

Scratch Programming Cheatsheet

A quick reference guide to Scratch, a visual programming language for creating interactive stories, games, and animations. This cheatsheet covers essential blocks, concepts, and best practices.



Motion Blocks

Basic Movement

move (10) steps	Moves the sprite forward by the specified number of steps. Use negative values to move backward.
turn (v 15) degrees	Rotates the sprite clockwise by the specified number of degrees.
turn (5 15) degrees	Rotates the sprite counter- clockwise by the specified number of degrees.
go to (random position)	Moves the sprite to a random location on the stage.
go to x: (0) y: (0)	Moves the sprite to the specified x and y coordinates.
glide (1) secs to x:(0) y:(0)	Smoothly animates the sprite moving to the specified x and y coordinates over the given number of seconds.

Direction and Rotation

point in direction (90)	Sets the sprite's direction to the specified angle (0=up, 90=right, 180=down, -90=left).
point towards (mouse- pointer)	Points the sprite towards the mouse pointer or another sprite.
change x by (10)	Changes the sprite's horizontal position by the specified amount.
set x to	Sets the sprite's horizontal position to the specified value.
change y by (10)	Changes the sprite's vertical position by the specified amount.
set y to	Sets the sprite's vertical position to the specified value.

Edge Bouncing

if on edge, bounce - If the sprite is touching the edge of the stage, it will reverse its direction.

Looks Blocks

Speech and Thought

(Hello!) for (2) seconds	Displays a speech bubble with the specified text for the given duration.
(Hello!)	Displays a speech bubble with the specified text indefinitely.
(think (Hmm) for (2) seconds	Displays a thought bubble with the specified text for the given duration.
think (Hmm)	Displays a thought bubble with the specified text indefinitely.

Effects

change [color v] effect by (25)	Changes the specified visual effect (color, fisheye, whirl, pixelate, mosaic, brightness, ghost) by the given amount.
[color v] effect to	Sets the specified visual effect to the given value.
clear graphic effects	Removes all visual effects applied to the sprite.
change size by (10)	Changes the sprite's size by the specified amount.
set size to (100)	Sets the sprite's size to the specified percentage.

Visibility

show	Makes the sprite visible.
hide	Hides the sprite from view.
go to [front v] layer	Moves the sprite to the front or back layer, controlling its stacking order.

Costumes and Backdrops

switch costume to (costume1)	Changes the sprite's appearance to the specified costume.
next costume	Switches to the next costume in the sprite's costume list.
switch backdrop to (backdrop1)	Changes the stage's background to the specified backdrop.
next backdrop	Switches to the next backdrop in the stage's backdrop list.

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Control Blocks

Events Loops Stopping Scripts

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when [green flag v] clicked	Starts the script when the green flag is clicked.
when this sprite clicked	Starts the script when the sprite is clicked.
when [space v] key pressed	Starts the script when the specified key is pressed.
when backdrop switches to [backdrop1 v]	Starts the script when the backdrop changes to the specified backdrop.
when [loudness v] > (10)	Starts the script when the loudness (from the microphone) exceeds the specified threshold.
when I receive [message1 v]	Starts the script when a broadcast message is received.

wait (1) seconds	Pauses the script execution for the specified number of seconds.
repeat	Executes the blocks inside the loop the specified number of times.
foreve	Executes the blocks inside the loop indefinitely.
if <(true)>	Executes the blocks inside the if block only if the condition is true.
if <(true)> then else	Executes the blocks inside the if block if the condition is true; otherwise, executes the blocks inside the else block.
wait until <(true)	Pauses the script execution until the specified condition is true.
repeat until <(true)	Executes the blocks inside the loop until the specified condition is true.

stop [all v]	Stops the specified scripts (all, this script, other scripts in sprite).
create clone of [myself v]	Creates a clone of the sprite.
delete this	Deletes the current clone.

Broadcasting

broadcast [message1 v]	Sends a message to all sprites and the stage without waiting for a response.
[message1 v] and	Sends a message and pauses the script execution until all receiving scripts have finished running.

Sound and Pen Blocks

Sound Blocks

play sound [Meow v] until done	Plays the specified sound and waits until it finishes before continuing the script.
start sound [Meow v]	Starts playing the sound without waiting for it to finish.
stop all sounds	Stops all currently playing sounds.
change volume by	Changes the volume by the specified amount.
set volume to (100) %	Sets the volume to the specified percentage.
change tempo by	Changes the tempo (speed) of the music by the specified amount.
set tempo to (60)	Sets the tempo to the specified beats per minute.

Pen Blocks

erase all	Clears all pen drawings from the stage.
pen down	Starts drawing when the sprite moves.
pen up	Stops drawing when the sprite moves.
(#FF0000)	Sets the pen color to the specified RGB value.
change pen color by (10)	Changes the pen color by the specified amount.
set pen size to (1)	Sets the pen size to the specified value.
change pen size by (1)	Changes the pen size by the specified amount.

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