CHAPTER 11 EXTRA RESOURCES

Additional Resources

- 1. "Small Basic Reference Documentation: GraphicsWindow Object" (http://tiny.cc/graphicswindow/): Learn about all the properties, events, and methods of the GraphicsWindow object.
- 2. "Small Basic Reference Documentation: Shapes Object" (http://tiny .cc/shapesobject/): Review the Shapes object to become familiar with its methods!
- 3. "Special Keys: Alt & F10" (http://tiny.cc/altf10/): Learn how ALT and F10 are treated differently in Windows.
- 4. "More About MouseMove" (http://tiny.cc/mousemove/): Dig deeper to discover how the MouseMove event works.
- 5. "Turtle Game Updates" (http://tiny.cc/turtlegame/): Share your updates to the Gold Rush turtle game!

Review Questions

- What is an event?
- 2. What is the difference between procedural programming and event-driven programming? What are examples of each?
- 3. What are the six events that the GraphicsWindow can check for?
- 4. What is an event handler?
- 5. How do you register an event handler?
- 6. What does Small Basic save in the LastKey property when the user presses the 4 key?
- 7. What does the following code do?

```
Timer.Interval = 2000
```

- 8. What should you look out for when you're using the MouseDown event?
- 9. BONUS: What is a typewriter?

Practice Exercises

1. What does the following program do? Write the program and run it. How does the Animate() method work?

```
GraphicsWindow.MouseDown = OnMouseDown
circle = Shapes.AddEllipse(50, 50)
Sub OnMouseDown
x = GraphicsWindow.MouseX
y = GraphicsWindow.MouseY
Shapes.Animate(circle, x, y, 500)
EndSub
```

2. Run this program:

```
GraphicsWindow.MouseDown = OnMouseDown
GraphicsWindow.MouseUp = OnMouseUp

Sub OnMouseDown
    Sound.PlayClickAndWait()
EndSub

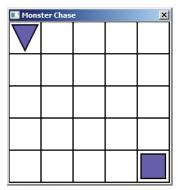
Sub OnMouseUp
    Sound.PlayBellRingAndWait()
EndSub
```

a. Click and release the mouse over the graphics window and describe what happens.

- b. Click and hold the mouse over the graphics window, and then move the cursor outside the graphics window before releasing the button. Describe what happens.
- c. What does the outcome of parts a and b tell you about the MouseDown and MouseUp events?
- 3. The following simple program tests the typing speed of a user. The program displays ten random letters in the graphics window (one at a time) and it times how long the user takes to click the matching letter on the keyboard. Run the program several times, and then read the source code to understand how it works. Think of some ways to improve it, and try to implement them.

```
' Speed.sb
' Tests your typing speed
GraphicsWindow.Title = "Speed Test"
GraphicsWindow.Width = 300
GraphicsWindow.Height = 300
GraphicsWindow.CanResize = "False"
' Creates a text shape to show the random letters
GraphicsWindow.FontSize = 80
txtID = Shapes.AddText("")
Shapes.Move(txtID, 120, 100)
' Creates a text shape to show the score (total time)
GraphicsWindow.FontSize = 16
scoreID = Shapes.AddText("Total time: ")
Shapes.Move(scoreID, 5, 270)
GraphicsWindow.ShowMessage("Click to Start", "Start")
GraphicsWindow.KeyDown = onKeyDown
                                   ' Start time
t1 = Clock.ElapsedMilliseconds
charNum = 1
                                   ' Shows only 10 characters
ShowLetter()
Sub ShowLetter
 code = 64 + Math.GetRandomNumber(26)
 char = Text.GetCharacter(code)
 Shapes.SetText(txtID, char)
EndSub
Sub onKeyDown
 If (charNum <= 10) Then</pre>
    If (GraphicsWindow.LastKey = char) Then ' Matches
      Sound.PlayClick()
     If (charNum = 10) Then
        ShowElapsedTime()
```

4. Write a game in which the player is locked in a cage with a monster (see the following figure).



The player is represented by the square shape and the monster by the triangle. The player uses the arrow keys to move. After each move, the monster moves toward the player. The longer the player can outwit the monster, the higher the player's score!

a. Open the file *MonsterChase_Incomplete.sb* from this chapter's folder. You should see the following code. You'll add the missing sections.

```
' MonsterChase_Incomplete.sb
' Try to escape from a monster

GraphicsWindow.Title = "Monster Chase"
GraphicsWindow.Width = 250
GraphicsWindow.Height = 250
GraphicsWindow.CanResize = 0

Grid() ' Draws a 5x5 grid
P = Shapes.AddRectangle(40, 40) ' Player's shape
M = Shapes.AddTriangle(0, 0, 40, 0, 20, 40) ' Monster's shape

GraphicsWindow.KeyDown = OnKeyDown
```

```
NewGame()
Sub NewGame
    ' [TO DO]
EndSub
Sub OnKeyDown
    ' [TO DO]
EndSub
Sub Grid
  For I = 1 To 5
    For J = 1 To 5
      X0 = (J - 1) * 50
      Y0 = (I - 1) * 50
      GraphicsWindow.DrawRectangle(X0, Y0, 50, 50)
    EndFor
  EndFor
EndSub
```

b. Add the following NewGame() subroutine where the first [TO DO] comment is. Then add the Move() subroutine after the NewGame() subroutine.

```
Sub NewGame
             ' Player's row
 rp = 5
             ' Player's column
  cp = 5
             ' Monster's row
  rm = 1
             ' Monster's column
  cm = 1
  count = 0 ' Number of player's movements
             ' Positions player and monster on the grid
 Move()
EndSub
Sub Move
  Shapes.Move(P, (cp - 1) * 50 + 5, (rp - 1) * 50 + 5)
  Shapes.Move(M, (cm - 1) * 50 + 5, (rm - 1) * 50 + 5)
EndSub
```

When you run the game now, you'll see the monster's triangle in the upper-left corner and the player's square in the lower-right corner.

c. Add the following OnKeyDown() subroutine where the second [TO DO] comment is. How is the program stopping the player and monster from moving out of the grid?

```
' Checks whether the player's move is within the grid
' If the player's move is valid, it processes the move
Sub OnKeyDown

newR = rp ' New row

newC = cp ' New column

key = GraphicsWindow.LastKey

If (key = "Up" And newR > 1) Then

newR = newR - 1

ElseIf (key = "Down" And newR < 5) Then
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newR = newR + 1
ElseIf (key = "Left" And newC > 1) Then
newC = newC - 1
ElseIf (key = "Right" and newC < 5) Then
newC = newC + 1
EndIf

If (newR <> rp Or newC <> cp) Then ' Player's position changed
count = count + 1 ' Increases move count
rp = newR
cp = newC
Process()
EndIf
EndSub
```

d. Add the following Process() subroutine to the end of the program. How is the program telling the user when the game ends? What does the program do when the game ends?

```
' Processes player's move
' Moves player and then moves monster
Sub Process
 done = 0
                     ' Assumes the player is not caught by the monster
                     ' Updates the positions in the GUI
 Move()
 If (rp = rm And cp = cm) Then ' Player moves to the monster's grid
   done = 1
                     ' Game over
                     ' Player moves and avoids monster
 Else
                     ' Determines monster's new position (row and column)
   MoveMonster()
                     ' Updates positions in GUI
   If (rp = rm And cp = cm) Then ' If monster hits player
     done = 1
                      ' Game over
   EndIf
 EndIf
 If (done = 1) Then
   GraphicsWindow.ShowMessage("Game over: " + count, "Game over")
   NewGame()
 EndIf
EndSub
```

e. Add the following MoveMonster() subroutine to the end of the program. Explain how the monster decides where to move.

```
D = 5
                                           ' Direction = West
  ElseIf (rm < rp And cm > cp) Then ' Player is southwest of monster
                                           ' Direction = Southwest
  ElseIf (rm > rp And cm = cp) Then ' Player is south of monster
    D = 7
                                           ' Dircetion = South
  Else
                                           ' Player is southeast of monster
    D = 8
                                           ' Direction = Southeast
  EndIf
  RandDir:
  D = D + (Math.GetRandomNumber(3) - 2) ' Adds 1, 0, or -1 to D
  If (D < 1) Then
                           ' Makes sure the direction is still between 1 and 8
    D = 1
  ElseIf (D > 8) Then
    D = 8
  EndIf
  ' Moves
  newR = rm
  newC = cm
  If ((D = 2 \text{ Or } D = 3 \text{ Or } D = 4) \text{ And } (\text{newR} > 1)) Then 'Moves up
    newR = newR - 1
  ElseIf ((D = 6 \text{ Or } D = 7 \text{ Or } D = 8) \text{ And } (\text{newR} < 5)) \text{ Then } ' \text{ Moves down}
    newR = newR + 1
  EndIf
  If ((D = 4 \text{ Or } D = 5 \text{ Or } D = 6) \text{ And } (\text{newC} > 1)) Then 'Moves left
    newC = newC - 1
  ElseIf ((D = 1 \text{ or } D = 2 \text{ Or } D = 8) \text{ And } (\text{newC} < 5)) \text{ Then } ' \text{ Moves } right
    newC = newC + 1
  EndIf
  If (newR = rm And newC = cm) Then ' Monster doesn't move
    Goto RandDir
  EndIf
  rm = newR ' Set monster's new position (row and column)
  cm = newC
EndSub
```

5. Write a program that lets the user draw in the graphics window using the arrow keys. The cursor should start in the middle of the graphics window. When the user presses an arrow key, the cursor should move in that direction and leave a trail. Also, let the user change the pen's color by pressing the spacebar. (Hint: use the Turtle object.)