

# WHAT WE WILL LEARN TODAY?

- I will learn and apply the coding concept of functions.
- I will create, test, and debug my Python code.
- I will embrace and demonstrate a coding mindset.

# IMPORTANT VOCABULARY

There are some important things for us to understand before we begin playing– let's review some concepts first!

Functions	Python	Syntax
a specially made command that can execute a group of commands (or any piece of code)	<p>a text-based computer programming language</p>  <pre>1 def travelled_walk(): 2     blocks.place(Block.YELLOW_FLOWER, positions.create(0, 0, 0)) 3     player.on_travelled(travelMethod.WALK, travelled_walk) 4 def on_chat(): 5     agent.teleport_to_player() 6     player.on_chat("Agent", on_chat) 7     player.say("Hello Python!")</pre>	<p>a set of rules that are used to create the programming language structure</p> <p><code>player.say("hi")</code></p>

# GOAL FOR THE DAY

Welcome!



Today, you will continue to develop the Agent. CodingMine wants to develop the Agent to help an ecological organization. This organization wants to plant a large number of trees and they must complete this task very quickly, as they have a fast approaching deadline! It is not an easy job to prepare the soil to plant pastures of trees... can the Agent help complete this task for the organization?

# CODING CONCEPTS

## Functions

**Functions** are a specially made command that can execute a group of commands (or any piece of code). Functions are a great way to shorten code and make it less confusing as they can replace repetitive parts, often sequences.

To write a function, you must write out the syntax **def**, which stands for define. By doing this, we are telling the computer that we want to make (or define) our own function. When naming a function, we should follow the same rules as when naming a variable. After the name, there is a pair of brackets followed by a colon.

## Comments

**Comments** are pieces of text in a code that the computer does not run. It is a great way to organize and annotate a code. Comments are mainly written so that any developer can look at the code and clearly understand what each part of the code does. In order to comment in a line of text in Python, you must use a hashtag (#) before the code comment.



# WELCOME



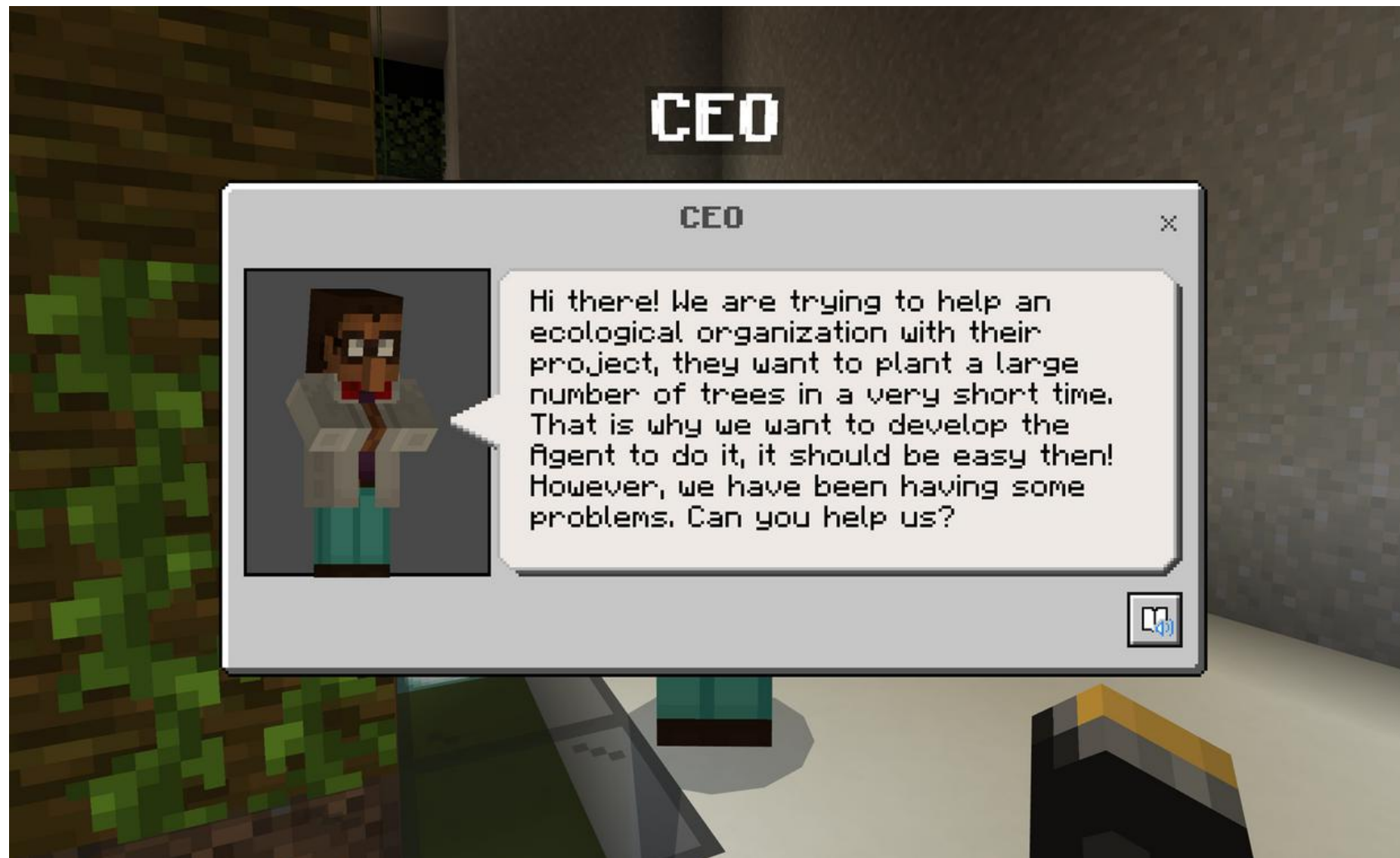
This is your spawn point,  
the location where you  
begin game play.

# TALK TO THE CEO





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This is the pop-up screen we will see on our screen.

After you have read the message, click on the "X" in the top right corner to continue game play.

# WALK INTO THE ROOM TO BEGIN





# ACTIVITY #1



Our first activity requires us to write code to have the Agent till, plant, and fertilize a row of trees in their designated spots. This activity has 2 parts.



# TALK TO THE DEVELOPER



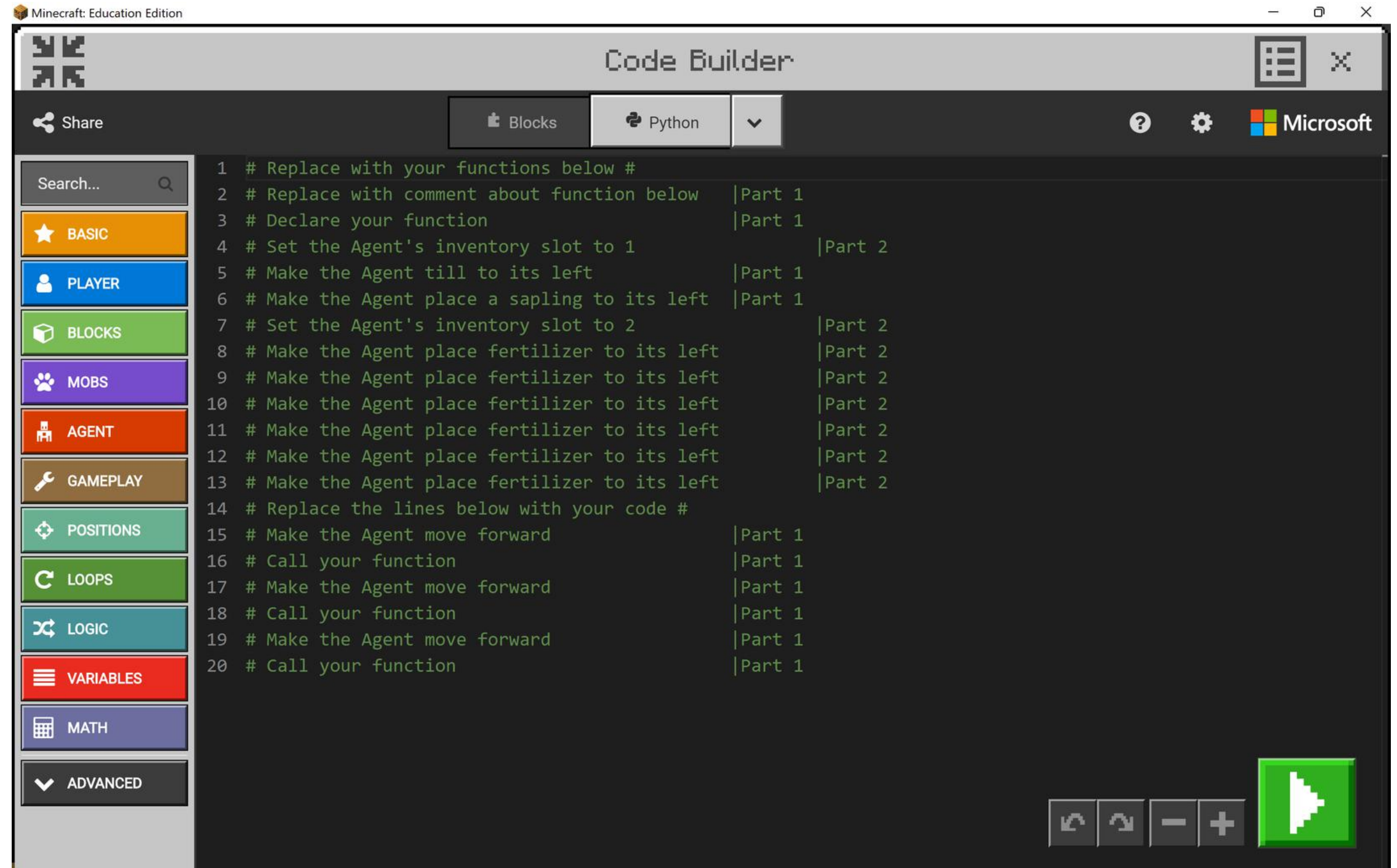
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# CREATE YOUR CODE: PART 1

## Part 1

Code the Agent to move toward while tilling and planting saplings on the grass blocks to its left. Make a function in the dedicated area of the coding window. Inside the function, write a sequence to have the Agent till and place a sapling to its left. Write some code to have the Agent move forward, while calling their function at certain intervals. (HINT: Write code comments about what each function does throughout your code to help you.)





# TEST YOUR CODE



You need to run your code after each part. This activity will be completed in 2 parts. The activity is complete when the Agent reaches the gold block.



# ACTIVITY #1: PART 2

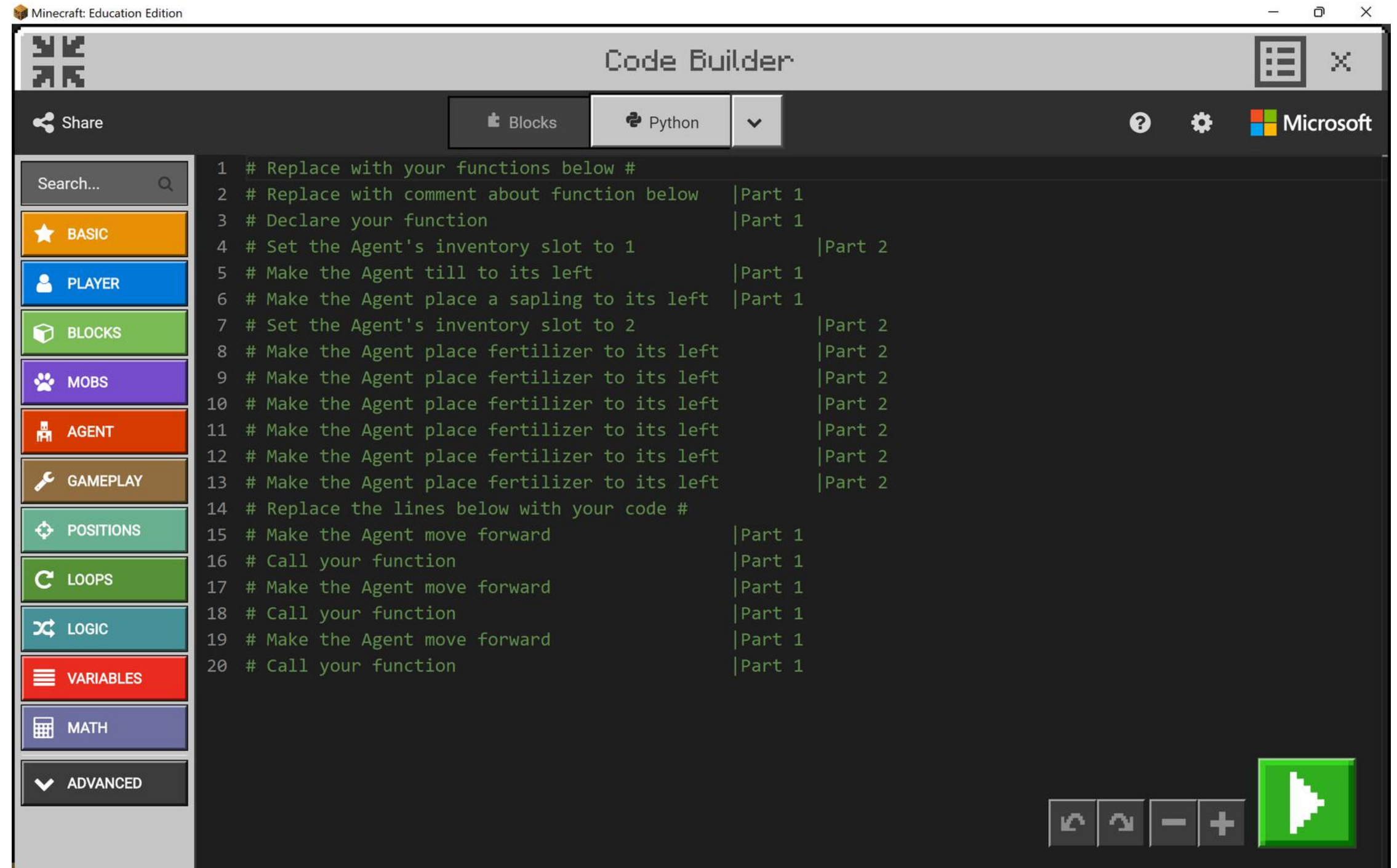




# CREATE YOUR CODE: PART 2

## Part 2

Now, you will add to your code so the Agent places fertilizer on each sapling five times. To do this, you will have to change the Agent's inventory slots, 1 and 2, each time. You only need to change the code in the function instead of having to change it each time in the main code. When you run your code, the Agent should move forward and on the grass blocks, the Agent should till, plant, and fertilize.





# TEST YOUR CODE





# MOVE TO THE NEXT AREA



Continue on to the next area and begin Activity #2.



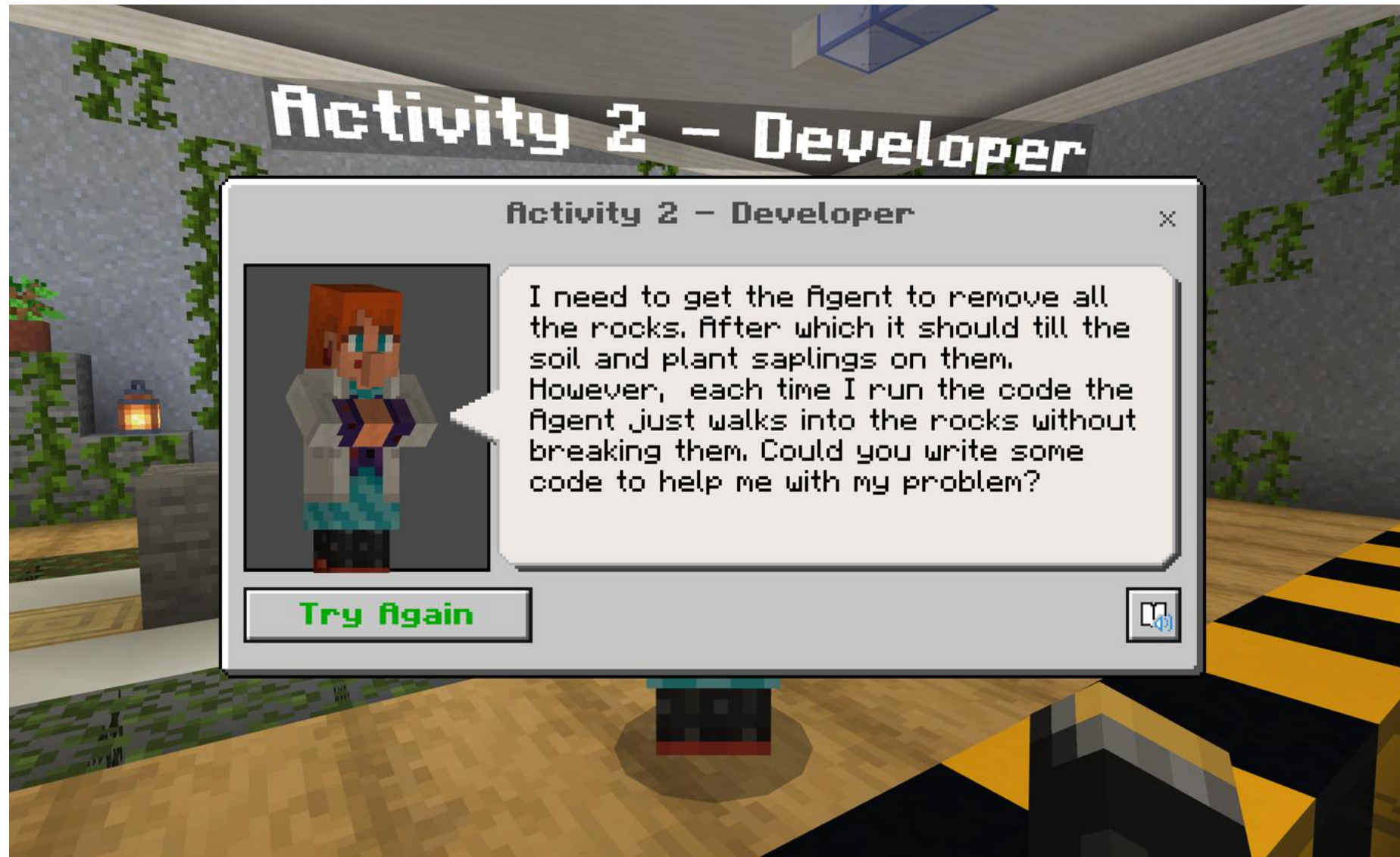
# ACTIVITY #2



Move towards the developer to find out about your next activity.



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# ACTIVITY #2

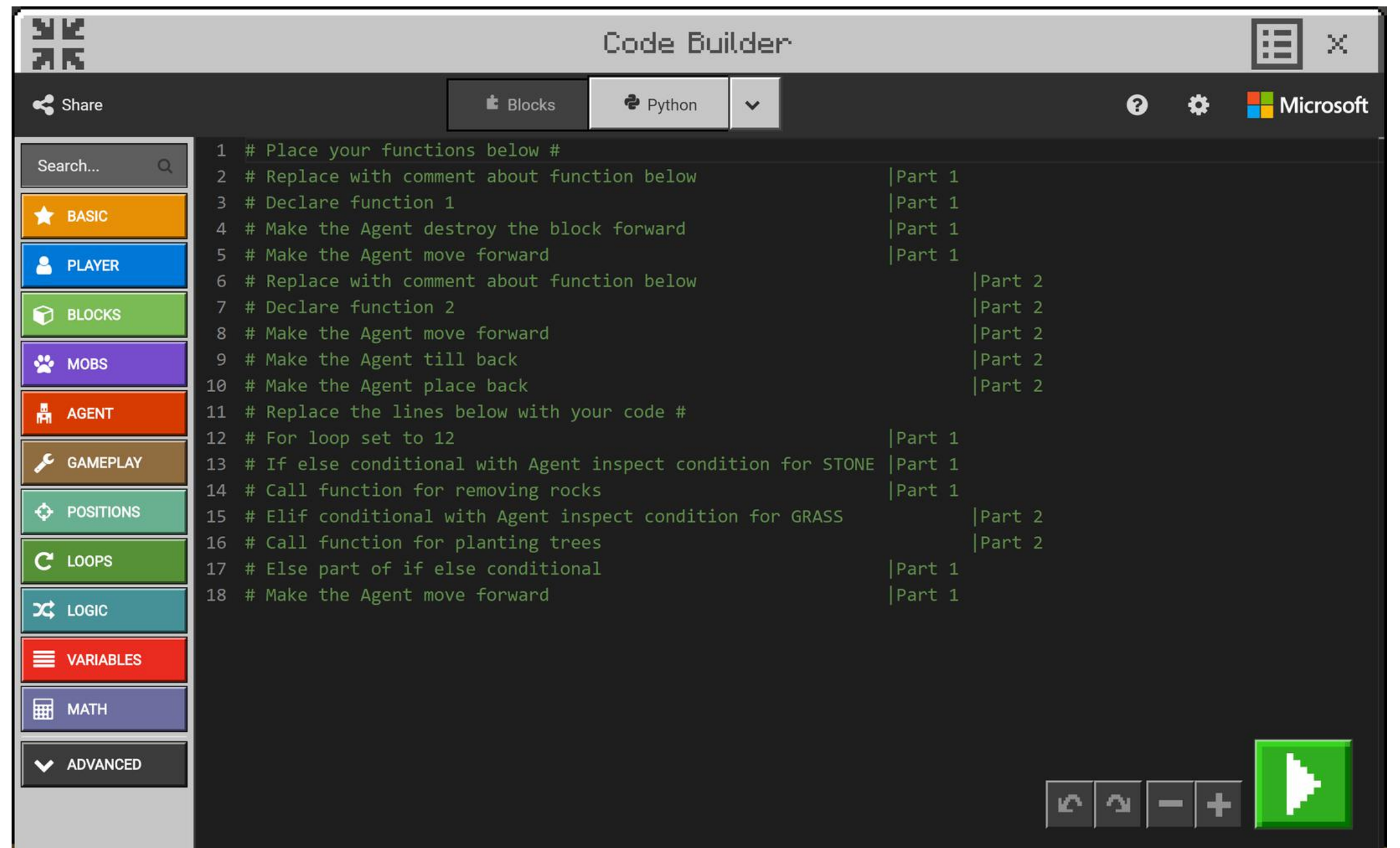


We are going to code the Agent to clear the ground of rocks and then till and plant saplings into their designated spots.

# CREATE YOUR CODE: PART 1

## Part 1

Code the Agent to move forward and break each stone in its path. You can complete this by writing a function to make the Agent break a block in front of it, collect it, and move forward.





# TEST YOUR CODE

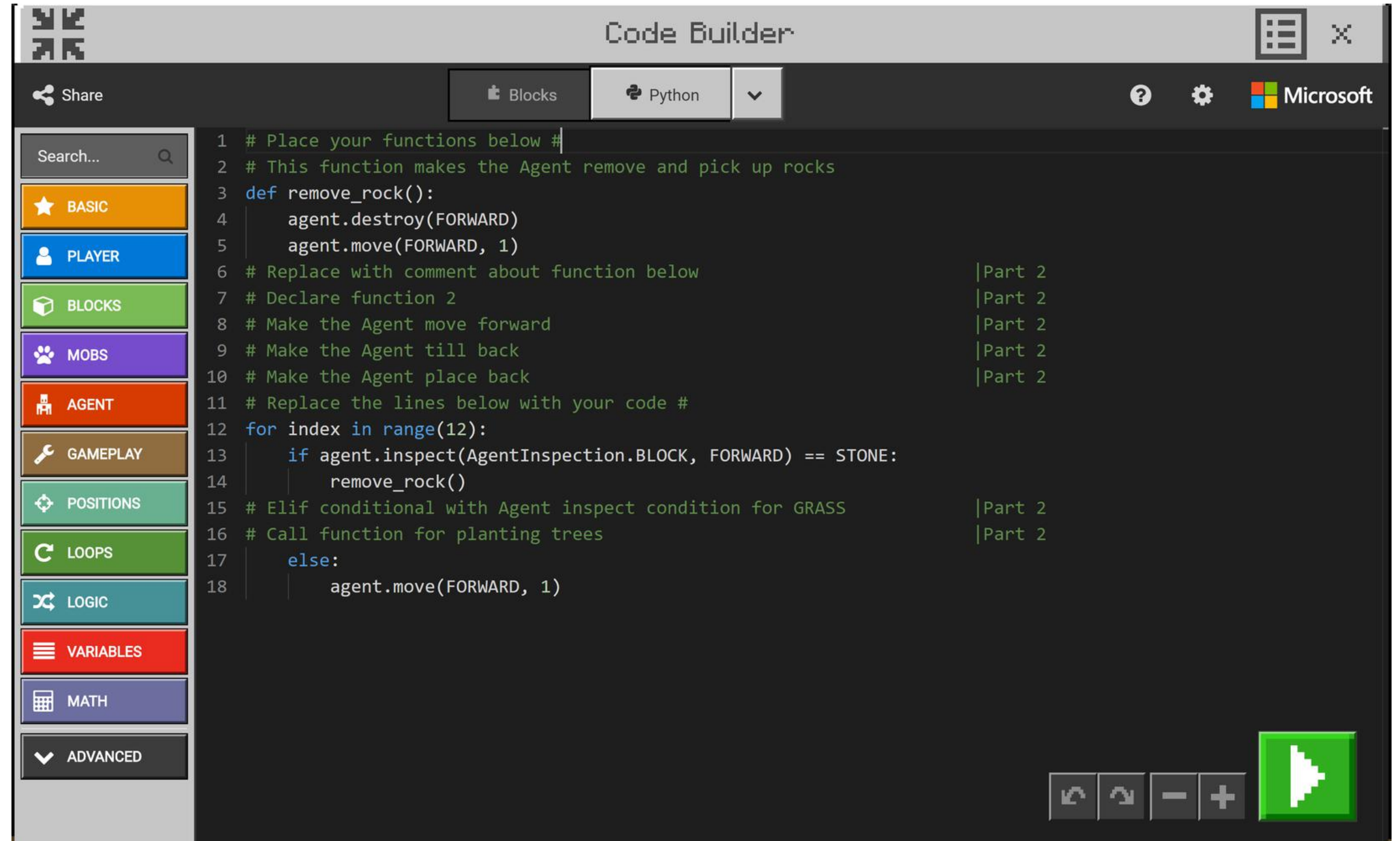




# CREATE YOUR CODE: PART 2

## Part 2

Now, the Agent needs to do the same things while tilling the soil and planting saplings. When the code is run, the Agent will move forward, breaking each stone, and till and plant saplings on the grass blocks. (HINT: The parameters for the Agent till and place commands need to be set to **back**, as the Agent cannot till and plant on the block that it is standing on).



The screenshot shows the Minecraft Code Builder interface. The top bar includes a 'Share' button, tabs for 'Blocks' and 'Python', and a Microsoft logo. The left sidebar contains a search bar and a list of categories: BASIC, PLAYER, BLOCKS, MOBS, AGENT, GAMEPLAY, POSITIONS, LOOPS, LOGIC, VARIABLES, MATH, and ADVANCED. The main area displays Python code for an agent to remove rocks and move forward. The code is as follows:

```
1 # Place your functions below #
2 # This function makes the Agent remove and pick up rocks
3 def remove_rock():
4     agent.destroy(FORWARD)
5     agent.move(FORWARD, 1)
6 # Replace with comment about function below |Part 2
7 # Declare function 2 |Part 2
8 # Make the Agent move forward |Part 2
9 # Make the Agent till back |Part 2
10 # Make the Agent place back |Part 2
11 # Replace the lines below with your code #
12 for index in range(12):
13     if agent.inspect(AgentInspection.BLOCK, FORWARD) == STONE:
14         remove_rock()
15 # Elif conditional with Agent inspect condition for GRASS |Part 2
16 # Call function for planting trees |Part 2
17 else:
18     agent.move(FORWARD, 1)
```

At the bottom right, there are buttons for undo, redo, and a large green 'Run' button.



# TEST YOUR CODE





# ACTIVITY #3



Walk over to the next area and talk to the Developer!



# TALK TO THE DEVELOPER

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# ACTIVITY #3



In this activity, you need to help code the Agent to move across a large area (Part 1) and then plant saplings only on grass blocks in the pasture (Part 2).



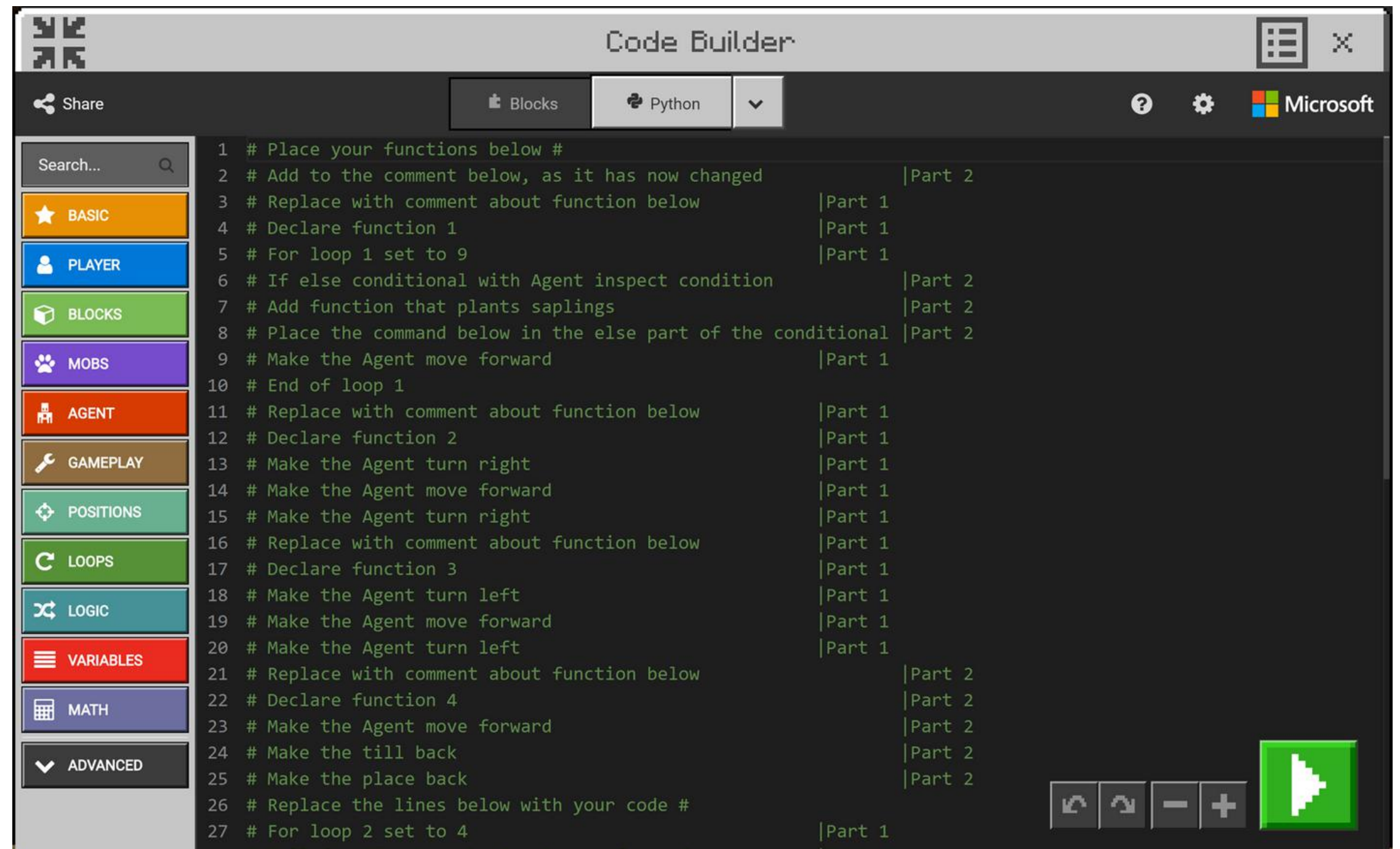
# CREATE YOUR CODE: PART 1

## Part 1

Code three new functions with sequences:

- One to make the Agent move forward
- One to make the Agent turn left
- One to make the Agent turn right

Then use these functions in a **for** loop to make the Agent pass over every block in the area, row by row, until it reaches the gold block.



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1 # Place your functions below #
2 # Add to the comment below, as it has now changed |Part 2
3 # Replace with comment about function below |Part 1
4 # Declare function 1 |Part 1
5 # For loop 1 set to 9 |Part 1
6 # If else conditional with Agent inspect condition |Part 2
7 # Add function that plants saplings |Part 2
8 # Place the command below in the else part of the conditional |Part 2
9 # Make the Agent move forward |Part 1
10 # End of loop 1
11 # Replace with comment about function below |Part 1
12 # Declare function 2 |Part 1
13 # Make the Agent turn right |Part 1
14 # Make the Agent move forward |Part 1
15 # Make the Agent turn right |Part 1
16 # Replace with comment about function below |Part 1
17 # Declare function 3 |Part 1
18 # Make the Agent turn left |Part 1
19 # Make the Agent move forward |Part 1
20 # Make the Agent turn left |Part 1
21 # Replace with comment about function below |Part 2
22 # Declare function 4 |Part 2
23 # Make the Agent move forward |Part 2
24 # Make the till back |Part 2
25 # Make the place back |Part 2
26 # Replace the lines below with your code #
27 # For loop 2 set to 4 |Part 1
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# TEST YOUR CODE

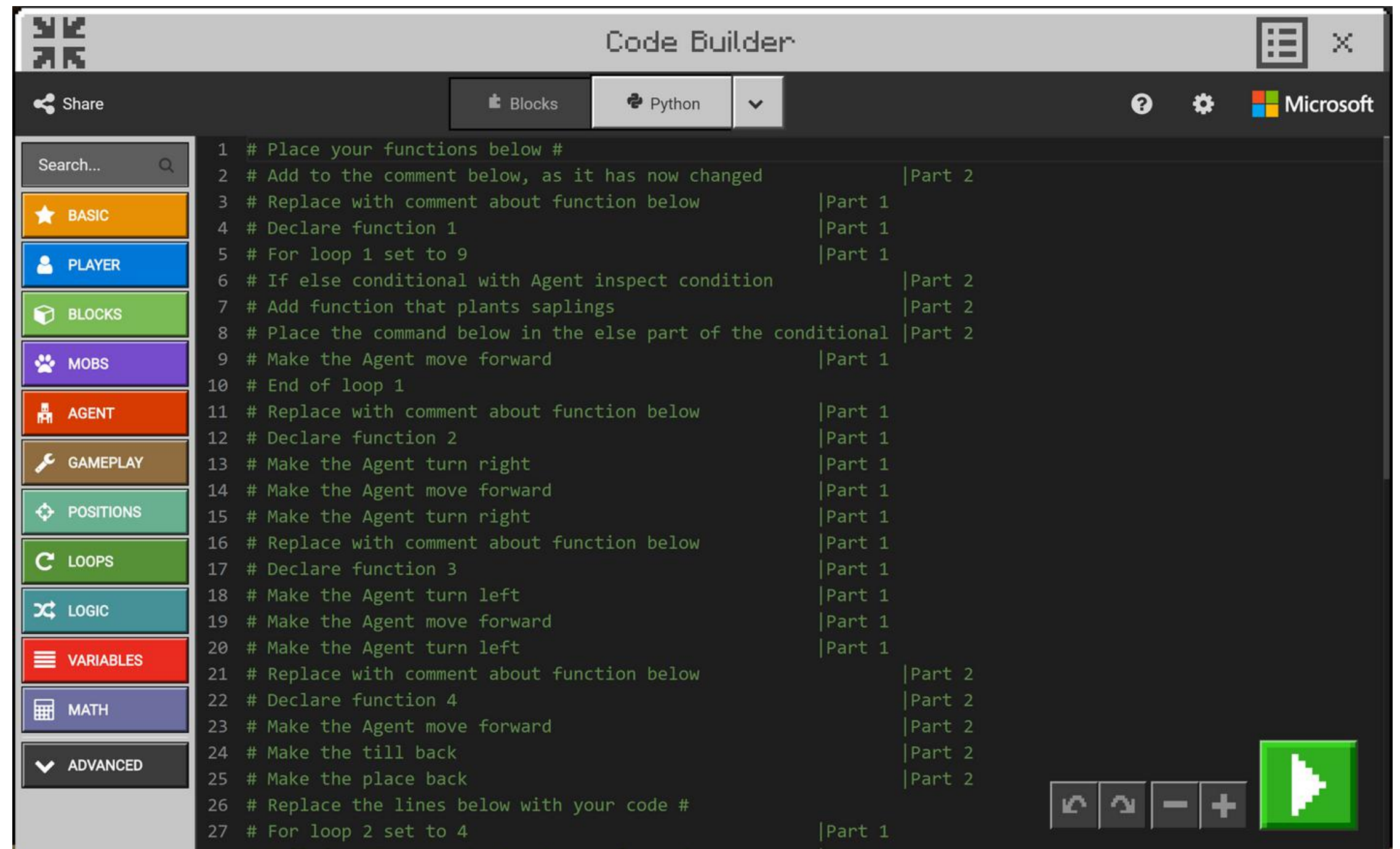




# CREATE YOUR CODE: PART 2

## Part 2

Now, you need to add to the code to make the Agent till the grass blocks that it passes over and plant a sapling. In your function, add an **if else** conditional that inspects for grass blocks in their function that moves the Agent forward. When the code is run, your Agent should move across the entire area and when it finds a grass block, it will till the soil and plant a sapling.



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# SUCCESS!





# Recap

What you've done today:

- Learned and applied the coding concept of functions.
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- Embraced a coding mindset.



# REFLECTION

- What is a function?
- Why are functions useful?
- What are comments?
- How do you write a comment?

