# Programming with Scratch

## 7th Grade Alg-Geo

### Day 1: Intro to Programming

**Objectives:**
- What is computer programming?
- Why should students program?
- Introduce Scratch

**Activity: What and Why**
- Lecture/discussion on what and why; Intro to Programming PPT

**Activity: Getting started with Scratch**
- Introduce Scratch Environment
- Guided Practice:
  - Start Moving
  - Add a Sound
  - Start Dancing
  - Again and Again
  - Green Flag
  - Change Color
  - Key Press
  - Add a Sprite
  - Explore and Explore More

### Materials:
- Intro to Programming PPT
- Getting Started with Scratch PDF

### Homework:
- Finish the Getting Started Tutorial

### Notes:
- Add a portal link to the Getting Started Guide and PPT notes

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### Day 2: Scratch Syntax: Part 1

**Objectives:**
- Recognize, understand, and apply statements, expressions, conditions, and loops in Scratch

**Activity: The Scratch “Language”**
- Lecture/discussion on statements, expressions, conditions and loops; Scratch Language 1 PPT

**Activity: Follow Me**
- Guided Practice: Follow Me
- Highlight Scratch structures in the program

### Materials:
- Scratch Syntax: Part 1 PPT
- Cat Walk Project handout
- Scratch Reference Guide
- Programming Concepts Handout
- Cat Walk Project Grading Rubric

### Homework:
- HW 2: Cat Walk Project

### Notes:
- Add Cat Walk Project, Reference Guide, Programming Concepts, Rubric, and PPT to portal
- Homework should be submitted via Interact
### Day 3: Scratch Syntax: Part 2

**Objectives:**
- Recognize, understand, and apply variables, events, and threads.

**Activity: Review Scratch**
- Collect and discuss the CatWalk Project

**Activity: The Scratch “Language”**
- Lecture/discussion on variables, events, and threads; Scratch PPT 2

**Activity: Pac Man and Pong**
- Guided Practice: Demo Pac Man and Pong programs

**Materials:**
- Scratch Syntax: Part 2 PPT
- Pac Man program; Pong program
- Game Tweak Handout
- Game Tweak Grading Rubric

**Homework:**
- HW 3: Tweak a Game

**Notes:**
- Add Game Tweak, PPT, and Rubric to portal
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### Day 4: Create Your First Game

**Objectives:**
- Assimilate what students have learned about Scratch into simple game of their own design

**Activity: Review Scratch**
- Collect and discuss the Tweak a Game Project

**Activity: Adding Levels**
- Guided Practice: Copter Game and Levels Code using Your First Game PPT

**Activity: Your First Game**
- Students will begin crafting a simple game of their own design that includes multiple stages (backgrounds) in a scrolling style

**Materials:**
- Your First Game PPT
- Your First Game Handout
- Copter Game Handout
- Levels Code
- First Game Grading Rubric

**Homework:**
- HW 4: Your First Game

**Notes:**
- Add project, PPT, and rubric to portal
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Programming with Scratch
Assignment 2: The Cat Walk Project  
(Project adapted from Trevon Blunn)

In this exercise, you will use utilize the basic feature of Scratch to control a Sprite using the keyboard. Follow the step-by-step instructions carefully and note that only the final program needs to be turned in.

Your completed project must be submitted via Interact by the due date and will be graded using the rubric shown below. Save your final program as username_catwalk and include “catwalk” in the assignment description.

Good luck and have fun!

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Step 1: Simple movement

In Scratch the figure is called a Sprite. One of the easiest programs to make is one that moves a sprite on the screen.

1. Click on the yellow **Control** button in the topic box
2. A series of control instructions will appear
3. Select the first one **when flag is clicked** and drag it to the Scripts area of the screen.
4. Next click the blue **Motion** button to the left of the Control button to evoke the motions instruction set
5. Drag the **move 10 steps** button across and lock it underneath the earlier command. Your program should look like the one on the right.
6. Click the **green flag** near the top right of the Scratch screen to run your program.

Step 2: Amending the program

1. You can change the amount of movement by altering the value in the movement command. Change the movement value from 10 to 40.
2. Click the Control topic button again and select the wait 1 secs command
3. Click the Motion topic button and add the point in direction 90 command below it.
4. Click on the arrow beside the 90 and select -90 from the list.
5. Add another movement command and change the value to match the first
6. Add another wait command, and then another 'point' command.
7. Finally, at the top of the screen where there is a small image of the sprite, click the middle button. This makes the sprite change direction to match his movement.
Step 3: Repeated movement (using forever)

Often we want the sprite to be animated for a period of time. In order to get the script that we have written to loop use the Forever instruction.

- **Step 1** - click the move 40 steps command and drag the script apart
- **Step 2** - Select the Forever instruction from the Control topics
- **Step 3** – Drag the set of instructions that you made previously back inside the forever instruction
Step 4: Getting the sprite to walk (using costumes)

Click on the costumes tab – note that the cat sprite comes with two costumes

Before completing this exercise dump your existing script into the left had side of the screen (this will delete it)
Step 5: Using the keyboard to control your sprite (using if condition instruction)

It is possible to control your sprite using the mouse keys. There is a small pointer next to the Sprite symbol at the top of the screen which can be set to any angle thereby determining the natural direction of movement of the sprite. In this exercise we want the Sprite to move exactly up and down vertically or side to side horizontally so we will use the change x by and change y by instructions to order to ensure the correct movement of the Sprite.

Before completing this exercise dump your existing script into the left hand side of the screen (this will delete it)

Start a new script with the when green flag pressed and forever instructions

Choose the if condition instruction and drag in the key pressed instruction from the sensing topics. Set the key pressed to down arrow

Add the point in direction and change y by set instructions Set point in direction to 180 and change y by to -10

We will now copy the main part of the script then edit the sub script for each movement of the mouse determined by each of the respective four arrow keys

Click on the copy (stamp symbol) tool then click on the word if in the script. This will create a copy of that part of the script. Repeat this process twice more in order to create the scripts for each different movement of the sprite.
Drop the three new copied sets of instructions inside the **forever** instruction (not inside the existing **If condition** instruction)

Click the green flag button.
It should now be possible to drive your cat sprite around the screen using the arrow keys.
Step 6: Cat walking with keyboard control

Looking back over steps 4 and 5 it should be possible to make a script combining what you have already learned that allows the Cat sprite to walk around the screen.

Note that two scripts have been created here so it would display on one page and it is possible to combine all of this into one script.

Save your finished project and submit it by the due date.
The Cat Walk Project

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Programming with Scratch
Assignment 3: Tweaking a Game
(Project adapted from http://learnscratch.org/index.php)

Modifying or “tweaking” an existing program is a very effective way to build your programming skills. In this exercise, you will have a choice of improving one of two simple, classic games; Pac Man and Pong. Each presents a unique set of challenges and opportunities; choose the game that you feel will be most rewarding.

Your completed project must be submitted via Interact by the due date and will be graded using the rubric shown below. Save your final program as username_gametweak and include “gametweak” in the assignment description.

In addition, you must submit a brief written summary of the changes/tweaks you made that explains what you changed and why those tweaks made the game better/more interesting. This should be saved as username_tweaksummary and include “tweaksummary” in the assignment description.

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Option 1: Pac Man

This project, available from Learnscratch.org, implements a version of the traditional Pac Man game. It provides a simple method to navigate through the maze without trespassing its limits. It is a good example for an initial game project and allows for easy expansion and the addition of new features.

Video tutorials for recreating the game and the complete game code are available here. To make this project your own, however, requires some modifications. Once you have recreated the program, add at least three additional tweaks/features to the game. You may select from the following list of suggestions or come up with something of your choosing:

- A second Pac Man (with different sets of controls.)
- Additional mazes
- Additional objects for the Pac Man to eat
- A score counter for the objects eaten
- Sound effects according to the motion of the Pac Man

Remember that your final project must include a brief written summary that explains (1) the modifications/tweaks you make and (2) how they improved the overall game experience.

Option 2: Pong

This project, available from Learnscratch.org, implements a version of the traditional pong game. It includes two moving parts: the ball, which bounces on the edges of the Stage, and the paddle, which is controlled by the player. It includes sound effects, and it is a good example of an initial interactive game project.

Video tutorials for recreating the game and the complete game code are available here. To make this project your own, however, requires some modifications. Once you have recreated the program, add at least three additional tweaks/features to the game. You may select from the following list of suggestions or come up with something of your choosing:

- An additional ball
- A score counter for the number of hits
- A second paddle controlled by the key arrows (a second player)
- Assign different score values to each ball hit
- Change the speed of the ball and/or width of the paddle

Remember that your final project must include a brief written summary that explains (1) the modifications/tweaks you make and (2) how they improved the overall game experience.
Making A Game : Tweaking a Game

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Programming with Scratch
Assignment 4: Your First Game

In this exercise, you will use your creativity and knowledge of Scratch to design a simple game. The theme/purpose of the game is up to you, but it must contain the following elements:

- The game starts/resets when the Green Flag is clicked
- Main character can be controlled from the keyboard
- Minimum of two levels
- Minimum of one sound effect
- Ability to win or lose

Your may wish to refer to the Copter Game code if you need help controlling your main character (sprite) with the keyboard. The Levels program provides a simple example of how to add a second background/level to your game. Remember that this game is not simple a reproduction of the Copter Game; be original and produce something that utilizes your creativity and knowledge of Scratch.

Your completed project must be submitted via Interact by the due date and will be graded using the rubric on the next page. Save your final program as username_firstgame and include “firstgame” in the assignment description.

Good luck and have fun!
## Grading Rubric

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Copter Game with One Level:

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repeat until [not touching color]
  if [key up arrow pressed]
    change y by 1
  if [key right arrow pressed]
    change x by 1
  if [x position > 200]
    stop script
broadcast [gameover]
stop script
```
Adding a Level:

Copter Script

- when flag clicked
- broadcast level 1
- go to x: -167 y: -24
- repeat until touching color ?
  - if not touching color ?
    - change y by 1
  - if key up arrow pressed?
    - change y by 3
  - if key right arrow pressed?
    - change x by 3
  - if touching edge ?
    - broadcast next background
    - set x to -170
- wait 0.01 secs

Background Script

- when I receive level 1
  - switch to background background1
  - stop script
- when I receive next background
  - next background
  - stop script

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Programming with Scratch
Assignment 5: Final Project—Design Your Own Program

In this exercise, you will use utilize your creativity and knowledge of Scratch to create a program of your own design. You may choose to create a game, animation, or something else, but it must contain the following elements:

1. Your project must have at least two sprites, neither of which may be a cat.
2. Your project must contain at least three scripts in total (i.e., not necessarily per sprite).
3. Your project must use at least one condition and one variable.
4. Your project must use at least one sound.
5. Your project should be more complex than the simple, short examples that we have discussed in class.

Feel free to look through the projects that come with Scratch for inspiration, but your own project should not be terribly similar to any of them. Try to think of an idea on your own, and then set out to implement it. If, along the way, you find it too difficult to implement some feature, try not to fret: alter your design or work around the problem. If you set out to implement an idea you find fun, you should not find it hard to satisfy this assignment’s requirements.

Your completed project must be submitted via Interact by the due date and will be graded using the rubric on the following page. Save your final program as username_finalproject and include “finalproject” in the assignment description.

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