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CS Foundations Project Proposal Group 1:

Motivation & Scope: We wanted to create a program that was fun and made use of the concepts talked about in this course and so we decided to make a program that plays blackjack (or 21) with the user. Blackjack is a very simple card game that can be played between a player and a dealer and is a staple of most casinos. This program will allow a player to play a game of blackjack and have the following features:

- Instructions on how to play the game and use the program
- A fake "money" counter to tally the wins and losses of a player
- A difficulty setting that will influence how favorable the random number generator is to the player. This can be altered between rounds
- The ability to play the game turn by turn in the console, and then (if the player has enough fake money) allow them to keep playing after the conclusion of a round.
- The ability to quit the game mid-round

Outline & Schedule: The group plans to approach this project in the following steps:

- Write succinct instructions to be displayed on the console about how to play and operate the program
- 2. Write a function to shuffle and deal the "cards"
- 3. Write a function to apply the round by round structure of the game
- 4. Modify functions to implement the difficulty parameter to influence the way the cards are dealt and the starting money of the user
- 5. Create a function that displays a console menu that allows the user to start a game, view instructions, or exit
- 6. **By November 23rd:** Play-testing the program
- 7. Prepare the program and reports for general audience
- 8. Final presentation

Each of these steps should take 1-3 days to complete and will be evenly divided among the group. The group will work through a github repository and will meet once a week with additional meetings possible if needed. The group will stay in communication as they work on this project.