

SKETCH & GUESS: PART 4

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

In previous lessons, you built a Sketch and Guess app.

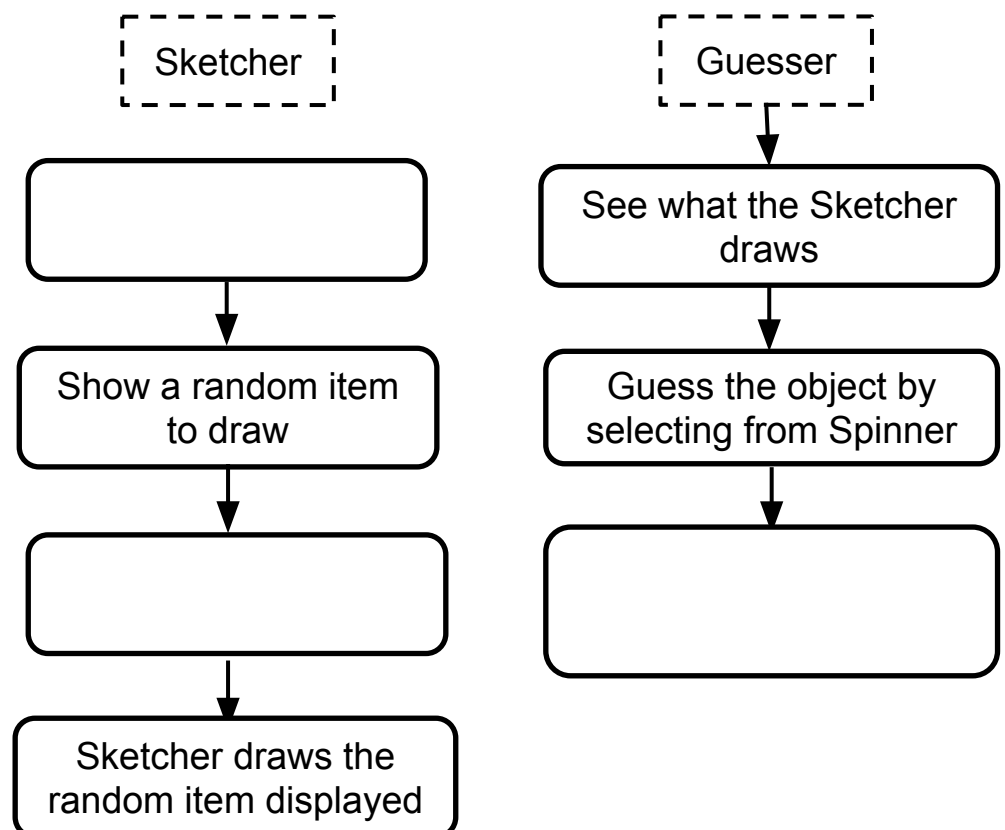
In this lesson,
you will add
answer-checking to the
sketching app.

Review with your partner the diagram below. Fill in the empty spaces with A, B, or C.

A. Check whether the
selected answer is
correct

B. Store the randomly
selected drawing
item in CloudDB

C. Sketcher presses
New Picture button






CLOUDDB TAGS

You've already used CloudDB to store the drawing data from Sketcher to Guesser.

Some new tags and values will be stored in CloudDB to help all users play the game.

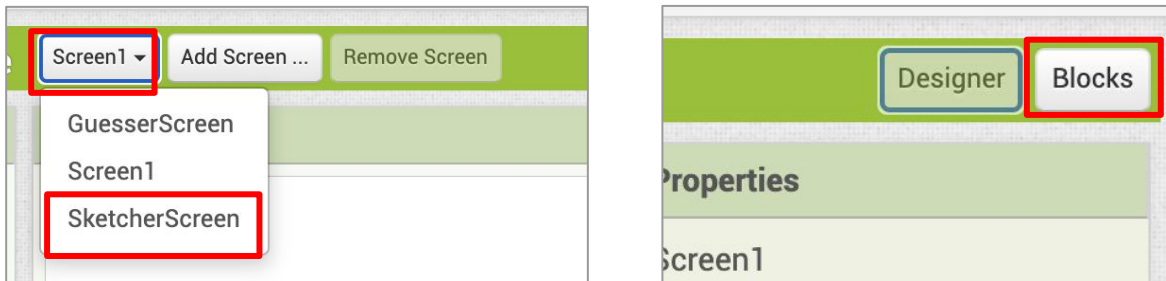
"CurrentDrawing" will be set randomly by the Sketcher and stored so the Guesser can get the information to check for a correct guess. "CorrectGuess" is the guesser's way to letting other players know they have guessed correctly.

See the table below for the tags that are used in this app.

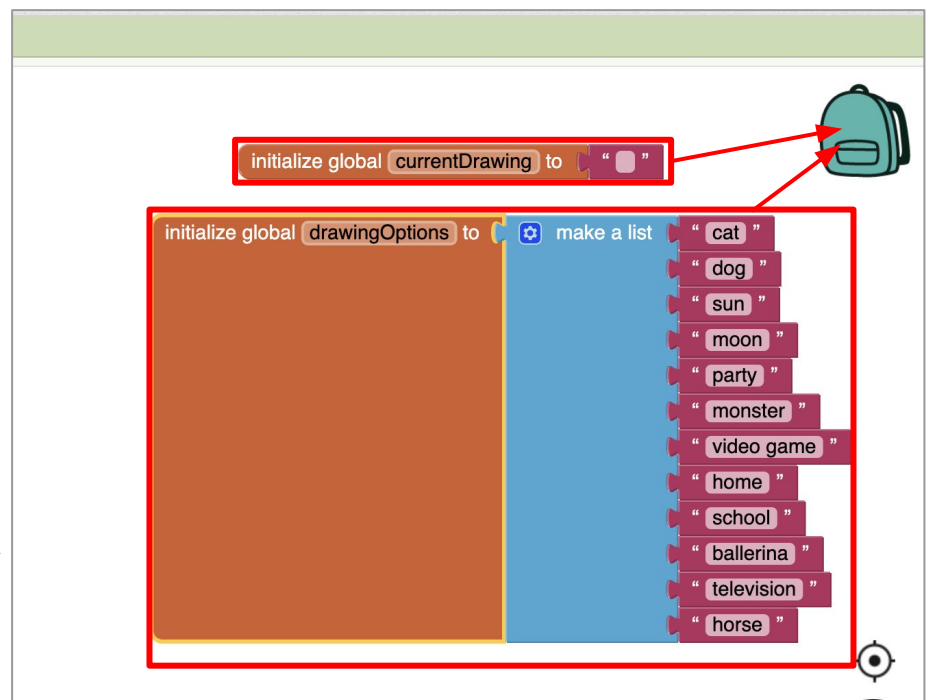
Tags	Meaning	Sketcher	Guesser
 "DrawingData"	The start point and end point for drawing	Store the coordinates of drawing	Get the coordinates of drawing
 "CurrentDrawing"	What is being drawn	Store the randomly generated item to draw	Get the item being drawn for answer checking
 "CorrectGuess"	Guesser made a correct guess of the drawing	Get notification of a correct guess	Store the correct guess

MOVE BLOCKS USING BACKPACK

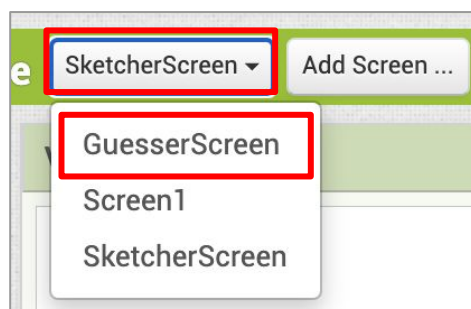
1 Make sure you are in the **SketcherScreen** and in the **Blocks Editor**.



2 You want to include the **drawingOptions** list and the **currentDrawing** variable in the GuesserScreen. An easy way to do this is to drag these blocks into the Backpack in the upper right corner of the SketcherScreen.



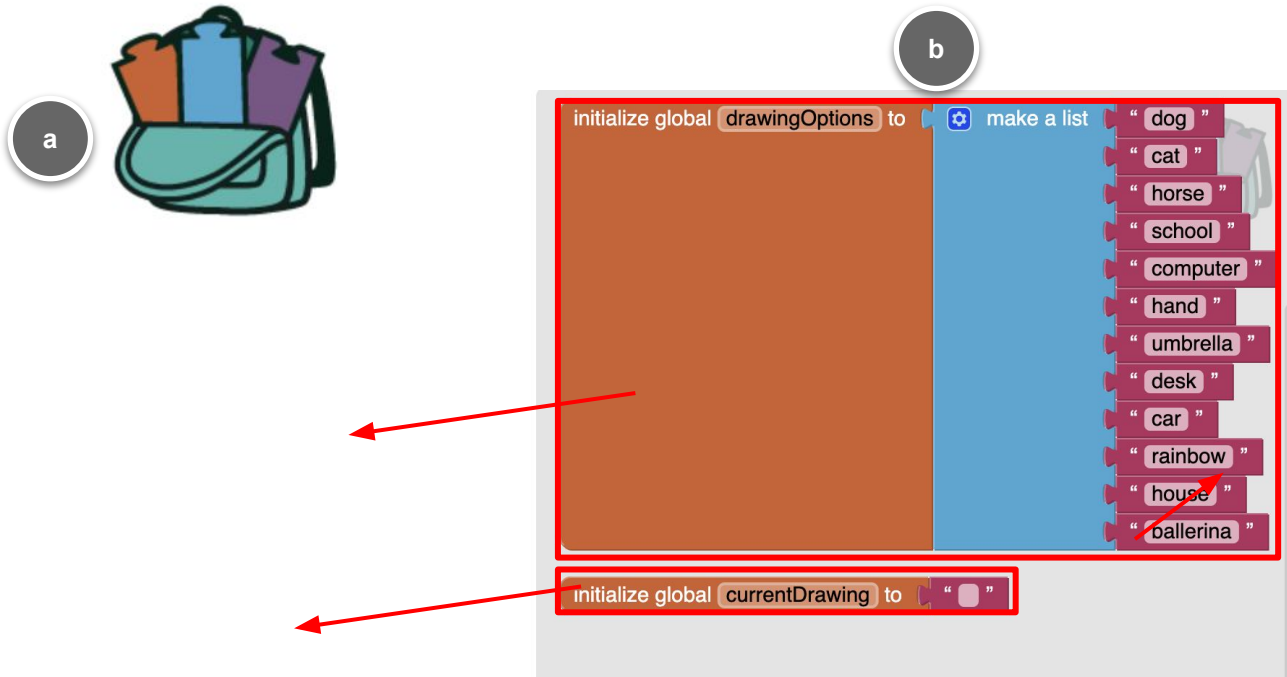
3 Switch to GuesserScreen.



MOVE BLOCKS USING BACKPACK (continued)

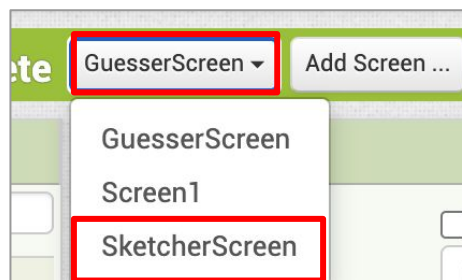
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Click on the full backpack, and then drag out the blocks.



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Switch back to SketcherScreen.

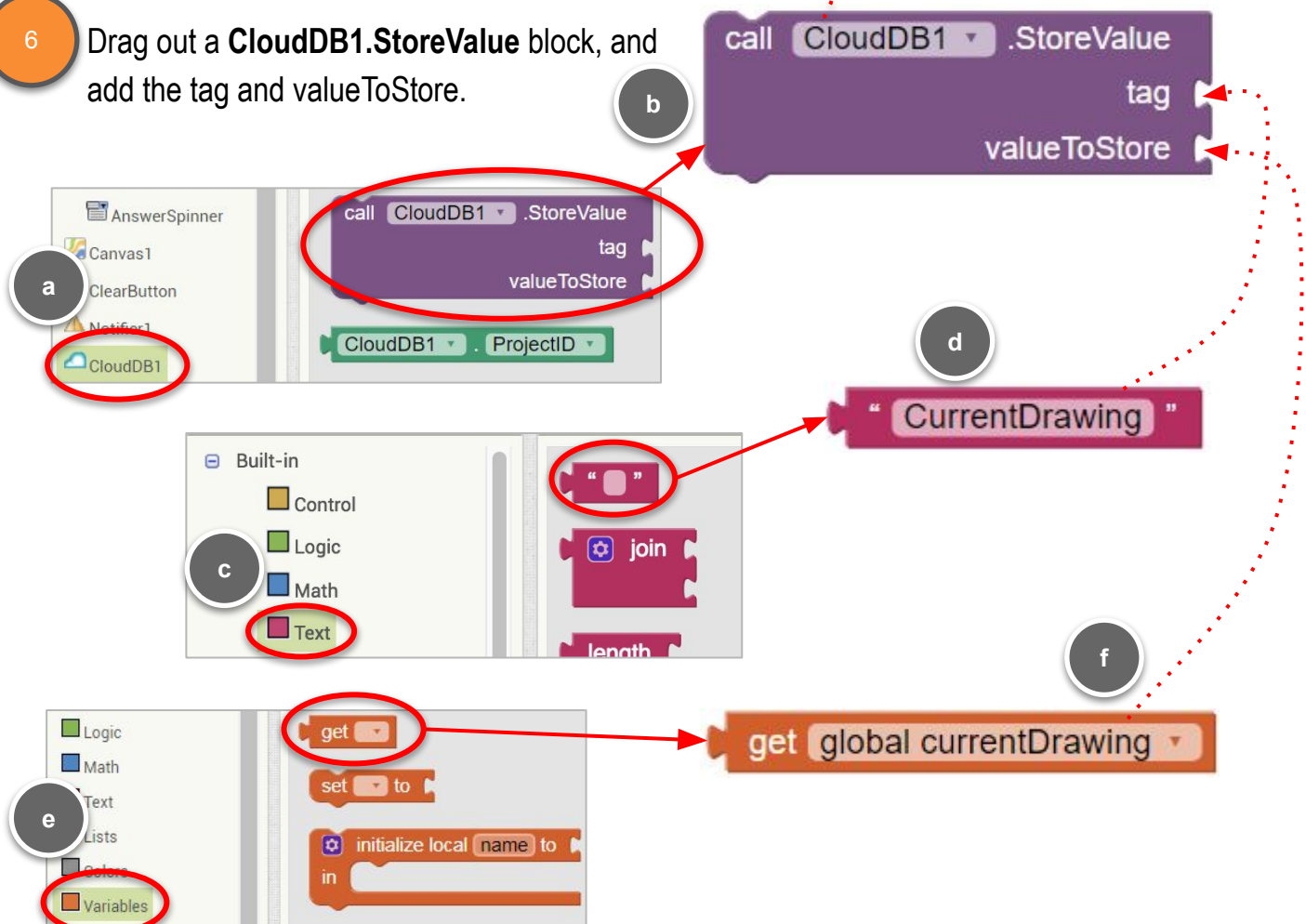


STORE CURRENT DRAWING

The Sketcher will store the current drawing in CloudDB, so it can be passed to the the Guesser. You'll use the tag, "CurrentDrawing". That information will be passed to the Guesser so the app can check for a correct answer.



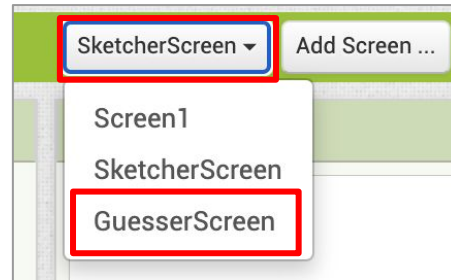
6 Drag out a **CloudDB1.StoreValue** block, and add the tag and valueToStore.



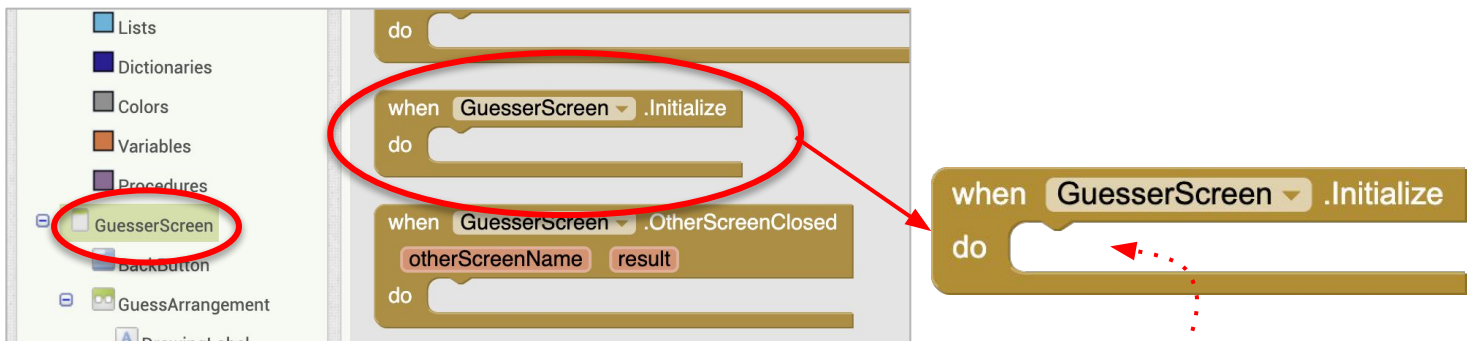
INITIALIZE GUESSER SCREEN

AnswerSpinner is a component that will list the possible objects being drawn, so the Guesser can make a guess when the Sketcher draws something. You need to set the **AnswerSpinner's** Elements to the list of **drawingOptions**.

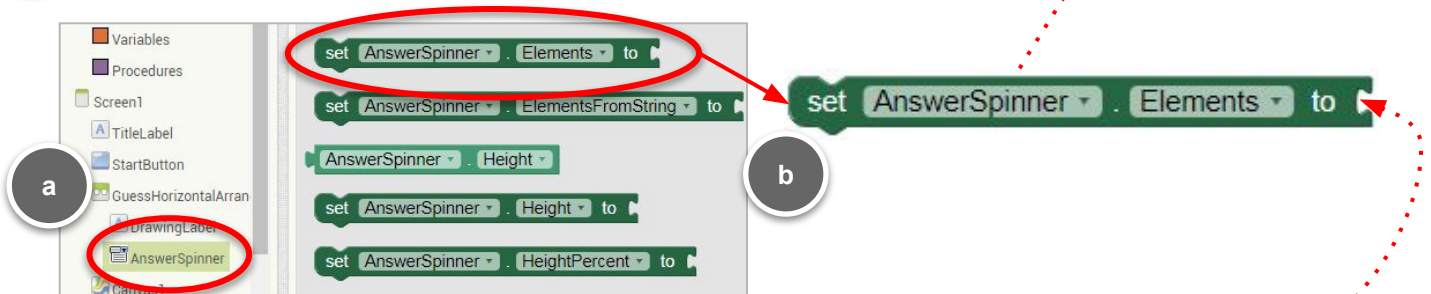
7 Switch to **GuesserScreen**. - - - - - ➔



8 Pull out a **GuesserScreen.Initialize** block.

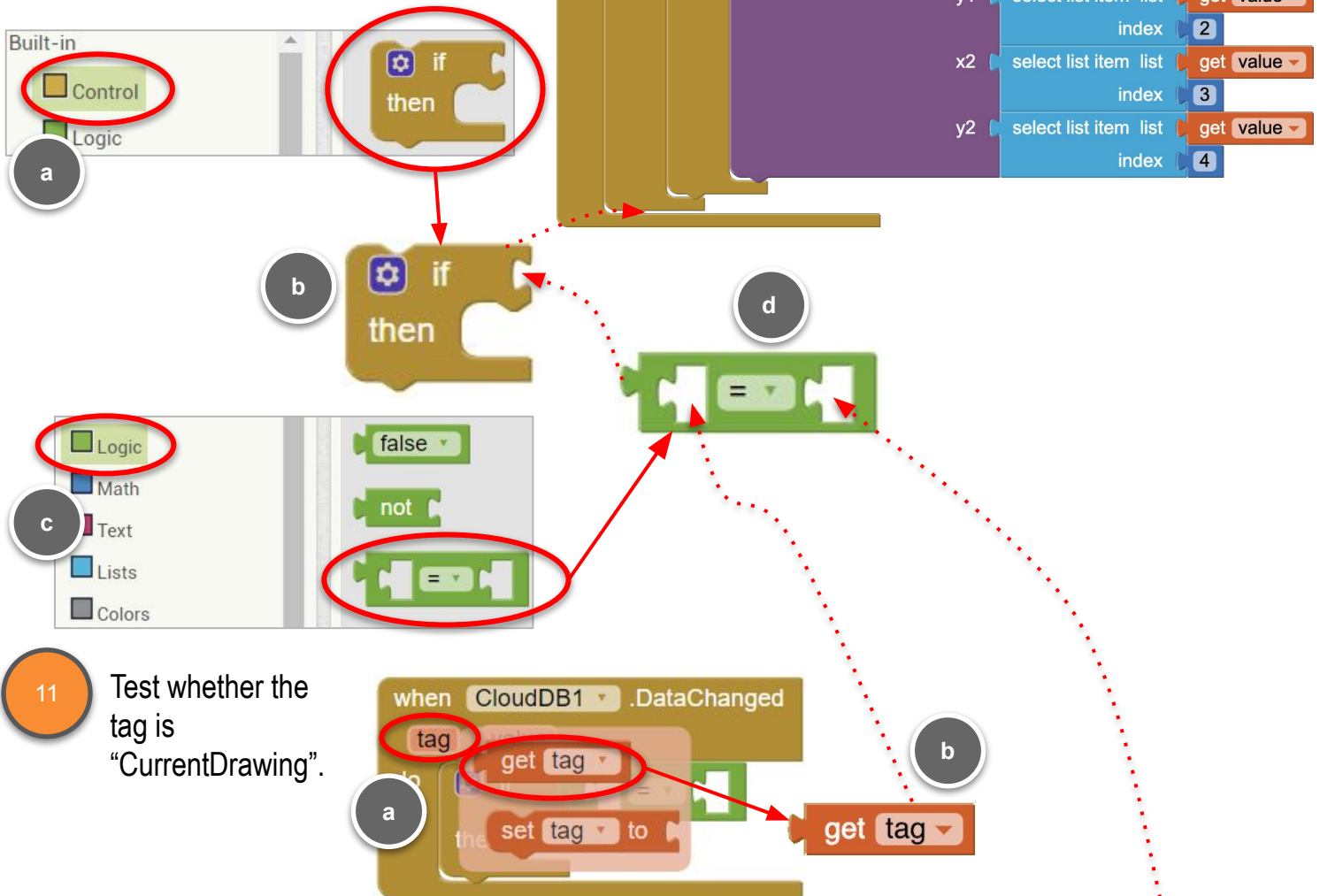


9 Set the **AnswerSpinner.Elements** to the **drawingOptions** list.

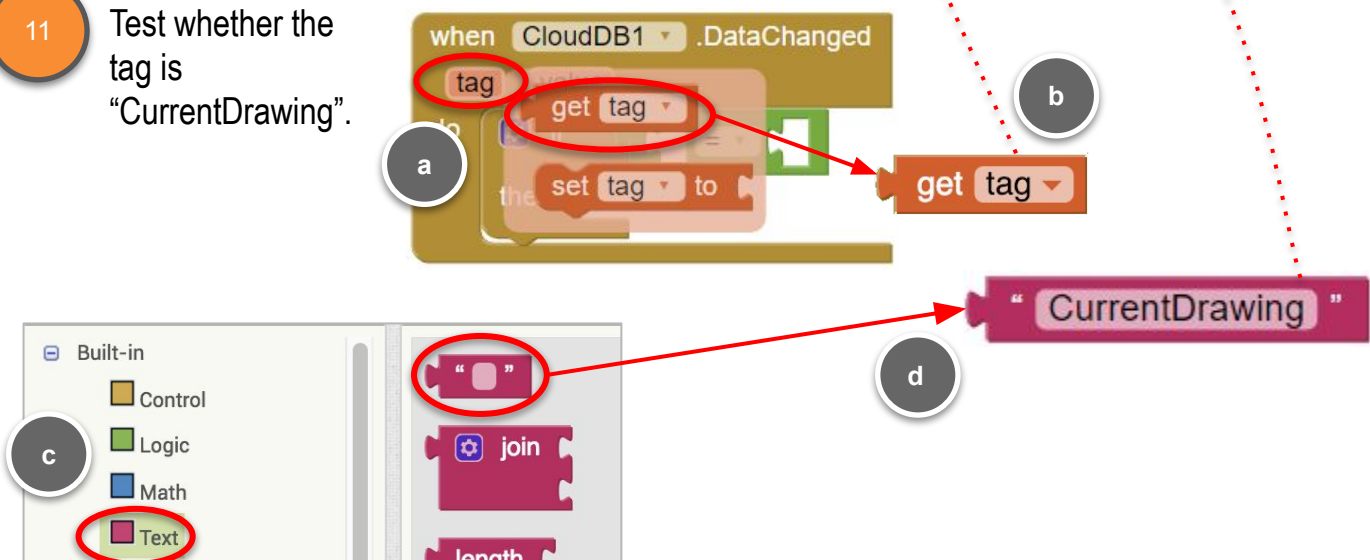


GET CURRENTDRAWING FOR THE GUESSER

- 10 The Sketcher stored the **CurrentDrawing** to CloudDB, and CloudDB needs to update the GuesserScreen so it has the correct **CurrentDrawing** to check for a correct guess.

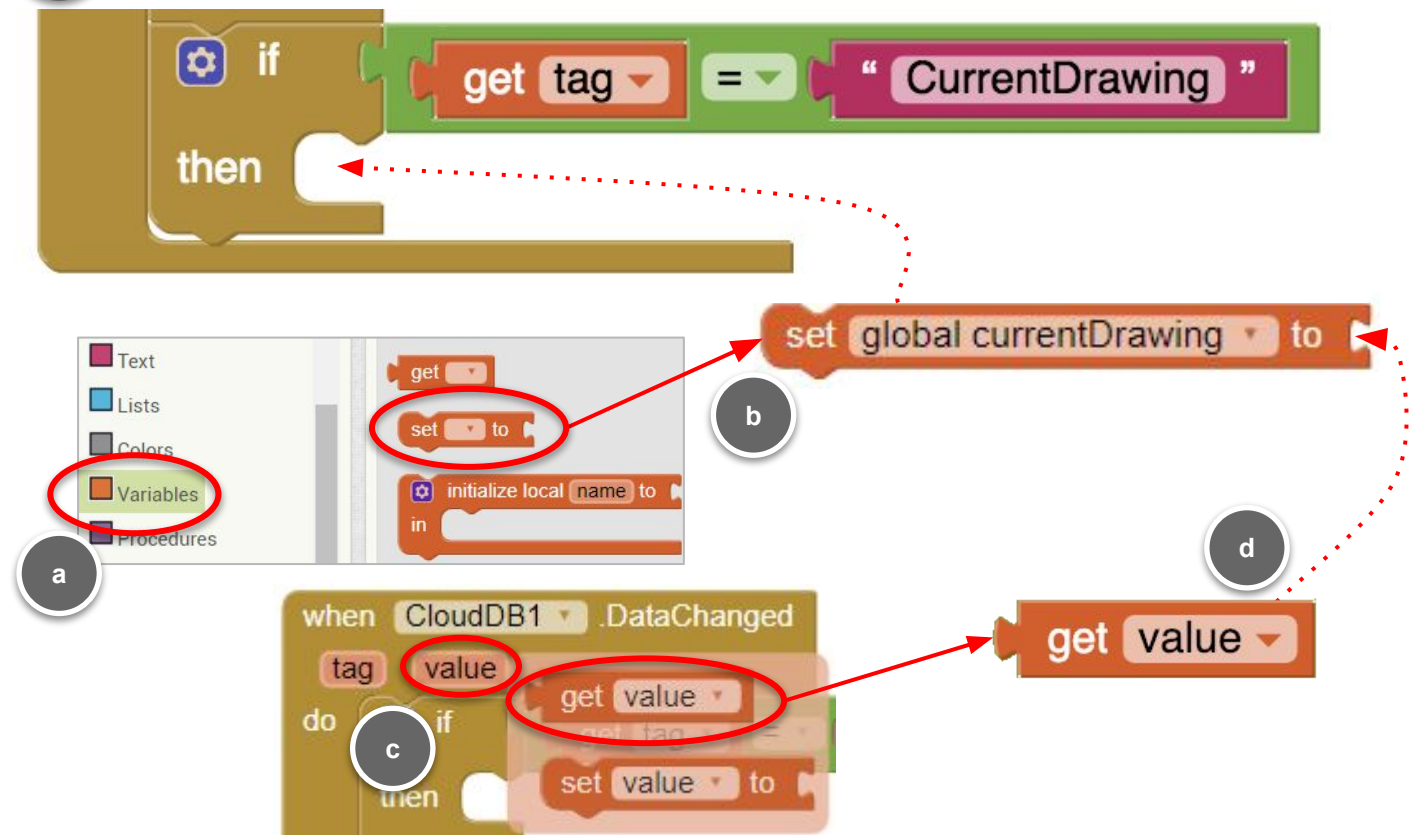


- 11 Test whether the tag is "CurrentDrawing".



SET THE ANSWER FOR CHECKING

- 12 Set the **currentDrawing** variable to the value received from CloudDB.



CHECK ANSWER

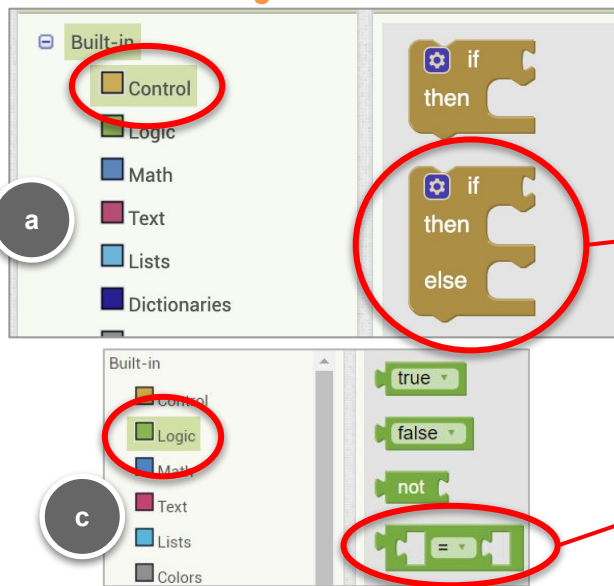
The Guesser makes a guess by selecting from the **AnswerSpinner**. When they do, check if the guess is correct.

- 13 Check the answer in the **AnswerSpinner.AfterSelecting** block.

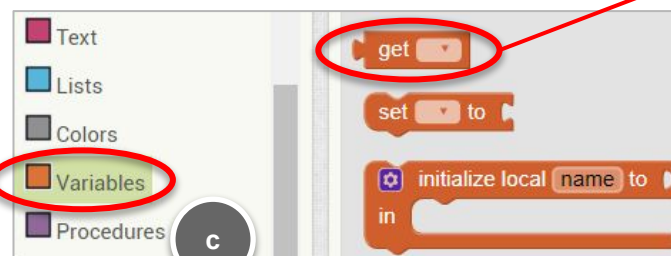
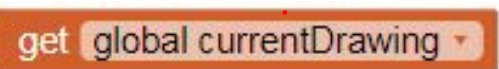
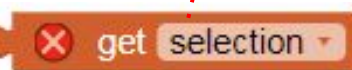
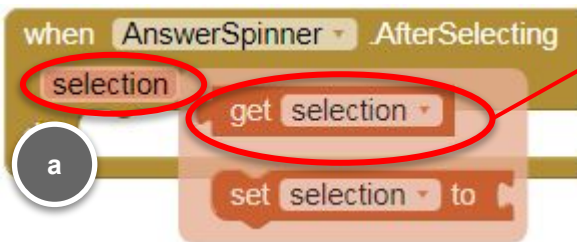


CHECK ANSWER (continued)

- 14 Test if the user's selection matches the **currentDrawing**.



- 15 Snap a **get selection** and a **get global currentDrawing** block into the **equals** block.



CHECK ANSWER (continued)

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Drag out a **Notifier1.ShowAlert** block and set the messages. If the user's selection in the **AnswerSpinner** matches **currentDrawing**, notify the user that they are correct: *"That's right! Good job!"*; otherwise, notify user *"Oh no! Try again!"*.

The screenshot shows the MIT App Inventor workspace. On the left, the Components palette has 'Notifier1' circled in red (a). In the center, a 'call Notifier1.ShowAlert' block is circled in red (b). On the bottom left, the 'Text' category in the Built-in palette is circled in red (c). On the right, a text block containing 'That's right! Good job!' is circled in red (d). Red arrows indicate the workflow: from the component palette to the block, and from the text palette to the text block.

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Duplicate the **Notifier1.ShowAlert** block, change the text block to *"Oh no! Try again!"*, and add it as the **else** clause of the **if-then-else** block.

This screenshot shows a single 'call Notifier1.ShowAlert' block with the text block set to 'Oh no! Try again!'. A red dotted arrow from the previous step points to this block, indicating it is the duplicate being added as the else clause.

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Test with your partner. Check for correct and incorrect guesses on the Guesser's device, and make sure the correct notification is displayed.

The screenshot shows the 'Build' menu in MIT App Inventor. The 'Build' menu item is circled in red. A dropdown menu is open, showing two options: 'App (provide QR code for .apk)' and 'App (save .apk to my computer)'. A red arrow points to the first option.

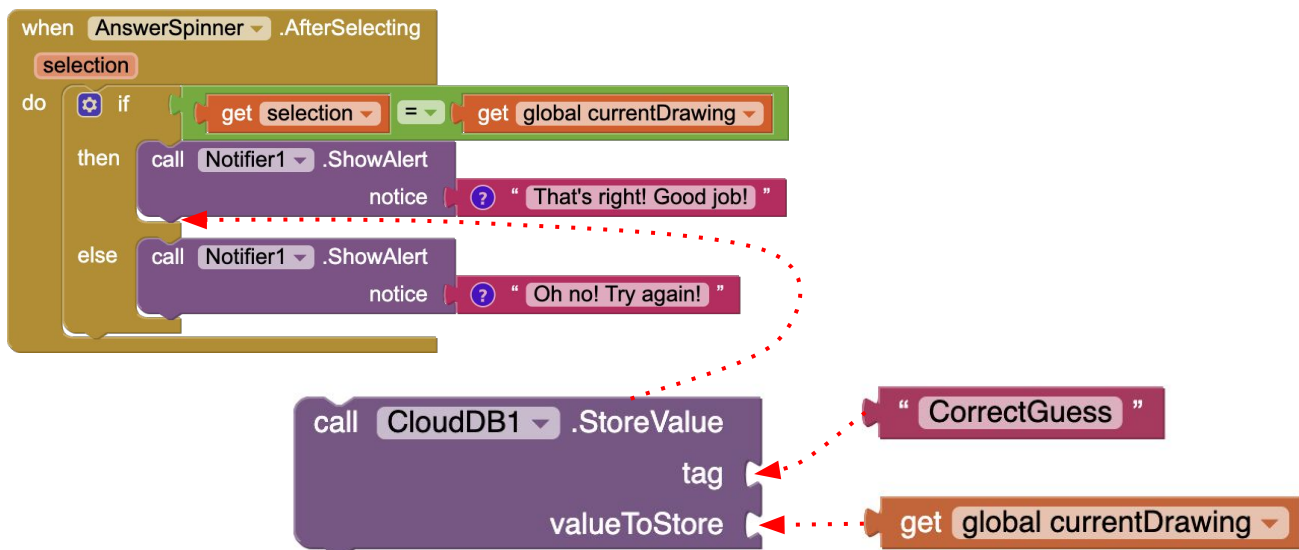
UPDATE USERS WITH CORRECT GUESS

The last thing to do is to notify all other players, including the Sketcher, when someone has guessed the correct answer.

The Guesser who guesses correctly should store that information in CloudDB, which in turn will send that information out to all other users.

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In the **if-then-else** block in **AnswerSpinner.AfterSelecting**, add a **CloudDB1.StoreValue** block. For a tag, use **“CorrectGuess”**, and store as the value the variable **currentDrawing**.



All users should be notified of a correct guess, the Sketcher and all Guessers.

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Add another **if-then** block to the **CloudDB1.DataChanged** event, and test if the **tag = “CorrectGuess”**.

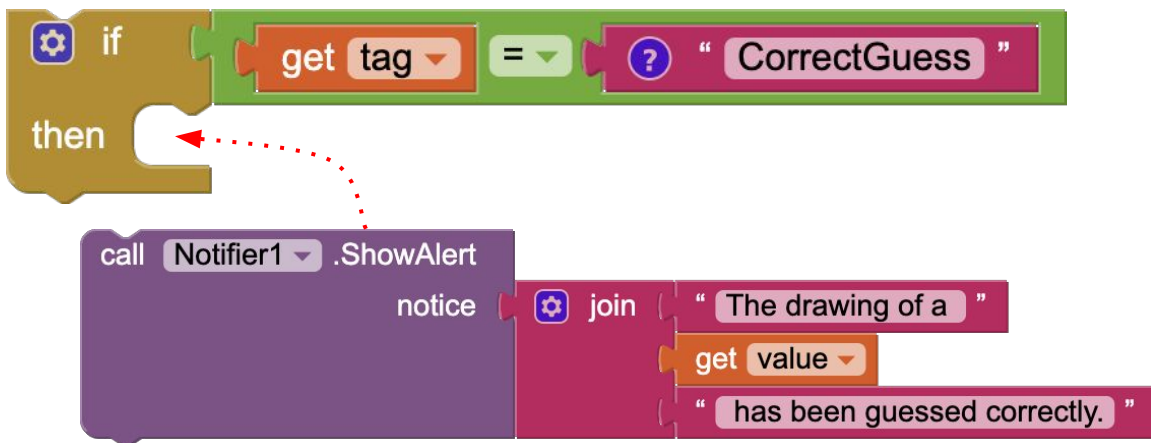


NOTIFY USERS

For the Guessers, it is enough to notify them that someone made the correct guess.

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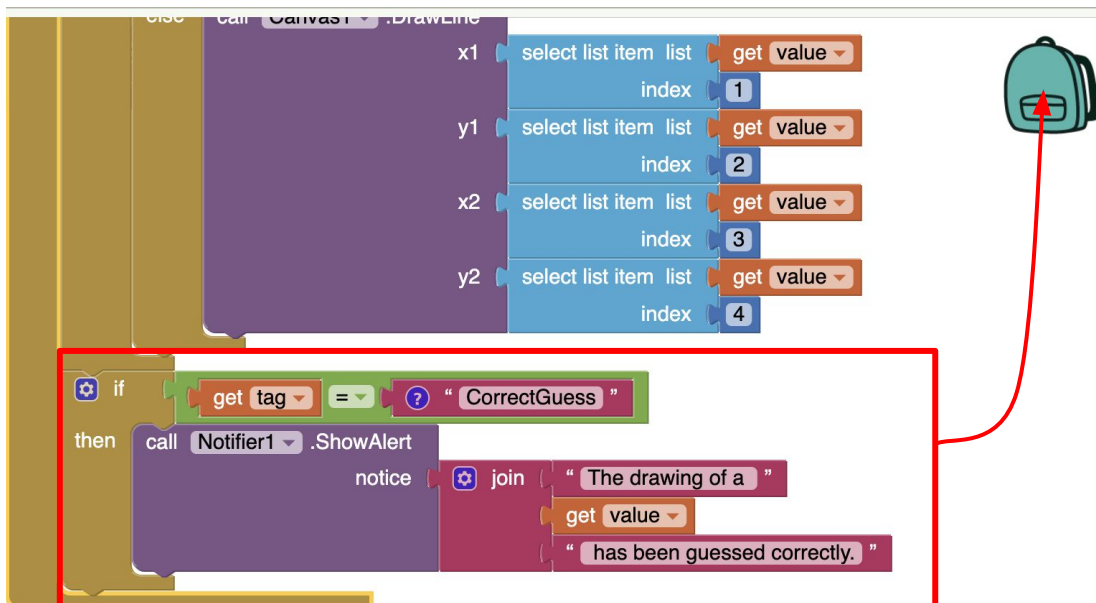
Add a **Notifier1.ShowAlert** block and use a join block to tell the user the correct guess has been made. Remember that value is the **currentDrawing**, so you can also tell others what the correct guess was.



The Sketcher should be notified too, and you will use the same blocks. Use the Backpack to copy blocks between Screens.

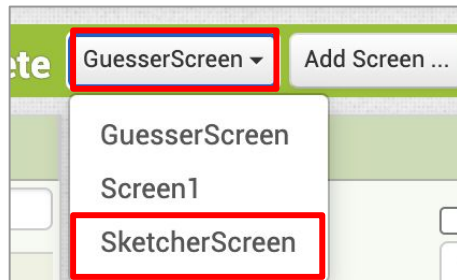
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Drag the **if** block you just added to the backpack in the upper right corner of the screen. It will move the block out of **CloudDB1.DataChanged**, but you can just snap it back in.

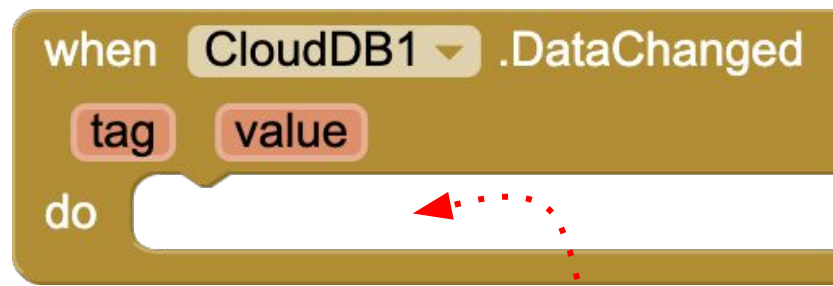


NOTIFY USERS (continued)

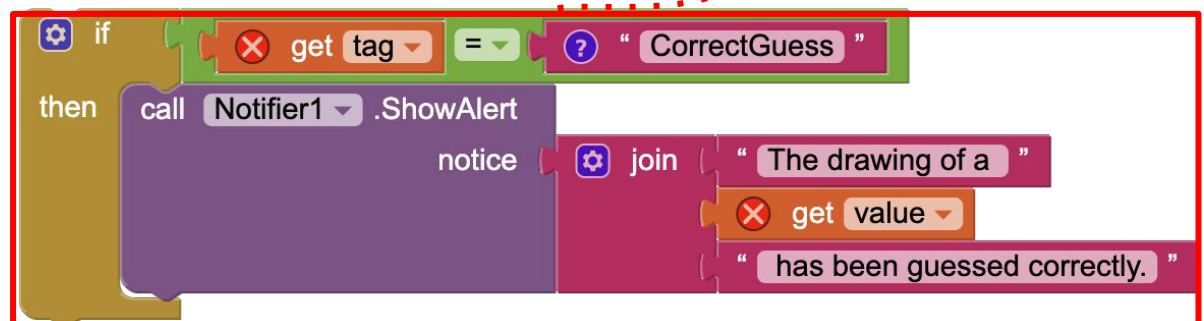
23 Switch to **SketcherScreen**.



24 This screen does not have a **CloudDB1.DataChanged** event yet, so drag out that block.



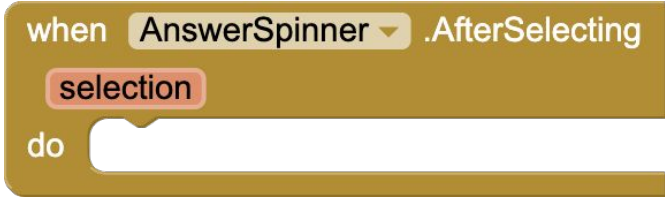
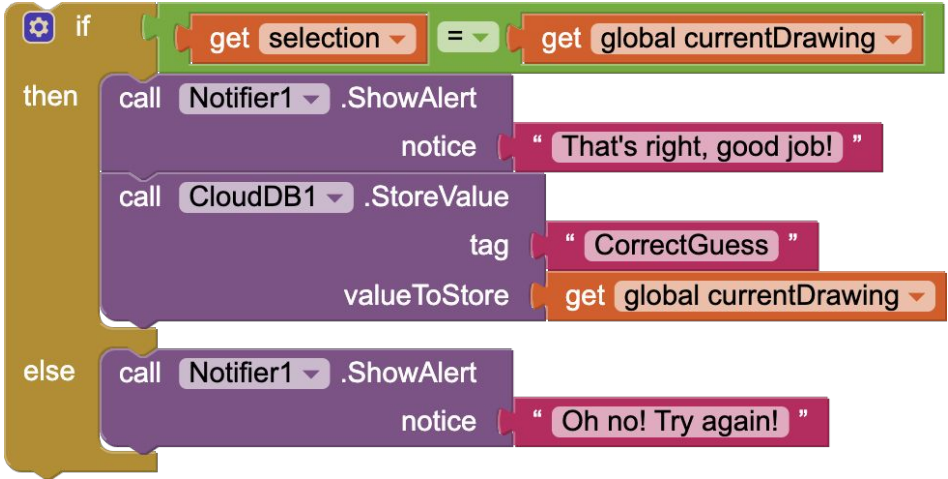


25 Click on the backpack in the upper right corner of the screen, and drag out the **if-then** block you just stored there, and snap it into **CloudDB1.DataChanged**.



26 Final test with MIT AI2 Companion! Test that everyone is notified when a correct guess is made.

COMPUTATIONAL THINKING CONCEPTS

The following are the Computational Thinking Concepts learned in Part 4.

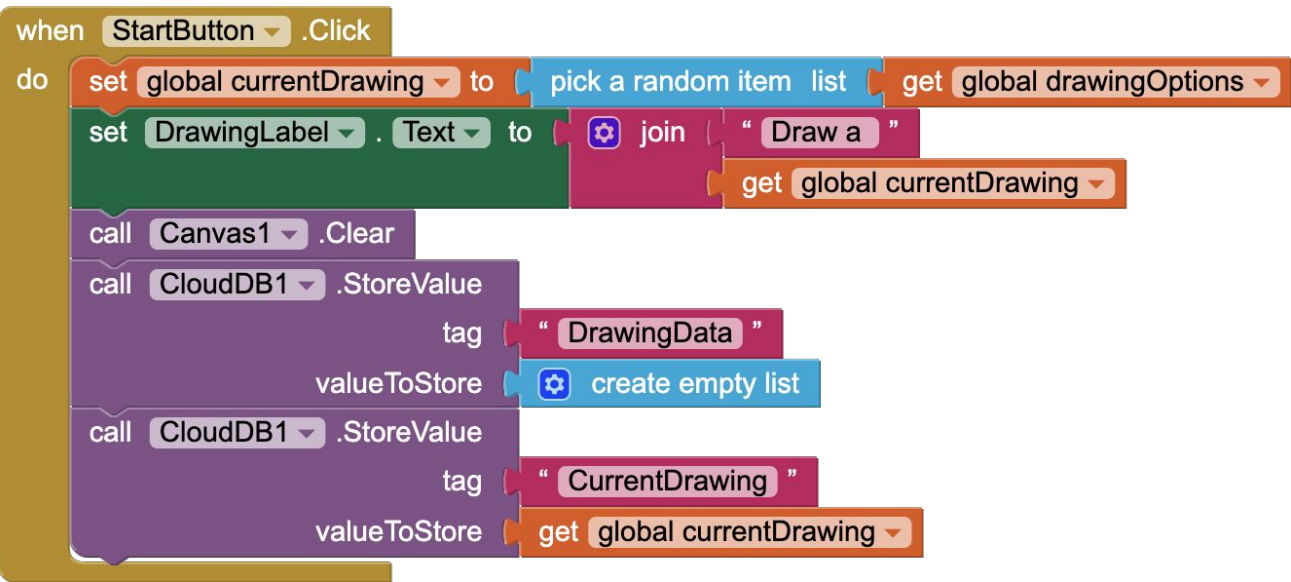
Sketch And Guess Part 4	
1. Events	
2. Conditionals	
3. Naming / variables	
4. Manipulation of Data and Elementary Data Structures	

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Sketch And Guess Part 4

5. Sequences



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when StartButton Clicked
do
  set global currentDrawing to pick a random item list
  get global drawingOptions
  set DrawingLabel.Text to join ["Draw a ", global currentDrawing]
  call Canvas1.Clear
  call CloudDB1.StoreValue
    tag "DrawingData"
    valueToStore create empty list
  call CloudDB1.StoreValue
    tag "CurrentDrawing"
    valueToStore get global currentDrawing
  
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The script is a Scratch-style block-based program. It begins with a 'when StartButton Clicked' trigger block. This is followed by a 'do' block containing several actions in sequence: 1. 'set global currentDrawing to pick a random item list', 2. 'get global drawingOptions', 3. 'set DrawingLabel.Text to join ["Draw a ", global currentDrawing]', 4. 'call Canvas1.Clear', 5. 'call CloudDB1.StoreValue' with tag 'DrawingData' and valueToStore 'create empty list', 6. 'call CloudDB1.StoreValue' with tag 'CurrentDrawing' and valueToStore 'get global currentDrawing'.