



Scratch

Key Words

Program Variable Sprite Script Costume Background Stage Data Loop Operator Iteration Interface

What is Scratch?

Scratch is a visual programming language that allows you to create programs by dragging blocks of scripts.

Sprites

A sprite is a character or object in your game or animation. In order to give the impression that a character is moving you can change the sprites' costume.

Stage

The stage is the background of the project. Scratch uses co-ordination to position different elements around the screen.

Different backgrounds can be imported, or you can create your own.

Block Menu

The block menu helps users pick which scripts they need to control various aspects of a program.

Loops

Loops are used as a way of repeating instructions. Also known as iteration.

Variables

A variable is used to store data for use in your program. Variables can be used to store lots of different types of data such as names, numbers and scores.

The data stored in a variable can be changed or 'varied' depending on certain conditions within a program.

IF Statements

IF statements can be used to select different scripts of a program depending on a condition. Also known as selection.

Operations

Operations are used for changing or comparing data. They can add, subtract, multiply and divide data.

They can also check if values are less than, greater than, or equal to other values.