WELCOME TO LAGOS, NIGERIA
Leveraging Open-Source Projects For Personal Development

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Agenda

- Why open source?
- Self-Taught Programmer Journey
- Upskilling with open-source
- Challenges
Why Open source?
And what really is open-source software?

- About open source
- Freedom
- License
- Diverse Community
- Mentorship
Self-taught programmer journey in stages

Stage 1
Starts learning
Figured out the language to learn

Stage 2
Building Stuff
Have learned some things and can now build stuffs

Stage 3
Upskilling
Starts working with people
(most difficult)
Getting to stage 3 (working with people)

Two ways

- Get a job
- Contribute to open source
Upskilling with open-source

- Commitment
- Consistency
- Mentorship
  - Opportunities: Outreachy, Google Summer of Code (GSoC), etc
- Learn people skill
- Review PRs
Challenges and how to overcome them

- Impostor Syndrome
- Feeling low due to many reviews
- You can introduce a bug
Thank You

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Questions?