# **Flappy Parrot**



#### Introduction

In this project we'll make our own version of the highly popular mobile game Flappy Bird. This project requires Scratch 2.0. Press the space bar to flap and try to navigate through the gaps in the pipes!





**Activity Checklist** 

Follow these INSTRUCTIONS one by one

**Test your Project** 

Click on the green flag to TEST your code



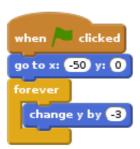
**Save your Project** 

Make sure to **SAVE** your work now

# Step 1: Make Flappy fall

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| 1. | Start a new Scratch project. Delete the cat by right-  |  |
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|    | clicking it and selecting Delete                       |  |
| 2. | Replace the background with an outdoor landscape.      |  |
|    | desert is a good choice.                               |  |
| 3. | Add the Flappy character. You'll need a sprite with    |  |
|    | costumes for wings up and wings down. parrot is a good |  |
|    | choice.  |  |
| 4. | Change the name of your sprite to Flappy.              |  |
| 5. | Give Flappy the following script:                      |  |



## Test Your Project

Click the green flag, does Flappy start in the middle of the screen and then fall to the bottom?



# **Step 2: Make Flappy fly**

Next, we want Flappy to flap upwards when you press the space bar.



- 1. Click on the Costumes tab and name the costumes wings up and wings down.
- 2. Now switch back to the Scripts tab and add this script:

```
when space v key pressed

switch costume to wings down v

repeat 10

change y by 6

switch costume to wings up v

repeat 10

change y by 6
```

Click the green flag, are you able to control Flappy with the space bar? Do you notice that sometimes you press the space bar but Flappy doesn't move? We'll fix that next...



### **Step 3: Fix the controls**

We'd like Flappy to respond every time we press the space bar. But when we push the space bar Flappy begins two loops of movements. If we push the space bar again before these loops have finished, Scratch ignores the second press. To solve this, we'll use a variable to count up how many flaps we need to do.



- Disconnect the blocks under the when space key pressed and put them to the side (we'll use them in a few moments.)
   Make a new variable For this sprite only and call it flaps.
- 3. Add the following script by draging in the blocks you put aside:

```
when clicked

set flaps to 0

switch costume to wings up v

forever

repeat until flaps = 0

change flaps by -1

switch costume to wings down v

repeat 10

change y by 6

switch costume to wings up v

repeat 10

change y by 6
```

1. Finally, add to your when space key pressed event:

```
when space v key pressed change flaps v by 1
```

Click the green flag, does Flappy now flap once for each time you press the space bar?

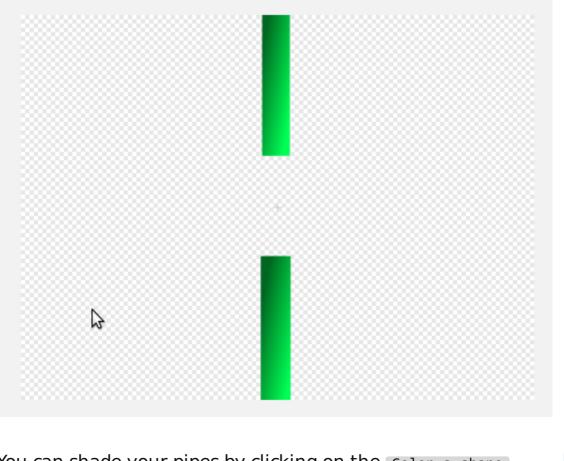


# **Step 4: Add the pipes**

Next we'll add some obstacles for Flappy to fly through.

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| 1. | Click on the Paint new sprite button.                    |  |
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| 2. | Name your costume pipe.                                  |  |
| 3. | If the costume is in Bitmap Mode click on the Convert to |  |
|    | vector button.   |  |
| 4. | Click on the zoom - so that you can see the entire       |  |
|    | drawing area.  |  |
| 5. | Click on the Rectangle, pick a colour, and click on the  |  |
|    | Filled rectangle button.                                 |  |
| 6. | Click and drag two boxes, one from the top middle and    |  |
|    | one from the bottom middle as shown:                     |  |



- 1. You can shade your pipes by clicking on the Color a shape button and click on the Horizontal gradient button. Choose two shades of the same colour one for the foreground and one for the background. When you click to fill the shapes, the colours will fade between your chosen colours.
- 2. Name your sprite Pipe.



# Step 5: Make the pipes move

Next we'll make the pipes move and arrange them randomly to provide an obstacle course for Flappy.



- 1. Click on your Pipe sprite and select the Scripts tab.
- 2. Add the following scripts:

```
when / clicked
hide
set size to 200 %
forever
create clone of myself v
wait 2 secs

when I start as a clone
go to x: 240 y: pick random -80 to 80
show
repeat 120
change x by -4
delete this clone
```

Click the green flag, do pipes appear with gaps to fly through at different heights? If you find it difficult to navigate Flappy through the pipes without touching them, you can make the gap bigger in the pipe sprite by editing the costume.



## **Step 6:** Detect collision with the pipes

To make the game a challenge, the player needs to guide Flappy through the gaps without touching the pipes or the edges of the



screen. Now we'll add some blocks to detect if Flappy hits something.

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- 1. Let's add a sound to play when Flappy collides. Click on the Flappy sprite then on the sounds tab.
- 2. Click the Choose sound from library button.
- 3. Pick a collision sound for Flappy. The screech sound is good.
- 4. Now click back on the Scripts tab.
- 5. Add the following script:

```
when clicked

wait until touching edge ? or touching Pipe ?

play sound screech ?

say Game Over!

broadcast GameOver ?

stop other scripts in sprite ?
```

1. Click on the Pipe sprite and add a script:



#### Test Your Project

Click the green flag, does the game end when Flappy touches a pipe or the edge of the screen?



# Step 7: Add scoring

The player should score a point every time Flappy makes it though a pipe. Let's add that next.

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5. Add the following block:

- Let's add a sound to play when Flappy scores a point.
   Click on the Pipe sprite add a score sound. bird is a good choice.

   Now click back on the Scripts tab.
   Make a new variable For all sprites and call it score.
   Add a block to set the score to 0 when the flag is clicked.
  - when I start as a clone

wait until x position < x position v of Flappy v

change score v by 1

play sound bird v

#### Test Your Project

Click the green flag, does the player score points for flying Flappy through the pipes?



Save your project

#### Things to try

- How many ways can you make this game easier or harder?
- Well done you've finished the basic game. There are more things you can do to your game though. Have a go at these challenges!

#### Challenge 1: add a high score

- Make a new variable and tick the <u>Cloud variable</u> (stored on server) box. Call the variable <u>hi-score</u>
- when the game is over check if you need to set a new high score:

```
when I receive GameOver v

if score > hi-score then

set hi-score v to score

stop other scripts in sprite v
```

### Test Your Project

Click the green flag, does your score update the hi score?



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#### Challenge 2: add gravity

When something falls under gravity it doesn't usually fall at a fixed rate. For this challenge we will make Flappy fall as if under gravity.

- Add a new variable For this sprite only to Flappy and call it rise.
- Change Flappy's falling script:

```
when clicked

set rise v to 0

go to x: -50 y: 0

forever

change y by rise

change rise v by -0.4
```

And change Flappy's flapping script:

```
when clicked

set flaps v to 0

switch costume to wings up v

forever

repeat until flaps = 0

change flaps v by -1

switch costume to wings down v

change rise v by 8

wait 0.2 secs

switch costume to wings up v

wait 0.2 secs
```

Click the green flag, does Flappy now accelerate when falling and flapping?



#### Challenge 3: fall off screen

When the player loses make Flappy fall off the bottom of the screen before ending the game.

- Replace the broadcast GameOver block with broadcast
- Now add the following scripts:

```
when I receive Fall repeat (10 turn 🔊 (5) degrees
```

```
when I receive Fall v

repeat until (y position < -180

change y by rise

change rise v by -0.4

hide

broadcast GameOver v
```

Don't forget to add a show block and reset Flappy's direction when the game restarts.

Click the green flag, does Flappy now fall off the screen after hitting a pipe? Does Flappy reappear in the correct orientation when restarting the game.



#### Save your project

Well done you've finished, now you can enjoy the game! Don't forget you can share your game with all your friends and family by clicking on Share on the menu bar!