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Self-Analysis

For the final project this semester I was the Project Manager. In other words, I made sure group members were working together fluidly and efficaciously. In the first steps of the project when we had to decide on a game concept and project roles, I helped organize our ideas by writing them down in a word document and by writing the pros and cons of each game. These also helped me write out the project description by the end of the first week. There were also times where there was conflict in the group, such as when we were making the flow charts. Mia and Ben both made flow charts and there were some issues as far as agreements and cooperation were concerned. As project manager, I stepped in to help by suggesting that they could combine their ideas to create the optimum flow chart.

Not only did I assist conflicts, but I also inputted suggestions and helped with the coding. Although Kevin did a large amount of the main coding as programmer, when he was stuck I tried to give advice about different ways of accomplishing a task or fixing a mistake. I must admit, there were times where I got lost or confused with the coding, but I tried my best to help out in any way. I created the title page as well as the instructions page for the game. Kaitlin and I worked together to create some of the Booleans, including the title screen button functions. I also helped Kevin with some of the visual aspects of the game’s code, such as the board and aesthetics (even though it’s rather basic looking).

Overall, the project was a struggle, but with organization and hard work our team persevered through our conflicts and obstacles to overcome the challenge. We definitely underestimated the amount of skill and time it would take to code a Checkers game. However, we made some modifications from our original planning to make the game successful. This included aspects such as manually moving and removing pieces (the game works on an honors system). With our team’s flexibility and determination the project was completed on time and we are all satisfied with our work and the results.