

Week 1 — Skills Survey

Friday Coding — Tell Me About You

Name (optional): _____ **Grade:** _____

1. Circle the one that sounds most like you:



I'm brand new to this



I've done some coding and it went OK



I'm comfortable — give me hard stuff

2. Have you ever used any of these? Circle all that apply.

Scratch · code.org · Minecraft · Roblox Studio

Python · JavaScript · HTML · None of these

3. If you could build ONE thing this year, what would it be?

4. When you get stuck, what do you usually do?

Keep trying · Ask someone · Look it up · Give up · Depends

5. Do you prefer working...

Alone · With a partner · Either is fine

6. One thing you're curious about — about computers, AI, games, anything:

How to use the results

Print 2-up or 4-up on a page and cut, or just have students write answers on an index card. Two minutes, no more. Names are optional — but tell them a name helps you pair them with someone

good next week.

Sort the cards into three piles the same evening. It takes ten minutes and sets up the whole first quarter.

What you're looking for	What to do with it
 self-rated, older	Your Week 2 peer helpers. Pair each with a  , <i>not</i> with each other.
 self-rated, younger	Pair with a patient  — not necessarily the most skilled one. Patience beats skill in a cross-age pair.
"Give up" on Q4	Check in with these students personally in Weeks 2–3. This is the single most useful answer on the card.
"Alone" on Q5	Don't force a pair immediately. Give them a solo Week 2, then pair in Week 3 once they're comfortable.
Q3 build ideas	Goldmine. Reference these by name in later weeks: <i>"Marcus, this is the loop you'd need for that racing game."</i> Nothing builds buy-in faster.
Q6 curiosities	Use these to pick which optional AI topics to emphasize in Unit 2.



Keep these cards

Put a rubber band around them and keep them in your bag all year. In February, when a student says "I've never been good at this," you can pull out their August card and show them what they wrote. That moment is worth the ten minutes of sorting.