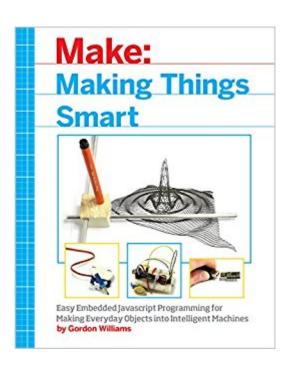


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Making Things Smart: Easy Embedded JavaScript Programming For Making Everyday Objects Into Intelligent Machines





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"Making Things Smart" covers a lot more than just embedded JavaScript. The book is built around programming and using the tiny Espruino Pico microcontroller in a variety of applications. Some of these include a simple robot and simple pen plotter, a digital pin hole camera and several communications devices using add-on radio, WiFi or Bluetooth modules. "Making Things Smart" is an intriguing and enlightening blend of programming, electronics, breadboard assembly, testing, and

experimentation. Some interesting tidbits of technology history also are included. True to the general quality of the Make series, the book is heavily illustrated with how-to photographs, screen shots, diagrams, step-by-step instruction lists, plus short blocks of JavaScript code. "When connected to your PC via USB, the Espruino Pico should appear as a standard USB Virtual COM Port peripheral," the author notes. Set-up with Mac or Chromebook is easy. However, setting up a Microsoft PC or Linux PC requires a few extra steps. For all platforms, the author strongly recommends using Google Chrome and the Espruino Web IDE. (My thanks to O'Reilly Media for sending an advance reading copy for review.)

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