

#### **HOW TO DRAW A LINE IN THE APP**

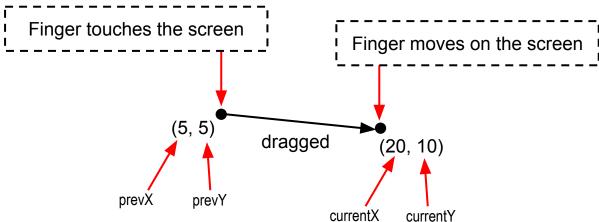
You'll start coding on the **SketcherScreen**, and make the drawing part of the app.

To draw something on the Canvas, you need to use the

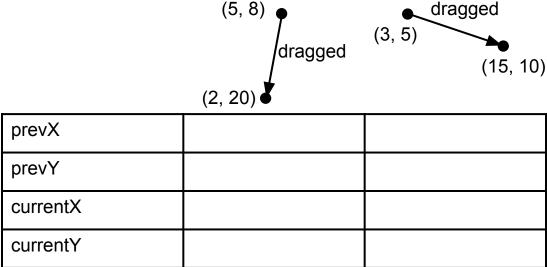
when Canvas.Dragged block and the call Canvas1.DrawLine blocks.

In this lesson, you will allow the Sketcher to draw.

The diagram below shows how to use coordinates to draw a line in the app. A line is drawn by joining two points. Using **Canvas1.DrawLine**, you need to specify the position of the start point (x1, y1) and the position of the end point (x2, y2).



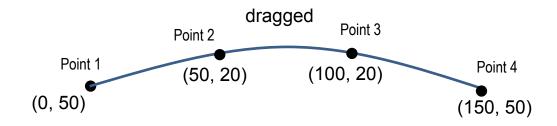
If you want to draw a line in the app, you need to use **prevX**, **prevY** and **currentX**, **currentY**. Below please work with your partner to fill in the blanks.





# **HOW TO DRAW A CURVE IN THE APP**

A line is formed by connecting many dots. Each of the dots is represented by its coordinate (x,y).

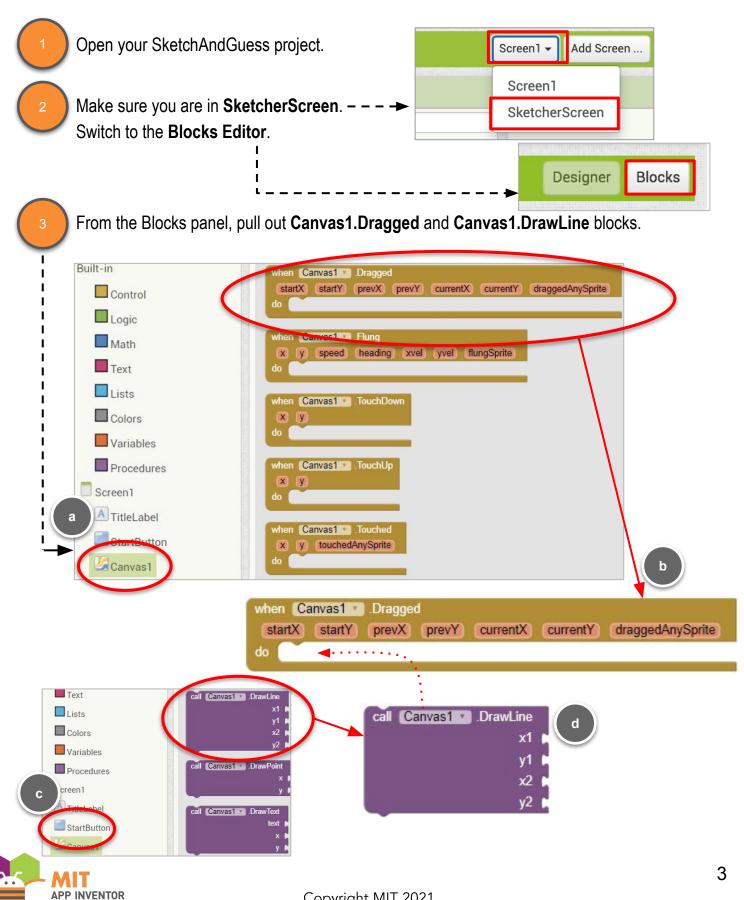


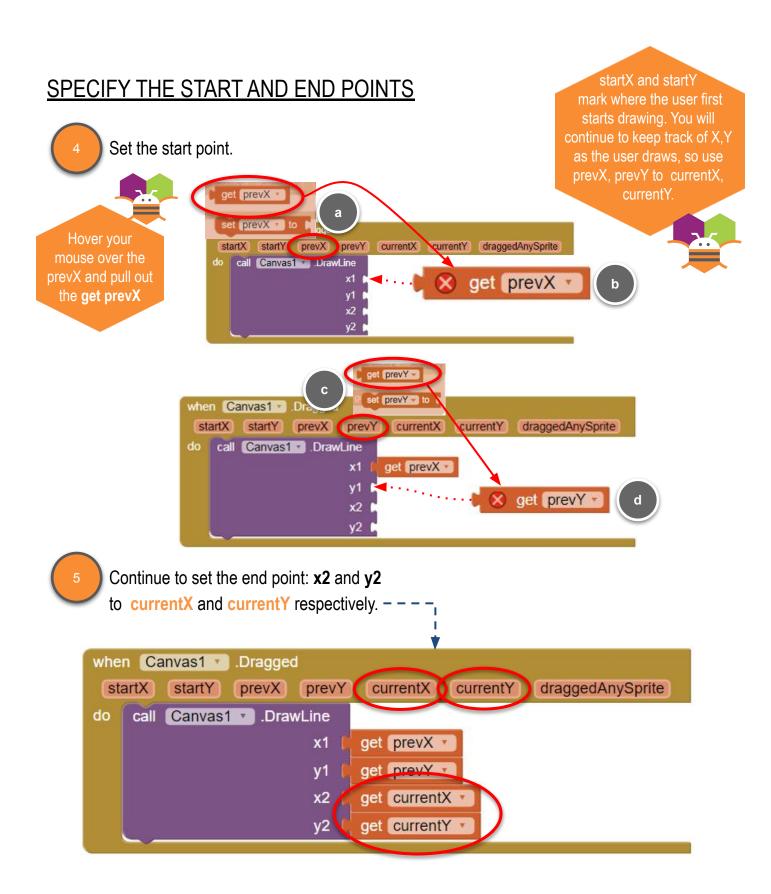
If you want to draw a curve in the app, you need to draw many lines, each with its own **prevX**, **prevY** and **currentX**, **currentY**. Below please work with your partner to fill in the blanks.

	segment 1 (Point 1-Point 2)	segment 2 (Point 2-Point 3)	segment 3 (Point 3-Point 4)
prevX			
prevY			
currentX			
currentY			



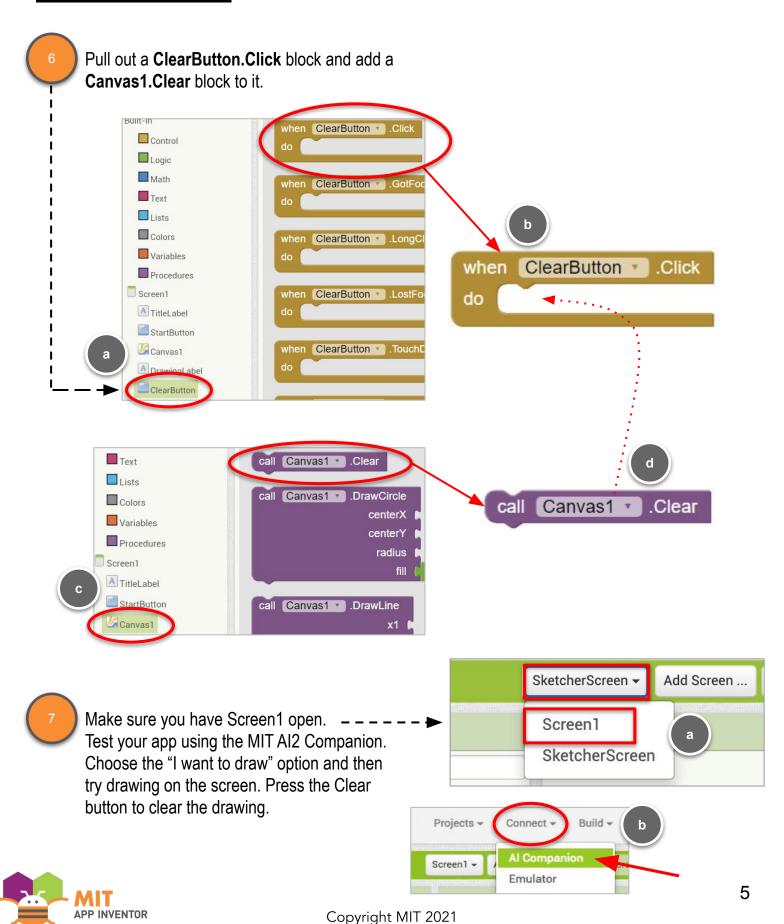
## DRAW WHEN USER DRAGS ON THE CANVAS







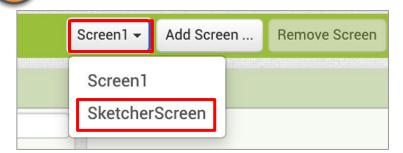
## **CLEAR THE CANVAS**



#### TELL THE SKETCHER WHAT TO DRAW

Because this will eventually be a game with a Sketcher and a Guesser (or even multiple Guessers), the app will require the Sketcher to press a button which will prompt them with a random item to draw.

8 Make sure you are in the SketcherScreen and in the Blocks Editor.





9 Initialize a new variable, and name it drawingOptions.



initialize global drawingOptions to

From the **Lists** drawer, drag out a **make a list** block and click on the blue icon to add more elements. Add 10 more items to the list for a total of 12 items. Snap to the **initialize** block.





television

horse

# TELL THE SKETCHER WHAT TO DRAW (continued)

Snap in blank Text blocks as items in the list. Type in words for different objects that can be options for the Sketcher to draw. You can use the objects below, or choose your own objects.

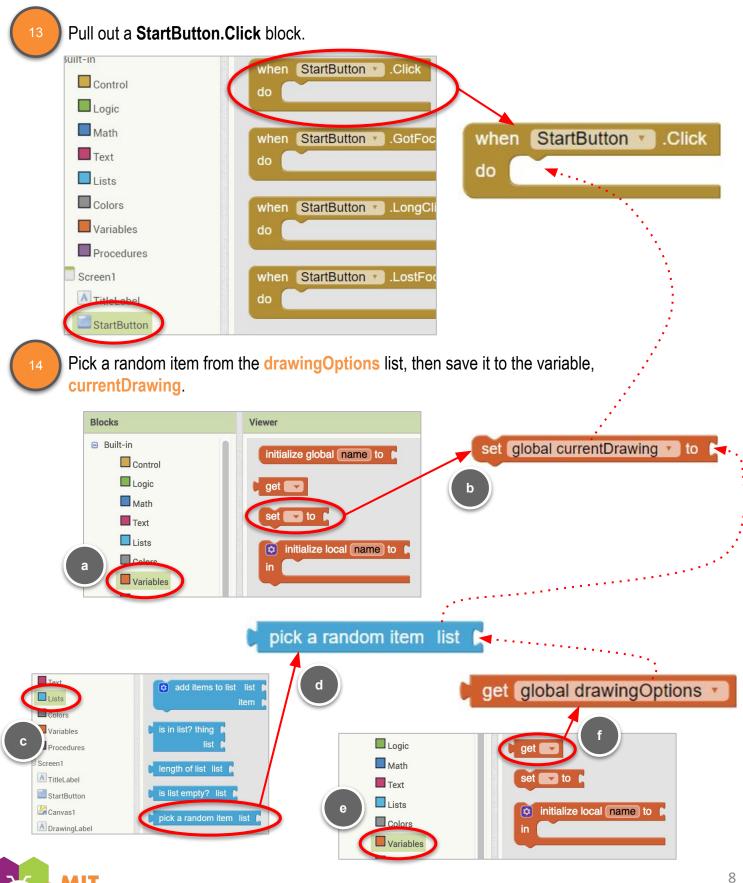
initialize global drawingOptions to make a list "cat" "dog" "sun" "moon" "party" "monster" "video game" "home "school" "ballerina"

Create another new variable, and name it **currentDrawing**. Initialize it to a blank Text block. This variable will be used to save a random item from the **drawingOptions** list that will be the object the Sketcher will draw.

initialize global currentDrawing to



## PICK A RANDOM ITEM WHEN STARTBUTTON IS CLICKED



**APP INVENTOR** 

#### DISPLAY RANDOM ITEM TO DRAW

Pull out a set DrawingLabel.Text block. when StartButton .Click set global currentDrawing to pick a random item list get global drawingOptions Screen1 DrawingLabel Text A TitleLabel StartButton set DrawingLabel . Text . Canvas1 DrawingLabel \* TextColor DrawingLabel DrawingLabel Text Add a join block from the Text drawer to display what to draw in the Label. Built-in Draw a Control join Logic Math 🤠 join Text length | Logic Math 🔽 to 🕟 Text get\_global currentDrawing \* Lists

Since the Sketcher is starting a new picture, clear the Canvas.

initialize local name to

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when StartButton .Click

do set global currentDrawing to pick a random item list get global drawingOptions set DrawingLabel . Text to get global currentDrawing get global currentDrawing call Canvas1 .Clear
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Colors

Variables

# **TEST DRAWING OPTIONS**



Make sure you have Screen1 open. Connect to the MIT Al2 Companion to test.





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Choose the "I want to draw" option.

When the SketcherScreen opens, press the New Picture button.

A random item should be displayed for the user to draw.

Try pressing the button again. Check that random objects to draw are displayed.

### **COMPUTATIONAL THINKING CONCEPTS**

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Sketch And Guess Part 2
1. Sequences
 when StartButton . Click
      set global currentDrawing v to pick a random item list get global drawingOptions v
      set DrawingLabel ▼ . Text ▼ to  ioin
                                              " Draw a "
                                              get global currentDrawing
      call Canvas1 ▼ .Clear
2. Events
  when Canvas1 .Dragged
                                                           draggedAnySprite
                     prevX
                             prevY
                                     currentX
                                                currentY
    startX
            startY
  do
3. Naming/Variables
                         initialize global currentDrawing to
4. Manipulation of data and elementary data structures
   initialize global drawingOptions to to make a list
                                                                 cat
                                                                  dog
                                                                  sun
  set global currentDrawing to pick a random item list get global drawingOptions
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