

LSW Programming Interview

- **Initial game design (What I had in mind):-**

- I have played different sim-like games and Stardew Valley. I figured that the best design would include:-
 - Small city that the player can walk around.
 - Small shop in the map which the player can go inside.
 - ShopKeeper would move randomly within a specified area.
 - When talking to Shopkeeper, They'll look at the player and shop UI will show up.
 - Shop UI will include:-
 - Items that ShopKeeper sells.
 - Player inventory.
 - Player gold.
 - Shopkeeper Mugshot and text.
 - Functionality includes:-
 - Buying and equipping new clothes.
 - Selling items from inventory.
 - Players cannot sell their equipped outfit pieces.
 - Player cannot buy items that cost more than gold they have.

- **Obstacles:-**

- Finding good spritesheets. Eventually I had to grab one from asset store.
- I am not perfect with animating (clothes don't look perfect on the character).
- It took me an entire day to prepare the animations for the player.
- I couldn't find Tilesets to use for a city or a shop.

- **What I created:-**

- I managed to get most of the design sheet done.
- Working functionality:-
 - Players are able to buy/sell/equip new outfits.
 - Players are able to equip clothes from their inventory.
 - ShopKeeper walks in specified waypoints
 - Players need to get close to ShopKeeper to be able to talk to them
 - Players cannot sell their equipped outfit pieces.

- Players cannot buy items that cost more than gold they have.
- **How does the game work?:-**
 - Walk around using arrow keys or WASD.
 - Clicking any item from inventory equips it.
 - Walk closer to ShopKeeper and press T to talk to them.
 - Clicking any item from Shop UI buys and equips them.
 - Clicking any item from Shop UI inventory sells them.
- **Future Improvements:-**
 - Save/Load system to keep track of purchased items using PlayerPrefs.
 - Improve the animations.
 - Add Hair options to the character.
 - Add Accessories options to the shop.
 - Refactor the code:-
 - I considered using DI (Dependency Injection) ex; InputHandler..to make the code Unit Testable.

Overall I think I have managed to get 75-80% of what I have planned done. So, I hope you really like it!
Looking forward to hearing from you!