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This section uses the Same Game example application to illustrate how to debug Qt Quick applications in the **Debug** mode.

For more information about all the options you have, see Debugging Qt Quick Projects.

The Same Game demo shows how to write a game in QML, using JavaScript for all the game logic. Open the demo project in Qt Creator to debug it:

1. To look at the code that starts a new game, place a breakpoint in samegame.qml by clicking between the line number and the window border on the line where where the startNewGame() function is called (1).

The red circle indicates that a breakpoint is now set on that line number.

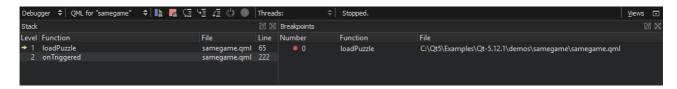
- 2. Select **Debug > Start Debugging > Start Debugging of Startup Project** or press **F5**.
- 3. Once the Same Game application starts, select **Puzzle** to start a new game.



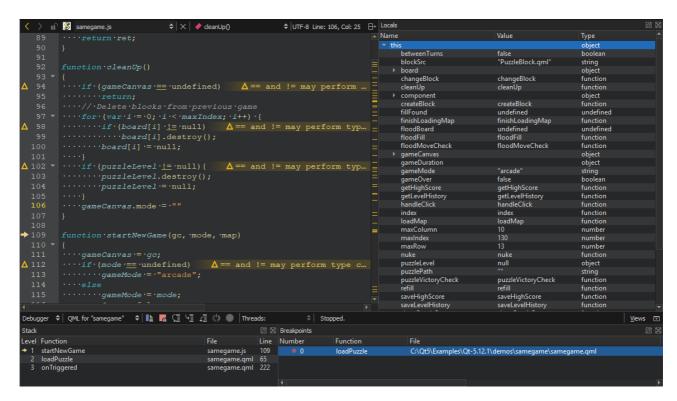




4. When the debugger hits the breakpoint, it interrupts the application. Qt Creator displays the nested function calls leading to the current position as a call stack trace (1).



5. Click the \(\frac{1}{2} \) (Step Into) button on the toolbar or press F11 to step into the code in the stack. The samegame.js file opens in the code editor at the function that starts a new game.



- 6. Examine the local variables in the **Locals** view. Step through the code to see how the information changes in the view.
- 7. Add a breakpoint at the end of the startNewGame() function, and click 🛂 (Continue) to hit the breakpoint.



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137 ······loadMap(map);

138 ····else//Note·that·we·load·them·in·reverse·order·for·correct·visual·stacking

139 ·····for·(var·column·=·maxColumn·>=·0;·column--)

140 ······for·(var·row·=·maxRow·-·1;·row·>=·0;·row--)

141 ·······createBlock(column,·row);

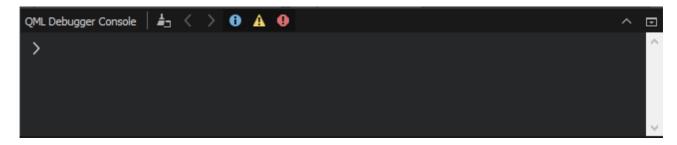
△ 142 ····if·(gameMode·==·"puzzle") △ == and != may perform type coercion, use === or !== to av...

143 ······getLevelHistory();//Needs·to·be·after·map·load

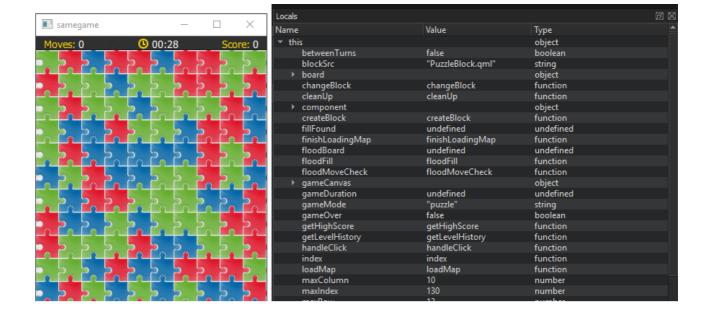
144 ····gameDuration·=·new·Date();

145 }
```

8. To execute JavaScript commands in the current context, open the QML Debugger Console.



- 9. To remove a breakpoint, right-click it and select **Delete Breakpoint**.
- 10. In the **Locals** view, explore the object structure at runtime.



- 11. Select **Debug** > **Show Application on Top** to keep the application visible while you interact with the debugger.
- 12. Select **Debug** > **Select** to activate selection mode and then click the **Menu** button to move into the **menuButton** component in the **Locals** view and the code editor.
- 13. In the Locals view, double-click the value of a property to change it.
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