worthy xd

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I usually listened to dubstep before but I like more hardstyle like brennan heart. no shuffle shit xD

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??????M1kep?????? - February 7, 2015, 3:35 pm

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haahahahahhaahaha. errors are a pain in the ass when you cant see the problem c:<

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My skype is obscurecoding. I accidentally removed it from my sig when changing the pic, gonna put it back now.

United States of America - February 8, 2015, 2:55 am

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help you stay focused and you won't get tired of it too quickly.

Dr House - February 8, 2015, 3:00 am

Find some cool fun projects to work at, the best way to keep learning is to engage yourself. No point learning if that's all you do. No one likes to sit in a classroom at school while the teacher talks, you want to do things.

So set goals, and projects and work at them, start easy and then think of something that you could do, but haven't learnt, find a way to code it, make it, run it, if it works, look through your code, and learn how to make it better, make the shortest and most efficient code and then move on.

You just have to keep challenging yourself and it will help to stay motivated.

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Ok, I sometimes feel very tired on programming but I still want to keep it up but then I mostly don't understand what I should do.

jazzycool - February 9, 2015, 3:52 am

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