Interactive courses

Interactive courses provide learners in-browser coding challenges with guided feedback.

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What are interactive courses?

Interactive courses are an in-browser, hands-on learning experience combining video, various coding challenges, and a code editor for aspiring developers.

After watching a video of a technology you’re interested in, you’ll take what you’ve learned and apply it to coding challenges right in your browser. After you’ve submitted an answer, we’ll check all the work for you automatically and provide guided feedback if you happened to make a coding error.

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How can interactive courses fit into my learning?

Whether you’re a new or aspiring developer or a hands-on learner, interactive courses can fit into your learning in a number of ways:

- If you’re a new or aspiring developer, interactive courses provide a low barrier of entry. If you’re uncertain of where to begin in your learning journey, you can jump right in, learn, and apply a concept—no setup required.

- If you want to make sure you’re on the right track handling a certain technology, interactive courses allow for immediate practice and guided feedback in real-time. The guidance provided can help inform your expertise and give you the confidence in your gained knowledge.
If you’re a hands-on learner who needs more than video tutorials, interactive courses provide an immersive way to engage with the technology you’re skilling up with. By leveraging problem-based challenges on real-world scenarios, you’ll have focused practice on key concepts via coding challenges.

How do interactive courses work?
Interactive courses consist of a combination of instructive video clips and coding challenges. The course’s table of contents helps you navigate between the video clips and challenges, and helps you monitor your progress through the course.

Video clips
The video clips within an interactive course work the same way as standard video courses in the Skills library. Learn how to use the video course features in our video courses articles.

Challenges
When you’re ready to start a challenge, click Open. A secure sandbox environment will open in a separate browser tab. Learn how to use in our article.

Note: Sandboxes typically require the purchase of an add-on. However, the sandbox environments that are part of interactive courses are available to all users whose subscription or team plan includes interactive courses. See Subscription and plan comparison to see what features are available to you.
Where can I find interactive courses?
You can find a list of all of our interactive courses on our interactive courses page (opens in new tab).

How do I add interactive courses to a channel?
Please see Adding content to your channel for instructions on adding interactive courses to channels.

Why does it take a while to load a course challenge?
Pluralsight is setting up a secure practice environment, which can sometimes take several minutes to load. If the load time seems excessive, trying a different browser may help resolve the issue.

My code was marked as incorrect, but I know it's correct.
If you receive an error on your code that shouldn’t be there, we’d love to know about it so we can correct it. Please contact us using the link below and we’d be happy to take a look.

If you need help, please email Pluralsight Support (opens email form) for 24/7 assistance.