Falling Block Game

Getting Started

When you start the program, you will see this menu screen.

From this menu screen you can click four different buttons. You have the option to **start the game**, view details **about the game**, learn **how to play** the game or **exit** the program.
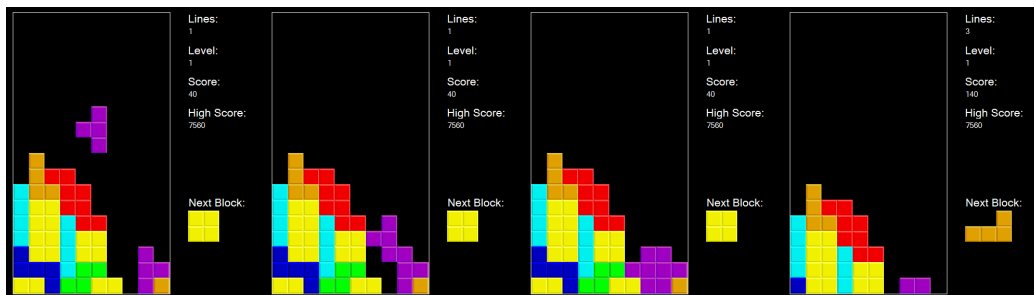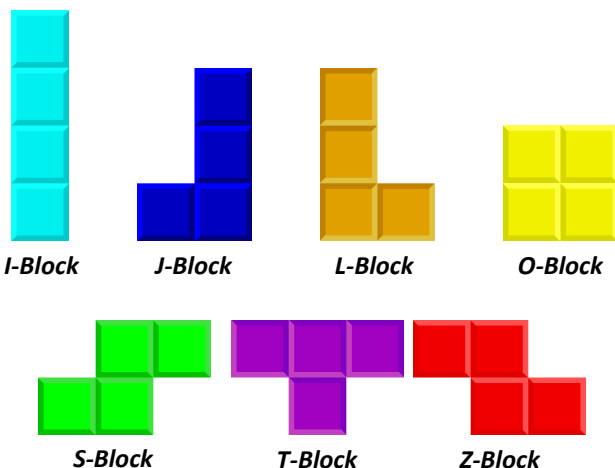
Controls

Move the currently falling block left.	Left Arrow Key (Or A Key)
Move currently falling block right.	Right Arrow Key (Or D Key)
Rotate currently falling block clockwise.	Up Arrow Key (Or W Key)
Temporarily speed up the currently falling block.	Down Arrow Key (Or S Key)

Objective

The objective of the game is to direct the falling blocks into different positions as they land. A row can be cleared by filling an entire row with blocks. Clearing more rows will increase the level (Causing the blocks to fall faster) and also increase the score. The score is increased by a larger amount if more rows are cleared at once. The main objective of the game is to earn the highest possible score.

The Blocks

I-Block   **J-Block**   **L-Block**   **O-Block**

S-Block   **T-Block**   **Z-Block**
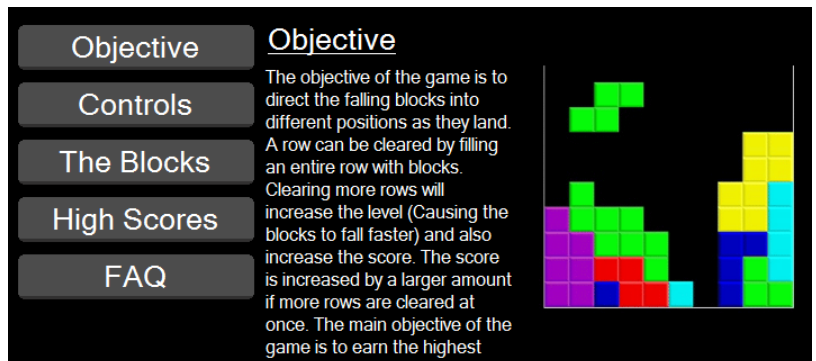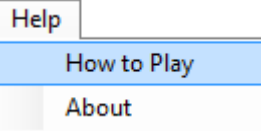
Other Game Controls

During the game you can pause, resume or quit the game. This is done by using the menu strip item "Game" and clicking the appropriate item. The keyboard shortcut is also shown beside the item.

Game	Help	
Resume	Ctrl+P	
Reset	Ctrl+R	
Quit		

How to Play Screen

You can access the how to play game from the main menu by clicking the "How to Play" button or by clicking the "Help" menu strip item then click the "How to Play" item.

The how to play screen is navigated by clicking the different buttons at the left hand side of the screen to view a specific topic about game play. Once clicked the contents to the right of the buttons will be updated.
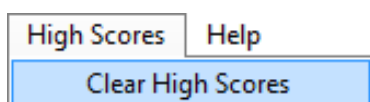
High Scores

Once you finish a game you will be shown the high score board along with your score. You can enter your name or nickname in the text box and the score will be added to the high score board when you click the "Add Score" button.

After you have added your score, You can click either of the two navigation buttons on the screen to either **play the game again** or return to the **main menu**. If you wish to clear the scores, click the "High Scores" menu strip item and then click the "Clear High Scores" Item.

FAQ

Q) Can I rotate a block counter-clockwise?

A) No, Blocks can only be rotated clockwise.

Q) Can I start at a specific level?

A) No, every player will always start at level 1.

Q) What if I don't enter a name at the high score screen?

A) A score will still be added but it will use the name "Unknown"

Q) Can I use the mouse to play?

A) No, the game requires the use of the keyboard.

Q) Is there a most common/most rare piece in this game?

A) No, Each block has an equal probability of appearing. However, you'll never get the same block twice in a row.

Q) Can I see the scores past the top 10?

A) No, The top 10 score are the only scores that can be viewed.

Q) Can I view the next block?

A) Yes, this is shown at the bottom right of the game.