

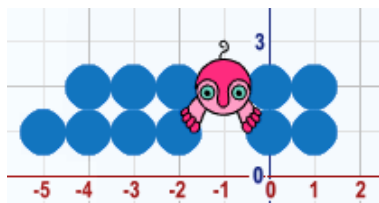
# MODULE 6:



# COORDINATES AND GEOMETRY

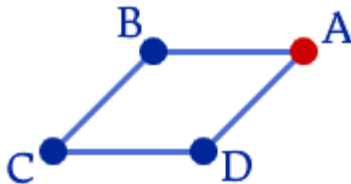
## Investigation 1

### Emerging Shapes



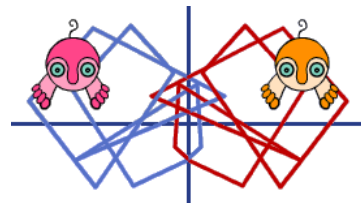
## Investigation 2

### Coordinate Shapes



## Investigation 3

### Transformations



## INTRODUCTION TO MODULE 6

Module 6 explores coordinates across all four quadrants and requires pupils to use their knowledge of variable to explore scale. Pupils develop their knowledge of coordinates through different contexts including transformations (reflection and translation) and mathematical shapes which emerge by exploiting the random block. This module could potentially be linked with several different areas of the Key Stage 2 curriculum beyond mathematics and computing such as geography and English.

### GEOGRAPHY: LOCATIONAL KNOWLEDGE

Within the first investigation pupils have the opportunity to experiment with coordinates in order to create flag patterns which could be linked with specific countries that pupils are learning about within the geography curriculum.



### ENGLISH: SPELLING

Within the second investigation pupils code and decode words using letters positioned at different positions on the coordinates grid. This could be linked to spelling particular words specified within the English curriculum such as those with silent letters or tricky homophones.



Aisle/Isle  
Cereal/Serial  
Draft/Draught

## KEY VOCABULARY AND CONCEPTS COVERED BY MODULE 6

### COMPUTING

- ▶ Repetition
- ▶ Variable
- ▶ Definitions
- ▶ Debugging
- ▶ Decomposition
- ▶ Selection
- ▶ Logical Reasoning

### MATHEMATICS

- ▶ Coordinates
- ▶ Randomness
- ▶ Reflection
- ▶ Translation
- ▶ Scale Factor
- ▶ Division & rounding
- ▶ Regular and irregular polygons

# MAP OF MODULE 6

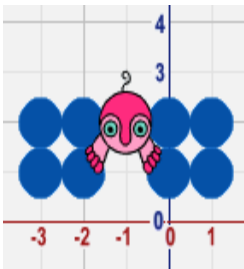
## Activity 1

## Activity 2

## Activity 3

## Activity 4

### Investigation 1 Emerging Shapes



#### Restless Fleeeee

Starter project:  
**61-Fleeeee  
Dots**

#### Unplugged and Hands- on: Envisage and Explore

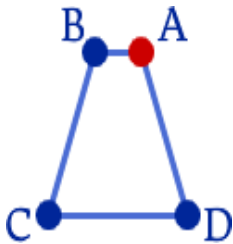
#### Introducing Scale

Continue with:  
**61-Fleeeee  
Dots**

#### Dotty Patterns

Continue with:  
**61-Fleeeee Dots**

### Investigation 2 Coordinate Shapes



#### Letters and Coordinates

Starter project:  
**62-Grid Letters**

#### Busy Fleeeee and Clever Points

Starter project:  
**62-Coordinates**

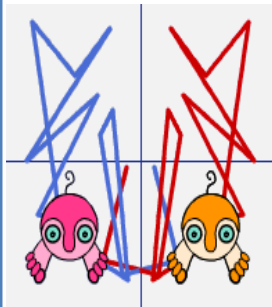
#### Tricky Triangles

Continue with:  
**62-Coordinates**  
or start with:  
**62-Coordinates  
INT1**

#### Quirky Quadrilaterals

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**62-Coordinates**  
or start with:  
**62-Coordinates  
INT2**

### Investigation 3 Transformations



#### Mimic Meeeee

Starter project:  
**63-Mimic  
Meeeee**

#### Shadows, Translations & Reflections

Continue with:  
**63-Mimic  
Meeeee**  
or start with:  
**63-Mimic  
Meeeee INT**

#### Through the Looking Glass

Starter project:  
**63-Looking  
Glass**

The **red** dashed line indicates the core activities which are important to complete before moving on to the next activities.

For activities which require pupils to continue with a project from a previous lesson you can alternatively use the suggested INT project for those pupils who do not have a project to continue with or if you wish all pupils to begin from the same point.

# MODULE 6 CONNECTIONS TO KS2 COMPUTING CURRICULUM

CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES	LINK WITH SCRATCHMATHS
Design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ During this module pupils are required to build programs that create emergent shapes from random dots, place and connect points on a coordinate grid and also that mimic the behaviour of another sprite through translation and reflection.</li> </ul>
Solve problems by decomposing them into smaller parts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Pupils are required to use decomposition in order to understand the mathematics within different operations and expressions they are using in their scripts, as well as when building the mimicking behaviour, to help develop their understanding of how the two sprites are linked.</li> </ul>
Use selection and repetition in programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Pupils are required to use selection in their scripts through using different keyboard commands to move their sprite and stamp different letters.</li> <li>▶ Pupils use two forms of repetition in drawing their emergent shapes made up of a repeated number of random dots, to be able to continuously mimic the behaviour of another sprite and also in an extension to animate their sprite in different ways.</li> </ul>
Work with variables	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Pupils use variables when working with different coordinate grid intervals and also to enable sprites to snap to specific grid points.</li> </ul>
Using logical reasoning to explain how some simple algorithms work and to detect and correct errors in algorithms and programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Pupils are required to use logical reasoning when envisaging the missing values in scripts to create different emerging shapes.</li> <li>▶ Within an extension activity pupils are also asked to examine and explain the differences between several different algorithms for drawing emerging flag patterns.</li> </ul>

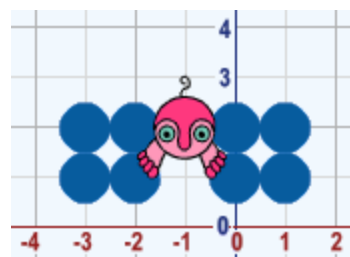
# MODULE 6: INVESTIGATION 1

## Emerging Shapes

This investigation develops reading and setting coordinates by exploring and building scripts which produce emergent shapes. The start of the investigation uses a backdrop (with axis intervals marked) and a script which utilises a 1-1 mapping between coordinates and pixels. As the investigation develops pupils engage with scale, converting standard *pixel coordinates* to *grid coordinates* (different intervals on the x and y axis).

We have deliberately selected a new sprite – the Fleeeee (with 5Es in honour of our pedagogical strategy!) – instead of reusing the Beetle to make it clear that we are focusing on coordinates and moving *differently* by using the blocks **go to x: ... y: ...** and reporter blocks **x position** and **y position**. Pupils engage with patterns in coordinates, for example multiples of 20 when creating a dot pattern.

- ◆ **Activity 6.1.1** – Restless Fleeeee
- ◆ **Activity 6.1.2** – Unplugged and Hands-on: Envisage and Explain
- ◆ **Activity 6.1.3** – Introducing Scale
- ◆ **Activity 6.1.4** – [Extension] Dotty Patterns



Scratch projects      **61-Fleeeee Dots**    **61-Fleeeee Dots FINAL**    **61-Fleeeee Dots Extension FINAL**

### LINKS TO PRIMARY NATIONAL CURRICULUM

#### CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES

#### LINK WITH SCRATCHMATHS

#### Mathematics

Identify, describe and represent the position of a shape following a reflection or translation.

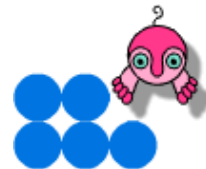
Describe movements between positions as translations of a given unit to the left/right and up/down.

Solve problems involving similar shapes where the scale factor is known or can be found.

Describe positions on the full coordinates grid.

(KS3) Work with experiments that involve randomness.

- ▶ Pupils are required to envisage and build scripts which create a reflected emergent shape in the y axis and then in the x axis.
- ▶ Pupils are required to envisage and build scripts which create an emergent shape that has been translated left, right, up and/or down by a specified amount.
- ▶ Pupils are required to use different grid intervals and adjust the scale of their emergent shape scripts appropriately (using variables) to match the different grids.
- ▶ Pupils are required to engage with the full coordinate grid to specify the position and size of their emergent shapes.
- ▶ Pupils employ randomness to create their emergent shapes using randomly positioned dots within a set area.



### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

**Explore** how to create emergent shapes within a defined area using coordinates.

**Envisage** how to recreate emergent shapes by identifying maximum and minimum coordinates

### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

Pupils open project **61-Fleeeee Dots**, **Save as a copy** (online) or **Save as** (offline) and rename.

1 Pupils explore the project, its backdrop, the **Fleeeee** sprite, its *setup script* and the definitions of the **dot** and **pick random pen colour and shade** blocks.

2 [Extension] Pupils explore the costumes of **Fleeeee** and the blocks **blink**, **nod**, **walk** and **run** and the way how they are defined. [Do not run **walk** and **run** in parallel as the animations would interfere with each other.]

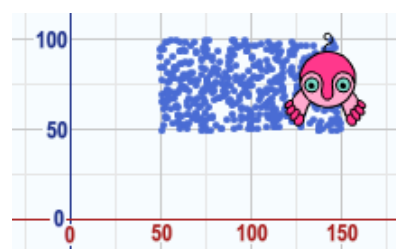
3 Pupils envisage, discuss and run the **go to x: ... y: ...** script in the scripts area. What happens if they run this 'jumping script' again and again? They add the **repeat** block around it and the **when space key pressed** hat block and experiment with different numbers of repetitions, e.g. 10 or 100 or 500...

4 In the classroom presentation there are several pictures of emerging rectangles and corresponding scripts with one or several missing coordinates. Pupils fill in the missing inputs of the **pick random ... to ...** blocks and run the script.

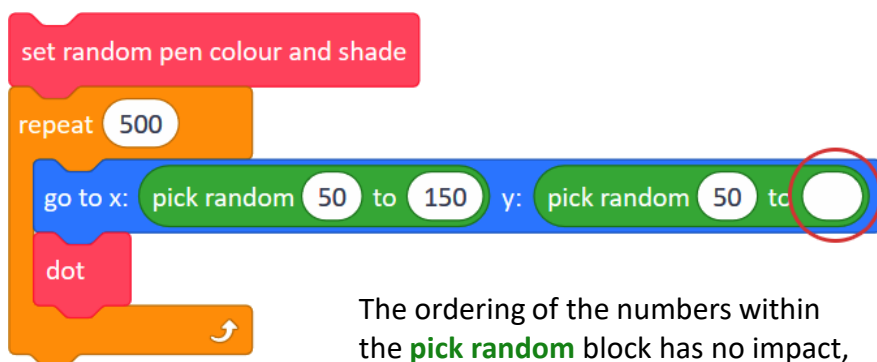
5 [Extension] In the classroom presentation there are more complex and interesting pictures of emerging shapes. Pupils build scripts to create them. This is an example, similar to the flag of Switzerland.



### MATHEMATICS CONNECTIONS



Ask questions to connect the emergent shape with the **go to x: y:** block. *What is the length/width of the rectangle? How can this be calculated from the **go to x: y:** block?*



The ordering of the numbers within the **pick random** block has no impact, however it might be helpful to use the conventions as we would see on a coordinate axis.

**Envisage** the length and width of the emergent shape before running the script. *What are the coordinates of the top right corner or the bottom left corner? How do you know?*



- 2 We started using sprites with multiple costumes in Module 1 (Activity 1.2.3) for stamping *alternating flower patterns*. In Activity 1.3.3 we used a sprite with six different costumes and started using the **switch costume to name** using the specific *names* of the costumes.

In Module 3 we exploited multiple costumes for different purposes: in activities 3.1.2 and 3.1.3 to express different behaviours of **Nano** and **Tera** and in 3.1.4 to make **Pico** move and look **as if he was walking**.

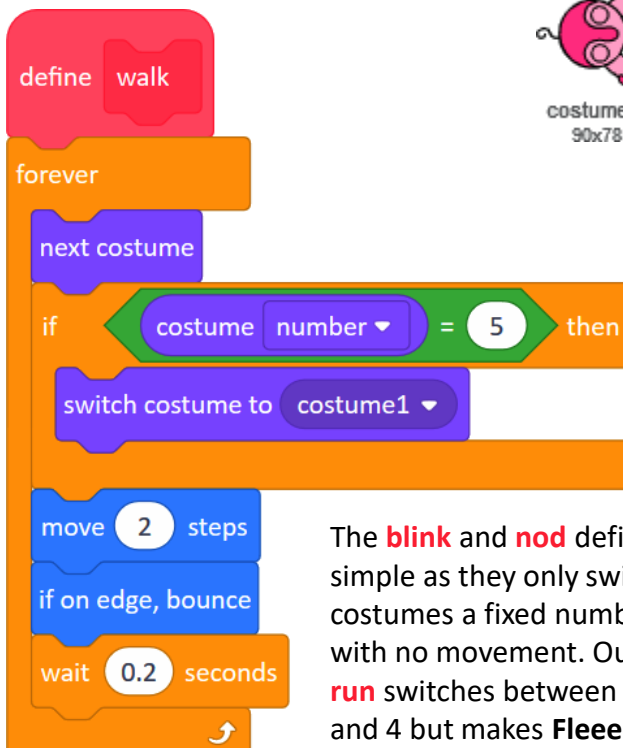
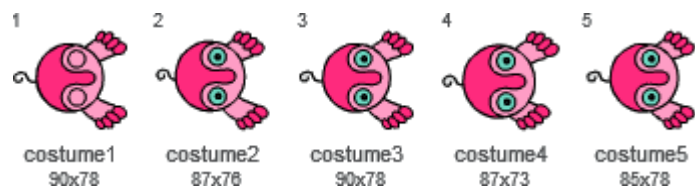


There we employed two important ideas:

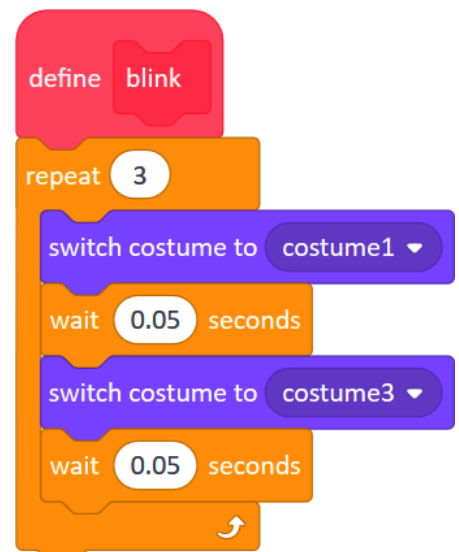
- If we used **next costume** and the current costume of a sprite was its last one it automatically switched to the first costume (we used this feature in Module 4 as well).
- Inside the walking **forever** loop we were using the **if on edge, bounce** block to make sure that the sprite bounced whenever it run into an edge.



Costumes of the **Fleeeee** sprite are slightly different: there are five of them and they may be used for several different animations: the first four, when displayed in the **forever** loop 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 1 ... will make **Fleeeee** look as if it is walking. Therefore we cannot use simple **next costume** loop here, as we have to 'skip' costume number 5.



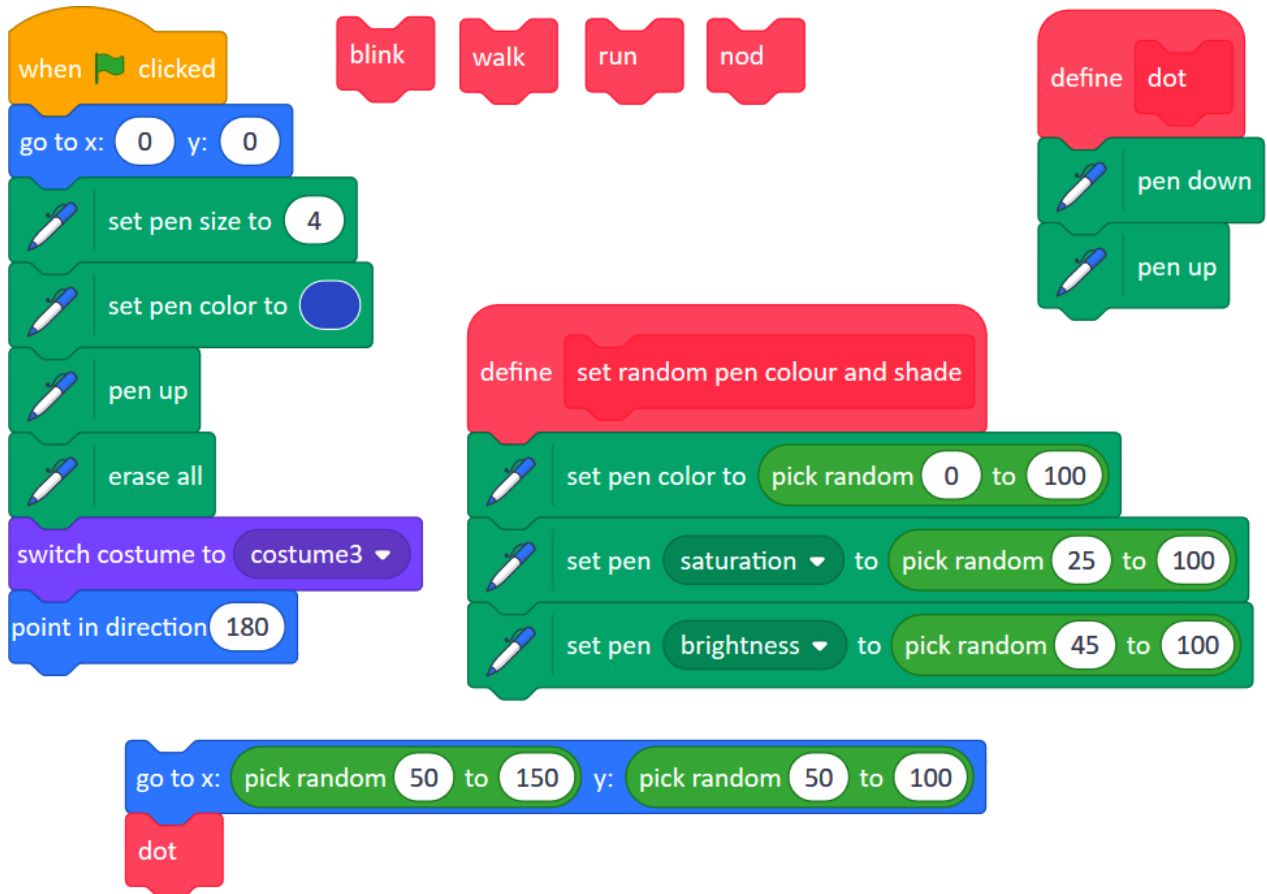
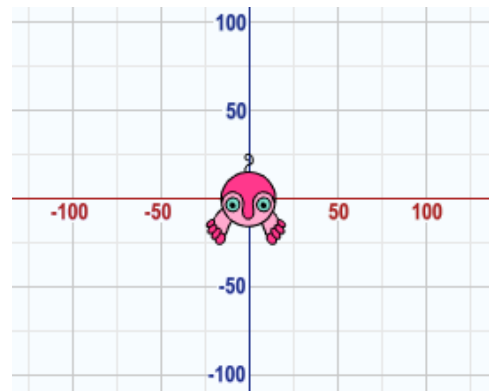
The **blink** and **nod** definitions are simple as they only switch a pair of costumes a fixed number of times with no movement. Our new block **run** switches between costumes 2 and 4 but makes **Fleeeee** move as well.





- 1 Both **dot** and **set random pen colour and shade** are new blocks prepared for pupils so that they can quickly start exploring further activities with the **Fleeeee** sprite. Pupils have created the same or similar blocks themselves in earlier investigations.

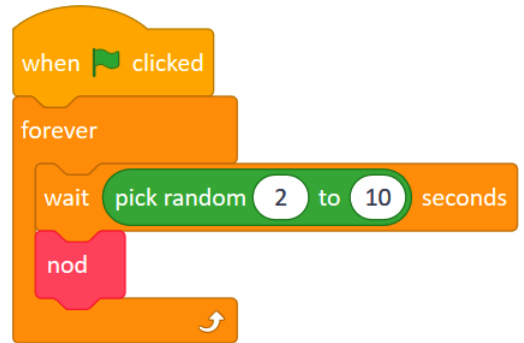
The other four new blocks – **blink**, **nod**, **walk** and **run** are explored and used only in **step 2 [Extension]** of this activity.



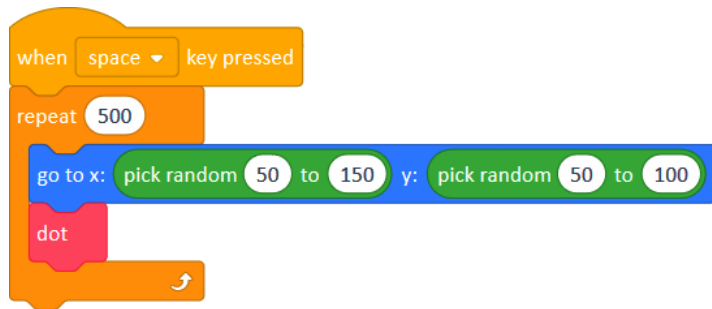
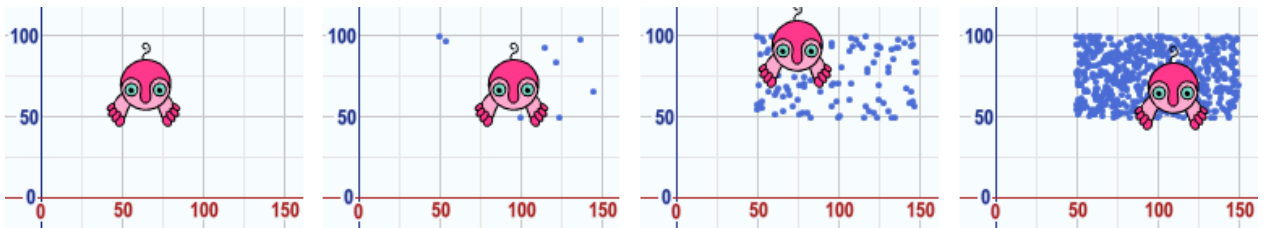
- 2 All of these new blocks are different animations based on the fact that the **Fleeeee** sprite has five similar but not identical costumes. The animations and their definitions are commented in more detail in the **Connections to Y5 ScratchMaths** on the previous page. They are not required to be used in this investigation. However, if pupils want to, they may have some *random animations effects* happening in parallel. For example, they may want the **Fleeeee** to have and run the following or similar extra scripts:

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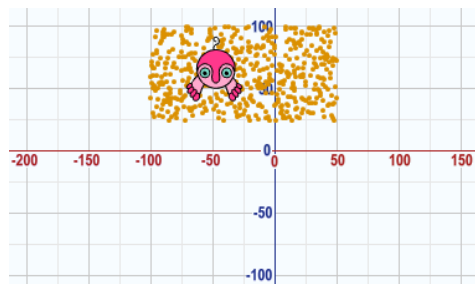
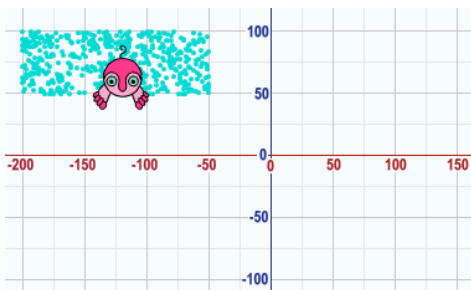


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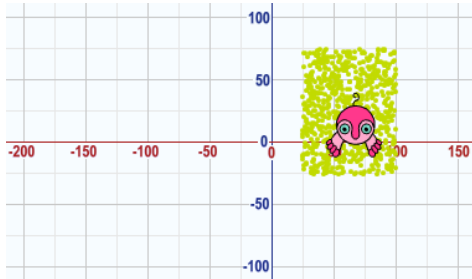
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The values in the red circles are the missing numbers from the classroom presentation.



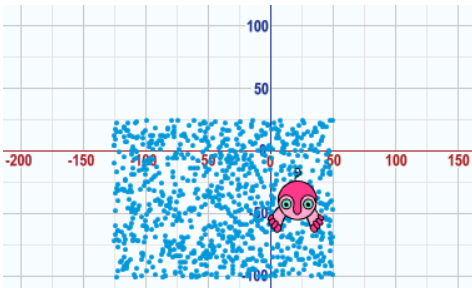
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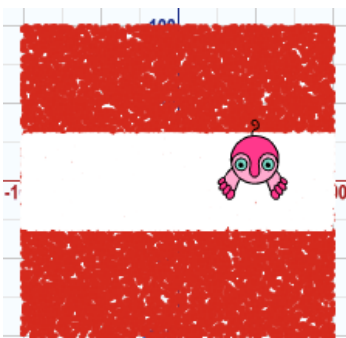
set random pen colour and shade
repeat 500
  go to x: pick random 25 to 100 y: pick random -25 to 75
  dot
  
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set random pen colour and shade
repeat 1500
  go to x: pick random -125 to 50 y: pick random -100 to 25
  dot
  
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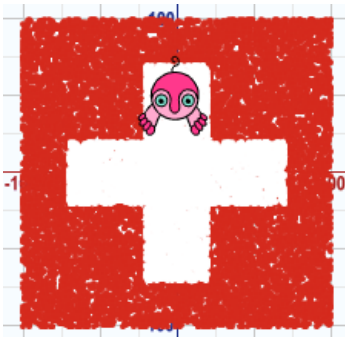
- 5 Note that when creating the following pictures of different emerging shapes:
- ▶ More than one **repeat random jumping loop** is applied in the same area of the stage, with different pen colours.
  - ▶ It is desirable to increase the number of jumps to several hundreds or several thousands. To save time while running such script, you may decide to go to the **Edit menu** and select **Turbo mode**. Alternatively, you may turn the Turbo mode on (or off) by Shift + clicking the green flag. Please note - in other activities it is desirable to observe each step done in the stage so do not forget to switch Turbo mode off when not needed.
  - ▶ Below is the first solution, see also solutions (b) and (c) on next pages.



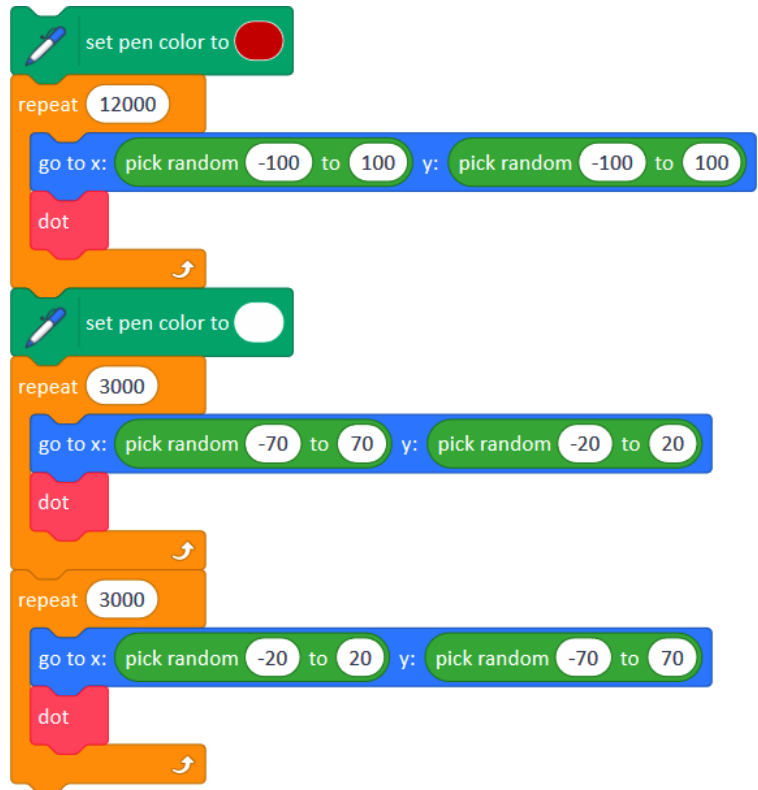
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set pen color to red
repeat 12000
  go to x: pick random -100 to 100 y: pick random -100 to 100
  dot
set pen color to white
repeat 8000
  go to x: pick random -100 to 100 y: pick random -30 to 30
  dot
  
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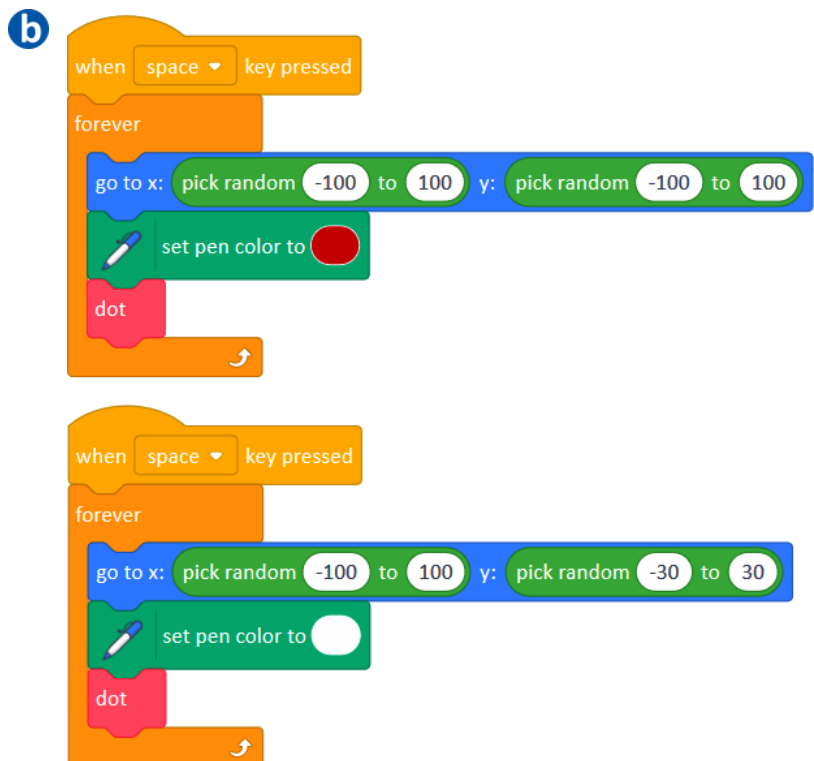
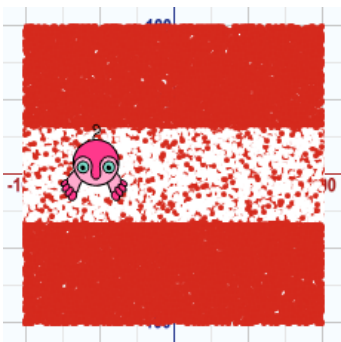
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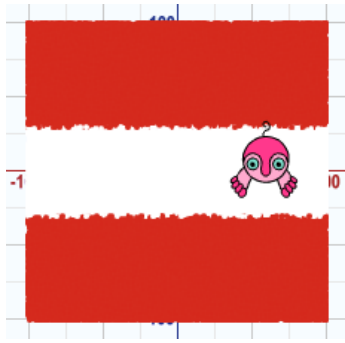


*Can you think of any other flags you could create in a similar way?*

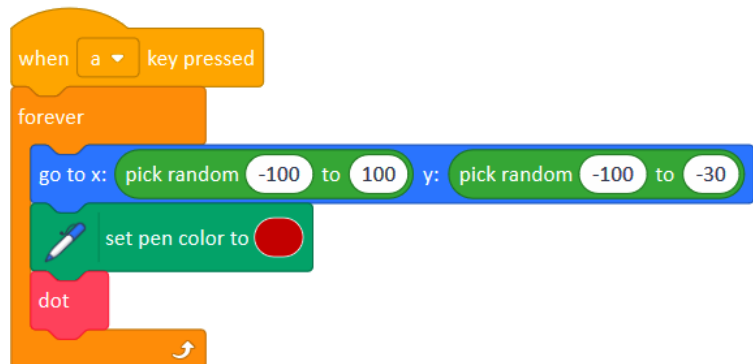
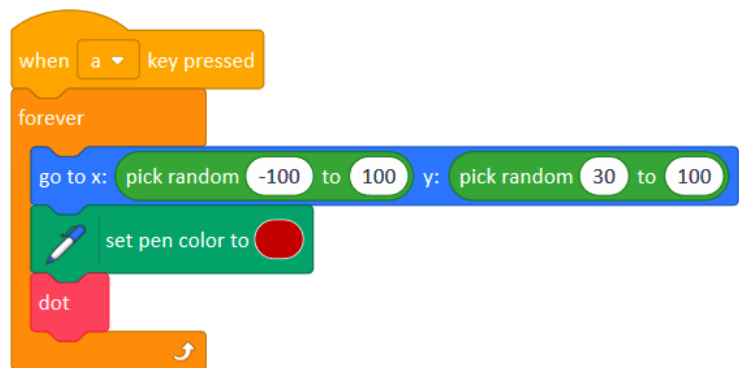


Compare solution (a) of (5) with two following strategies (algorithms) – (b) and (c). Try to understand the details that make those three algorithms similar and yet considerably different.





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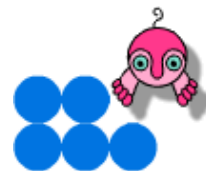


What are the differences between the three algorithms (the first one is from the previous page)?

Why are there red dots in the 'white' area in the second solution?

Why did we have to move **set pen color to ...** blocks inside the control structure **forever**?

Could you think of the fourth strategy, a version of the third script, which would use **repeat** blocks instead of **forever**?



### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

**Envisage** how to create emergent shapes in different quadrants of the coordinate grid.  
**bridge** to full coordinate grid, reflections and translations.

### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

This activity consists of three worksheets. Print and distribute them.

Pupils are asked to (a) fill in missing coordinates to produce the shape in the picture, then (b) add another script which will produce identical shape but reflected or translated – according to the instructions in **1** reflected in the y axis, in **2** reflected in the x axis, and in **3** translated.

### MATHEMATICS CONNECTIONS

Encourage pupils to explain the connection between the numbers used in the **go to x: y: block** and the numbers used after the transformation. [e.g. a reflection in the y axis has the effect of transforming the x-coordinate into its opposite]

### WORKSHEETS SOLUTIONS

**1**

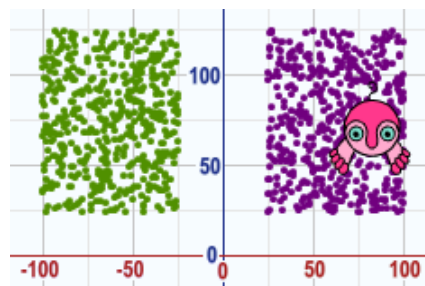
set random pen colour and shade

repeat 500

go to x: pick random -100 to -25 y: pick random 25 to 125

dot

original shape



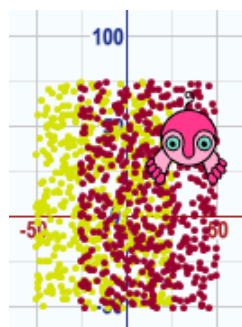
set random pen colour and shade

repeat 500

go to x: pick random 25 to 100 y: pick random 25 to 125

dot

shape reflected in the y axis



**a**

go to x: pick random -150 to -25 y: pick random -75 to -25

go to x: pick random 25 to 150 y: pick random -75 to -25

**b**

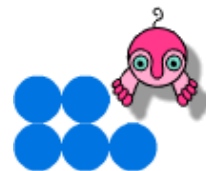
go to x: pick random -75 to 0 y: pick random -25 to 100

go to x: pick random 0 to 75 y: pick random -25 to 100

**c**

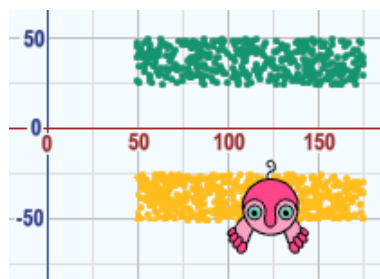
go to x: pick random -50 to 25 y: pick random -50 to 75

go to x: pick random -25 to 50 y: pick random -50 to 75



### WORKSHEETS SOLUTIONS

2



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set random pen colour and shade
repeat (500)
  go to x: pick random 50 to 175 y: pick random 25 to 50
  dot

```

original shape

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set random pen colour and shade
repeat (500)
  go to x: pick random 50 to 175 y: pick random -50 to -25
  dot

```

shape reflected in the y axis

a

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go to x: pick random -100 to -50 y: pick random -125 to -25

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go to x: pick random -100 to -50 y: pick random 25 to 125

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b

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go to x: pick random -75 to 75 y: pick random -75 to 75

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go to x: pick random -75 to 75 y: pick random -75 to 75

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c

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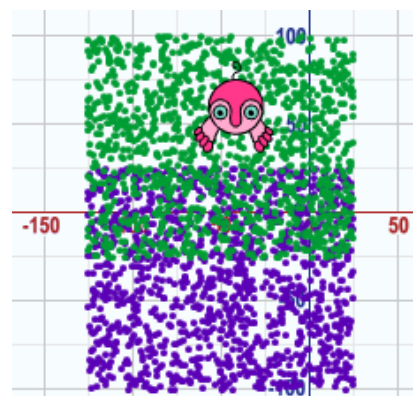
go to x: pick random -125 to 25 y: pick random -100 to 25

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go to x: pick random -125 to 25 y: pick random -25 to 100

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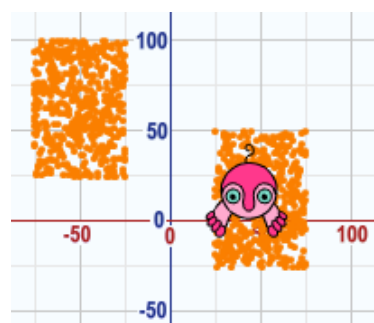
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set random pen colour and shade
repeat (500)
  go to x: pick random -75 to -25 y: pick random 25 to 100
  dot
  change x by 100
  change y by -50
  dot

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If the task is e.g. **Right 100 Down 50** (as is the first task), there is also an alternative approach to draw both original and translated rectangles in parallel, see this script:



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# INVESTIGATION 1

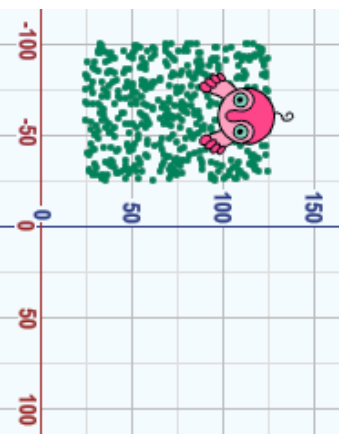
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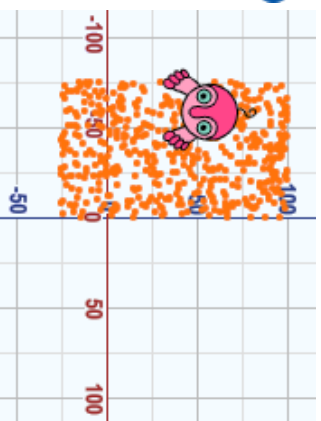
### WHAT TO DO

Fill in the missing coordinates so that the script produces the emerging rectangle in the picture. Then build the second script in Scratch (similar to the first one) to produce the same shape but **reflected in the y axis**.

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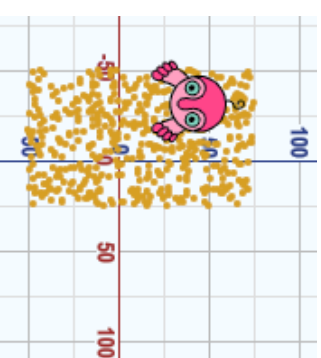
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b



d



repeat 500

go to x: pick random to y: pick random to

dot



repeat 500

go to x: pick random to y: pick random to

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repeat 500

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repeat 500

go to x: pick random to y: pick random to

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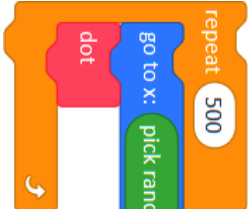
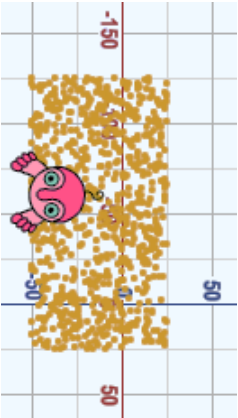
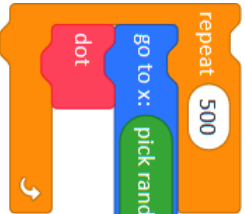
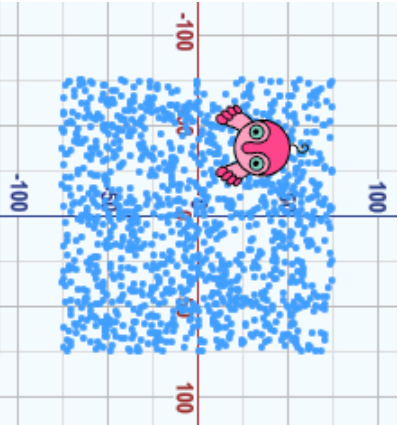
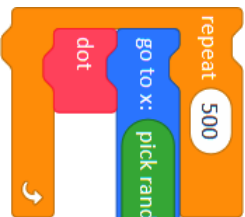
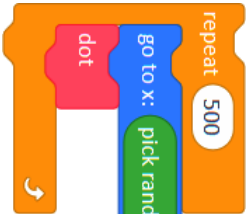
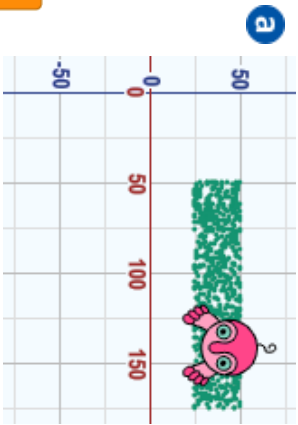
INVESTIGATION 1

Activity 6.1.2



WHAT TO DO

Fill in the missing coordinates so that the script produces the emerging rectangle in the picture. Then build the second script in Scratch (similar to the first one) to produce the same shape **reflected in the x axis**.





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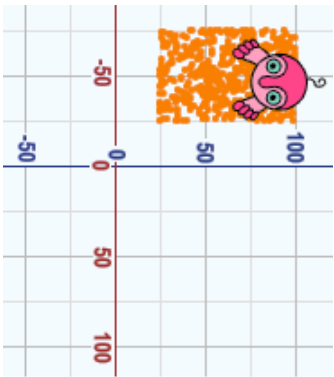
INVESTIGATION 1

Activity 6.1.2



WHAT TO DO

Fill in the missing coordinates so that the script produces the emerging shape in the picture. Then build the second script to produce the same shape **translated right, left, up or down** – **based on the instruction**.



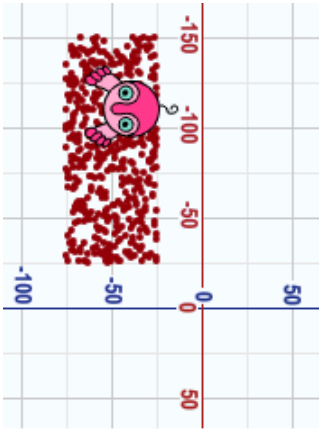
a

Right 100 Down 50

repeat 500

go to x: pick random to y: pick random to

dot



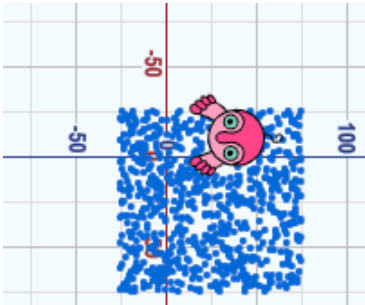
c

Up 75 Right 50 Down 100

repeat 500

go to x: pick random to y: pick random to

dot



b

Left 50 Down 50

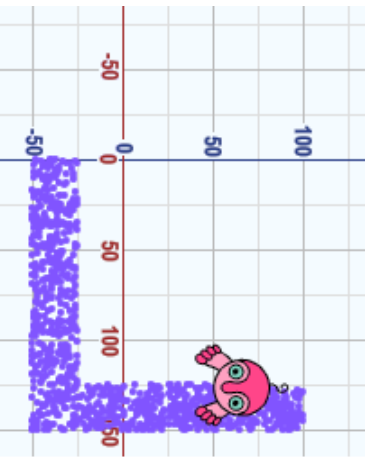
repeat 500

go to x: pick random to y: pick random to

dot

d

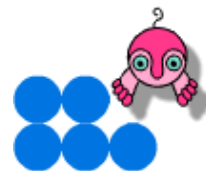
Up 25 Left 50



repeat 500

go to x: pick random to y: pick random to

dot



### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

**Explore** how to create emerging shapes of different scale factors.

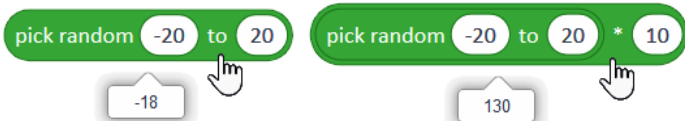
**Explain** how to change the scale of the coordinates grid.

### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

Pupils continue in their project **61-Fleeeee Dots**. The final version of this project at the end of activity 6.1.3 will be **61-Fleeeee Dots FINAL**.

1 Pupils build the script to produce a **small** emerging square centred at **0, 0** (see right). They then pull out the **pick random ...** block from the **y: ...** hole of the **go to ...** and run the script again. [The **y: ...** hole will reset to the default value of 10.] They change the **y: ...** value to other constant values and explore. [One of the values they try should be 0. Explore and discuss]

2 Pupils pull out the **pick random -25 to 25** from the **x: ...** hole as well, but keep it isolated and explore which values it produces when clicked. They build a composite reporter block – for multiplying the same random value by 10...



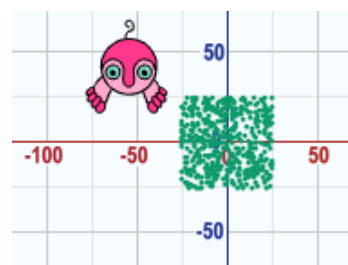
...and explore which values it produces **when clicked**. They explore it with different multipliers: 2, 5, 100.... When discussed, they make a variable **Scale** and use it instead the multiplier with different values.

3 Pupils insert the whole composite block back into the **x: ...** hole and run the script. They duplicate it into the **y: ...** hole as well and run the script. They increase the pen size in the *setup script* (to 8 or 10 or even more – up to the **Scale** value itself) and experiment with different **small numbers** for **pick random ...** blocks.

4 Pupils set **Scale** to 25 and run the script, then switch backdrop to **grid 25** without clearing the stage. Discuss the dual way of referring to the points (dots) here: **standard Cartesian coordinates** and our new '**grid 25 coordinates**' (identical to the grid points of The Grid World in Module 5). Rename your variable **Scale** to **grid**, which is now more intuitive.

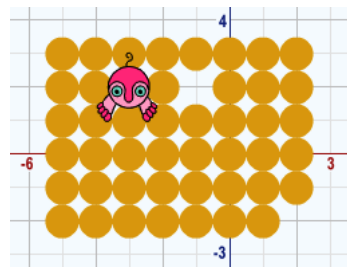
5 Pupils build scripts that produce emerging rectangles similar to those in the classroom presentation.

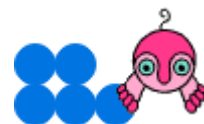
### MATHEMATICS CONNECTIONS



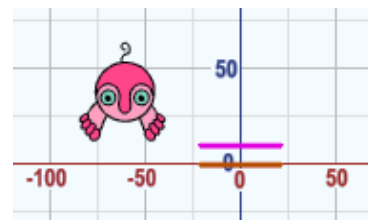
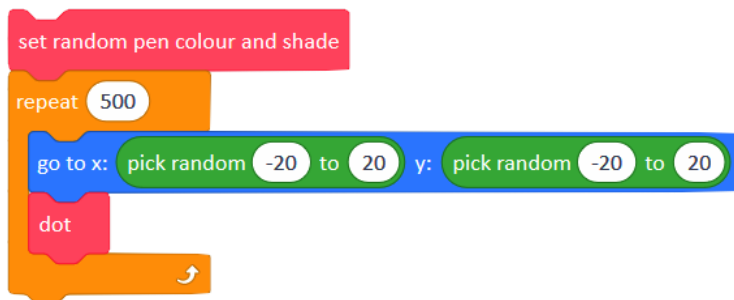
**Discuss:** What role does this multiplier play here? What if we replace it by 1, or 5, or 20? [It is a **scale factor** for numbers randomly picked from the specified interval]

**Discuss:** If we set **Scale** to 10, which values you can use in both **pick random ...** blocks so that the emerging shape fits within the stage? What if we set **Scale** to 20?



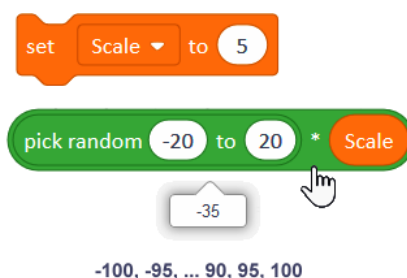
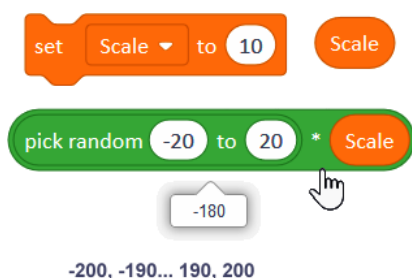
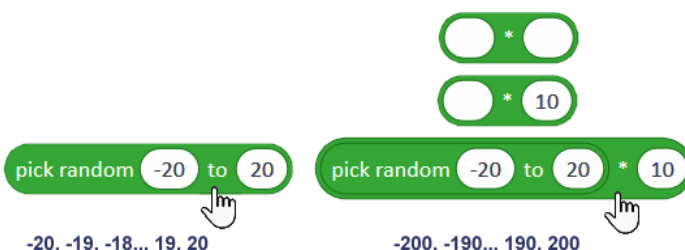


- For the initial small square use inputs for the **pick random ...** blocks like **-15 to 15** or **-20 to 20...**, so that even after multiplying by 10 it will fit (as x coordinates) into the stage:



Note - when a reporter block is pulled out from a block, the value restored as an input in that block is typically 10.

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When you make a new variable and build a block to set its value (to 10 or any other value), **do not forget to run** the **set** block. Otherwise the value of the variable will be 0, its initial value pre-set by Scratch.

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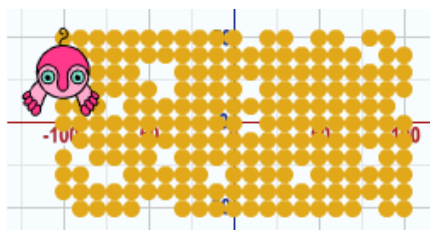
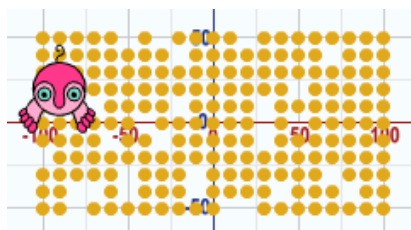


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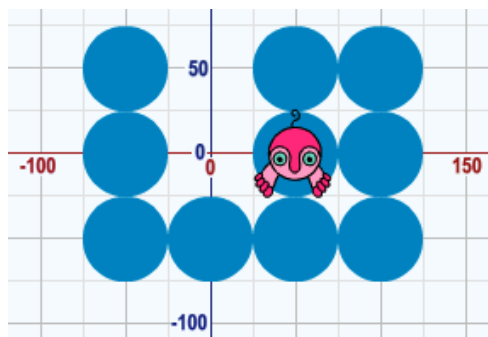
set Scale to 10
set pen size to 5
repeat 500
  go to x: pick random -10 to 10 * Scale y: pick random -5 to 5 * Scale
  dot
  
```

Experiment with different pen sizes. Note that if the grid size is 10, a pen size of 10 works well as **set pen size to ...** sets the perimeter of the dot drawn by the **dot** block. The picture on the previous page illustrates jumping with the pen size of 5, below left is 8 and the right is 10. Therefore, instead of **set pen size to 5** or **set pen size to 8** we will use more a general command **set pen size to Scale**:



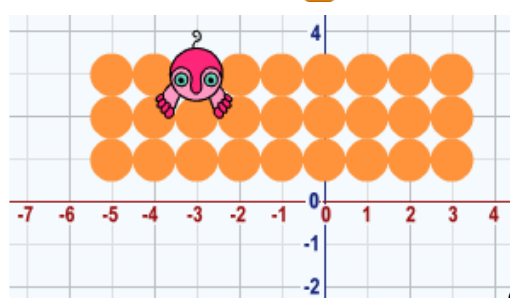
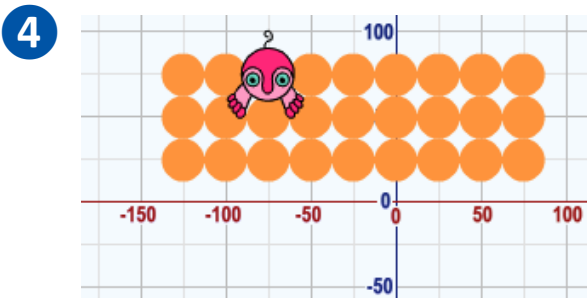
Try the one (with the pen size set to 50) on the right as well.

Note also that the bigger the dots get, the smaller **repeat** number suffices to cover the whole (or almost the whole) emerging rectangle.



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set pen size to 5
set pen size to 8
set pen size to 10
set pen size to Scale
set Scale to 10
set pen size to Scale
repeat 10
  
```



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set Scale to 25
set pen size to Scale
set random pen colour and shade
repeat 500
  go to x: pick random -5 to 3 * Scale y: pick random 1 to 3 * Scale
  dot

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Note how straightforward it is to see the connection between the **pick random ... to ... input values** and the grid coordinates, when using the **Scale** set to 25 and **grid 25** backdrop.

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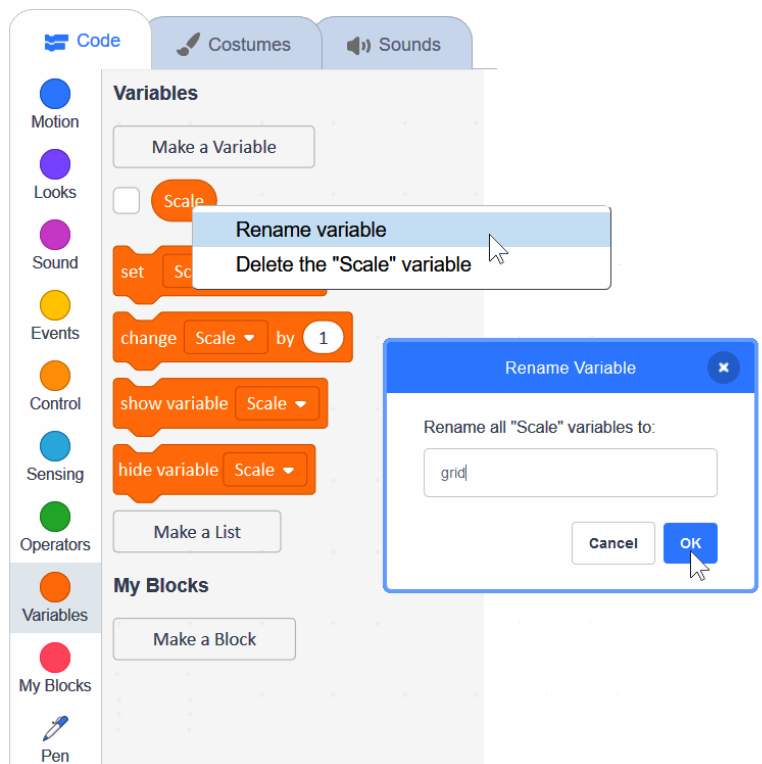
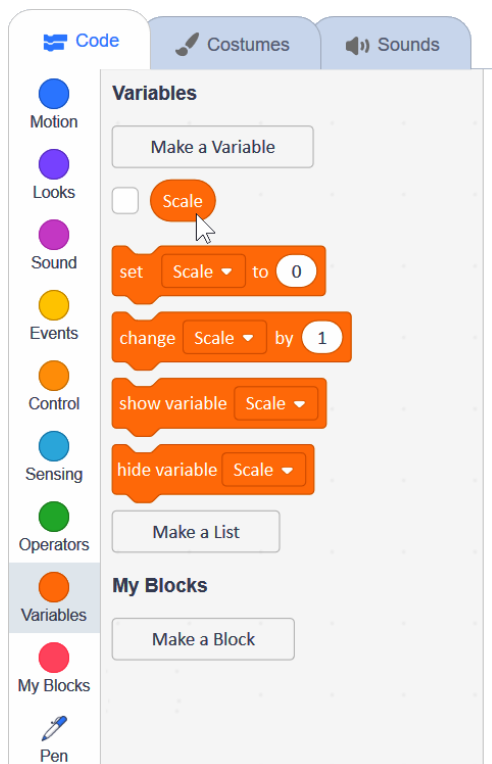
switch backdrop to grid 25

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Note also that **set Scale to ...** and **set pen size to Scale** blocks may be moved to the *setup script*.

Since we are now using **grid 25** backdrop (and later also **grid 10**) and drawing big dots – the same size as the grid, it might be more intuitive to rename our variable **Scale** to **grid** – as we did in Module 5 - Investigation 3, which is straightforward in Scratch.

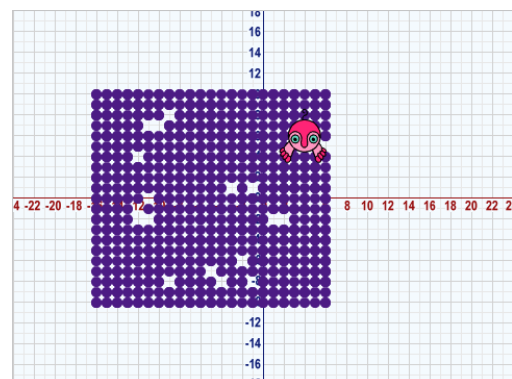
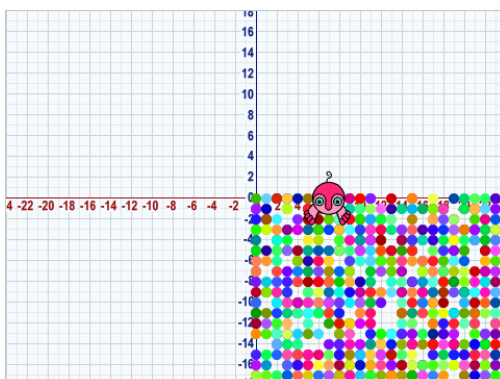
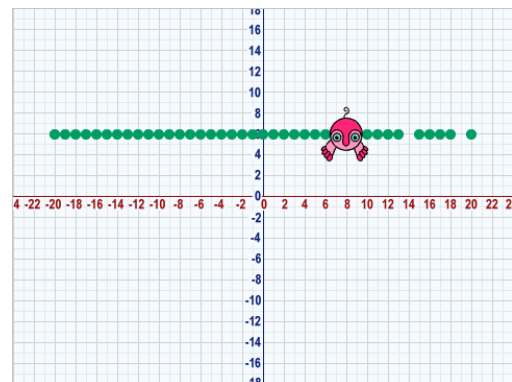
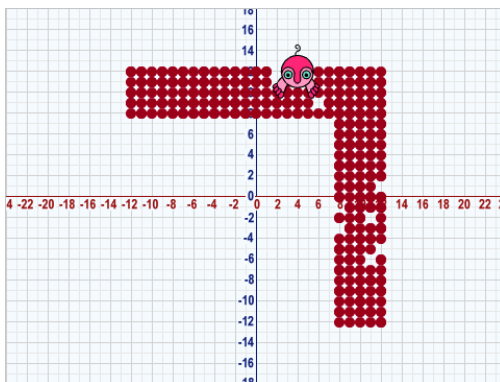
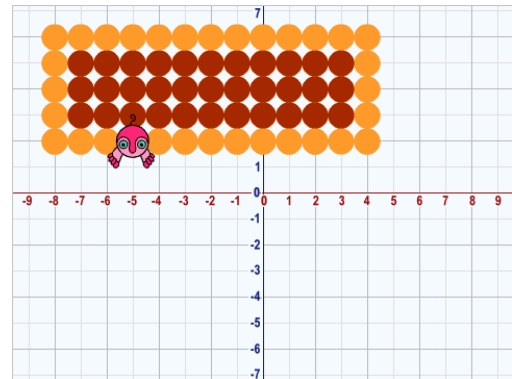
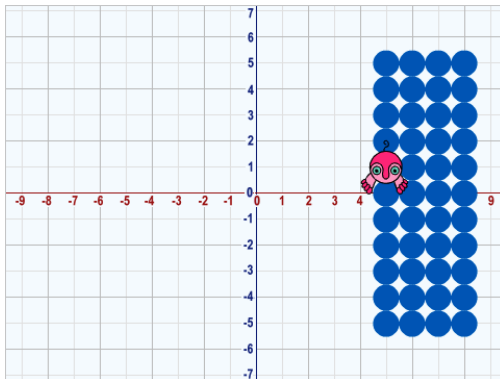
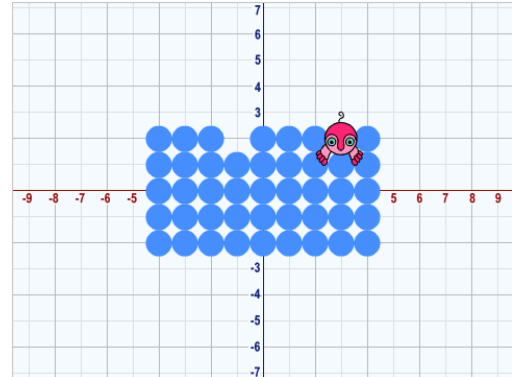
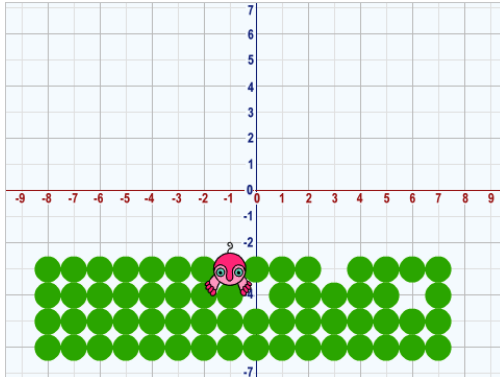
To rename a variable, go to the **Data** group, right click (offline) or **Shift + click** (online and offline) the variable block, select **rename variable** and in the dialogue box change its name. All blocks with the old name in your project will be automatically modified. In a similar way, you can rename your own blocks or any broadcast message.



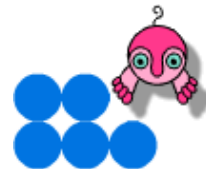
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- 5 Pupils keep the **grid** variable as 25 and try to create some of these emerging rectangles and shapes, or similar (continued on next page). They may also set **grid** to 10, switch the backdrop to **grid 10** and try some other shapes. *Discuss: which of these shapes have what kind of symmetries?*







### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

**Explore** how to simplify the jumping script to be a single line.

**Explain** how to set the left and right most positions that the sprite will jump to.

### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

Pupils continue in their project **61-Fleeeee Dots**. The final version of this project at the end of Activity 6.1.4 will be **61-Fleeeee Dots Extension FINAL**.

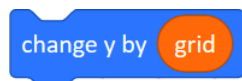
Let **Fleeeee** now jump only within one line.

- 1 Pupils try to restrict the **pick random ...** values for the **y: ...** position to be the same number, e.g. **pick random -3 to -3** – the jumping behaviour now happens within one line. For this we may simplify the whole **repeat** by replacing the **go to ...** block by **set x to ...** and use



before **repeat** only once for the whole jumping. Pupils build this simplified jumping behaviour, making their own block for the **repeat** part of it – named for example **one line jumping**.

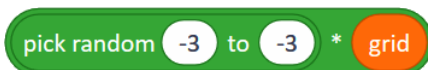
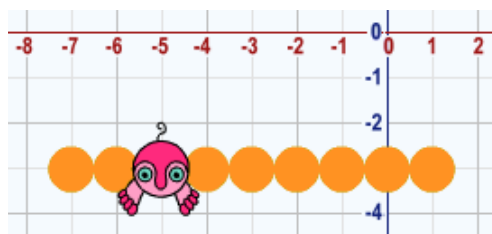
- 2 To make **Fleeeee** move to the upper 'line' (and possibly run **one line jumping** there again) pupils build and explore...



Pupils build a script using **one line jumping** inside **repeat** - making **Fleeeee** jump one line higher each time. They may use different random pen colours for dots in each line.

- 3 Pupils explore the **one line jumping** definition: what sets the left most position within a line where **Fleeeee** may jump? They turn that value into a variable, named e.g. **Left**. They use **Left** in the definition and explore different initial values of **Left**.
- 4 Pupils insert **change Left by 1** block inside the **repeat** and explore different initial values and resulting patterns. They may also try changing **Left** in the **repeat** loop by 2, by -1 etc.
- 5 So far in our examples the right most position within each line was 1. Pupils try it as **Left + 5** or **Left + 2**.
- 6 The right most position may be specified by another variable and change itself in the **repeat** loop as well.

### MATHEMATICS CONNECTIONS

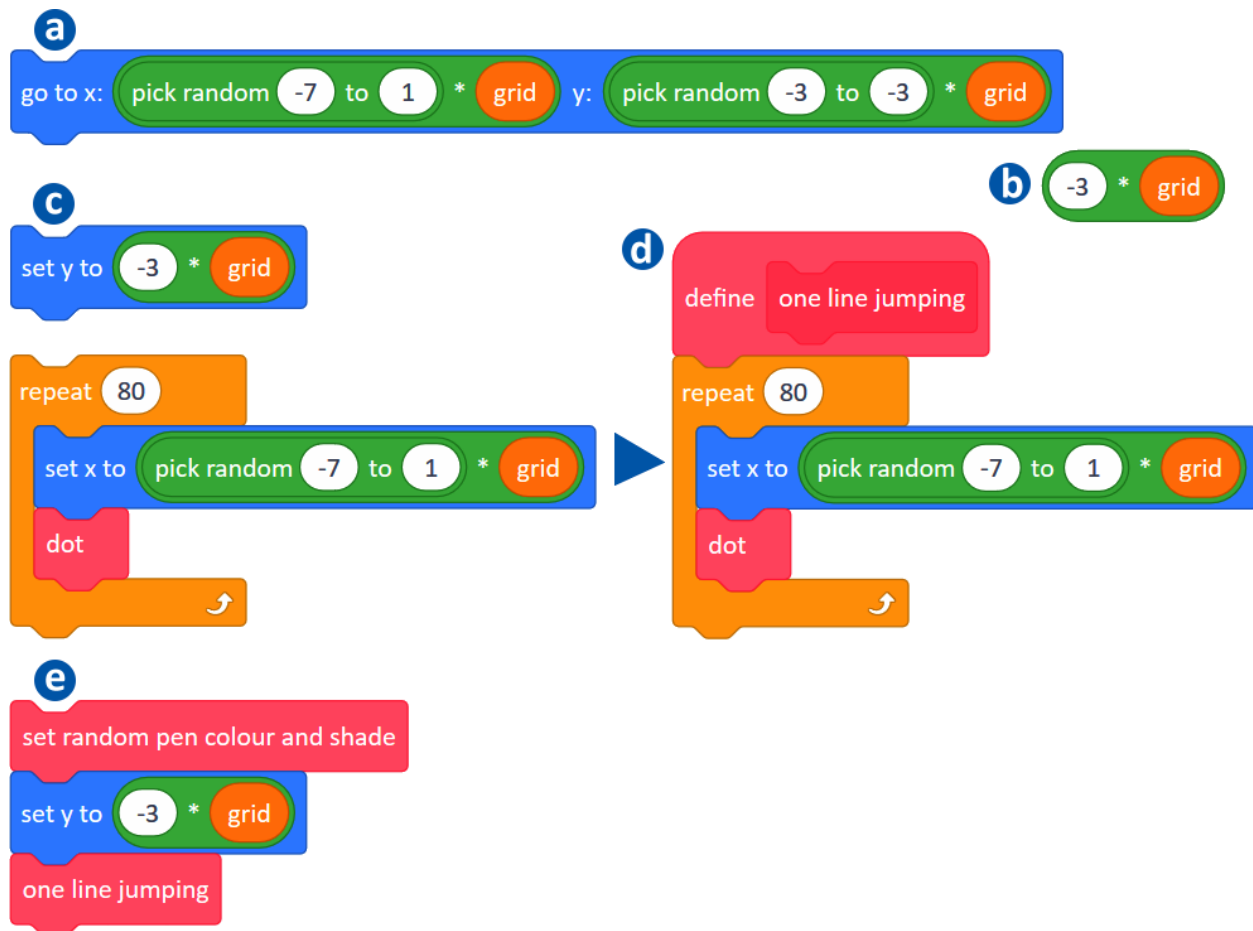


Note that **-3** in the **set y to ...** block on the left represents the *grid coordinate* of all dots in that line of the grid, while **-3 × grid** is their Cartesian y co-ordinate.

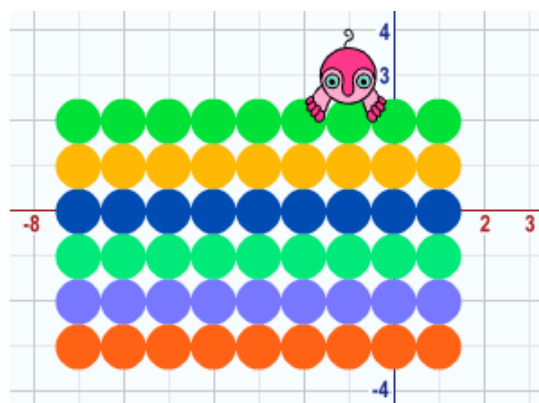
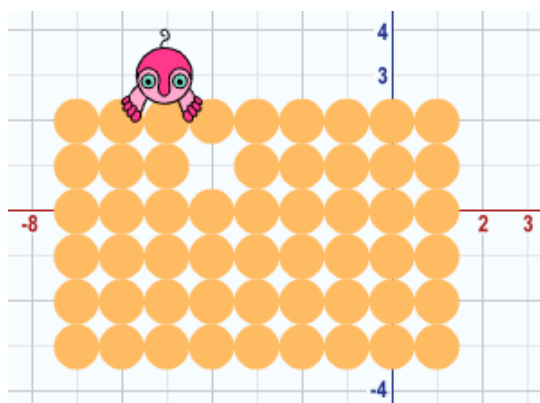




- 1 These are the steps of the transition from previous jumping into the new **one line jumping** - **pick random ...** for **y**: can be turned into **(b)** and used separately in **(c)** before the **repeat** block, which will now use **set x to ...** and can be turned into a new block:



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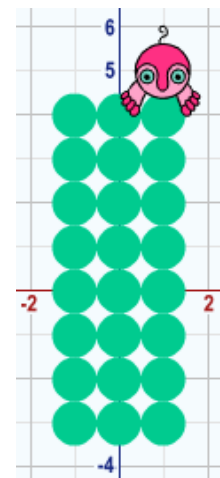
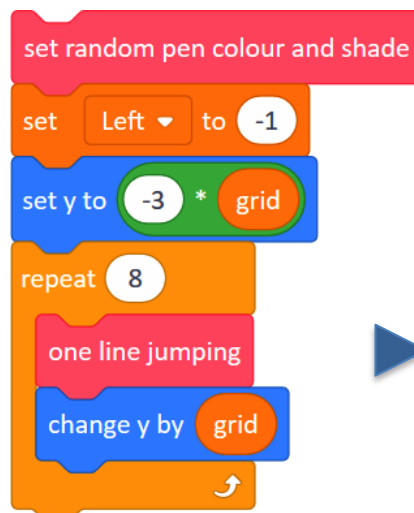
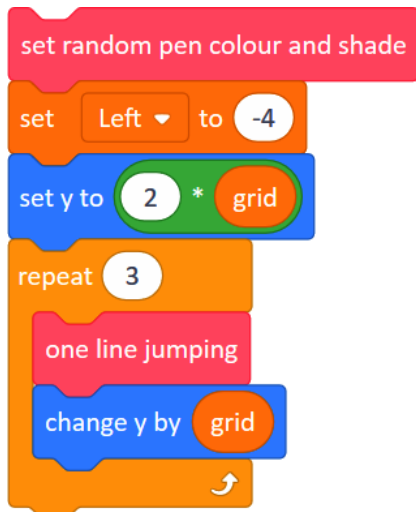
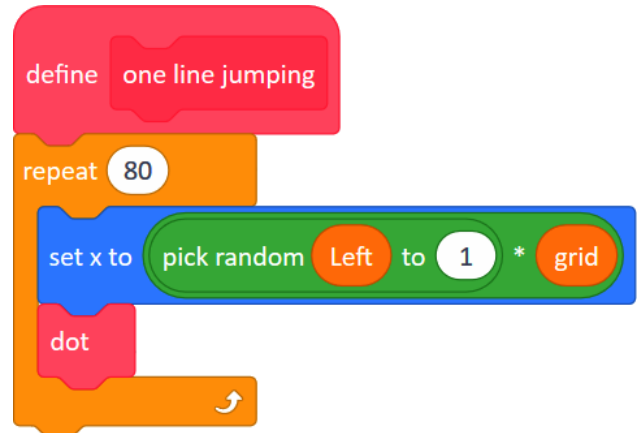
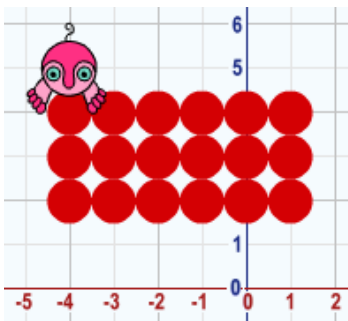


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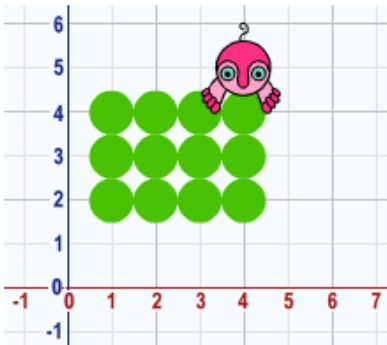


Why does **Fleeee** always ends up one line above the last line drawn? [because the last line in the repeat is to change y by grid]

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Due to the fact that **pick random 4 to 1** produces the same set of values as **pick random 1 to 4**, we can set **Left** to a value which is in fact to the right of the second input, see the example above.

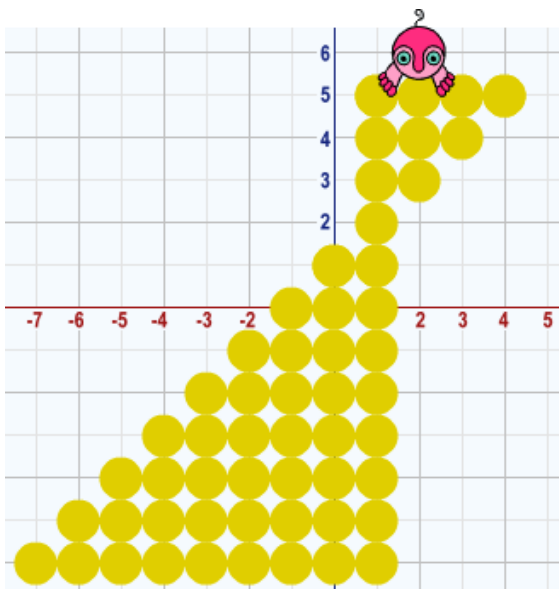
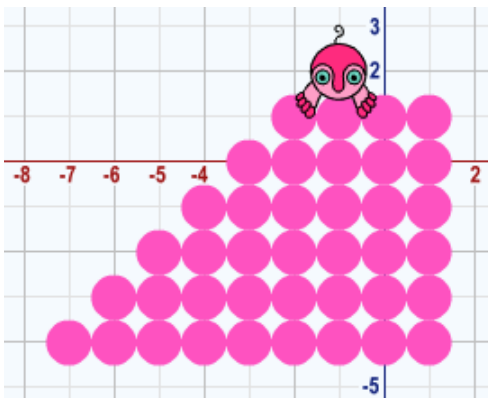
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set random pen colour and shade
set Left to 4
set y to 2 * grid
repeat 3
  one line jumping
  change y by grid
  
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set random pen colour and shade
set Left to -7
set y to -4 * grid
repeat 6
  one line jumping
  change y by grid
  change Left by 1
  
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4



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set random pen colour and shade
set Left to -7
set y to -6 * grid
repeat 12
  one line jumping
  change y by grid
  change Left by 1
  
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set random pen colour and shade

set Left ▾ to -9

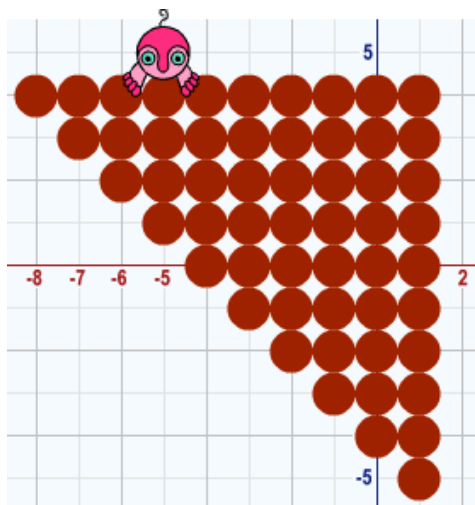
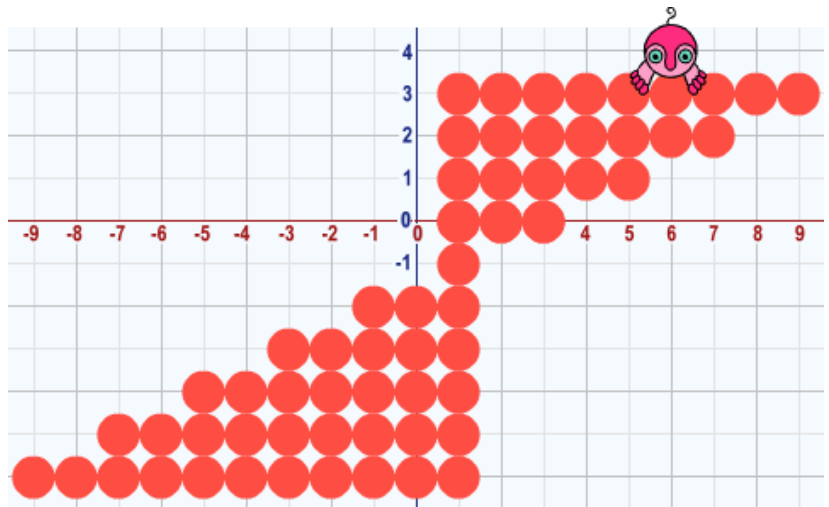
set y to -6 \* grid

repeat 10

one line jumping

change y by grid

change Left ▾ by 2



set random pen colour and shade

set Left ▾ to 1

set y to -5 \* grid

repeat 10

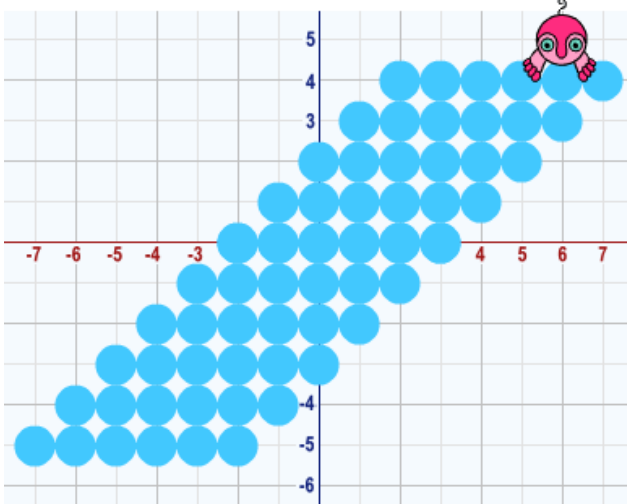
one line jumping

change y by grid

change Left ▾ by -1



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set random pen colour and shade
set Left to -7
set y to -5 * grid
repeat 10
  one line jumping
  change y by grid
  change Left by 1

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define one line jumping

repeat 80

set x to pick random Left to Left + 5 \* grid

dot

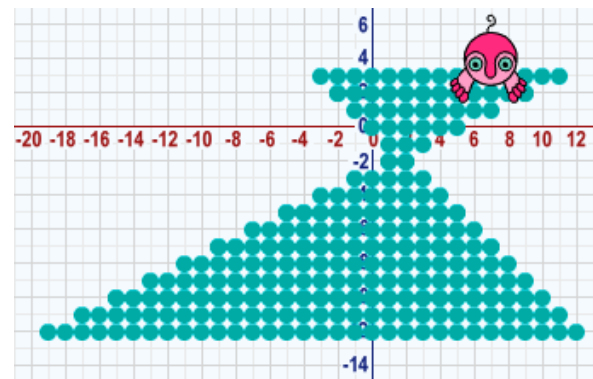
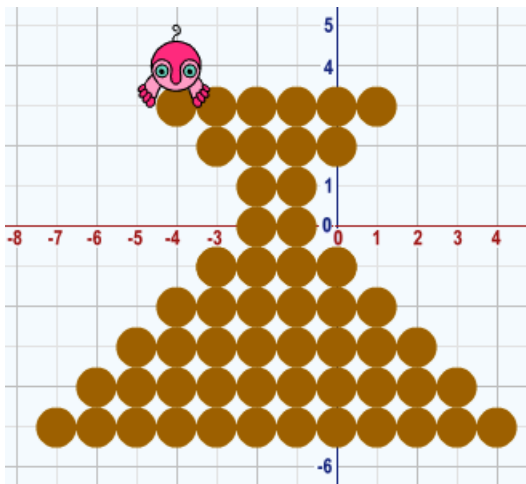
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define one line jumping

repeat 80

set x to pick random Left to Right \* grid

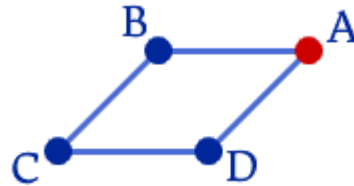
dot



# MODULE 6: INVESTIGATION 2

## Coordinate Shapes

This investigation develops the use of coordinates in the context of vertices of shapes which have geometric properties. The activities encourage the reading and writing of coordinate notation through the use of the letter of the alphabet on a grid. Scaling is revisited to transform pixel coordinates to grid coordinates. Connections can be made to the geometric properties of shapes by creating problems and encouraging pupils to exchange their own creations using the **62-Coordinates FINAL** project which is built during the investigation.



- ◆ **Activity 6.2.1** – Letters and Co-ordinates
- ◆ **Activity 6.2.2** – Busy Fleeeee And Clever Points
- ◆ **Activity 6.2.3** – Tricky Triangles
- ◆ **Activity 6.2.4** – Quirky Quadrilaterals

### Scratch projects

**62-Grid Letters**  
**62-Grid Letters FINAL**

**62-Coordinates**  
**62-Coordinates INT1**  
**62-Coordinates INT2**  
**62-Coordinates FINAL**

## LINKS TO PRIMARY NATIONAL CURRICULUM

### CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES

#### Mathematics

Describe positions on the full coordinates grid.

Interpret remainders as whole number remainders, fractions, or by rounding, as appropriate for the context.

Solve problems involving similar shapes where the scale factor is known or can be found.

Compare and classify geometric shapes, including quadrilaterals and triangles, based on their properties and sizes.

Plot specified points and draw sides to complete a given polygon.

### LINK WITH SCRATCHMATHS

- ▶ Pupils are required to code and decode messages using the positions of letters on the coordinates grid.
- ▶ [Extension] Pupils encounter the need to round the result of division operations in order to get sprites to snap to the nearest grid point.
- ▶ Pupils are required to use the grid variable (in a similar way to the previous investigation) to adapt their project to different grid intervals.
- ▶ Pupils create and exchange coordinate problems whose solutions require coordinate and properties of shape knowledge.



### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

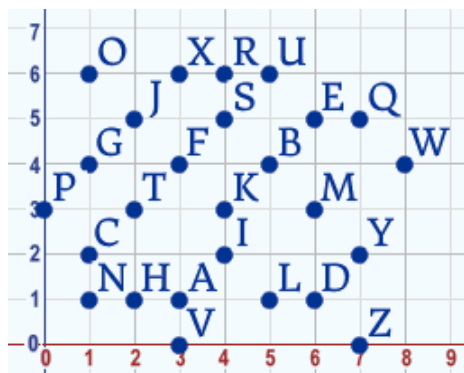
**Explore** how to create a coordinate coding scheme.

**Exchange** messages/tasks with a partner to decode using the coordinate coding scheme.

### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

Pupils open project **62-Grid Letters**, **Save as a copy** (online) or **Save as** (offline) and rename. The final version of this project at the end of Activity 6.2.1 will be **62-Grid Letters FINAL**.

- 1 Pupils explore the project, the **red point** sprite, its *setup script* and its costumes.
- 2 Similar to Activity 5.3.2, we want to control the position of the **red point** sprite by four arrow keys. Pupils build four scripts: e.g. **when up arrow key pressed**, the sprite will **point in direction 0 (up)** and **move** forward by **grid** steps. Similarly, the other three arrow keys will make it point in the corresponding direction and **move** to the next **grid point**.
- 3 Pupils choose a letter (e.g. the first letter of their name) and build a script: if that letter is pressed, the **red point** will switch its costume to that letter (i.e. the costume with that name), **stamp** the letter and switch back to its **red point** costume.
- 4 They build (by duplicating) several similar scripts for some more letters and in pairs play the activities on the following page.



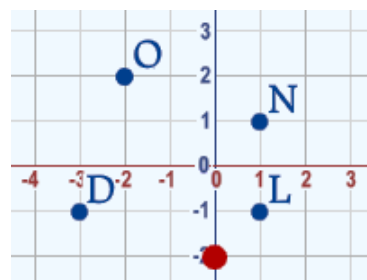
### MATHEMATICS CONNECTIONS

**Discuss:** What are the names of the costumes? Are there any variables in the project?

**Discuss:** What is the value of the **grid** variable? How can we find out? How does it correspond with the backdrop? [Click the **grid** variable block in the palette, or drag out onto the stage, it will report 25. Each square on the backdrop corresponds to 25 pixels. We can check this by dragging the red point sprite to corners of the grid on the backdrop.]

Remember how the costumes of the **ones** sprite in Module 4 were named? They were 1, 2, 3... Now they are **red point**, then A, B, C...

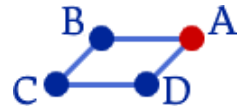
Pupils navigate the **red point** sprite by arrows and scatter the letters in the grid.



Use the following list of coordinates to read the word:

(1, -1), (-2, 2), (1, 1), (-3, -1), (-2, 2), (1, 1)  
**L O N D O N**





### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS CONTINUED

**Coordinate challenge** – from nRich activity 5038 (<https://nrich.maths.org/5038>)

*Individually*

Can pupils position the ten letters in their correct places according to the eight clues below?



*Clues:*

1. The letters at (1,1), (1,2) and (1,3) are all symmetrical about a vertical line.
2. The letter at (4,2) is not symmetrical in any way.
3. The letters at (1,1), (2,1) and (3,1) are symmetrical about a horizontal line.
4. The letters at (0,2), (2,0) have rotational symmetry.
5. The letter at (3,1) consists of just straight lines.
6. The letters at (3,3) and (2,0) consist of just curved lines.
7. The letters at (3,3), (3,2) and (3,1) are consecutive in the alphabet.
8. The letters at (0,2) and (1,2) are at the two ends of the alphabet.

### Code breaking

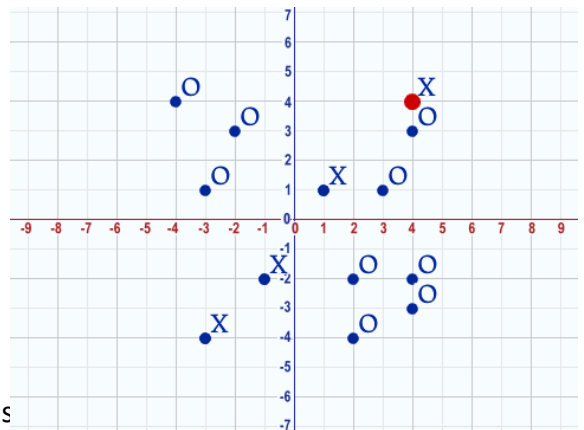
*In pairs*

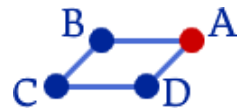
1. Pupil 1 and 2 stamp the alphabet letters into the four quadrants.
2. Pupil 1 writes a secret question using coordinate notation for their alphabet grid.
3. Pupil 2 decodes the question and responds using coordinate notation for their alphabet grid.

### Coordinate bingo

*Individually, led by the teacher*

1. Pupils stamp 15 coordinates using the **letter O** on the -4 to 4 axes only (to speed up the game – e.g. see picture on right)
2. Teacher (aka the Bingo Caller) calls out coordinates like bingo numbers.
3. Pupils stamp the **letter X** over the O if their chosen coordinates are called out.
4. The first pupil to cross off all 15 of their choices is the winner and should shout out “Bingo!”.





### ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

- This is the *setup script* of the **red point** sprite. Note that the first block could have been deleted as the initial value of the **grid** variable is saved in the project. However, the script is easier to read and understand with this.

- when **up arrow** key pressed

point in direction **0**

move **grid** steps

when **down arrow** key pressed

point in direction **180**

move **grid** steps

when **right arrow** key pressed

point in direction **90**

move **grid** steps

when **left arrow** key pressed

point in direction **-90**

move **grid** steps

when **flag clicked**

set **grid** to **25**

go to x: **2 \* grid** y: **2 \* grid**

erase all

switch costume to **red point**

- Here are the example scripts for two letters – T and O (note that they are almost identical and any other script can be created by duplicating and slightly modifying). The **red point** sprite sits in a grid point, see (a). Then we press T – the sprite will switch its costume to letter T with a small dark blue dot, stamp it, then switch back to its *red point* costume, see (b). We then press e.g. the right arrow key, see (c), then press O, see (d), then press down arrow, see (e).

when **t** key pressed

switch costume to **T**

stamp

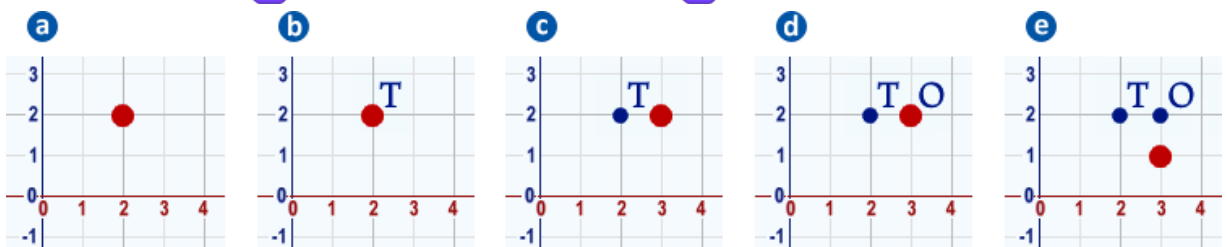
switch costume to **red point**

when **o** key pressed

switch costume to **O**

stamp

switch costume to **red point**



With this picture, the word TO can be alternatively represented as (2, 2), (3, 2). In the other way round, the list of coordinates (2, 2), (3, 2), (3, 2) can be read as TOO.



### LEARNING OBJECTIVES


**Explore** how to draw a line that connects two points on the coordinates grid.

**Explain** how to reconnect the points when the position of one sprite is changed.

### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

Pupils open project **62-Coordinates**, **Save as a copy** (online) or **Save as** (offline) and rename. The final version of this project at the end of Activity 6.2.2 will be **62-Coordinates INT1**.

**1** Pupils explore the project, its sprites and their scripts. The **point A** has only one costume and can be moved within the grid by the arrow keys. The **point B** sprite has only its *setup script*. They have different colours to stress that they will behave differently.

**2** Explore one small difference between **points A** and **B**: in the **developing mode** (which we use the most) both sprites can be dragged by mouse; **point A** can be moved by the arrow keys as well. However, in the **full screen mode** (also known as the **player mode**: to get there click the button  in the upper right corner) **point A** cannot be dragged, while **point B** can (see Additional support and note the difference).

**3** Although it may look like **Fleeeee** has not got much to do in this project, this is not the case: When asked, it will connect **points A** and **B** by a line and jump back to its 'home' position in the corner. Pupils build a script for **Fleeeee** to do that, debug it, then turn it into a definition of a new block **connect**.

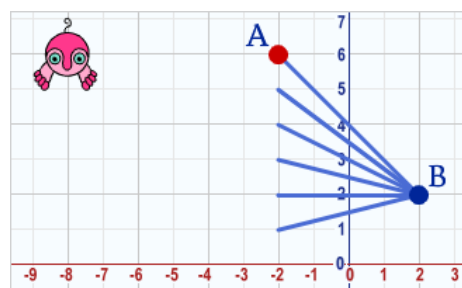
**4** Pupils build a **when space key pressed** script for **Fleeeee** that will **connect** the points. They use it, move **point A** by arrows and connect again. Pupils add the **erase all** block above the **connect** (**erase all** the stage before connecting by a new line). They explore the option with replacing **when space key pressed** by **when green flag clicked forever ...** (**connect** the points again and again).

**5 [Extension]** Pupils use the **blink** and **nod** blocks (provided) and build the **forever** animations for **Fleeeee**: from time to time it will **blink** or it will **nod**.

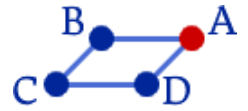
**6 [Advanced Extension]** When **point B** is being dragged, we may or may not position it exactly into one of the grid points. Now pupils build a **forever** script which will make **point B** **'snap' to the nearest grid point**.

### MATHEMATICS CONNECTIONS

**Discuss:** What are the initial Scratch coordinates of each sprite? What are their grid coordinates? How do these correspond?



The same behaviour may then be copied to **point A** – which can be both dragged or moved by arrows in the developing mode.

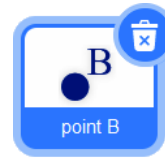


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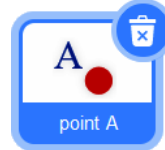
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when clicked
  set grid to 25
  go to x: -8 * grid y: 6 * grid
  set pen size to 3
  set pen color to blue
  pen up
  erase all
  point in direction 180
  
```



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when clicked
  go to x: 2 * grid y: 2 * grid
  
```



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when clicked
  go to x: -2 * grid y: 2 * grid
  
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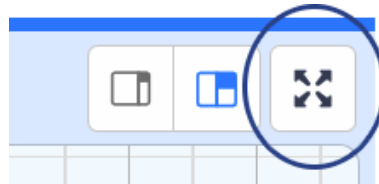
when up arrow key pressed
  point in direction 0
  move grid steps
  
```

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when right arrow key pressed
  point in direction 90
  move grid steps
  
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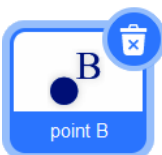
2

Full screen mode  
(or player mode)  
on/off.



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set drag mode not draggable
  
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set drag mode draggable
  
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when down arrow key pressed
  point in direction 180
  move grid steps
  
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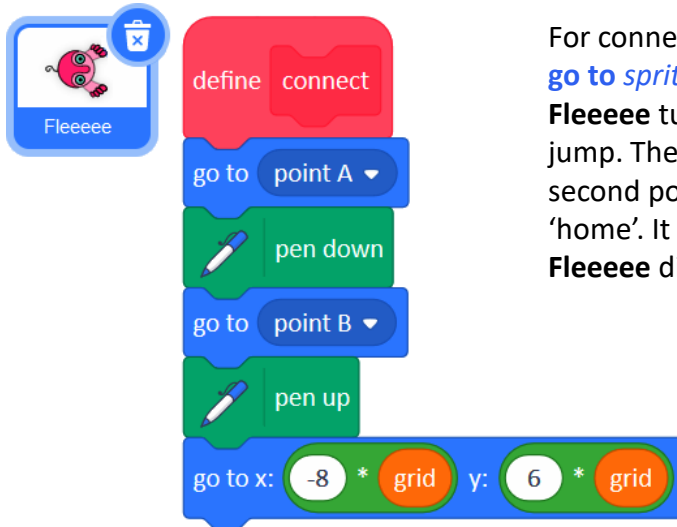
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when left arrow key pressed
  point in direction -90
  move grid steps
  
```

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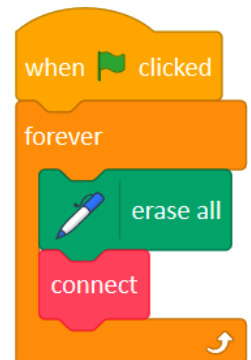
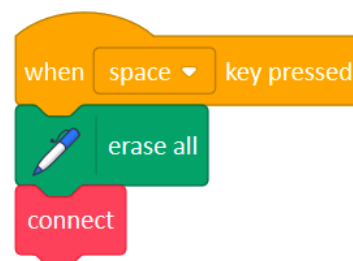
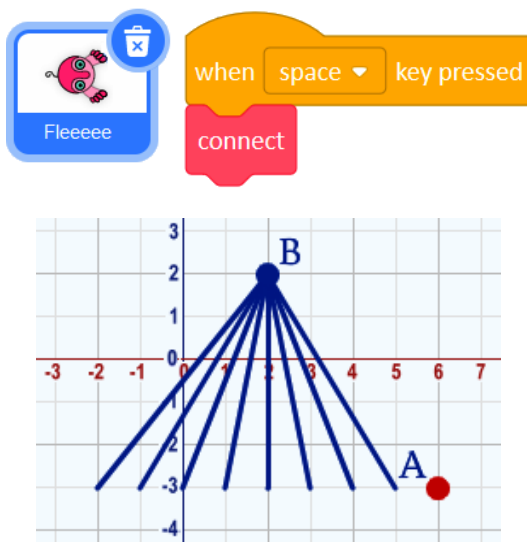


For connecting sprites by a line we will use the **go to sprite** block for 'jumping'. Note that **Fleeeee** turns its **pen down** only after its first jump. Then – with its **pen down** – jumps to the second point, turns its **pen up** and jumps back 'home'. It all happens so quickly that it looks as if **Fleeeee** did not move at all.

4

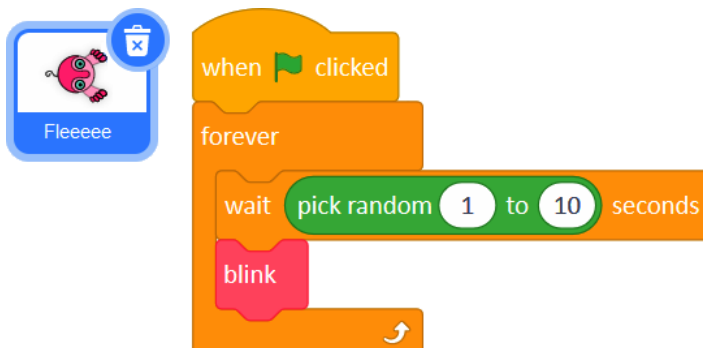
In (a) below **Fleeeee** connects the points A and B whenever we press the space key. As there is no **erase all** block, the previous lines stay on the stage as well.

In (b) the previous line is first cleared away. In (c) the line between A and B is 'updated' again and again so it looks like a rubber band attached to these two points.



5

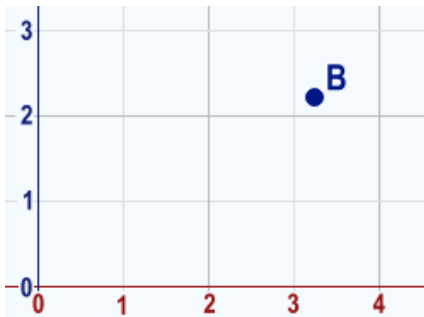
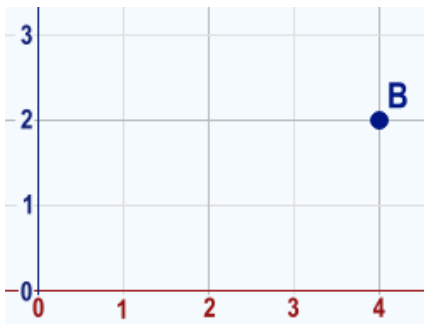
Each of the following **forever** scripts **waits** a random number of seconds (in our solution, between 1 and 10) and runs the animation.



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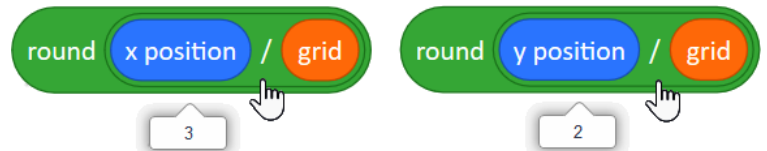
From Activity 6.1.3 we already know that for any **grid point** represented in the Scratch coordinates by **x position** and **y position** we can easily find the grid coordinates by dividing both numbers by the grid size:



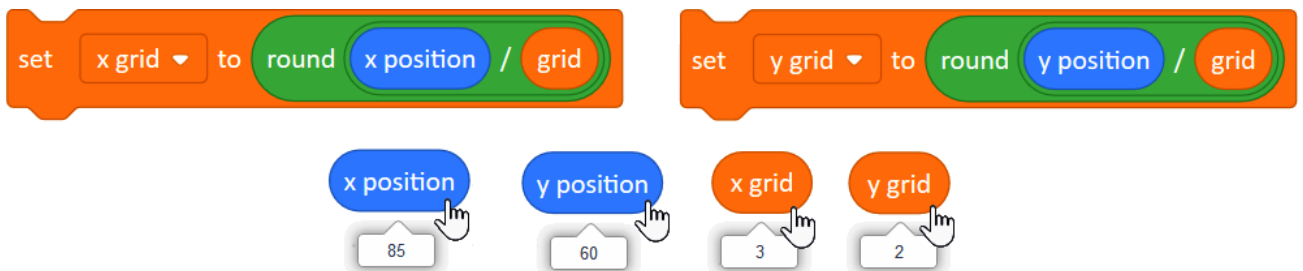
However, if **B** would not sit exactly in a grid point, like (85, 60), these numbers would not be integers:



To turn these numbers into integers corresponding to grid points, we have to round them:



So, if **B** sits at (85, 60), the closest grid point is (3, 2) – see the picture top right. Thus we want **B** to snap to that point. To make the **snap** block more readable, let us give clear names to these two values – **x grid** and **y grid**, the grid coordinates of **B**.



To make **point B** 'snap' to that grid point we must multiply **x grid** and **y grid** by the grid size – to turn those grid coordinates back into standard Scratch coordinates:





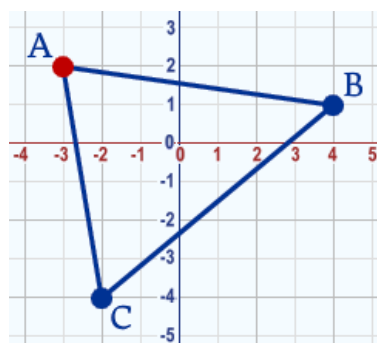
### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

**Explore** and **explain** the coordinates of the vertices of different types of triangles  
**Exchange** problems which involve triangles and coordinates.

### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

Pupils continue in their own version of project **62-Coordinates**, or open the **62-Coordinates INT1**, **Save as a copy** (online) or **Save as** (offline) and rename. The final version of this project at the end of Activity 6.2.4 is **62-Coordinates INT2**.

- 1 Pupils explore the costumes of the **point B** sprite.
- 2 Pupils duplicate the **point B** sprite, switch its costume to costume named C and rename the new sprite to **point C** – so that it will become our third point. They change the initial grid coordinates in this new sprite's *setup script*.
- 3 Pupils extent the **connect** script of the **Fleeeee** so that it connects all three points, thus drawing a triangle.
- 4 [Optional] Pupils **switch backdrop to grid 10** and modify the scripts so that all sprites react correspondingly.



### Suggested Tasks

#### Interesting Isosceles *Whole class with teacher*

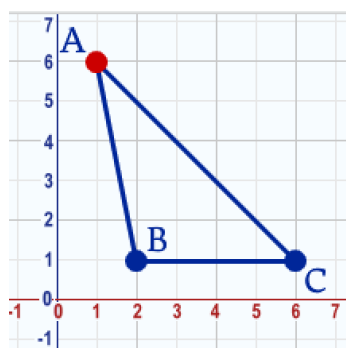
You can use the project to **ask** open questions to the whole class which encourage pupils to develop their envisaging and geometrical reasoning skills.

For example: set B and C to be the vertices of a horizontal edge of a triangle.

**Ask** what are the coordinates of A to create an isosceles triangle?

Is there another solution, another?

Can you explain your answer?







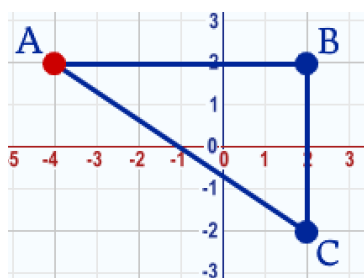
### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

#### Types of triangles *In pairs*

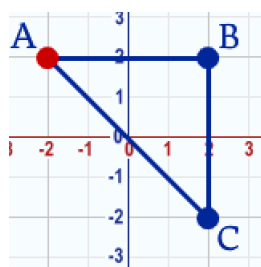
Move A, B, C to create an example of different types of triangles.

Save a picture of the stage for each example. (Right click the stage). Exchange your examples with another pupil, compare your images. What is the same, what is different?

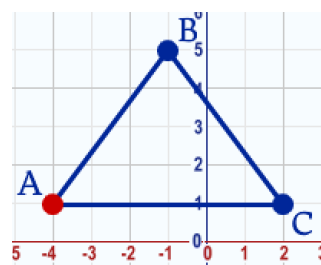
#### One solution



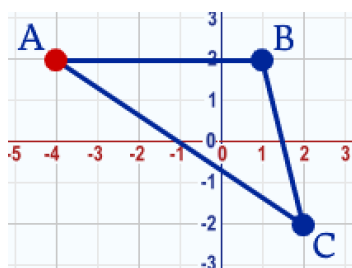
Right-angled triangle



Right-angled isosceles triangle



Isosceles triangle



Scalene triangle

**Encourage** pupils to **explain** why diagonal edges are equal in length. Pupils might need to be prompted to count how many squares up and across describe the diagonal edge. E.g. in the isosceles example above, we can see that the edge AB is 3 squares across and 4 up, this is the same as edge BC which is 3 squares across and 4 down.

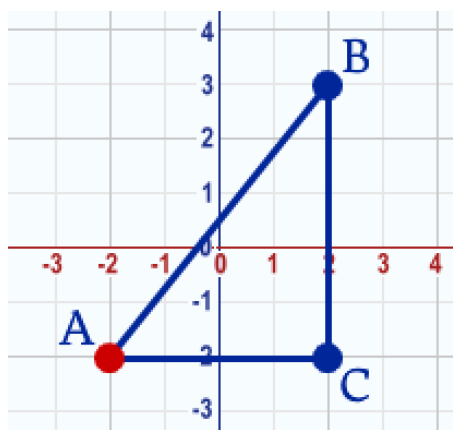
**Note:** It is impossible to create an equilateral triangle using whole number coordinates, the proof of this is degree level mathematics! Can you turn the triangle into three different isosceles triangles?



### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

#### A Goes Up, A Comes Down *Individually*

Set up the investigation by dragging point B to (2, 3), C to (2, -2) and A to (-2, -2). Ask pupils the questions below.



Q1. What type of triangle have you made?

Q2. Using **only the up and down arrows** (e.g. the x-coordinate is always -2).

can you:

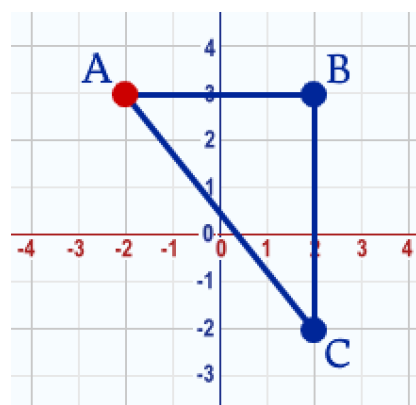
- make a different right-angle triangle?

#### Extension

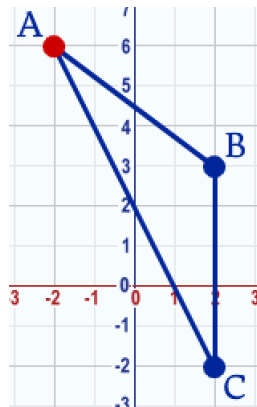
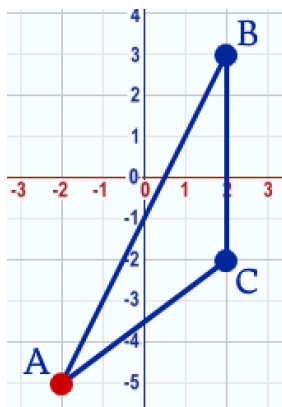
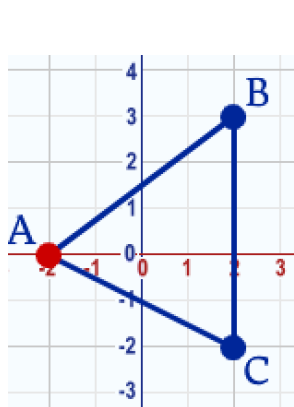
Can you:

- turn the triangle into **three** different isosceles triangles?
- explain how you know the triangles are isosceles?

A1. A right-angled triangle



A is at (-2, 3)

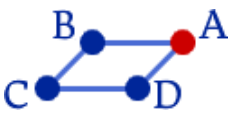


A can be at positions (-2, 0), (-2, -5) and (-2, 6)

The explanation is based upon the special triangle which has sides which measure 3, 4 and 5. Pythagoras is beyond KS2 but pupils can justify by measuring on square cm paper and is an interesting phenomenon!

# INVESTIGATION 2

## Activity 6.2.3



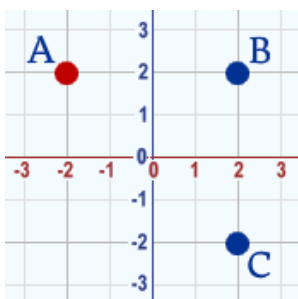
### ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

1



**Point B** has five costumes for more points to be added later. (You may want to change the position of the letters in the costumes and backdrops editor. However, keep the centre of each costume in the centre of the blue circle.)

2



switch costume to C

when clicked

go to x: 2 \* grid y: -2 \* grid

New sprite **point C** in this picture has grid coordinates (2, -2).

Note that:

- You may either insert **switch costume to C** into the **point C** sprite's *setup script* or just run it once then delete it.
- When duplicating **point B**, all scripts are duplicated as well. Thus, if you have built the snapping behaviour for **point B**, new sprite **point C** will have it as well.

when clicked  
forever  
snap

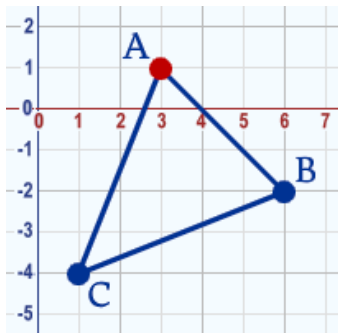
define snap  
set x grid to round x position / grid  
set y grid to round y position / grid  
go to x: x grid \* grid y: y grid \* grid

3

define connect  
go to point A  
pen down  
go to point B  
go to point C  
go to point A  
pen up  
go to x: -8 \* grid y: 6 \* grid



While in the previous activity **Fleeee** connected only two points – by a line, now it has to make the 'round tour' from **point A** to **point B**, to **point C** and back to **point A**, then get back to its "home" position.





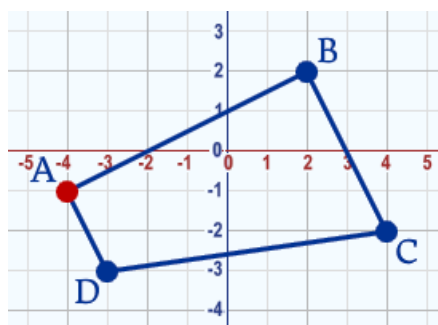
### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

**Explore** and **explain** the coordinates of the vertices of different types of quadrilaterals.  
**Exchange** problems which involve quadrilaterals and coordinates.

### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

Pupils continue in their own version of project **62-Coordinates**, or open the **62-Coordinates INT2**, **Save as a copy** (online) or **Save as** (offline) and rename. The final version of this project at the end of Activity 6.2.4 is **62-Coordinates FINAL**.

- 1 Pupils duplicate the **point C** sprite, switch its costume to **D** and rename the new sprite to **point D**. They change the initial grid coordinates in the new sprite's *setup script*.
- 2 Pupils extend the **connect** script of the **Fleeeee** so that it connects all four points to draw a quadrilateral.
- 3 [Extension] Pupils **switch backdrop to grid 10** and modify the scripts so that all sprites react correspondingly.



### Suggested Tasks

#### Coordinate Challenge *Whole class with teacher*

You can use the project to **ask** open and closed questions to the whole class which encourage pupils to develop their envisaging and geometrical reasoning skills, as in the previous activity.

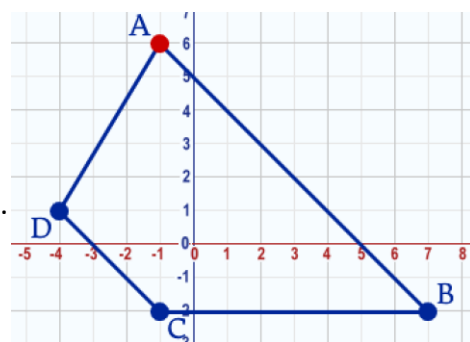
There are many examples of this type of question in previous KS2 testing materials freely available online.

#### Example 1

Set B and C to be the vertices of an edge of a parallelogram (parallel to the x-axis), and D to another vertex as in the image.

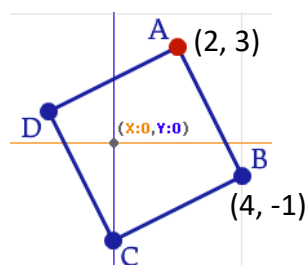
**Ask** what are the coordinates of A to create a parallelogram?

Can you explain your answer? How do you know the sides are parallel?



#### Example 2

A square with vertices (ABCD) has coordinates A (2, 3) and B (4, -1). What are the coordinates of C and D?





### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

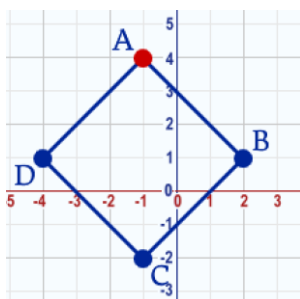
#### Types of Quadrilaterals *In pairs*

Move A, B, C, D to create an example of each of the different types of quadrilaterals.

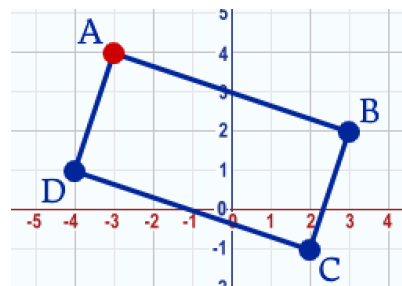
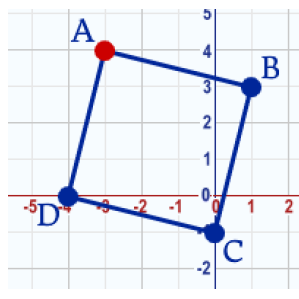
Save a picture of the stage for each example. (Right click the stage). Exchange your examples with another pupil, compare your images. What's the same, what is different?

#### One solution

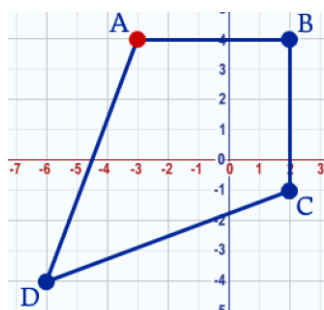
These are not all so *obvious*, encourage and challenge!



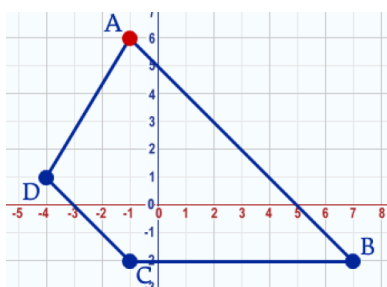
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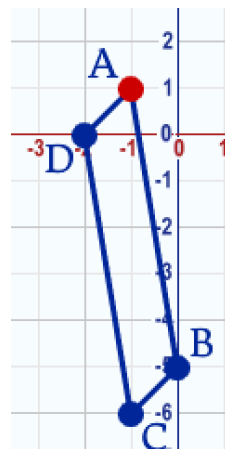
Rectangle



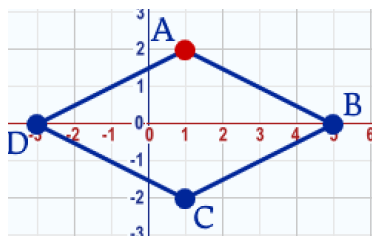
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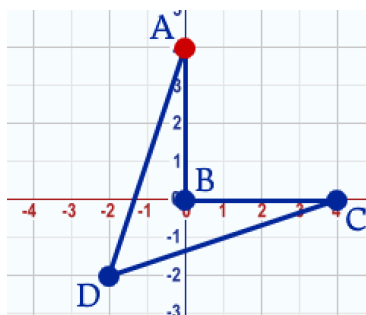
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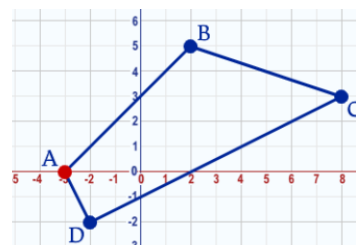
Parallelogram



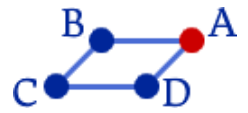
Rhombus



Arrowhead concave quadrilateral



Convex quadrilateral



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switch costume to D ▾

when green flag clicked

go to x:  $-3 * \text{grid}$  y:  $-3 * \text{grid}$

when green flag clicked

forever

snap

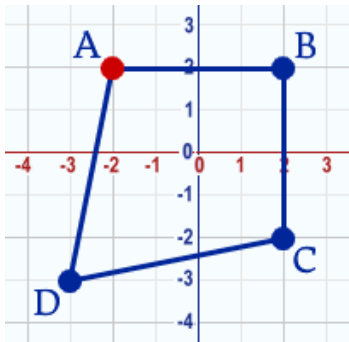
define snap

set x grid ▾ to round  $x \text{ position} / \text{grid}$

set y grid ▾ to round  $y \text{ position} / \text{grid}$

go to x:  $x \text{ grid} * \text{grid}$  y:  $y \text{ grid} * \text{grid}$

2



define connect

go to point A ▾

pen down

go to point B ▾

go to Point C ▾

go to point D ▾

go to point A ▾

pen up

go to x:  $-8 * \text{grid}$  y:  $6 * \text{grid}$



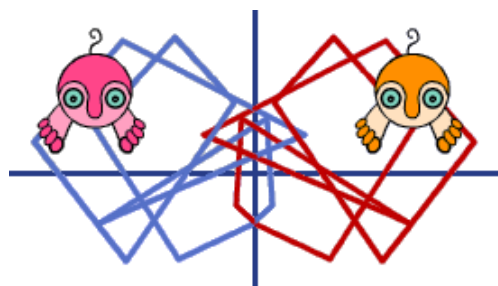
# MODULE 6: INVESTIGATION 3

## Transformations

This investigation develops pupils' understanding of the effect of reflection and translation on coordinate points in a very tactile and practical way. Pupils explore what happens to a sprite's position as they control the movement of one sprite and another sprite mimics its behaviour by following a rule. For example in the picture below, as the Fleeeee sprite (pink) is dragged around the stage, the Meeeee sprite (orange) will mimic the Fleeeee sprite's position **reflected** in the y axis.

Pupils should continue to explore and explain the effect of different transformations on the position (the coordinates) of an object after transformation.

- ◆ **Activity 6.3.1** – Mimic Meeeee
- ◆ **Activity 6.3.2** – Shadows, Translations and Reflections
- ◆ **Activity 6.3.3** – Through the Looking Glass



### Scratch projects

**63-Mimic Meeeee**  
**63-Mimic Meeeee INT**  
**63- Mimic Meeeee FINAL**

**63-Looking Glass**  
**63-Looking Glass FINAL**

## LINKS TO PRIMARY NATIONAL CURRICULUM

### CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES

### LINK WITH SCRATCHMATHS

#### Mathematics

Describe positions on the full coordinates grid.

Solve problems involving similar shapes where the scale factor is known or can be found.

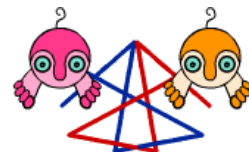
Identify, describe and represent the position of a shape following a reflection or translation.

Describe movements between positions as translations of a given unit to the left/right and up/down.

Compare and classify geometric shapes. Plot specific points and draw sides to complete a given polygon.

- ▶ Pupils are required to draw and then translate/reflect patterns and shapes in all four quadrants.
- ▶ **[Extension]** Pupils have the opportunity within an extension activity to explore different scale factors in their translated drawings.
- ▶ Pupils are required to explore translations of patterns and shapes through using a second sprite that mimics the behaviour of the first.
- ▶ Pupils are required to revisit activities from Y5 involving drawing polygon pictures (such as houses made from squares and triangles), but to extend these to also incorporate a reflected version of the drawing.





### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

**Explore** how to make one sprite mimic the behaviour of another sprite.

**Explain** how this mimicking behaviour works.

### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

Pupils open project **63-Mimic Meeeee**, **Save as a copy** (online) or **Save as** (offline) and rename. The final version of this project at the end of Activity 6.3.1 will be **63-Mimic Meeeee INT**.

1 Pupils explore the project, its sprites, their costumes and scripts. While **Meeeee** has only a simple setup script, **Fleeeee** also has two animation blocks **nod** and **blink** and two **forever** scripts to use them – pupils are familiar with these from Investigation 1.

2 **Fleeeee** is a 'hero' for **Meeeee** – it wants to be just like **Fleeeee**, it wants to observe **Fleeeee** and learn from it. Pupils will help **Meeeee** by building a **when green flag clicked** script, which will make **Meeeee forever** look at **Fleeeee**, using:

point towards Fleeeee

3 Pupils modify this 'spying' script of **Meeeee**: it will always **say** the current x position of **Fleeeee**, using:

x position of Fleeeee

4 Pupils make **Meeeee** imitate **Fleeeee** by another script which will **forever** switch its costume to the current **costume # of Fleeeee**.

5 Pupils replace **say** in the script by **set x to ...** block so that when they drag **Fleeeee**, **Meeeee** will mimic its actual x position.

6 Pupils replace **set x to ...** and **x position of Fleeeee** by **set y to ...** and **y position of Fleeeee**.

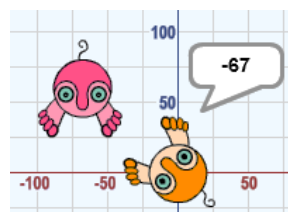
7 Pupils change the initial position of **Fleeeee** to be **0, 0**, set **Meeeee's pen down** and use **go to x: ... y: ...** for x and y positions of **Fleeeee** instead of mimicking just one of **x position of Fleeeee** or **y position of Fleeeee**. [Remove the **point towards** block and observe the effect.]

Pupils drag **Fleeeee** around the stage, and **Meeeee** will mimic its position and draw with its pen.

### MATHEMATICS CONNECTIONS

There are two backdrops in the project – *grid 50* or *axes*. Choose whichever works best for your pupils for these activities.

Drag **Fleeeee** around the stage. **Discuss:** What is happening with **Meeeee**? Why does **Fleeeee** not leave a line when we drag it?

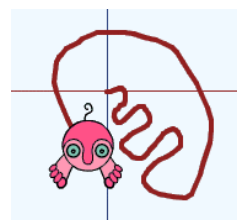


Drag **Fleeeee** after adding the **set x to** block. What do you notice? [**Meeeee's y coordinate doesn't change.**]

Replace the **set x** block with **set y**. What do you notice when you drag **Fleeeee** [**Meeeee's x coordinate doesn't change.**]

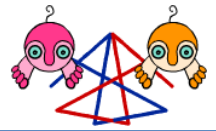
Now when we click green flag and start dragging **Fleeeee**, it seems to be drawing a line.

**Discuss:** Why? Who in fact draws the line? Where is **Meeeee**?



## INVESTIGATION 3

### Activity 6.3.1



#### ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

- 1 Setup scripts of both sprites are below. Fleeeee also has two definitions of **blink** and **nod** (not shown here) and two additional **forever** loops to periodically run the animations.

The image shows the Scratch scripts for two sprites, Fleeeee and Meeeee.

**Fleeeee Script:**

- when green flag clicked
- go to x: -200 y: 150
- set pen size to 4
- set pen color to blue
- pen up
- erase all
- switch costume to costume3
- point in direction 180

**Meeeee Script:**

- when green flag clicked
- go to x: 0 y: 0
- set pen size to 4
- set pen color to red
- pen up
- erase all
- point in direction 180

**Forever Loops:**

- Fleeeee:** forever loop containing "wait pick random 1 to 10 seconds" and "blink".
- Meeeee:** forever loop containing "wait pick random 1 to 10 seconds" and "nod".

- 2 Here we are using a simple **point towards ... Motion** block, which has a small drop down menu in it. We select the name of **Fleeeee** and add **when green flag clicked** hat block with **forever**, so that **Meeeee** points towards **Fleeeee** wherever it moves – or is being dragged. To see the result, drag **Fleeeee** around the stage.

The image shows the Scratch scripts for the Meeeee sprite and a dropdown menu for the "point towards" block.

**Meeeee Script:**

- when green flag clicked
- forever loop containing "point towards Fleeeee"

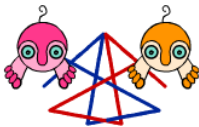
**Point Towards Block Dropdown:**

- mouse-pointer (checked)
- Fleeeee

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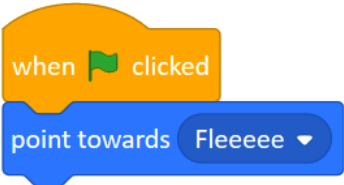
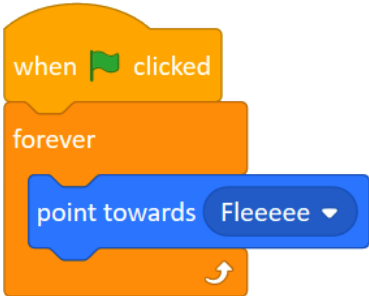
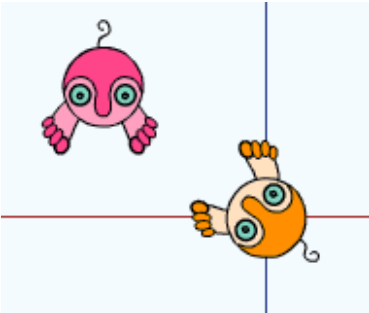
# INVESTIGATION 3

## Activity 6.3.1



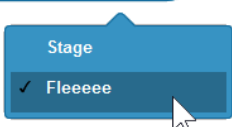
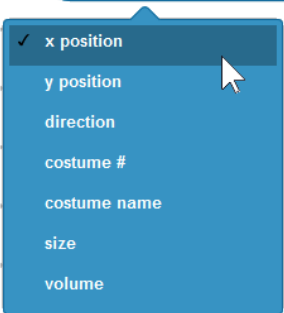
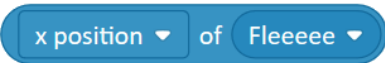
### ADDITIONAL SUPPORT CONTINUED

Compare the two possible solutions, see below. Make sure pupils understand why the solution on the right would not work correctly *[It is because Meeeee would point – i.e. look towards Fleeeee only once when the green flag is pressed, instead of turning and pointing towards Fleeeee wherever it moves or is dragged.]*

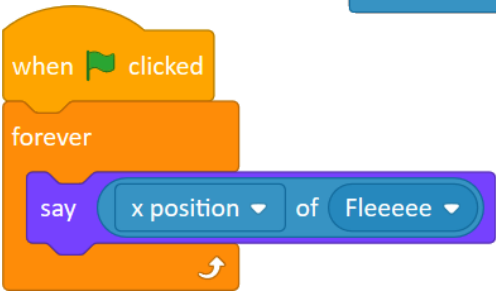


- 3 For “spying” i.e. learning about some settings of another sprite we use a highly general and powerful **reporter block** from the **Sensing** group. It is one of very few Scratch blocks which has two drop down menus – both on the left side and on the right side. We have already used it in extension activity 4.3.4.

Note that if you opened the right drop down menu with **Fleeeee** being selected in the sprites area, the list of options would contain Stage and all other sprites (**Fleeeee** in our current situation).

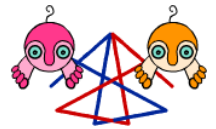


Discuss together the list of settings from the left drop down menu – to explore some other items here as well. One of them will be used in the next step.



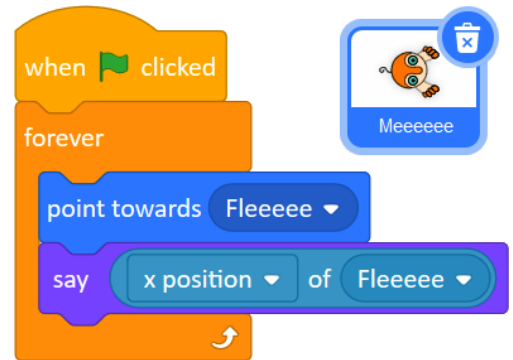
Encourage pupils to explore and explain why (as in previous step) this script would not work properly without the **forever** block. To demonstrate this, they drag **Fleeeee** around the stage.

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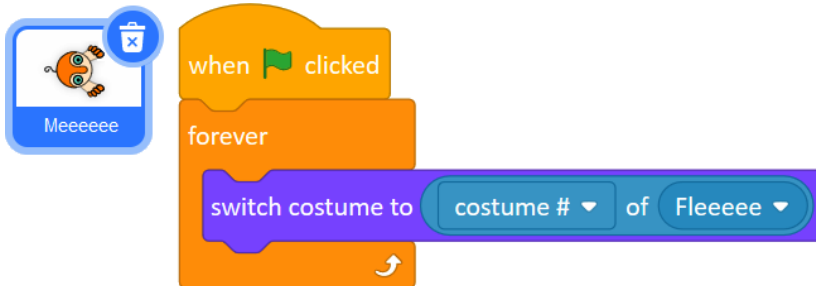
An alternative solution is to keep the **point towards Fleeeee** block and add the **say ...** block inside the same **forever**, see right.

You may want to delete both of these **point towards Fleeeee** and **say ...** scripts later in the activity as the **say ...** bubble could become distracting.



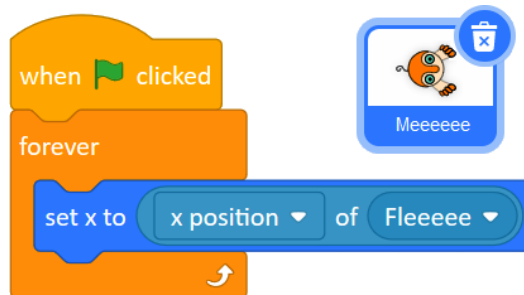
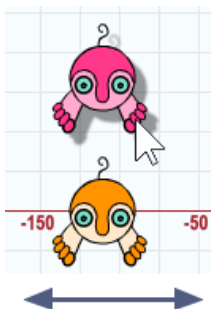
To test this mimic behaviour of **Meeeee**, drag **Fleeeee** along the stage. Why does it not leave a line – even if we turn its **pen down**? It is because dragging a sprite is a **direct manipulation operation**, not **computational – programmed operation** like making it **move ... steps**.

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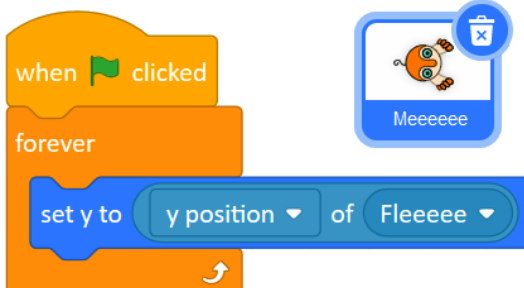


Note that if we run this “spying” script, it will look as if **Meeeee** knew how to **blink** and **nod** – but in fact it does not, it only mimics the costumes of **Fleeeee** all the time.

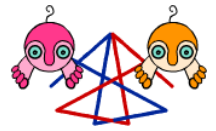
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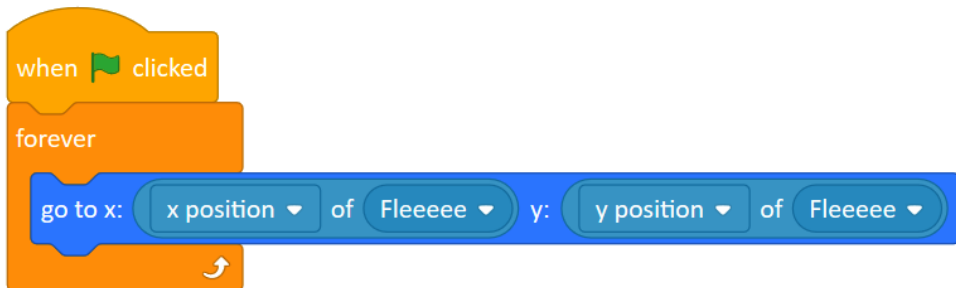
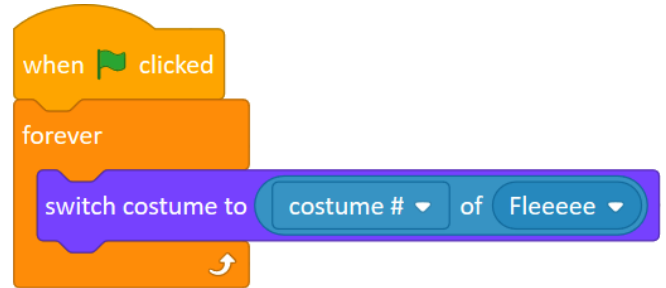
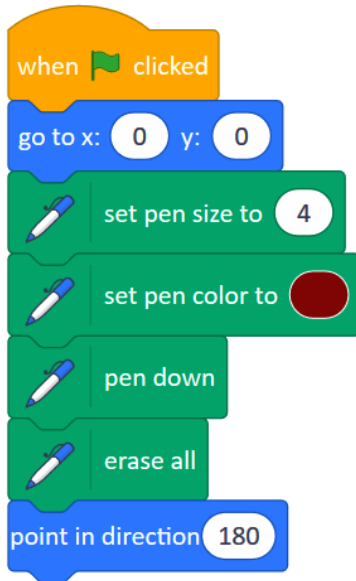
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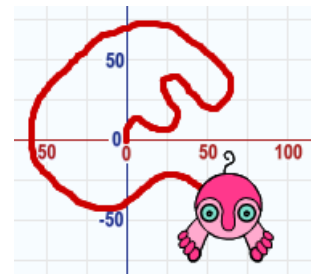


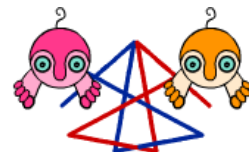
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Do not forget to modify the initial position of Fleeeee to be go to x: 0 y: 0.

An alternative solution (and for this particular task even simpler) would be to use the **go to Fleeeee Move** block, see below. However, in the following activities we will need the solution with **go to x: ... y: ...** block as we will insert different expressions in it.





### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

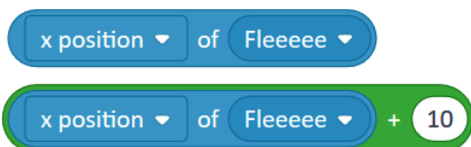
**Explore** how to make one sprite translate the drawing behaviour of another sprite.  
**Explain** how to restrict the movement of a sprite to a single quadrant of the grid.

### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

Pupils continue in their own version of project **63-Mimic Meeeee**, or open the **63-Mimic Meeeee INT**, **Save as a copy** (online) or **Save as** (offline) and rename. The final version of this project at the end of Activity 6.3.2 is **63-Mimic Meeeee FINAL**.

So far, we have been dragging **Fleeeee** around the stage. In this activity we will build a script for it to **glide**. **Meeeee** will still mimic **Fleeeee**, however the mimicking effect will be considerably improved when clicked.

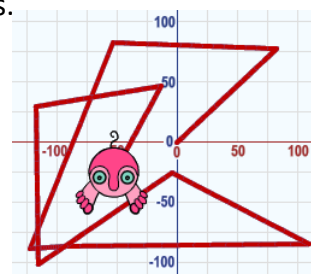
- 1 Pupils build an isolated **glide** block for **Fleeeee** – to fly at random within the whole stage or on the same side of the y axis. They click the green flag so that **Meeeee** is mimicking **Fleeeee**. They add a **repeat 10** around the **glide** and also a **when this sprite clicked** hat block.
- 2 Pupils replace **pen up** in the *setup script* of **Fleeeee** with **pen down**. Note: **Meeeee** still draws red lines. To see both red and blue lines, pupils modify the mimicking script of **Meeeee** by moving the its position 10 pixels horizontally e.g.



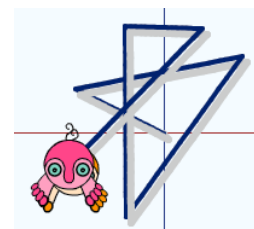
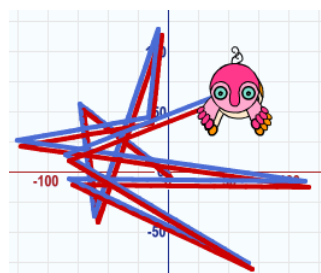
- 3 Pupils use an **Operator** block to change the **y position of Fleeeee** and explore using small values of translation (e.g. between  $-10$  to  $+10$ ). Use different pen sizes and pen colours of **Fleeeee** and **Meeeee** to create a “line with a shadow” effect.
- 4 Pupils restrict **Fleeeee**’s random gliding within the upper left quadrant and make **Meeeee** draw identical **glide** doodles translated (a) **Right 200**, (b) **Down 150**, (c) **Right 50 Down 50** or similar.
- 5 Pupils replace the operators with multiply x or y position (or both) of **Fleeeee** by  $-1$  – creating **reflected doodles** in the x or y axis or both.
- 6 **[Extension]** Pupils multiply x or y position (or both) by  $0.5$  or  $-0.5$  and explore the outcome doodle.

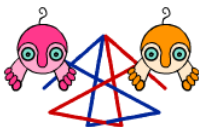
### MATHEMATICS CONNECTIONS

Use either **grid 50** backdrop or **axes**, whichever works best for your pupils.



**Ask:** When **Fleeeee** has its **pen down** why are all the lines red? [The blue lines of **Fleeeee** are immediately covered by red lines of **Meeeee**.]





ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

1

 Fleeeee


when this sprite clicked


repeat 10

glide 1 secs to x: pick random -200 to 200 y: pick random -150 to 150

Pupils may experiment with different times in the **glide** block.

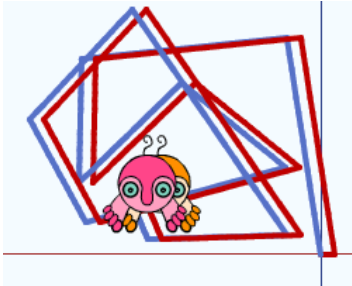
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 Meeeee


when  clicked

forever

go to x: x position of Fleeeee + 10 y: y position of Fleeeee




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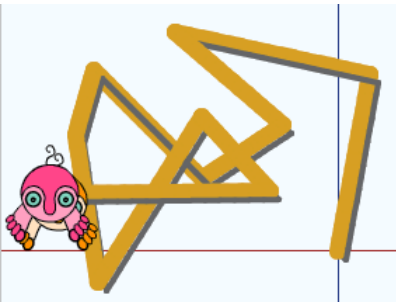
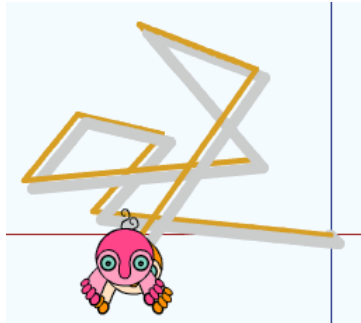
when  clicked

forever

go to x: x position of Fleeeee + 6 y: y position of Fleeeee - 6

 Meeeee

Adding positive number to *x position of Fleeeee* means translating **Meeeee's** drawing to the right or horizontally. Subtracting a number from *y position of Fleeeee* means translating **Meeeee's** drawing downwards or vertically.

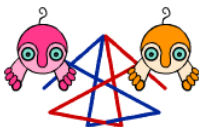


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# INVESTIGATION 3

## Activity 6.3.2



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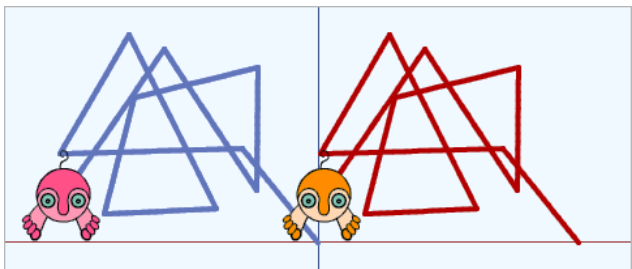


when this sprite clicked

repeat 10

glide 0.5 secs to x: pick random -200 to 0 y: pick random 0 to 150

Here we restricted the gliding area of **Fleeeee** to the upper left quadrant only.



when flag clicked

go to x: 200 y: 0

set pen size to 4

set pen color to red

pen down

erase all

point in direction 180

Here, for the translation **Right 200**, we modified the initial position of **Meeeeee** to also be a translated initial position of **Fleeeee**. Otherwise, there would be a line from **Meeeeee** connecting its initial position **0, 0** to the first translated point at **200, 0**.

when flag clicked

forever

go to x: x position of Fleeeee + 200 y: y position of Fleeeee

when flag clicked

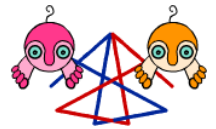
forever

go to x: x position of Fleeeee + 200 y: y position of Fleeeee

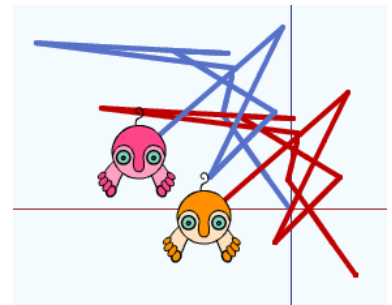
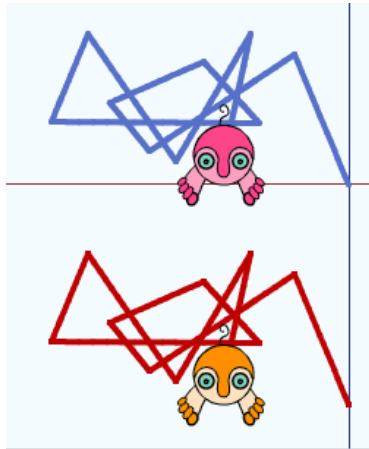
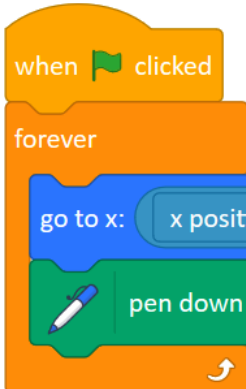
pen down

An alternative (but more challenging) solution would be to have **pen up** in the *setup script* of **Meeeeee** and modify its mimicking script in the following way:

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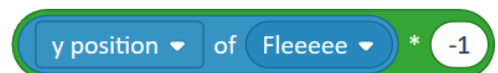
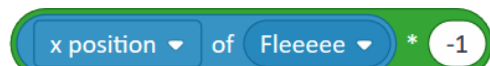
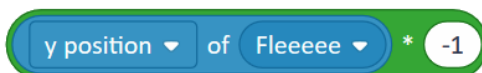
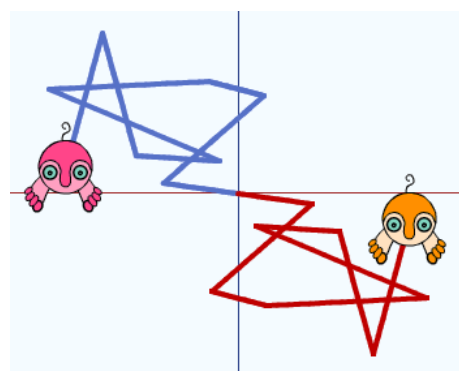
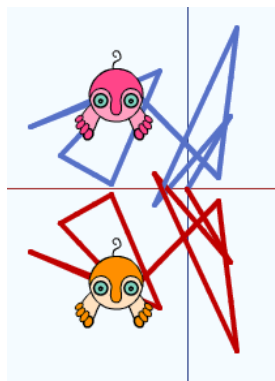
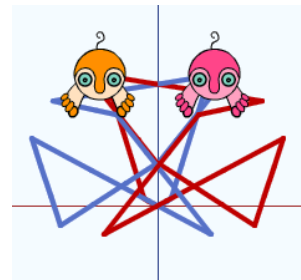


This translation is **Down 150**.

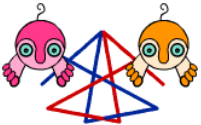


This translation is **Right 50  
Down 50**.

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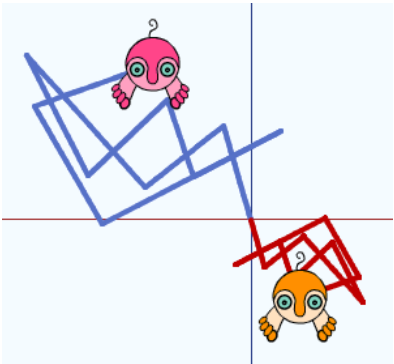


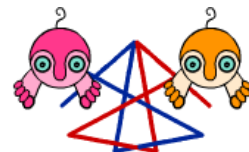
ADDITIONAL SUPPORT CONTINUED

- 6 If we multiply x and/or y position of **Fleeeee** by 0.5, the resulting doodle will be half the size (a reduction). Explore multiplying by -0.5. Explore multiplying x by one number and y by a different number, e.g. 1 and -0.5 or -0.5 and -0.5

x position ▼ of Fleeeee ▼ \* -0.5

y position ▼ of Fleeeee ▼ \* -0.5





### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

**Explore** how to create reflected polygon drawings.

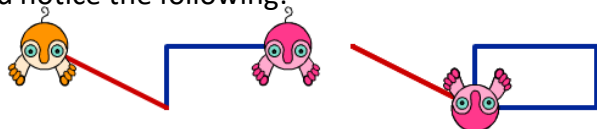
**Explain** the differences between creating a translated and reflected drawing.

### ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

Pupils open project **63-Looking Glass**, **Save as a copy** (online) or **Save as** (offline) and rename. The final version of this project at the end of Activity 6.3.3 will be **63-Looking Glass Final**.

In activity 6.3.1 we dragged **Fleeeee**, and **Meeeee** mimicked its x and y positions, as well as its **costume #**. In activity 6.3.2 we made **Fleeeee** **glide** along the stage. Now we are going to program **Fleeeee** as we did earlier with **Beetle**. **Meeeee** will imitate all movements of **Fleeeee** as if in a looking glass (mirror).

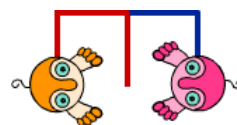
- 1 Pupils open the project, click the green flag and explore how **Meeeee** imitates **Fleeeee**.
- 2 Pupils click the two block script for **Fleeeee** with a **move ...** and a **turn ...** block. They click it several times – it seems to work well for **programming Fleeeee** and **Meeeee imitating**. But there is an issue: try to build a script for **Fleeeee** to draw a rectangle e.g. 50 by 100 and notice the following:



(See additional support for explanation). To debug this problem instead of **move ... steps** pupils use a new move block we've defined as **stroll ... steps** (to behave as a 'slow' move).

- 3 Pupils make variable **side length** and use it with the **stroll ...** block they define their own **square**. They use **square** to create more complex pictures (see additional support and pupil presentation).
- 4 [Extension] Pupils modify the mimicking script of **Meeeee** to (a) instead of reflecting in the x axis, it will multiply **x position of Fleeeee** by 0.5, (b) reflect the drawing of **Fleeeee** in the y axis.
- 5 [Extension] Pupils define different polygons using **side length** in **stroll ...** and use them to create complex drawings.
- 6 [Extension] Using **square** and **triangle**, pupils define their own **house** and **row of houses** of random sizes, with **Meeeee** drawing its reflection in the y axis.

### MATHEMATICS CONNECTIONS

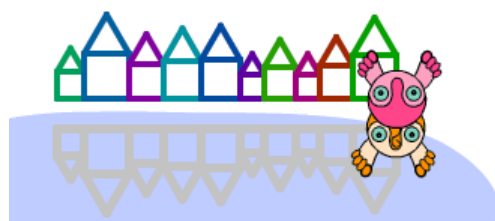


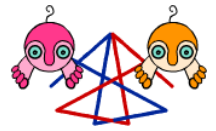
**Ask:** why is the first line red?

**Discuss:** who moved first and who second?

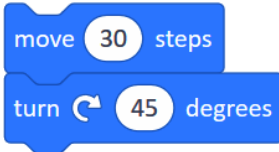
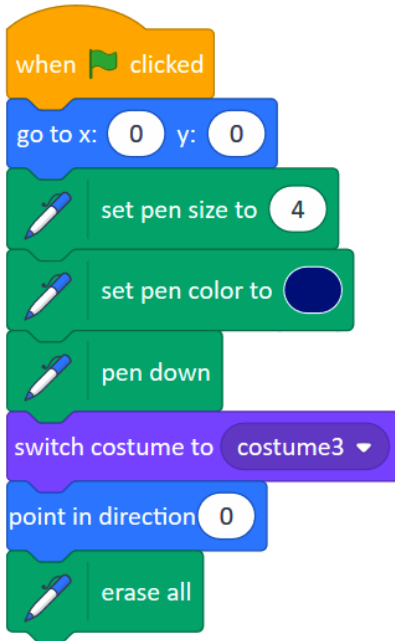
Build regular polygons, squares, triangles, hexagons, octagons to utilize the knowledge from earlier modules.

**Ask** how do we calculate the angle to turn? [360/number of sides. Remember the sprite turns through the exterior angle. A sprite will turn through 360° as it traces the outline of any closed shape.]



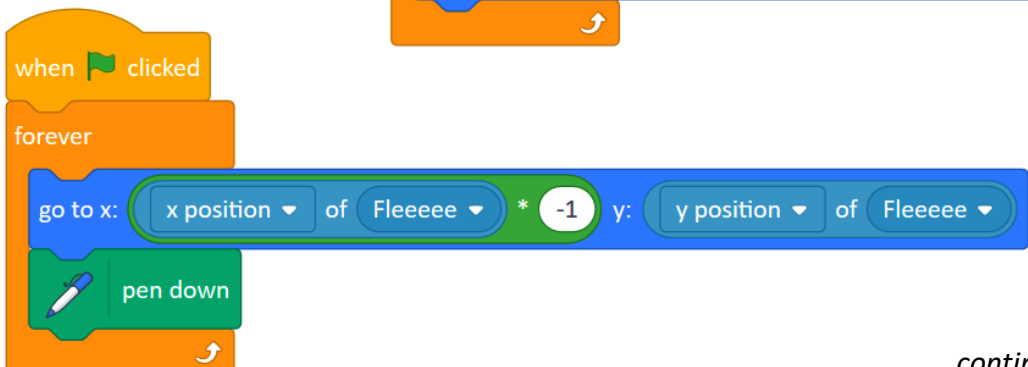
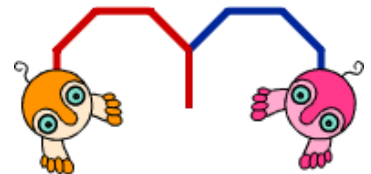
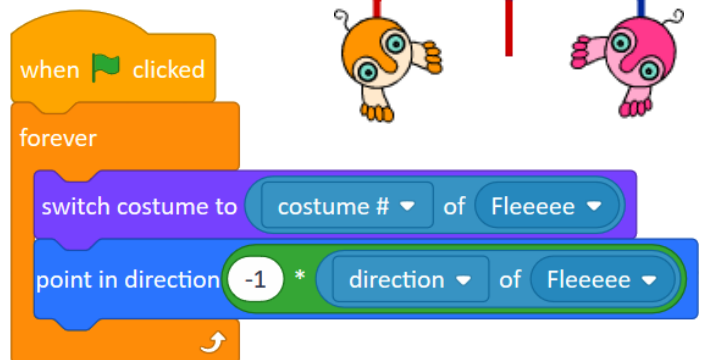
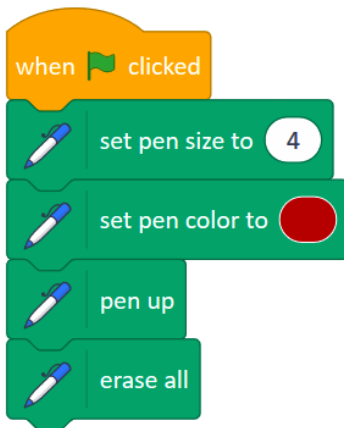


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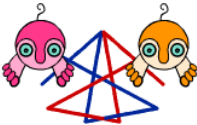


Pupils are already familiar with all of these scripts from the previous projects. Isolated short scripts here can inspire them to test **Meeeee** and the way it imitates **Fleeeee**. Pupils click the script repeatedly.

**Do not** forget to click the green flag first – to make all *setup scripts* and *forever* scripts run.



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ADDITIONAL SUPPORT CONTINUED

The *setup scripts* for **Meeeee** puts the pen down after jumping to its initial position. In the first **forever** script there is a sophisticated block for making **Meeeee** point as if ‘in the mirror’, see (a). The effect will be for Meeeee to face in the opposite direction of Fleeeee.

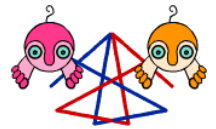
The same operator block works well for reflections in the y axis when mimicking starts, see (b).

2 While scripts like the two below left below work well for both **Fleeeee** and imitating **Meeeee**, scripts on the right do not. A sequence of **move** and **turn** blocks inside one **repeat** runs so quickly that the mimicking script of **Meeeee** ‘misses’ the intermediate steps. For example, when drawing rectangles, **Meeeee** jumps directly to the opposite corner of the rectangle.

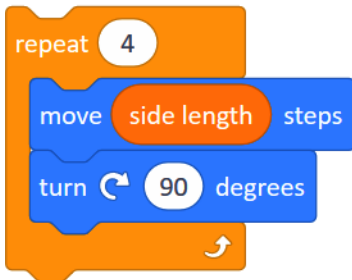
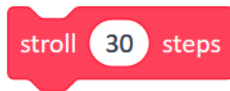
If we put a **wait 0.1 secs** block after **move** and **turn**, everything would work well.

However, the *safest* solution is to make **Fleeeee** move “slower”. We do not want pupils to insert a **wait** block after each **move**, so we define a new version of the **move** block with the short wait built in. Although such a definition exceeds the computational skills of Y6 pupils, we consider it to be an appropriate open ‘window’ to secondary computing – **our own new blocks with inputs** illustrate one of many computing concepts to learn in KS3 computing.

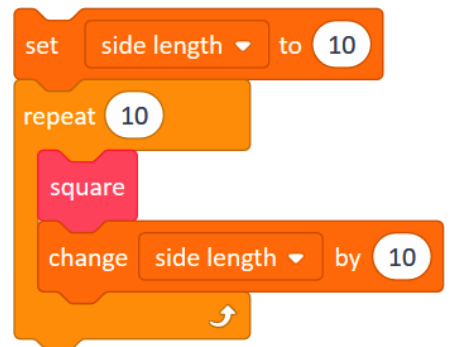
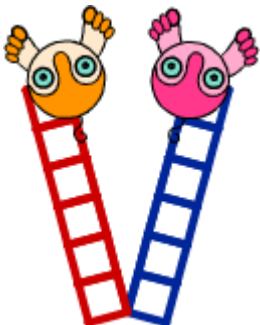
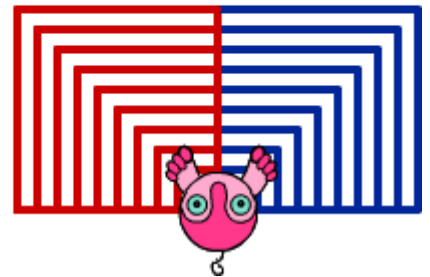
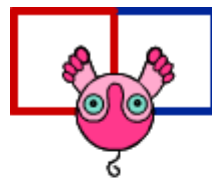
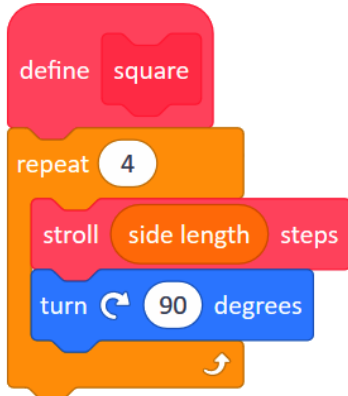
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Pupils will use **stroll ... steps** in exactly the same way as **move ... steps** block.

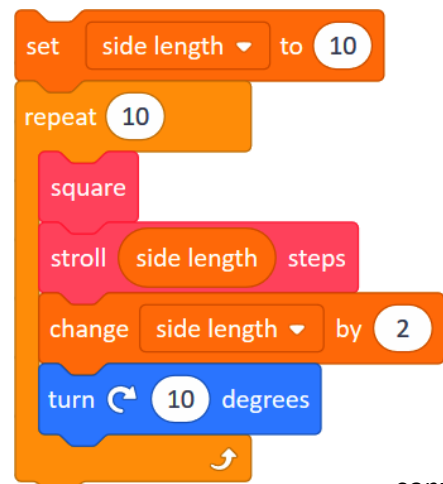
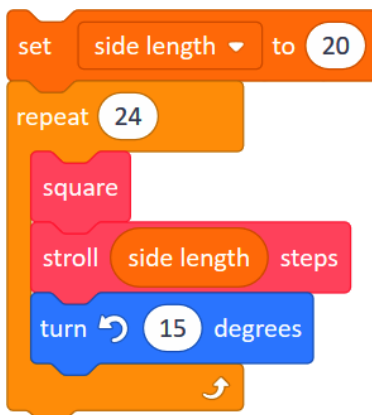
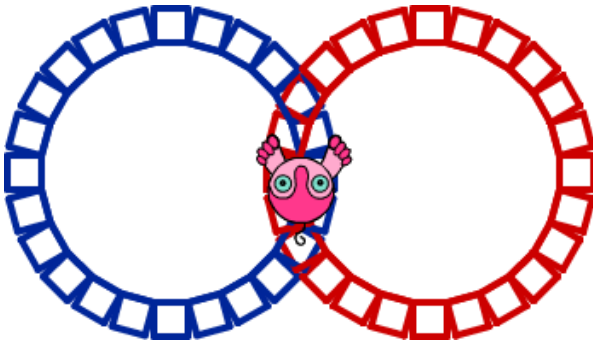
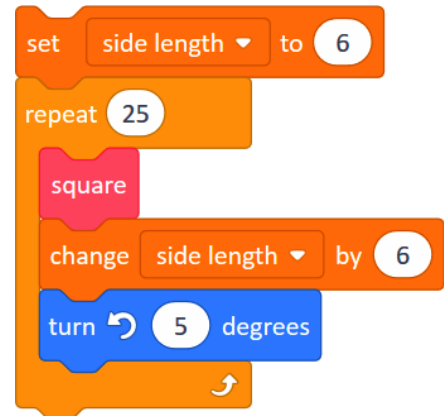
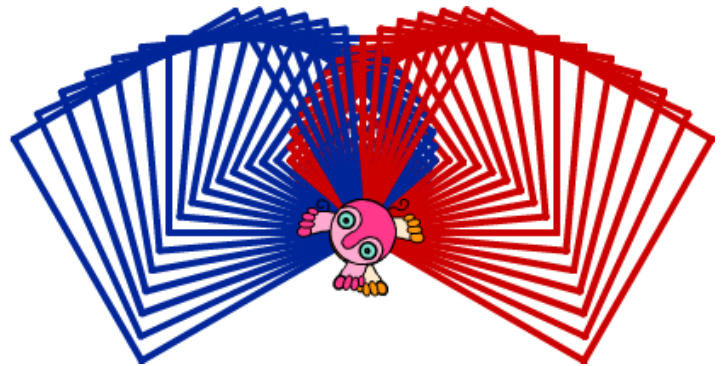
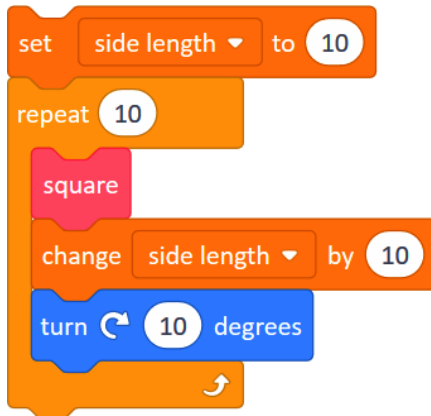
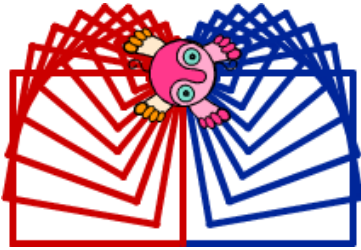
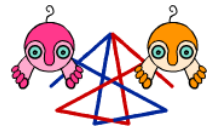


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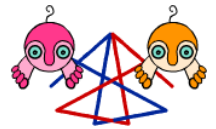


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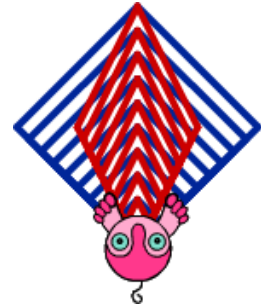
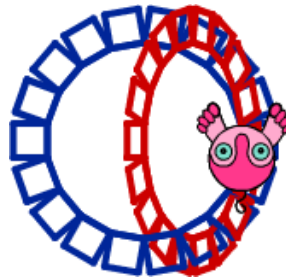
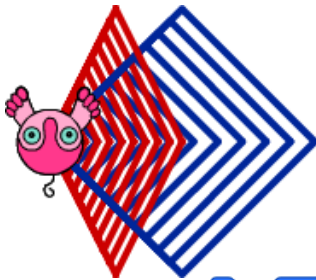
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```

when clicked
  forever
    go to x: x position of Fleece * 0.5 y: y position of Fleece
    pen down
  
```



```

turn 45 degrees
set side length to 20
repeat 10
  square
  change side length by 10
turn 45 degrees
  
```

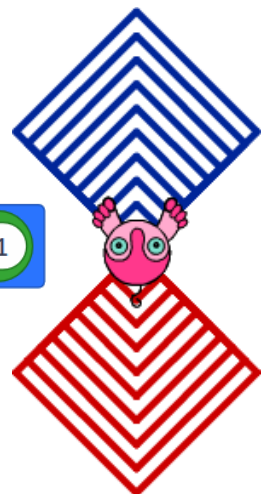


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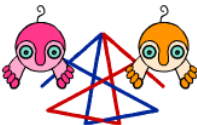
turn 45 degrees
set side length to 10
repeat 10
  square
  change side length by 10
turn 45 degrees
  
```

```

when clicked
  forever
    go to x: x position of Fleece y: y position of Fleece * -1
    pen down
  
```

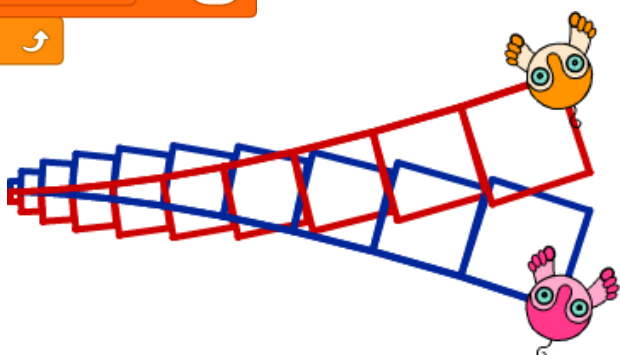
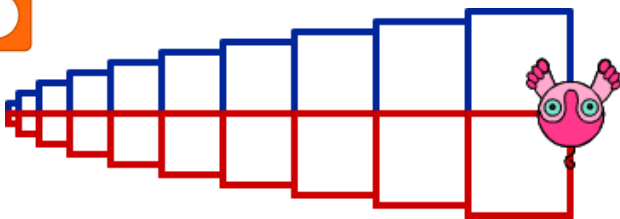


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ADDITIONAL SUPPORT CONTINUED

```
set side length ▾ to 6
repeat 10
  square
  turn ↻ 90 degrees
  stroll side length steps
  turn ↺ 90 degrees
  change side length ▾ by 6
```



```
set side length ▾ to 6
repeat 10
  square
  turn ↻ 90 degrees
  stroll side length steps
  turn ↺ 88 degrees
  change side length ▾ by 6
```

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```
set side length ▾ to 1
repeat 10
  36 gon
  change side length ▾ by 1
```



```
define triangle
  repeat 3
    move side length steps
    turn ↻ 120 degrees
```

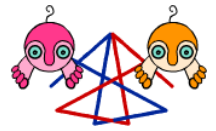
```
define 36 gon
  repeat 36
    move side length steps
    turn ↻ 10 degrees
```



```
define hexagon
  repeat 6
    move side length steps
    turn ↻ 60 degrees
```

**Meeeee** reflects the drawing of **Fleeeee** in the y axis.

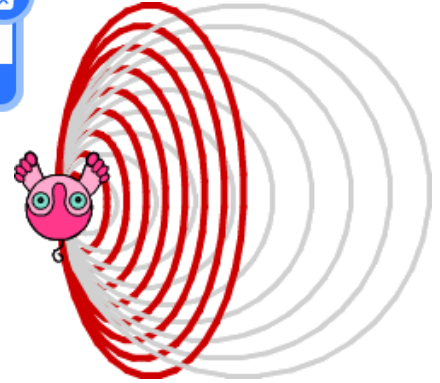
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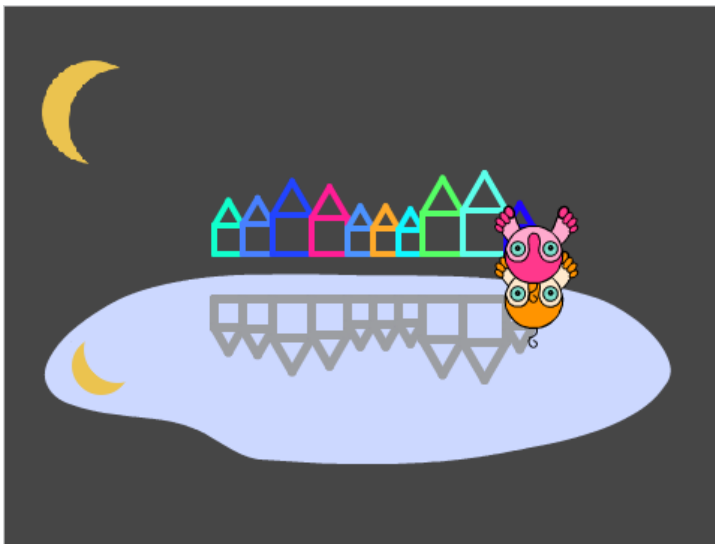
In this one **Meeeee** multiplies  $\times$  *position of Fleeeee* by 0.5.

```

set side length to 1
repeat 10
  36 gon
  change side length by 1
  
```



6 Switch backdrop to the *in the day* or *in the night*.



```

define row of houses
  repeat 10
    set side length to pick random 15 to 30
    set pen color to pick random 0 to 200
    set pen shade to pick random 50 to 75
    house
  
```



```

define house
  square
  stroll side length steps
  turn 30 degrees
  triangle
  turn 60 degrees
  stroll side length steps
  turn 90 degrees
  stroll side length steps
  turn 180 degrees
  
```