

Emily:

The first thing I did this week was look up what Dr. Mihail mentioned regarding how we may need to calculate a character's range. I was able to find the `.normalize()` function within the `Vector2` class that might help with this. Next, I wanted to make my highlights more neat and easier to access individually, so I added them all to an array. As I was working on this, I realized that if our map size gets altered in any way, we would need to manually change numerous values in order for our movement to work correctly. I took the first steps to prevent this by creating constants that represent the map edges so our characters do not go outside of those boundaries. Lastly, I used the *visible* attribute on the highlights mesh to make the appropriate highlight(s) disappear when the banana is on the edge of the map.

Mat:

I began the week by examining the graphics code we've used thus far and began working on ways to generalize model loading. The first iteration consisted of passing strings to a function that would apply the string as the model type in the source string. Then, I found some new models to use that turned out to probably be way bigger than we should use (because they are intended for 3D printing).

Next, I found that the models loading asynchronously gave me issues when hard coding some test lines. So I started researching the `LoadingManager`. Lastly, I implemented the manager in my model factory. The loader loads all the models properly, but calls the `onLoad` function too early for some reason, so my next task is to troubleshoot the loading manager.

Carson:

For this week, I did not do much programming. Instead, I decided to focus more on researching a way to implement procedural generation, which was more difficult than I first thought. In the end, I discovered a technique called `Plot and Parcel` which is used in one of my personal favorite video games. Since I discovered this, I started to work on a static tutorial level, which is still being worked on, and I have some ideas for a static map for our procedural generation. As a side note, I realized I was focusing too hard on finding what other people had done using `Three.js` and not what games of the same genre have done. I then reevaluated what I could do better and that is: look more into the games that inspired us to make this type of game and see what we could potentially use from them.