

PROJECT TITLE: SNAKES AND LADDER GAME

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Problem Statement:

Write a C program to implement the snake and ladder game described below.

- a) Consider a grid of 10x10.
- b) The starting point is number '1' and winning point is number '100'.
- c) The players must throw a dice (in this case enter a number between 1-6).
Based on the number entered the respective player's pawn is either moved forward or backward based on whether a ladder is present or a snake is present.
- d) A file snakes.txt should hold information on the number of snakes present, length of snake and position of snake. For example - 4 small snakes with length 10 units and 2 large snakes with length 15 units can be considered. The length indicates if the snake head is at number 26 then tail would be at 16 for a small length snake.

- e) A file ladder.txt should hold information on the number of ladders present, length of ladder and position of ladder. For example - 3 small ladders are present in the numbers 5, 33, 89. Small ladders are of the length 10 units. i.e if the base of the ladder is at 5 then its tip will be at 15. 2 large ladders are present in numbers 29 and 74. Large ladders are of the length 20 units. I.e if the base of the ladder is at 29 then its tip will be at 49.
- f) When the player reaches number 100, the winner must be declared.

Design Steps:

1. The main code has definitions and declarations of functions. Each function implements the features mentioned in the problem statement. A welcome screen is displayed at the beginning of the game, where the number of players and player names is taken as input.
2. Global variables are used to store the length, position and number of different types of snakes and ladders (i.e., one three variables each for small snakes, long snakes, small ladders and long ladders)
3. A structure for players to store their names and position as input (positions are initialised to 0).
4. File_Input function to take input from the text files and provide the appropriate data for snakes and ladders from the text files.
5. Usual_Process function to handle the usual game methods, i.e., moving forward when a number is inputted or a ladder is encountered, and moving back when a snake is encountered.
6. Corner_Cases for handling corner cases like bounceback (explained below) when a player seems to move more than 100 or when more than one six comes up or when three sixes come up, etc.
7. A custom header file to fix the positions of snakes and ladders (i.e., to implement the dynamic snakes and ladders feature described below).
8. Some additional header files to add some delay and to enable the press any key to end the game feature (described below).

Additional Features:

- **Checking Input Validity:** Checking if input is within 1 to 6 (both inclusive) in each input.
- **Opening with a one:** A player has to come up with a 1 in order to start the game.
- **A twist in the last feature:** When a 1 comes up for a player, that player is allowed to move, but he doesn't move in that turn. He can progress forward from the next turn
- **Multiple sixes rule:** If a six comes up, the player gets another chance to roll the dice after moving six places. If another six comes up, the player can roll a dice again after moving six more places. However, if a six comes up a third time, the last two sixes along with this six will be cancelled, and the player will be sent back to the initial position and asked for a dice input again (initial position means before throwing 3 continuous sixes). For example, if a player is at 30, and he gets a six, he will move to 36 and will be asked for an input. Now if he gets a six, he will move to 42 and he will be asked for an input again. However, if he gets a six again (third six), then he will be sent back to 30 and asked for an input again.
- **Bounceback:** If a player is in a position, where his progress is limited, like in the case when player is at 96 (and he needs an exact 4 to win), if the player gets an input which will make him cross 100 by some places, then, the player moves to 100, then goes back by those many places. For example, if a player is at 98 and he gets a five, as $98+5=103$, he will go to 100 first, then come back to 97, as, $103-100=3$ and $100-3=97$
- **Dynamic Snakes and Ladders:** The position of the snakes and ladders are changed after every game, and the positions are decided randomly. So noting down the positions of snakes and ladders and avoiding or falling on them on purpose is prohibited.
- **Scoreboard:** When the game starts for the first time, Rues and welcome screen will be shown, however, as soon one of the players gives an input, a scoreboard will be shown noting down the positions of each player along with the name. This helps in tracking the position along with the messages popping up in the terminal.
- **Precise Display of Information:** Unlike earlier, the game will now show the details of only the current player, and there will be a 5 seconds gap before the turn of each player. This is primarily implemented to make the display

of the game clean with fewer but precise information, rather than showing the information of all players and letting them scroll up to see their previous positions.

- **Press any key to end the game:** On pressing any key after the game ends will clear the terminal of any data that had been shown during the game. This gives a feel of closing a game that has a UI (although this lacks a UI).

Role of team members:

| Student Name | Role |
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| Samriddha Chattopadhyay | Main function, Making of additional header files and Addition of padding in some places |
| Naram Keshav | Welcome function and File_Input function |
| Samir Bhauraoji Giripunje | Usual_Process function and search functions |
| Bondugula Pranav | Corner_Cases function, Bounceback implementation and Delays |

References:

- For libraries <https://cplusplus.com/reference/clibrary/>
- For implementation of random function
<https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/rand-and-srand-in-ccpp/>
- For brushing up file handling concepts
https://moodle.iitdh.ac.in/pluginfile.php/13836/mod_resource/content/1/0_9_files.pdf
- For addition of appropriate padding in some places
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/17ibGia3CUvyLoDYdaiQU3wcNW4RvPwT0/view?usp=sharing>

Results:

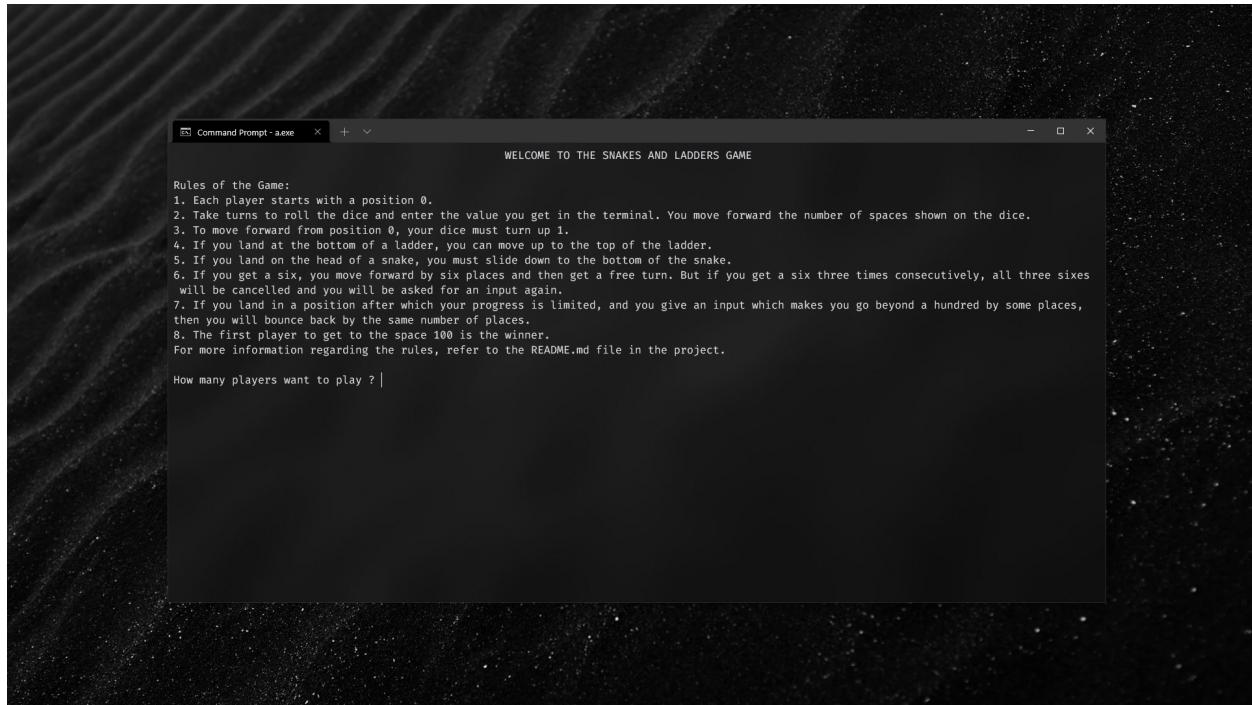


Fig 1 Depicts the welcome screen for players before starting the game

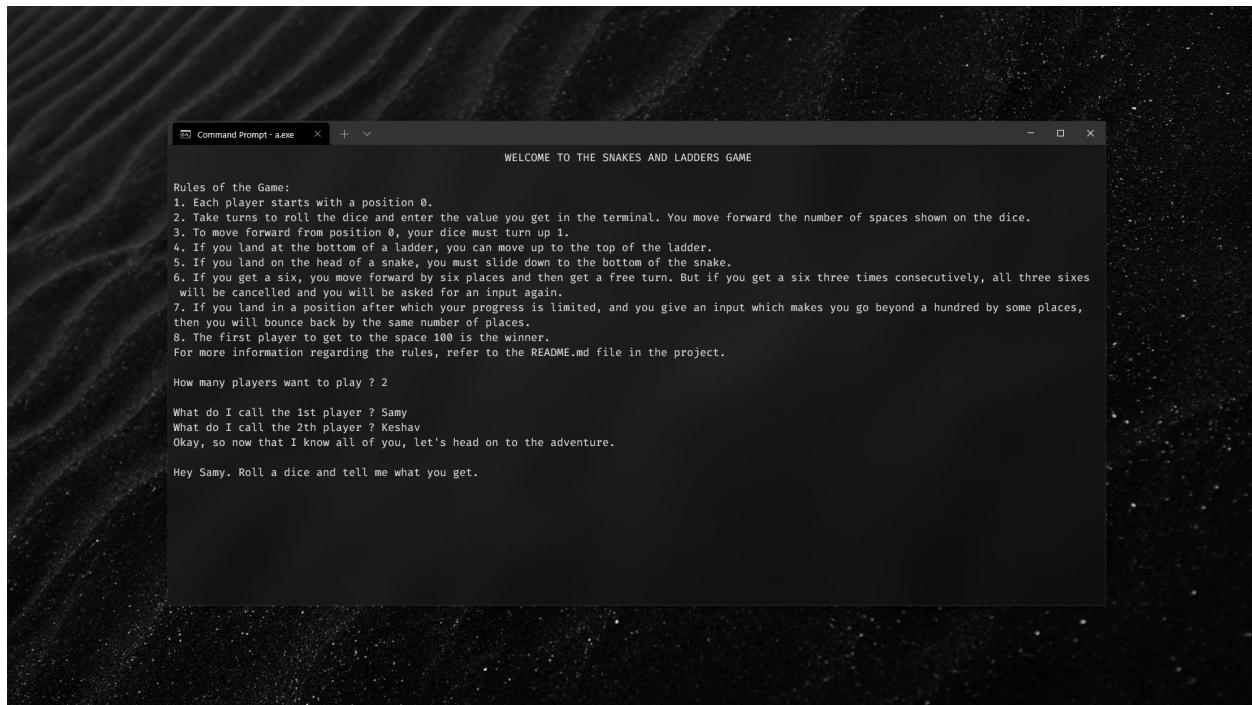


Fig 2 Depicts the welcome screen for players before starting the game

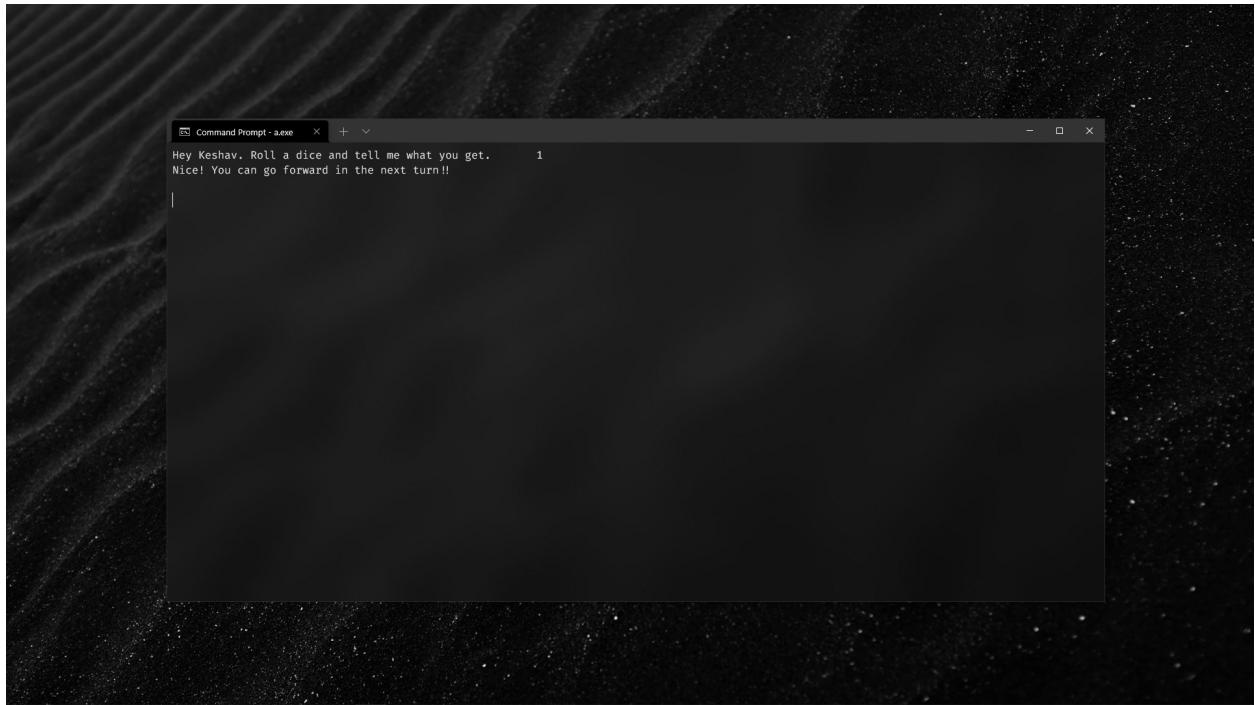


Fig 3 Depicts the opening with a one rule

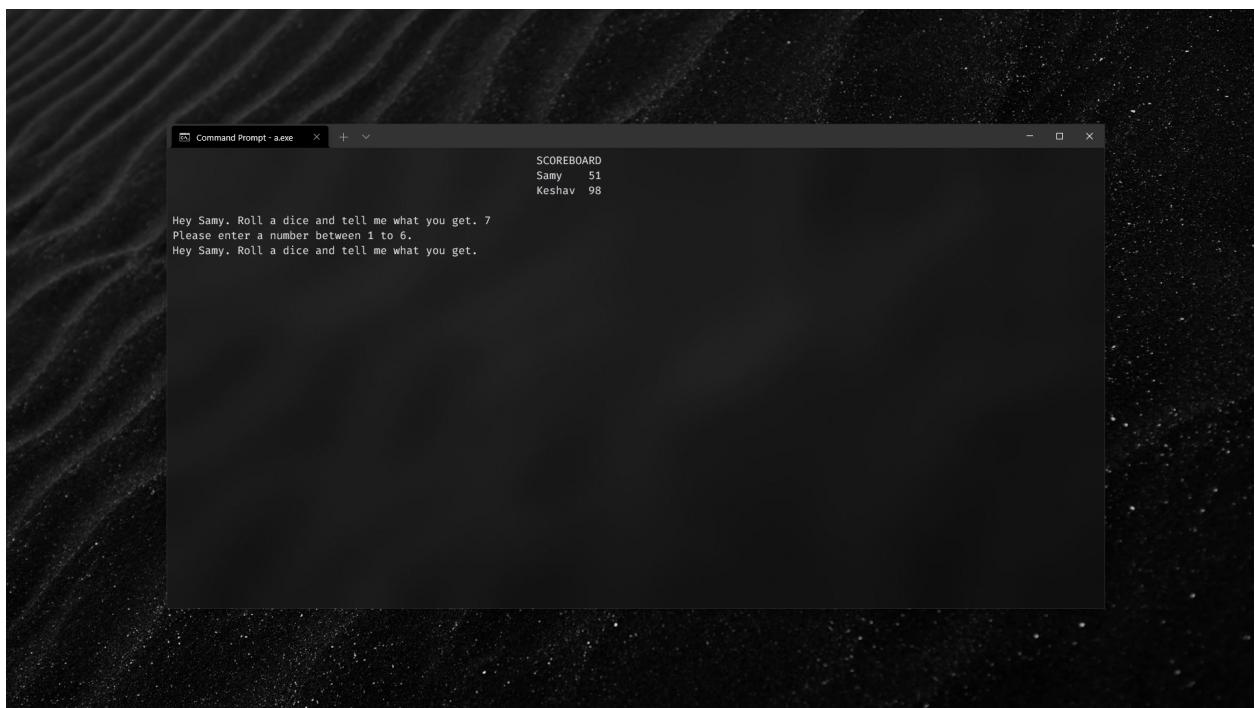


Fig 4 Depicts the rejection of invalid input

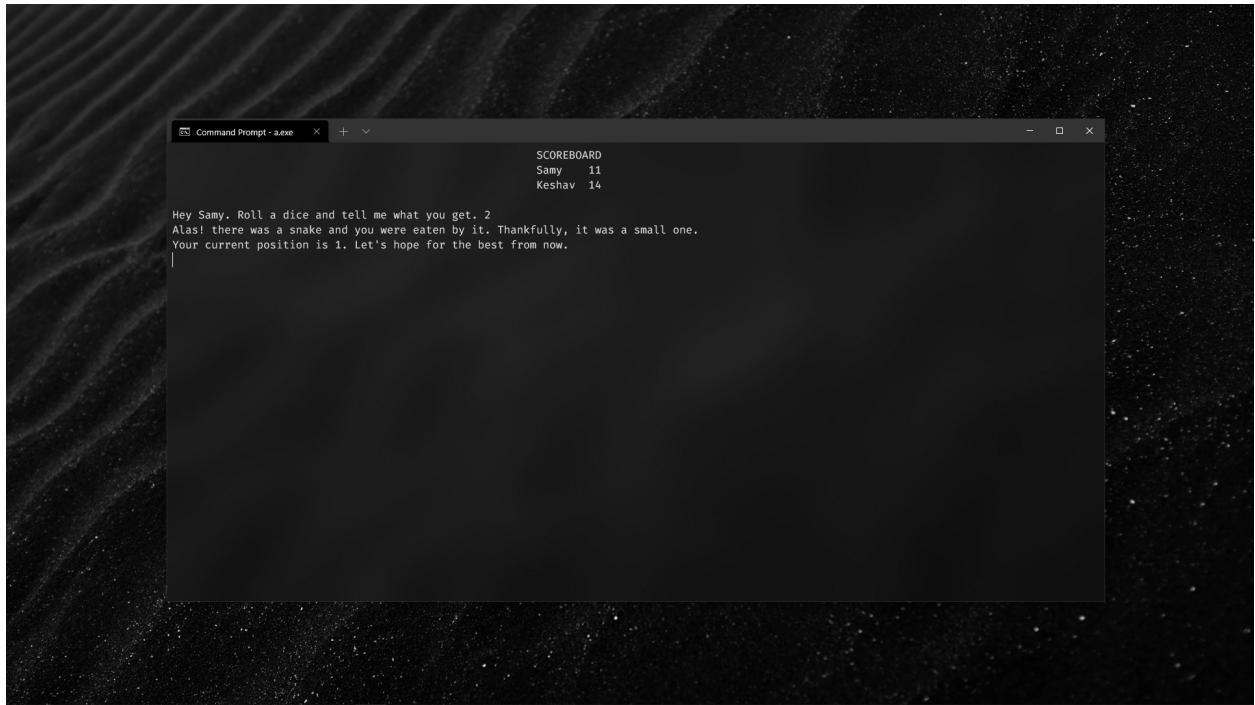


Fig 5 Usual rule of the game where the player goes back if he reaches a snake

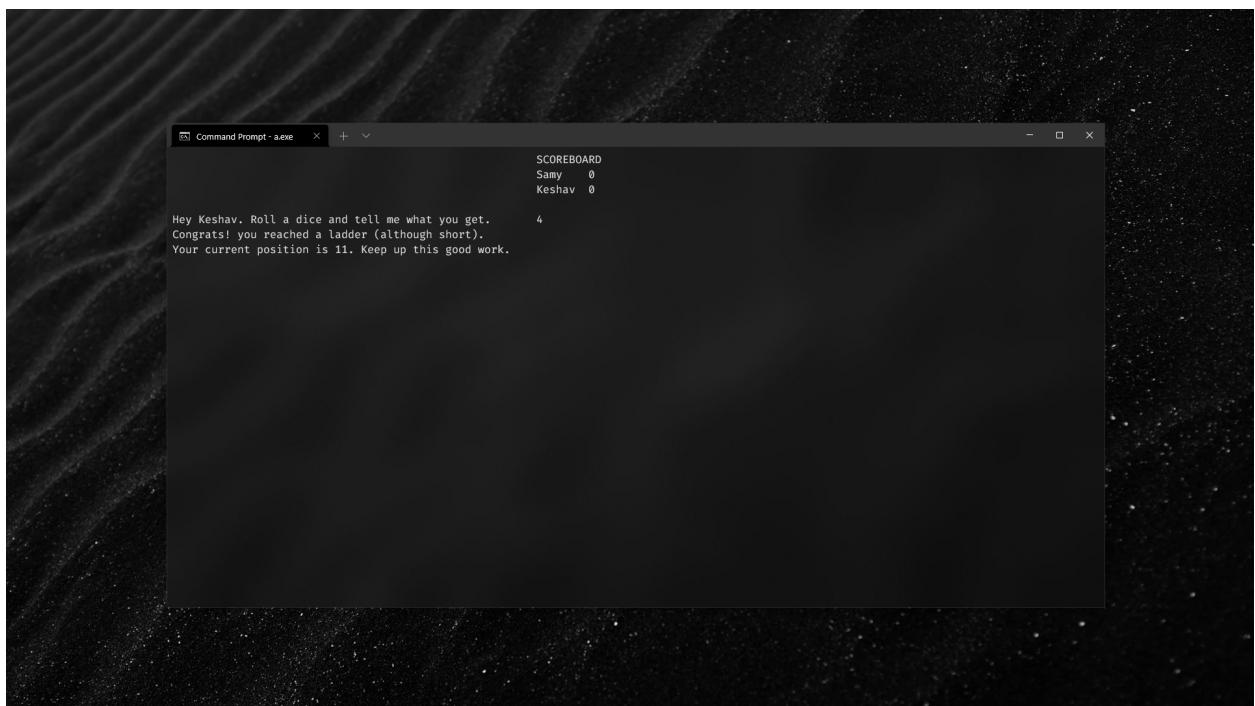


Fig 6 Usual rule of the game where the player goes ahead if he reaches a ladder

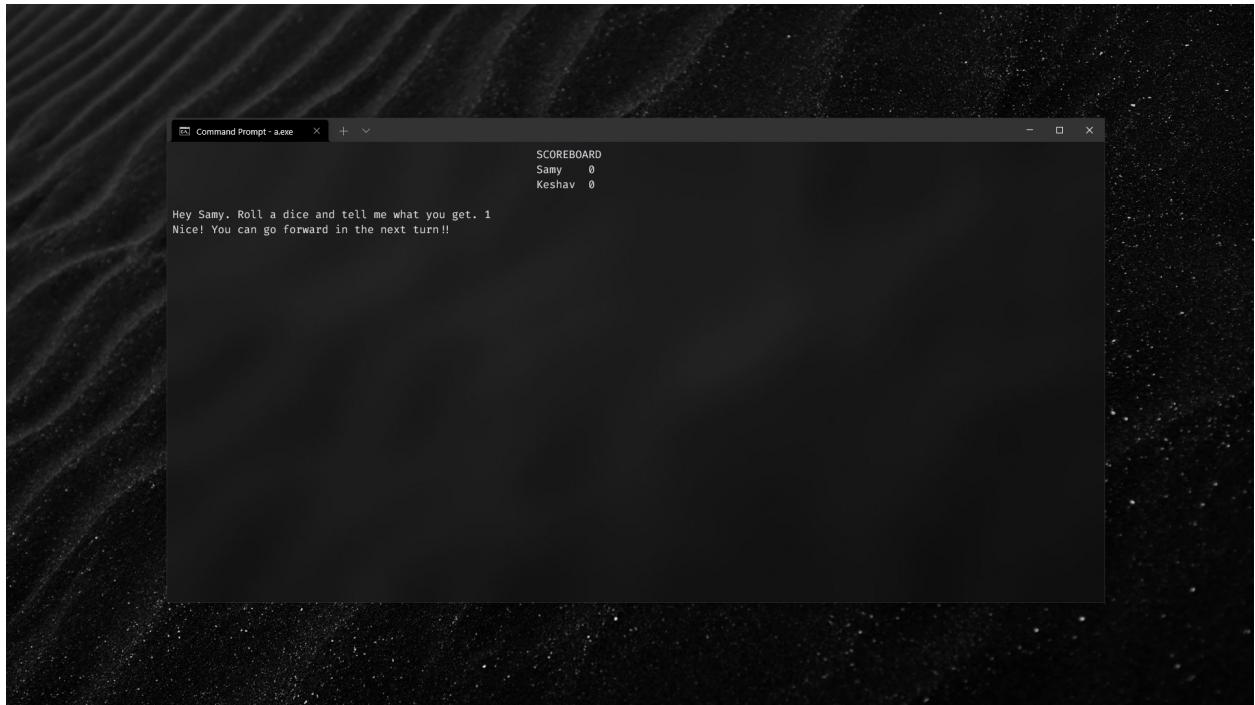


Fig 7 Depicts the scoreboard

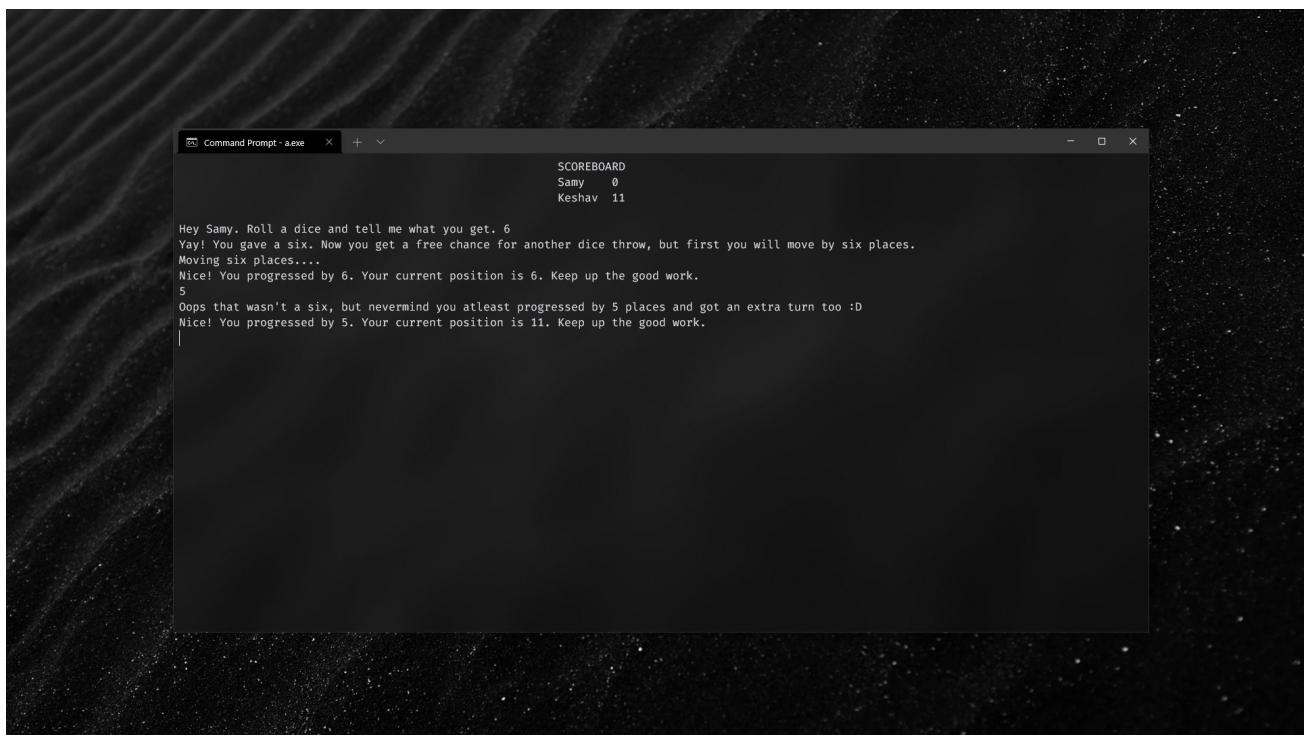


Fig 8 Depicts what happens when player gets one six

A screenshot of a Windows Command Prompt window titled "Command Prompt - a.exe". The window displays a game interface. At the top, it shows a "SCOREBOARD" with two entries: "Samy 1" and "Keshav 14". Below the scoreboard, the game's log output is displayed:

```
Hey Keshav. Roll a dice and tell me what you get.      6
Yay! You gave a six. Now you get a free chance for another dice throw, but first you will move by six places.
Moving six places....
Nice! You progressed by 6. Your current position is 20. Keep up the good work.
6
Yay! You gave another six. Now you get a free chance for another dice throw, but first you will move by six more places.
Moving six places....
Nice! You progressed by 6. Your current position is 26. Keep up the good work.
1
Phew!! ....That wasn't a six. You seem to have a crazy luck :)
Nice! You progressed by 1. Your current position is 27. Keep up the good work.
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Fig 9 Depicts what happens when player gets two sixes

A screenshot of a Windows Command Prompt window titled "Command Prompt - a.exe". The window displays a game interface. At the top, it shows a "SCOREBOARD" with two entries: "Samy 1" and "Keshav 27". Below the scoreboard, the game's log output is displayed:

```
Hey Samy. Roll a dice and tell me what you get. 6
Yay! You gave a six. Now you get a free chance for another dice throw, but first you will move by six places.
Moving six places...
Congrats! you reached a ladder.
Your current position is 19. Keep up this good work.
6
Yay! You gave another six. Now you get a free chance for another dice throw, but first you will move by six more places.
Moving six places...
Alas! there was a snake and you were eaten by it. Thankfully, it was a small one.
Your current position is 13. Let's hope for the best from now.
6
Oops! You gave another six, which made three sixes in a row. You get another chance, but these three sixes will be cancelled.
Your current position is 1
6
Ah....shit! Here we go again! :|
Yay! You gave a six. Now you get a free chance for another dice throw, but first you will move by six places.
Moving six places...
Congrats! you reached a ladder.
Your current position is 19. Keep up this good work.
5
Oops that wasn't a six, but nevermind you atleast progressed by 5 places and got an extra turn too :D
Congrats! you reached a ladder (although short).
Your current position is 31. Keep up this good work.
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Fig 10 Depicts what happens when player gets three sixes

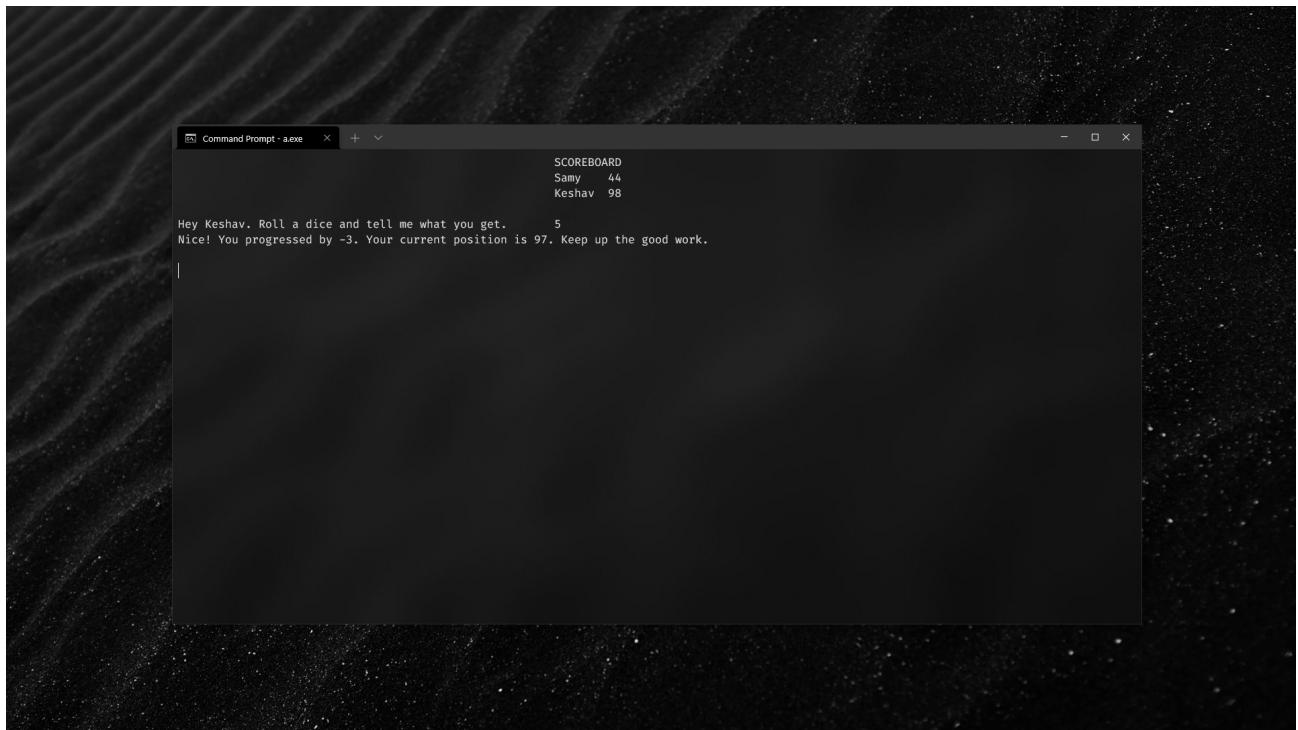


Fig 11 Depicts the bounceback rule

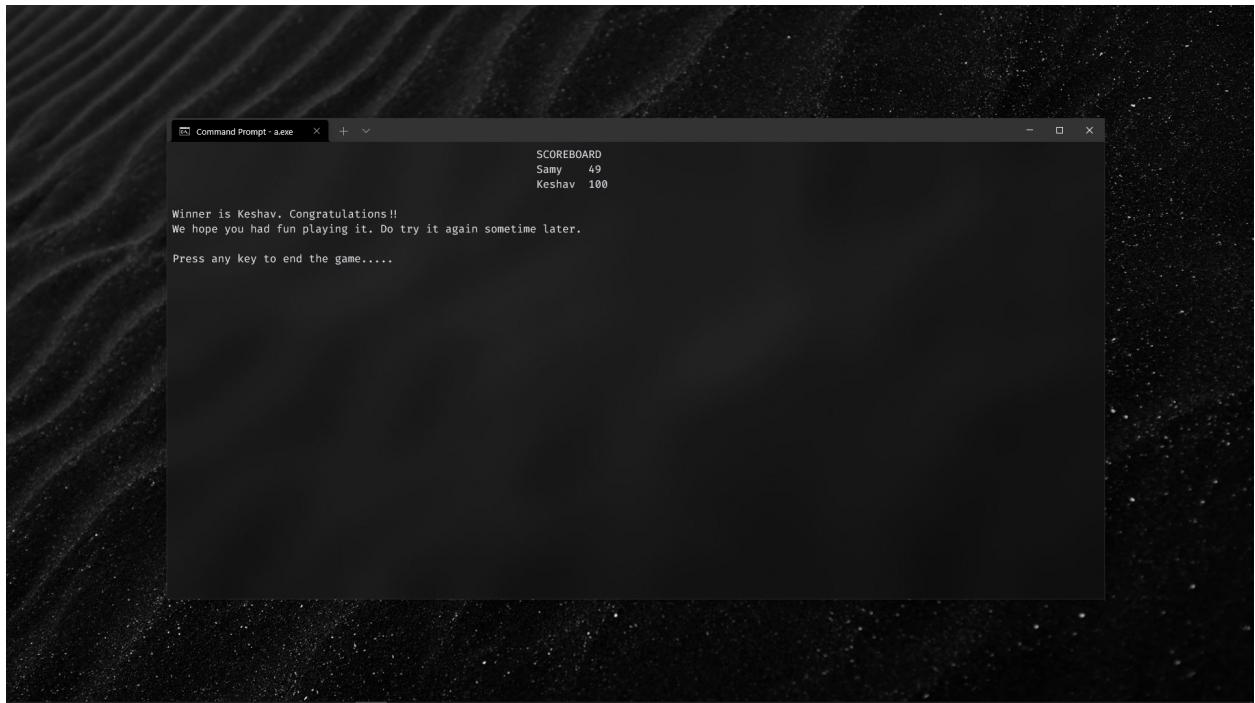


Fig 12 Depicts declaration of the winner as soon as someone reaches 100