5 Minutes Dealer - GDD

Game Title (Working): 5 Minute Dealer

Genre: 2D Arcade Stealth-Timing

Platform: PC (Unity)

Session Length: 5 minutes

Core Concept

You're a street hustler trying to make as much money as possible in 5 minutes.

- Buyers spawn on the street → you must sell to them.
- Police patrol the area → if they spot you mid-deal, it's Game Over.
- Selling requires holding a key to fill a progress bar.
- Watch for cop warning signs and release in time to avoid suspicion.

Core Gameplay Loop

- 1. Walk along the street (x-axis only).
- 2. Find a buyer \rightarrow hold E to start selling.
- 3. Fill progress bar to complete the deal.
- 4. Cops patrol \rightarrow if they near a buyer, watch for warning signs.
- 5. Release E if a cop's about to turn.
- 6. Earn money for completed sales.
- 7. 5 minutes pass \rightarrow final score and money shown.

Systems Breakdown

1. Player

- Movement: Left/right (A/D or arrow keys).
- Interaction: Hold E to sell → triggers progress bar.

2. Buyers

- Spawn randomly on street.
- Stay idle for X seconds before leaving.
- If bar reaches 0 → buyer leaves unsatisfied.
- On successful sale → despawns, adds points/coins.

3. Pedestrians

Walk along street → purely cosmetic, adds life.

4. Cops

- Patrol on fixed or semi-random paths.
- If near a buyer while player selling → enter "suspicious state".
- Show warning icon.
- After short delay, turns to face → if player still holding → busted.
- If no player activity → resumes patrol.

5. Progress Bar (Selling Mechanic)

- UI bar above player during selling.
- Fills while holding E.
- Drains if released early.
- Success = full bar.
- Fail = bar reaches 0.

6. Score & Currency

- Score = successful deals count (leaderboard metric).
- Coins = currency to unlock new products in shop.

7. Shop System

- Between rounds: Buy stronger "products" (slower to sell, more profit).
- First iteration: just seeds/weed → cocaine → high-class drugs (or safe placeholders like "basic goods → rare goods").

8. UI

- In-game: Timer, Score, Coins (top bar).
- Game Over: Final score, coins collected, Restart.
- Shop: Simple grid of items to unlock with coins.

Development Timeline (2 Weeks)

Week 1 - Core Systems

• Player movement + interaction (progress bar mechanic).

- Buyer spawn/despawn system.
- Cop patrol AI + warning sign.
- Progress bar fill/drain logic.

Week 2 - Expansion & Polish

- Score & currency manager.
- Shop system (basic seed unlocks).
- Pedestrian filler NPCs.
- Audio + placeholder art/VFX.
- Playtest, bug fixes, polish, final build.

Art & Audio

- Pixel art style, side street background.
- Characters: Player, Buyers, Cops, Pedestrians.
- Audio:
 - o Footsteps (player & cops).
 - Bar filling sound.
 - o Cop warning cue.
 - o Success & busted sounds.

Win/Lose Conditions

- $\bullet \quad \text{Win = Survive until timer ends} \rightarrow \text{high score}.$
- Lose = Caught by police before time ends.