

Summative Project – Computer Game (Tentative)

For this project, you will create a computer game. It is recommended that you use an existing game as the basis for your program. You may also create your own game, but this option has the added responsibility of (a) the creative process to make a reasonable game, and (b) producing documentation for the game itself.

Games involving dice, cards, letters, and words provide good candidates. The following list provides some examples of games that are suitable for this project.

- Yahtzee
- Hangman / Wheel of Fortune
- Jeopardy
- Mastermind

Some games or concepts will require additional research beyond what you have covered in the course. It is important that you select a game that is within your abilities. Additional candidate games could include

- Battleship
- Tic-Tac-Toe
- Checkers / Chess
- Minesweeper

Program requirements:

1. All code must be clearly documented.
2. All code must be neatly formatted.
3. Logical and efficient use of variables is required.
4. The program should make use of all programming concepts covered in the course.
5. The program should be as crash-proof as possible.
6. There should be a menu system with an option to get Help.
7. Go above and beyond. Do some research. Insert new features not taught in class.

Grading:

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- documentation, proposal and user guide/help of this program
- Spelling and grammar
- Style, layout, presentation

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- the way in which you have integrated and presented the programming concepts that you have learned in this course. (eg. lists/arrays, functions, data types, conditions, selection statements, loops, etc.).

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- quality/difficulty of your game
- the way in which you have integrated new features into your game i.e. new functions, libraries etc.

Link to Code (Tinkercad):

<https://www.tinkercad.com/things/7gc6lhVMeqB-summative-project-computer-game-tej4m/editel?returnTo=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.tinkercad.com%2Fdashboard>

Raw Code (Word Scramble Game):

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// Vishwa Dave
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// Summative Project – Computer Game (TEJ4M)
// Word Scramble Game

//global variables
int highScore = 0;
int score=0;
const int lengthWordBank = 5; //basically number of word options

//Word Banks
    //Category 1 - Countries
String cat1_L1[] = {"egypt", "india", "japan", "nepal", "spain"}; //level 1
String cat1_L2[] = {"brazil", "turkey", "canada", "france", "jordan"}; //level 2
    //Category 2 - Colours
String cat2_L1[] = {"black", "white", "green", "peach", "coral"}; //level 1
String cat2_L2[] = {"yellow", "orange", "indigo", "maroon", "violet"}; //level 2

void setup()
{
    Serial.begin(9600); //initializing the serial monitor

    //Title screen
    Serial.println("Welcome to Word Scamble!");
    Serial.println("-----");
    bool startGame = true; //starts game and allows for unlimited replays
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while (startGame){
    //resetting all values for game replay
    String userSelection = "";
    score=0;
    bool loss = false;

    //User selection menu (to see instructions, play, or view highscore)
    Serial.println("\nSelect one of the following: \n\t(i) Instructions\n\t(p) Play\n\t(h) High Score");
    while (Serial.available()>0){}
    userSelection = Serial.readString();

    //Error handling user selection input
    while (userSelection!="i" && userSelection!="I"&&
        userSelection!="p" && userSelection!="P" &&
        userSelection!="h" && userSelection!="H"){
        Serial.println("Not a valid input... please enter 'i', 'p', or 'h': ");
        while (Serial.available()>0){}
        userSelection = Serial.readString();
    }

    //If user wants to see instructions for the game
    if (userSelection=="i" || userSelection=="I"){
        Serial.println("Instructions\n-----");
        Serial.println("The game will begin with a scrambled 5 letter word. You \n"
            "will have unlimited attempts to figure out the word \n"
            "until the timer runs out. You earn 50 points for each \n"
            "second you save on the timer, and it is added to your \n"
            "total score. After each game a highscore is checked and \n"
            "updated.");
        delay(3000); //adds a delay of 3 seconds so user has time to read screen
    }
    else if (userSelection=="h" || userSelection=="H"){
        //if user wants to see current highscore
        Serial.println("High Score\n-----");
        Serial.println(highScore);
    }
    else{ //assumed that user has chosen only remaining option "play"

        //Categories selection section
        Serial.println("Select one of the following categories:");
        Serial.println("\t(1) Countries\n\t(2) Colours");
        while (Serial.available()>0){}
        int categorySelection = Serial.parseInt();
    }
}

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    //Error handling category selection input
while (categorySelection<0 || categorySelection>2){
    Serial.println("Not a valid input... please enter 1 or 2");
    while (Serial.available()==0){}
    categorySelection = Serial.parseInt();
}

//if user has selected category 1 (countries)
if (categorySelection==1){
    Serial.println("You have chosen 'Countries'"); //informing of selection
    for (int i=0; i<3; i++){ //starts levels from level 1 (i=0)
        if (i==0){ //following will run during level 1 - category 2
            for (int j=0; j<3; j++){
                if (!playRound(cat1_L1, 15)){ //automatically runs a round for level 1
                    loss = true; //if they lost the round this allows game to end
                    break; //doesn't play rest of rounds for this level
                }
                else{
                    Serial.println("Correct Guess!\n"); //informs user if they guessed correct
                }
            }
        }
        else if (i==1){ //level 2
            for (int j=0; j<3; j++){
                if (!playRound(cat1_L2, 10)){ //word bank has also now moved up
                    loss = true;
                    break;
                }
                else{
                    Serial.println("Correct Guess!\n");
                }
            }
        }
        else{ //assumed final level, level 3
            for (int j=0; j<3; j++){
                if (!playRound(cat1_L2, 5)){
                    loss = true;
                    break;
                }
                else{
                    Serial.println("Correct Guess!\n");
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

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    if (loss) //if they have lost any round
        break; //this ends the play game
    }

} // end of category1 if loop
else if (categorySelection==2){ //if user has selected category 2 (colours)
    Serial.println("You have chosen 'Colours'"); // informs user of their selection
    for (int i=0; i<3; i++){ //allows for changes between levels 1-3
        if (i==0){ //level 1 - category 2
            for (int j=0; j<3; j++){
                if (!playRound(cat2_L1, 15)){
                    loss = true;
                    break;
                }
            }
            else{
                Serial.println("Correct Guess!\n");
            }
        }
    }

}
else if (i==1){ //level 2 - category 2
    for (int j=0; j<3; j++){
        if (!playRound(cat2_L2, 10)){
            loss = true;
            break;
        }
    }
    else{
        Serial.println("Correct Guess!\n");
    }
}
else{
    for (int j=0; j<3; j++){ //level 3 - category 2
        if (!playRound(cat2_L2, 5)){
            loss = true;
            break;
        }
    }
    else{
        Serial.println("Correct Guess!\n");
    }
}
}
}

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        if (loss)
            break; //ends play if they have lost any of the rounds
    }

} // end of category2 if loop

if (score>highScore){ //checks if a new high score has been achieved
    highScore = score; //updates highscore
    Serial.println("New High Score: "+String(highScore)); //informs user of new high score
}
else{
    Serial.println("Score: "+String(score)); //displays score achieved
    Serial.println("High Score: "+String(highScore)); //displays current high score
}

} //end of if statement for if "play" was selected


} //end of while(startGame) loop
} //end of void setup()

void loop()
{

}

//Method used to run each round
bool playRound(String categoryName[], int timelimit){
    //pass in the name of the word bank used and timelimit based on level

    randomSeed(analogRead(0)); //initializing random numbers
    long startTime = millis(); //starting timer
    String guess=""; //variable to store their guess
    float elapsedTime; //will store time that has passed

    int randomIdx = random(lengthWordBank); //picks a random index from that list
    String actualWord = categoryName[randomIdx]; //stores what the actual word is
    String scrambleWord = rearrangeWord(actualWord); //creates and stores scrambled version of word
    Serial.println("Your scrambled word is "+scrambleWord); //shows the user the scrambled word

    while (guess!=actualWord && elapsedTime<timelimit){
        //runs while the word isn't guessed and the time hasn't exceeded the time limit

        //asking the user for their guess on what the unscrambled word is

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        Serial.println("Enter your guess: ");

while (Serial.available()>0){
    //while waiting for their response the timer checks if they have exceeded the time limit
    elapsedTime = (millis() - startTime)/1000.0;
    if (elapsedTime>timelimit){ //if they have exceeded it then they round ends
        Serial.println("You have run out of time!");
        Serial.println("The word was "+actualWord);
        return false; //returns a loss in round
    }
}
guess = Serial.readString(); //guess becomes whatever they have inputted

if (isValidGuess(guess, actualWord)){ //checks if their guess is even valid
    guess.toLowerCase(); //changes their input to all lowercase to accept capital inputs too
    if (guess!=actualWord){ //if they are wrong, it informs the user
        Serial.println("Incorrect...try again...\n");
    }
}
else{ //if they have not inputted a valid guess (i.e. using numbers) then informs them
    Serial.println("Invalid entry...try again...\n");
}

}
score += 50*(timelimit-elapsedTime); //calculates and adds points they earned this round
return true; //ends round as a win
}

//method responsible for randomly rearranging words
String rearrangeWord(String word){
    String originalWord = word; //storing word so we can make sure the shuffle worked
    randomSeed(analogRead(1));
    int length = word.length(); //storing length of word

    do{
        for (int i=(length-1); i>0; i--){ //loops from the end to the beginning of the word
            int x = random(i+1); //generates a random index from 0 to i (inclusive)
            char temp = word[i]; //temporarily stores letter
            word[i]=word[x]; //replaces that position with the random index letter
            word[x]=temp; //replaces that random index with letter stored in temp
        }
    } while (word==originalWord); //ensures that the word isnt shuffled back to the original

    return word;
}

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        //method responsible for checking user guesses
bool isValidGuess(String guess, String actual){
    int actualLength = actual.length(); //stores length of actual word
    int enteredLength = guess.length(); //stores length of user's guess

    if (actualLength<enteredLength || actualLength>enteredLength)
        //checking if the length is too long or too short (automatically not going to match word)
        return false; //returns guess as invalid

    for (int i = 0; i < enteredLength; i++) { //goes through each character of entry
        if (!isAlpha(guess[i])) { //if the character isn't a letter
            return false; //returns the entry as invalid
        }
    }

    return true; //assuming other checks have been passed and returns entry as valid
}
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