

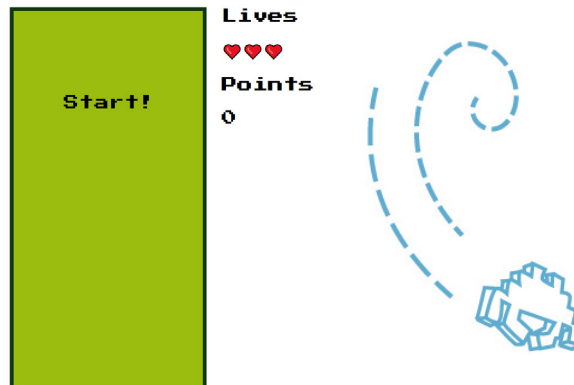
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1. Open the file Game.html. It will use your computer's default browser. You should see something like this. What happens when you click on "Start!"?
2. This game is missing all collision and controls, and those need to be fixed before the game will run properly. Open the script.js file in a code editor.

You'll see several sections of code with nothing in them but long comments.



```
9 document.addEventListener("keydown", event => {
10   // use switch case to check if the right or left arrow is pressed, take the parameter event.key
11
12   // first case - if the right arrow "ArrowRight" is pressed, the paddle has the moveRight() function applied to it, and the loop is broken (break;)
13
14   // second case - if the left arrow "ArrowLeft" is pressed, the paddle has the moveLeft() function applied to it, and the loop is broken (break;)
15
16   // default case
17
18 });
19
```

3. Let's start with this section, the "event listener" for "keydown", this part of the code is always going to check for keys being pressed, and is how you're going to add controls to this game. See if you can follow the hints to guess what the code will do before moving on.

4. The first comment (line 10) suggests using switch case with the input parameter "event.key". In code, that looks like this:

```
switch (event.key) {
}
```

5. There are two cases under this switch statement - if the "ArrowRight" is pressed, or if the "ArrowLeft" is pressed. There is also a default case.

The "moveRight()" and "moveLeft()" functions are already written, you just need to apply them. Inside the switch statement, write the following code:

```
case "ArrowRight":
  paddle.moveRight();
  break;
```

```
case "ArrowLeft":
  paddle.moveLeft();
  break;
```

```
default:
  break;
```

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11   switch (event.key) {
12     // first case - if the right arrow "ArrowRight"
13     case "ArrowRight":
14       paddle.moveRight();
15       break;
16     // second case - if the left arrow "ArrowLeft"
17     case "ArrowLeft":
18       paddle.moveLeft();
19       break;
20     // default case
21     default:
22       break;
23   }
24 });
```



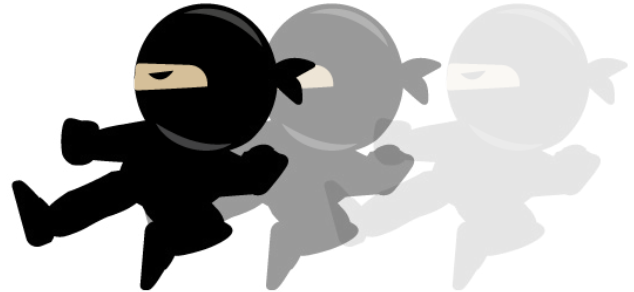
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6. Save the script (most code editors will let you use "Ctrl+S" to save), and then refresh the page (press the F5 key) you opened earlier containing the Game.html file.

You can press left or right to move the paddle but the paddle never stops moving! Refresh the page to restart it. Open the script back up, it's time to code the "keyup" event listener.



7. The "keyup" code is identical to the "keydown" code, except this time you're using the "stop()" function instead of the "moveLeft()" and "moveRight()" functions.

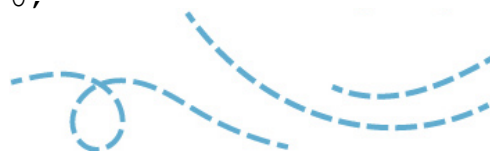
```
switch (event.key) {  
  case "ArrowRight":  
    paddle.stop();  
    break;  
  case "ArrowLeft":  
    paddle.stop();  
    break;  
  default:  
    break;  
}
```



```
26 document.addEventListener("keyup", event => {  
27   // all that needs to be different here is  
28   // use switch case to check if the right c  
29   switch (event.key) {  
30     // first case - if the right arrow is rel  
31     case "ArrowRight":  
32       paddle.stop();  
33       break;  
34     // second case - if the left arrow is rel  
35     case "ArrowLeft":  
36       paddle.stop();  
37       break;  
38     // default case  
39     default:  
40       break;  
41   }  
42 });
```

8. Save the script, and refresh the Game.html page. The controls stop when you need them to now, but the paddle can go over the sides of the screen. Let's block that using the constant we're calling "paddleCheck".
9. First, let's make an if statement that stops the paddle's x-value going lower than 0. This means the paddle can't pass any further left in the game space than the left border.

```
if (paddle.x <= 0) {  
  paddle.x = 0;  
}
```



10. Figuring out the right border is a little harder, we can measure the width of the scene and use that exact value, but there's a better way to do it! We can use "defaults.width" to check the width of the game, and paddle.w to check the width of the paddle object.

```
if (paddle.x >= defaults.width  
    - paddle.w) {  
  paddle.x = defaults.width -  
    paddle.w;  
}
```



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11. The completed "paddleCheck" should look like the screenshot to the right.

After saving the script and refreshing the Game.html page, your paddle should no longer be able to leave the screen.

```
44 const paddleCheck = () => {  
45   // the object "paddle" needs a left boundary  
46   if (paddle.x <= 0) {  
47     paddle.x = 0;  
48   }  
49   // and a right boundary, the "paddle" object  
50   if (paddle.x >= defaults.width - paddle.w) {  
51     paddle.x = defaults.width - paddle.w;  
52   }  
53 };
```

12. Now it's time to fix the most obvious problem the game has left - the collision! We've already done one collision check - "paddleCheck" test collision between the walls and the paddle. What other collisions are left?

The ball will collide with the blocks at the top of the screen, the ball will collide with the player's paddle, and the ball will collide with the bounds of the wall.

Inside the code for ballsBlockCheck, we're going to add some new code that will apply to every block that's ever in the scene, even if the ones from a previous level are deleted and the new levels have many more blocks.

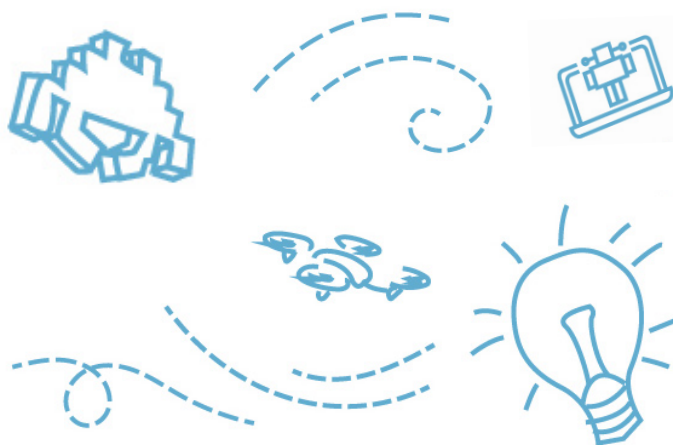
```
for (const block of game.blocks) {  
}
```

13. So what happens when the ball is touching a block?

First, it's going to bounce. Then, we're going to have the game play a sound, audio feedback adds a fun layer to games. Then, the player scores a point for hitting a block. Last, the block needs to be removed.

Those 4 actions can be broken down into 4 functions:

```
if (ball.isTouching(block)) {  
  ball.bounceWith(block);  
  synth.playBlockSound();  
  game.addPoints();  
  game.remove(block);  
}
```



```
55 const ballBlockCheck = () => {  
56   // for all blocks in the game - the  
57   for (const block of game.blocks) {  
58     // if the object "ball" isTouching  
59     if (ball.isTouching(block)) {  
60       // then the object "ball" will bounce  
61       ball.bounceWith(block);  
62       // then the object "synth" will play  
63       synth.playBlockSound();  
64       // then to the game object, apply the  
65       game.addPoints();  
66       // then to the game object, apply the  
67       game.remove(block);  
68     }  
69   }  
70 };
```

Check your script against the image above, save it, and then refresh the Game.html to test it. Well, there's no testing you can do if it's going through the paddle; let's code that next.

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14. Move onto the "ballPaddleCheck" statement.

Inside, we want to add code telling the ball what to do when it hits the paddle. Just 2 things this time: it needs to bounce and play a sound.

```
if (ball.isTouching(paddle)) {  
  ball.bounceWith(paddle);  
  synth.playPaddleSound();  
}
```

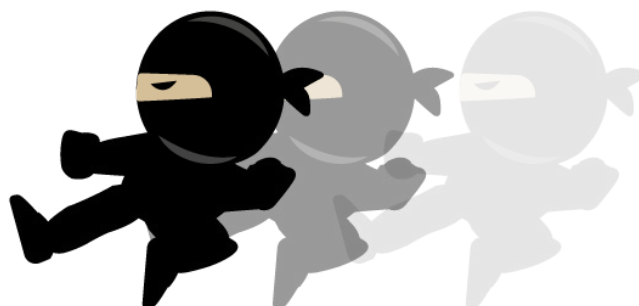
```
72 const ballPaddleCheck = () => {  
73   // if the object "ball" isTouching  
74   if (ball.isTouching(paddle)) {  
75     // then the object "ball" will bou  
76     ball.bounceWith(paddle);  
77     // and then the object "synth" wil  
78     synth.playPaddleSound();  
79   }  
80 };
```

15. Save the script, refresh Game.html and playtest your game a little now. You might be able to play for a little bit, but as soon as the ball hits any of the boundaries of the screen, you'll run into problems.

Go back to the script.js file, and find the blank "ballBoundsCheck". There are several comments here to guide you. Can you follow their hints and write all of the code for the "ballBoundsCheck"? The next few steps go over the code you need to write here.

16. First, let's go over the code you need for what happens when the ball hits the left wall. A boolean already exists for it, "ballHitLeftWall()", and the ball has properties vx for horizontal motion, and vy for vertical motion.

```
if (ballHitLeftWall()) {  
  ball.x = 0;  
  ball.vx = -ball.vx;  
  synth.playWallSound();  
}
```



```
84 if (ballHitLeftWall()) {  
85   // then the object "bal  
86   ball.x = 0;  
87   // then the object "bal  
88   ball.vx = -ball.vx;  
89   // then the object "syn  
90   synth.playWallSound();  
91 }  
92 // if ballHitRightWall()
```

17. The code for what happens when the ball hits the right wall is very similar to when it hits the left wall.

```
if (ballHitRightWall()) {  
  ball.x = game.width;  
  ball.vx = -ball.vx;  
  synth.playWallSound();  
}
```

```
93 if (ballHitRightWall()) {  
94   // then the object "bal  
95   ball.x = game.width;  
96   // then the object "bal  
97   ball.vx = -ball.vx;  
98   // then the object "syn  
99   synth.playWallSound();  
100 }
```



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18. What happens when the ball hits the ceiling? It's similar to what happens when the ball hits the walls, but along the y-axis instead of the x-axis.

```
if (ballHitCeiling()) {  
    ball.y = 0;  
    ball.vy = -ball.vy;  
    synth.playCeilingSound();  
}
```

```
102     if (ballHitCeiling()) {  
103         // then the object "ball"  
104         ball.y = 0;  
105         // then the object "ball"  
106         ball.vy = -ball.vy;  
107         // then the object "synth"  
108         synth.playCeilingSound();  
109     }
```

19. The last line of "ballBoundsCheck" has one thing that's very new - the removeLife() function. If the player lets the ball go past the paddle and hit the floor, then they lose a life. Here's how to code that:

```
if (ballHitFloor()) {  
    ball.y = 200;  
    synth.playFloorSound();  
    removeLife();  
}
```

```
111     if (ballHitFloor()) {  
112         // then the object "ba  
113         ball.y = 200;  
114         // then the object "sy  
115         synth.playFloorSound();  
116         // then the function r  
117         removeLife();  
118     }
```

20. Save the script.js file. You're done! You can refresh the Game.html file or open it again to play Brick Breaker. If you have time, you can even try out some of the bonus activities that have you look into the code for the Game.html and setup.js files.

