

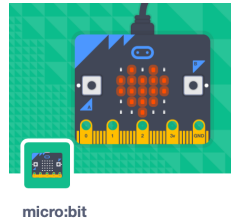


# Scratch-Snake

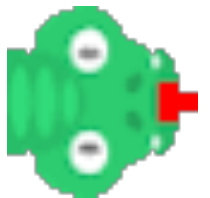
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Preparation: Requires Scratch Link

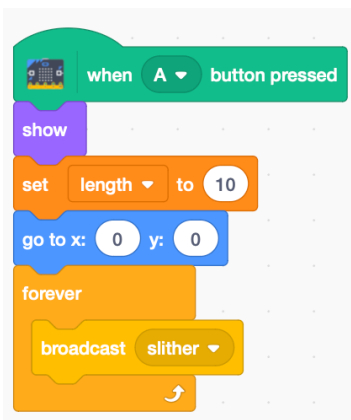
*The classic 'Snake' game using the micro:bit tilt sensor. The snake cannot cross itself, but it grows longer when it eats!*



micro:bit



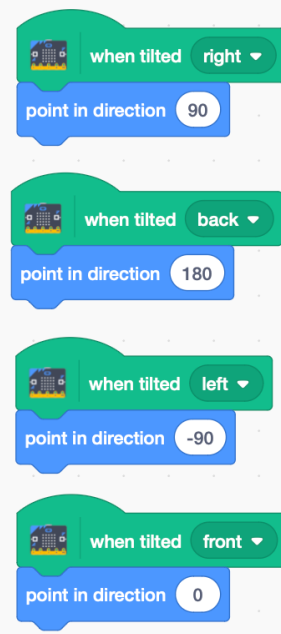
1. Create a new Scratch project and add the **micro:bit** extension.
2. Download graphics from:  
<https://codeclub67.github.io/images/snake.gif>
3. Create a new sprite with the download.
4. Duplicate the sprite, and rename it **'tail'**.
5. Choose the body costume for the **tail**.
6. Plug the micro:bit into the PC with the USB.
7. Click on the  blocks section. If you see  at the top then connect the micro:bit.
8. Add the code (right) to the snake head,



changing **direction when tilted**.

9. Use button A to start the game with the snake at the centre 0,0.

Create a **global** (seen by all sprites) variable to store the snake **length**, initially 10, and **broadcast** a new message.

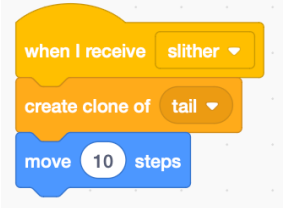


10. Add **snake** code (right) to receive the message. It grows by **cloning** a **tail** as it **moves**.



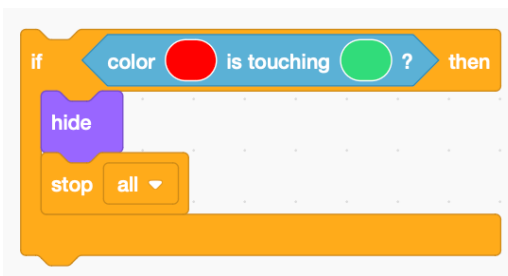
11. Select the tail and create a countdown variable local to the sprite.

12. Add **tail** code (left) that initialises **countdown** to the **length**, and aligns its position and direction with the head. The tail, initially hidden, is then shown.



13. When the tail receives the message, it counts down, and on 0 deletes itself.

14. Back to the **snake**'s head. Extend the



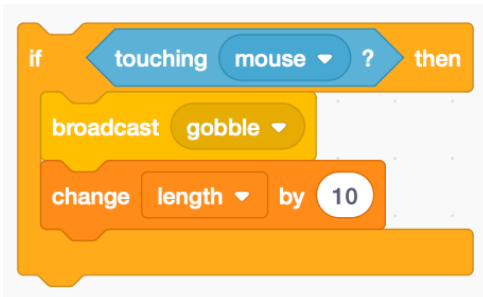
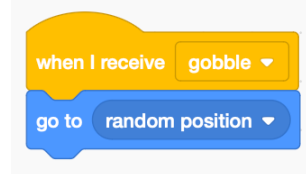
'slithering' code (left) by detecting GAME OVER

when the snake's red tongue touches the light green of its own body.



*Use the colour picker to get the right colours.*

15. Create a "mouse" sprite. The code (right) makes it appear randomly after being eaten.



16. Finally, extend the **snake** 'slithering' code again (left), detecting when it **touches** the **mouse**, then **gobbles** it up and grows in **length**.

*Save your code with a good name.*

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