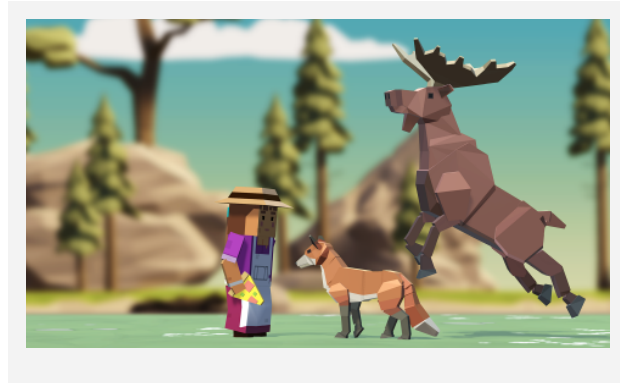


Create with Code

Unit 2 Lesson Plans





2.1 Player Positioning

Steps:

Step 1: Create a new Project for Prototype 2

Step 2: Add the Player, Animals, and Food

Step 3: Get the user's horizontal input

Step 4: Move the player left-to-right

Step 5: Keep the player inbounds

Step 6: Clean up your code and variables

Example of project by end of lesson



Length: 60 minutes

Overview: You will begin this unit by creating a new project for your second Prototype and getting basic player movement working. You will first choose which character you would like, which types of animals you would like to interact with, and which food you would like to feed those animals. You will give the player basic side-to-side movement just like you did in Prototype 1, but then you will use if-then statements to keep the Player in bounds.

Project Outcome: The player will be able to move left and right on the screen based on the user's left and right key presses, but will not be able to leave the play area on either side.

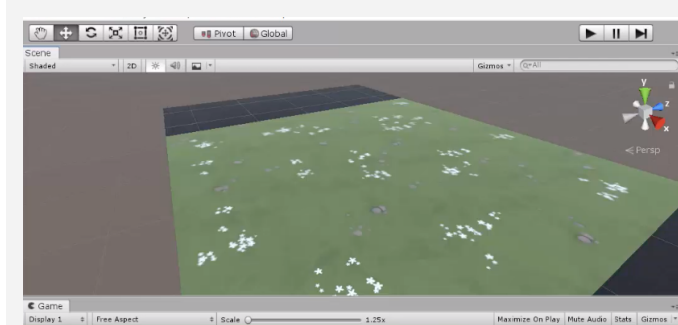
Learning Objectives: By the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Adjust the scale of an object proportionally in order to get it to the size you want
- More comfortably use the GetInput function in order to use user input to control an object
- Create an if-then statement in order to implement basic logic in your project, including the use of greater than (>) and less than (<) operators
- Use comments and automatic formatting in order to make their code more clean and readable to other programmers

Step 1: Create a new Project for Prototype 2

The first thing we need to do is create a new project and import the Prototype 2 starter files.

1. Open **Unity Hub** and create an empty “Prototype 2” project in your course directory on the correct Unity version.
If you forget how to do this, refer to the instructions in [Lesson 1.1 - Step 1](#)
2. Click to download the [Prototype 2 Starter Files](#), **extract** the compressed folder, and then **import** the .unitypackage into your project.
If you forget how to do this, refer to the instructions in [Lesson 1.1 - Step 2](#)
3. From the Project window, open the **Prototype 2** scene and **delete** the SampleScene
4. In the top-right of the Unity Editor, change your **Layout** from Default to your custom layout



Step 2: Add the Player, Animals, and Food

Let's get all of our objects positioned in the scene, including the player, animals, and food.

1. If you want, drag a different **material** from *Course Library > Materials* onto the Ground object
2. Drag 1 **Human**, 3 **Animals**, and 1 **Food** object into the Hierarchy
3. Rename the human “Player”, then **reposition** the animals and food so you can see them
4. Adjust the XYZ **scale** of the food so you can easily see it from above

- **New Technique:** Adjusting Scale
- **Warning:** Don't choose people for anything but the player, they don't have walking animations
- **Tip:** Remember, dragging objects into the hierarchy puts them at the origin



Step 3: Get the user's horizontal input

If we want to move the Player left-to-right, we need a variable tracking the user's input.

1. In your **Assets** folder, create a "**Scripts**" folder, and a "**PlayerController**" script inside
 2. **Attach** the script to the Player and open it
 3. At the top of PlayerController.cs, declare a new **public float horizontalInput**
 4. In **Update()**, set **horizontalInput = Input.GetAxis("Horizontal")**, then test to make sure it works in the inspector
- **Warning:** Make sure to create your Scripts folder inside of the assets folder
 - **Don't worry:** We're going to get VERY familiar with this process
 - **Warning:** If you misspell the script name, just delete it and try again.

```
public float horizontalInput;

void Update()
{
    horizontalInput = Input.GetAxis("Horizontal");
}
```

Step 4: Move the player left-to-right

We have to actually use the horizontal input to translate the Player left and right.

1. Declare a new **public float speed = 10.0f;**
 2. In **Update()**, Translate the player side-to-side based on **horizontalInput** and **speed**
- **Tip:** You can look at your old scripts for code reference

```
public float horizontalInput;
public float speed = 10.0f;

void Update()
{
    horizontalInput = Input.GetAxis("Horizontal");
    transform.Translate(Vector3.right * horizontalInput * Time.deltaTime * speed);
}
```

Step 5: Keep the player inbounds

We have to prevent the player from going off the side of the screen with an if-then statement.

1. In **Update()**, write an **if-statement** checking if the player's left X position is **less than** a certain value
 2. In the if-statement, set the player's position to its current position, but with a **fixed X location**
- **Tip:** Move the player in scene view to determine the x positions of the left and right bounds
 - **New Concept:** If-then statements
 - **New Concept:** Greater than > and Less Than < operators

```
void Update() {
    if (transform.position.x < -10) {
        transform.position = new Vector3(-10, transform.position.y, transform.position.z);
    }
}
```

Step 6: Clean up your code and variables

We need to make this work on the right side, too, then clean up our code.

1. Repeat this process for the **right side** of the screen
 2. Declare new **xRange** variable, then replace the hardcoded values with them
 3. Add **comments** to your code
- **Warning:** Whenever you see hardcoded values in the body of your code, try to replace it with a variable
 - **Warning:** Watch your greater than / less than signs!

```
public float xRange = 10;

void Update()
{
    // Keep the player in bounds
    if (transform.position.x < -10 - xRange)
    {
        transform.position = new Vector3(-10 - xRange, transform.position.y, transform.position.z);
    }
    if (transform.position.x > xRange)
    {
        transform.position = new Vector3(xRange, transform.position.y, transform.position.z);
    }
}
```

Lesson Recap

New Functionality

- The player can move left and right based on the user's left and right key presses
- The player will not be able to leave the play area on either side

New Concepts and Skills

- Adjust object scale
- If-statements
- Greater/Less than operators

Next Lesson

- We'll learn how to create and throw endless amounts of food to feed our animals!



2.2 Food Flight

Steps:

Step 1: Make the projectile fly forwards

Step 2: Make the projectile into a prefab

Step 3: Test for spacebar press

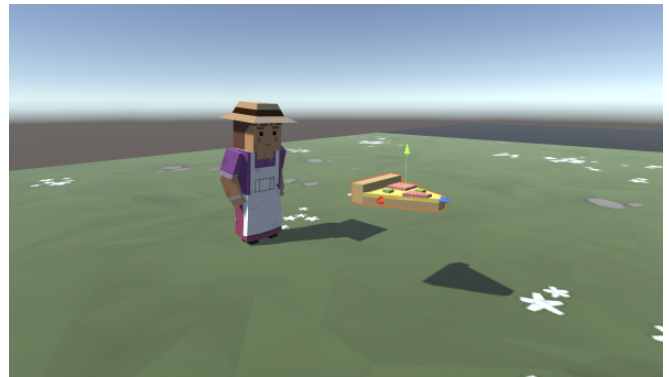
Step 4: Launch projectile on spacebar press

Step 5: Make animals into prefabs

Step 6: Destroy projectiles offscreen

Step 7: Destroy animals offscreen

Example of project by end of lesson



Length: 70 minutes

Overview: In this lesson, you will allow the player to launch the projectile through the scene. First you will write a new script to send the projectile forwards. Next you will store the projectile along with all of its scripts and properties using an important new concept in Unity called Prefabs. The player will be able to launch the projectile prefab with a tap of the spacebar. Finally, you will add boundaries to the scene, removing any objects that leave the screen.

Project Outcome: The player will be able to press the Spacebar and launch a projectile prefab into the scene, which destroys itself when it leaves the game's boundaries. The animals will also be removed from the scene when they leave the game boundaries.

Learning Objectives: By the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Transform a game object into a prefab that can be used as a template
- Instantiate Prefabs to spawn them into the scene
- Override Prefabs to update and save their characteristics
- Get user input with GetKey and KeyCode to test for specific keyboard presses
- Apply components to multiple objects at once to work as efficiently as possible

Step 1: Make the projectile fly forwards

The first thing we must do is give the projectile some forward movement so it can zip across the scene when it's launched by the player.

1. Create a new "MoveForward" script, **attach** it to the food object, then open it
2. Declare a new **public float speed** variable;
3. In **Update()**, add **transform.Translate(Vector3.forward * Time.deltaTime * speed);**, then **save**
4. In the **Inspector**, set the projectile's **speed** variable, then test

- **Don't worry:** You should all be super familiar with this method now... getting easier, right?

```
public float speed = 40;

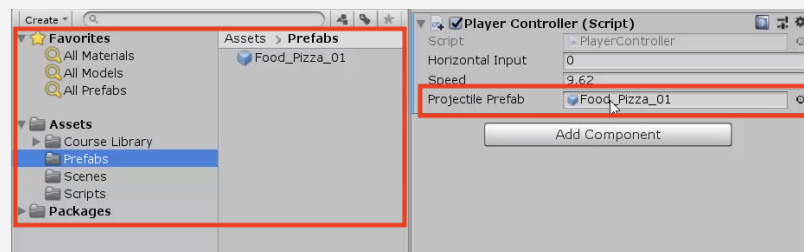
void Update() {
    transform.Translate(Vector3.forward * Time.deltaTime * speed);
}
```

Step 2: Make the projectile into a prefab

Now that our projectile has the behavior we want, we need to make it into a prefab it so it can be reused anywhere and anytime, with all its behaviors included.

1. Create a new "Prefabs" folder, drag your food into it, and choose **Original Prefab**
2. In PlayerController.cs, declare a new **public GameObject projectilePrefab;** variable
3. **Select** the Player in the hierarchy, then **drag** the object from your Prefabs folder onto the new **Projectile Prefab box** in the inspector
4. Try **dragging** the projectile into the scene at runtime to make sure they fly

- **New Concept:** Prefabs
 - **New Concept:** Original vs Variant Prefabs
 - **Tip:** Notice that this your projectile already has a move script if you drag it in



Step 3: Test for spacebar press

Now that we have a projectile prefab assigned to *PlayerController.cs*, the player needs a way to launch it with the space bar.

1. In *PlayerController.cs*, in **Update()**, add an **if-statement** checking for a spacebar press:
if (Input.GetKeyDown(KeyCode.Space)) {
 2. Inside the if-statement, add a comment saying that you should **// Launch a projectile from the player**
- **Tip:** Google a solution. Something like “How to detect key press in Unity”
 - **New Functions:** Input.GetKeyDown, GetKeyUp, GetKey
 - **New Function:** KeyCode

```
void Update()
{
    if (Input.GetKeyDown(KeyCode.Space))
    {
        // Launch a projectile from the player
    }
}
```

Step 4: Launch projectile on spacebar press

We've created the code that tests if the player presses spacebar, but now we actually need spawn a projectile when that happens

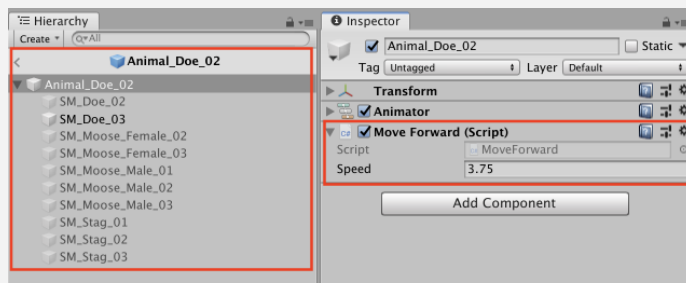
1. Inside the if-statement, use the **Instantiate** method to spawn a projectile at the player's location with the prefab's rotation
- **New Concept:** Instantiation

```
if (Input.GetKeyDown(KeyCode.Space))
{
    // Launch a projectile from the player
    Instantiate(projectilePrefab, transform.position, projectilePrefab.transform.rotation);
}
```

Step 5: Make animals into prefabs

The projectile is now a prefab, but what about the animals? They need to be prefabs too, so they can be instantiated during the game.

1. **Rotate** all animals on the Y axis by **180 degrees** to face down
 2. **Select** all three animals in the hierarchy and **Add Component > Move Forward**
 3. Edit their **speed values** and **test** to see how it looks
 4. Drag all three animals into the **Prefabs folder**, choosing "Original Prefab"
 5. **Test** by dragging prefabs into scene view during gameplay
- **Tip:** You can change all animals at once by selecting all them in the hierarchy while holding Cmd/Ctrl
 - **Tip:** Adding a Component from inspector is same as dragging it on
 - **Warning:** Remember, anything you change while the game is playing will be reverted when you stop it



Step 6: Destroy projectiles offscreen

Whenever we spawn a projectile, it drifts past the play area into eternity. In order to improve game performance, we need to destroy them when they go out of bounds.

1. Create "DestroyOutOfBounds" script and apply it to the **projectile**
 2. Add a new **private float topBound** variable and initialize it = **30**;
 3. Write code to destroy if out of top bounds **if (transform.position.z > topBound) { Destroy(gameObject); }**
 4. In the Inspector **Overrides** drop-down, click **Apply all** to apply it to prefab
- **Warning:** Too many objects in the hierarchy will slow the game
 - **Tip:** Google "How to destroy gameobject in Unity"
 - **New Function:** Destroy
 - **New Technique:** Override prefab

```
private float topBound = 30;

void Update() {
    if (transform.position.z > topBound) {
        Destroy(gameObject); }
}
```

Step 7: Destroy animals offscreen

If we destroy projectiles that go out of bounds, we should probably do the same for animals. We don't want critters getting lost in the endless abyss of Unity Editor...

1. Create a new **private float lowerBound** variable and initialize it = -10;
 2. Create **else-if statement** to check if objects are beneath **lowerBound**:
else if (transform.position.z > topBound)
 3. **Apply** the script to all of the animals, then **Override** the prefabs
- **New Function:** Else-if statement
 - **Warning:** Don't make topBound too tight or you'll destroy the animals before they can spawn

```
private float topBound = 30;
private float lowerBound = -10;

void Update() {
    if (transform.position.z > topBound)
    {
        Destroy(gameObject);
    } else if (transform.position.z < lowerBound) {
        Destroy(gameObject);
    }
}
```

Lesson Recap

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|--------------------------------|--|
| New Functionality | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The player can press the Spacebar to launch a projectile prefab, • Projectile and Animals are removed from the scene if they leave the screen |
| New Concepts and Skills | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create Prefabs • Override Prefabs • Test for Key presses • Instantiate objects • Destroy objects • Else-if statements |
| Next Lesson | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instead of dropping all these animal prefabs onto the scene, we'll create a herd of animals roaming the plain! |



2.3 Random Animal Stampede

Steps:

Step 1: Create a spawn manager

Step 2: Spawn an animal if S is pressed

Step 3: Spawn random animals from array

Step 4: Randomize the spawn location

Step 5: Change the perspective of the camera

Example of project by end of lesson



Length: 50 minutes

Overview: Our animal prefabs walk across the screen and get destroyed out of bounds, but they don't actually appear in the game unless we drag them in! In this lesson we will allow the animals to spawn on their own, in a random location at the top of the screen. In order to do so, we will create a new object and a new script to manage the entire spawning process.

Project Outcome: When the user presses the S key, a randomly selected animal will spawn at a random position at the top of the screen, walking towards the player.

Learning Objectives: By the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Create an empty object with a script attached
- Use arrays to create an accessible list of objects or values
- Use integer variables to determine an array index
- Randomly generate values with Random.Range in order to randomize objects in arrays and spawn positions
- Change the camera's perspective to better suit your game

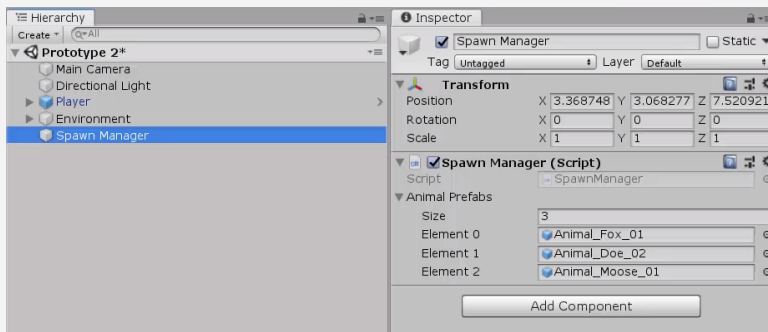
Step 1: Create a spawn manager

If we are going to be doing all of this complex spawning of objects, we should have a dedicated script to manage the process, as well as an object to attach it to.

1. In the Hierarchy, create an **Empty object** called "SpawnManager"
2. Create a new script called "SpawnManager", attach it to the **Spawn Manager**, and open it
3. Declare new **public GameObject[] animalPrefabs;**
4. In the Inspector, change the **Array size** to match your animal count, then **assign** your animals by **dragging** them from the Project window into the empty slots

- **Tip:** Empty objects can be used to store objects or used to store scripts
- **Warning:** You can use spaces when naming your empty object, but make sure your script name uses PascalCase!
- **New Concept:** Arrays

Note: Make sure you drag them from the **Project** window; not the Hierarchy! If you're going to spawn objects, you need to make sure you're using Prefabs, which are stored in the Project window.



Step 2: Spawn an animal if S is pressed

We've created an array and assigned our animals to it, but that doesn't do much good until we have a way to spawn them during the game. Let's create a temporary solution for choosing and spawning the animals.

1. In **Update()**, write an if-then statement to **instantiate** a new animal prefab at the top of the screen if **S** is pressed
 2. Declare a new **public int animalIndex** and incorporate it in the **Instantiate** call, then test editing the value in the Inspector
- **New Concept:** Array Indexes
 - **Tip:** Array indexes start at 0 instead of 1. An array of 3 animals would look like [0, 1, 2]
 - **New Concept:** Integer Variables
 - **Don't worry:** We'll declare a new variable for the Vector3 and index later

```
public GameObject[] animalPrefabs;
public int animalIndex;

void Update() {
    if (Input.GetKeyDown(KeyCode.S)) {
        Instantiate(animalPrefabs[animalIndex], new Vector3(0, 0, 20),
            animalPrefabs[animalIndex].transform.rotation);
    }
}
```

Step 3: Spawn random animals from array

We can spawn animals by pressing S, but doing so only spawns an animal at the array index we specify. We need to randomize the selection so that S can spawn a random animal based on the index, without our specification.

1. In the if-statement checking if S is pressed, generate a random **int animalIndex** between 0 and the length of the array
 2. Remove the global **animalIndex** variable, since it is only needed locally in the **if-statement**
- **Tip:** Google "how to generate a random integer in Unity"
 - **New Function:** Random.Range
 - **New Function:** .Length
 - **New Concept:** Global vs Local variables

```
public GameObject[] animalPrefabs;
public int animalIndex;

void Update() {
    if (Input.GetKeyDown(KeyCode.S)) {
        int animalIndex = Random.Range(0, animalPrefabs.Length);
        Instantiate(animalPrefabs[animalIndex], new Vector3(0, 0, 20),
            animalPrefabs[animalIndex].transform.rotation); } }
```

Step 4: Randomize the spawn location

We can press *S* to spawn random animals from *animalIndex*, but they all pop up in the same place! We need to randomize their spawn position, so they don't march down the screen in a straight line.

1. **Replace** the X value for the Vector3 with ***Random.Range(-20, 20)***, then test
 2. Within the **if-statement**, make a new local **Vector3** ***spawnPos*** variable
 3. At the top of the class, create **private float** variables for ***spawnRangeX*** and ***spawnPosZ***
- **Tip:** *Random.Range* for floats is inclusive of all numbers in the range, while *Random.Range* for integers is exclusive!
 - **Tip:** Keep using variables to clean your code and make it more readable

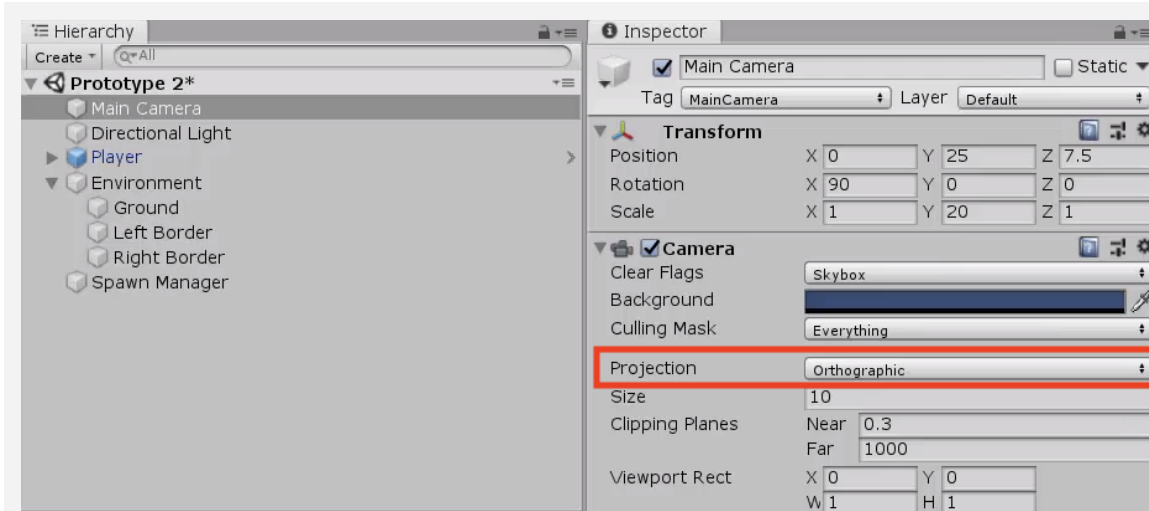
```
private float spawnRangeX = 20;
private float spawnPosZ = 20;

void Update() {
    if (Input.GetKeyDown(KeyCode.S)) {
        // Randomly generate animal index and spawn position
        Vector3 spawnPos = new Vector3(Random.Range(-spawnRangeX, spawnRangeX),
        0, spawnPosZ);
        int animalIndex = Random.Range(0, animalPrefabs.Length);
        Instantiate(animalPrefabs[animalIndex], spawnPos,
        animalPrefabs[animalIndex].transform.rotation); }}
}
```


Step 5: Change the perspective of the camera

Our Spawn Manager is coming along nicely, so let's take a break and mess with the camera. Changing the camera's perspective might offer a more appropriate view for this top-down game.

1. Toggle between **Perspective** and **Isometric** view in Scene view to appreciate the difference
 2. Select the **camera** and change the **Projection** from "Perspective" to "Orthographic"
- **New:** Orthographic vs Perspective Camera Projection
 - **Tip:** Test the game in both views to appreciate the difference



Lesson Recap

New Functionality

- The player can press the S to spawn an animal
- Animal selection and spawn location are randomized
- Camera projection (perspective/orthographic) selected

New Concepts and Skills

- Spawn Manager
- Arrays
- Keycodes
- Random generation
- Local vs Global variables
- Perspective vs Isometric projections

Next Lesson

- Using collisions to feed our animals!



2.4 Collision Decisions

Steps:

Step 1: Make a new method to spawn animals

Step 2: Spawn the animals at timed intervals

Step 3: Add collider and trigger components

Step 4: Destroy objects on collision

Step 5: Trigger a "Game Over" message

Example of project by end of lesson



Length: 50 minutes

Overview: Our game is coming along nicely, but there are some critical things we must add before it's finished. First off, instead of pressing S to spawn the animals, we will spawn them on a timer so that they appear every few seconds. Next we will add colliders to all of our prefabs and make it so launching a projectile into an animal will destroy it. Finally, we will display a "Game Over" message if any animals make it past the player.

Project Outcome: The animals will spawn on a timed interval and walk down the screen, triggering a "Game Over" message if they make it past the player. If the player hits them with a projectile to feed them, they will be destroyed.

Learning Objectives: By the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Repeat functions on a timer with InvokeRepeating
- Write custom functions to make your code more readable
- Edit Box Colliders to fit your objects properly
- Detect collisions and destroy objects that collide with each other
- Display messages in the console with Debug Log

Step 1: Make a new method to spawn animals

Our Spawn Manager is looking good, but we're still pressing *S* to make it work! If we want the game to spawn animals automatically, we need to write our very first custom function.

1. In **SpawnManager.cs**, create a new **void** **SpawnRandomAnimal()** function beneath **Update()**
 - **New Concept:** Custom Void Functions
 - **New Concept:** Compartmentalization / Abstraction
2. Cut and paste the code from the **if-then statement** to the **new function**
3. Call **SpawnRandomAnimal();** if **S** is pressed

```
void Update() {
    if (Input.GetKeyDown(KeyCode.S)) {
        SpawnRandomAnimal();
        int animalIndex... (Cut and Pasted Below) }}
}
```

```
void SpawnRandomAnimal() {
    int animalIndex = Random.Range(0, animalPrefabs.Length);
    Vector3 spawnpos = new Vector3(Random.Range(-xSpawnRange,
        xSpawnRange), 0, zSpawnPos);
    Instantiate(animalPrefabs[animalIndex], new Vector3(0, 0, 20) spawnpos,
        animalPrefabs[animalIndex].transform.rotation);
}
```

Step 2: Spawn the animals at timed intervals

We've stored the spawn code in a custom function, but we're still pressing *S*! We need to spawn the animals on a timer, so they randomly appear every few seconds.

1. In **Start()**, use **InvokeRepeating** to spawn the animals based on an interval, then **test**.
 - **Tip:** Google "Repeating function in Unity"
2. Remove the **if-then statement** that tests for **S** being pressed
 - **New Function:** InvokeRepeating
3. Declare new **private startDelay** and **spawnInterval** variables then playtest and tweak variable values

```
private float startDelay = 2;
private float spawnInterval = 1.5f;

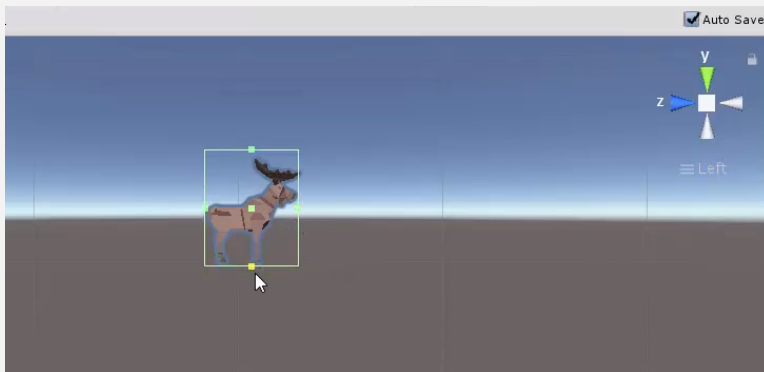
void Start() {
    InvokeRepeating("SpawnRandomAnimal", startDelay, spawnInterval); }

void Update() {
    if (Input.GetKeyDown(KeyCode.S)) {
        SpawnRandomAnimal(); } }
```

Step 3: Add collider and trigger components

Animals spawn perfectly and the player can fire projectiles at them, but nothing happens when the two collide! If we want the projectiles and animals to be destroyed on collision, we need to give them some familiar components - "colliders."

1. Double-click on one of the **animal prefabs**, then *Add Component > Box Collider*
 2. Click **Edit Collider**, then **drag** the collider handles to encompass the object
 3. Check the **"Is Trigger"** checkbox
 4. Repeat this process for each of the **animals** and the **projectile**
 5. Add a **RigidBody** component to the projectile and uncheck "use gravity"
- **New Component:** Box Colliders
 - **Warning:** Avoid Box Collider 2D
 - **Tip:** Use isometric view and the gizmos to cycle around and edit the collider with a clear perspective
 - **Tip:** For the Trigger to work, at least one of the objects needs a rigidbody component



Step 4: Destroy objects on collision

Now that the animals and the projectile have Box Colliders with triggers, we need to code a new script in order to destroy them on impact.

1. Create a new **DetectCollisions.cs** script, add it to each animal prefab, then **open** it
 2. Before the final **}** add **OnTriggerEnter** function using **autocomplete**
 3. In **OnTriggerEnter**, put **Destroy(gameObject);**, then test
 4. In **OnTriggerEnter**, put **Destroy(other.gameObject);**
- **New Concept:** Overriding Functions
 - **New Function:** OnTriggerEnter
 - **Tip:** The "other" in OnTriggerEnter refers to the collider of the other object
 - **Tip:** Use VS's Auto-Complete feature for OnTriggerEnter and any/all override functions

```
void OnTriggerEnter(Collider other) {
    Destroy(gameObject);
    Destroy(other.gameObject); }
```

Step 5: Trigger a “Game Over” message

The player can defend their field against animals for as long as they wish, but we should let them know when they’ve lost with a “Game Over” message if any animals get past the player.

1. In DestroyOutOfBounds.cs, in the **else-if condition** that checks if the animals reach the bottom of the screen, add a Game Over message:
Debug.Log(“Game Over!”)
2. Clean up your code with **comments**
3. If using Visual Studio, Click *Edit > Advanced > Format document* to fix any indentation issues
(On a **Mac**, click *Edit > Format > Format Document*)

- **New Functions:** Debug.Log, LogWarning, LogError
- **Tip:** Tweak some values to adjust the difficulty of your game. It might too easy!

```
void Update() {
    if (transform.position.z > topBound)
    {
        Destroy(gameObject);
    } else if (transform.position.z < lowerBound)
    {
        Debug.Log("Game Over!");
        Destroy(gameObject);
    }
}
```

Lesson Recap

New Functionality

- Animals spawn on a timed interval and walk down the screen
- When animals get past the player, it triggers a “Game Over” message
- If a projectile collides with an animal, both objects are removed

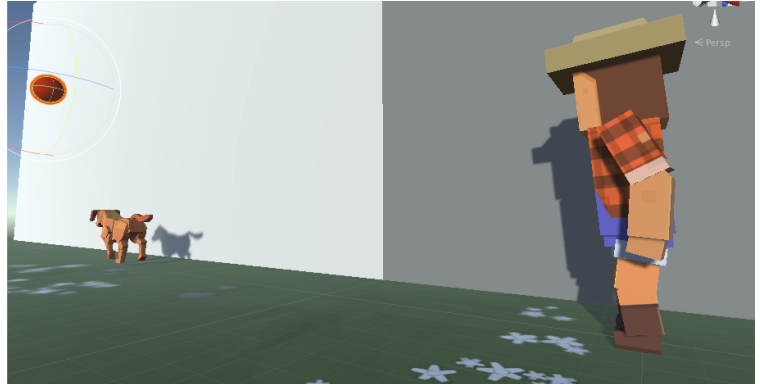
New Concepts and Skills

- Create custom methods/functions
- InvokeRepeating() to repeat code
- Colliders and Triggers
- Override functions
- Log Debug messages to console



Challenge 2

Play Fetch



Challenge Overview:

Use your array and random number generation skills to program this challenge where balls are randomly falling from the sky and you have to send your dog out to catch them before they hit the ground. To complete this challenge, you will have to make sure your variables are assigned properly, your if-statements are programmed correctly, your collisions are being detected perfectly, and that objects are being generated randomly.

Challenge Outcome:

- A random ball (of 3) is generated at a random x position above the screen
- When the user presses spacebar, a dog is spawned and runs to catch the ball
- If the dog collides with the ball, the ball is destroyed
- If the ball hits the ground, a "Game Over" debug message is displayed
- The dogs and balls are removed from the scene when they leave the screen

Challenge Objectives:

In this challenge, you will reinforce the following skills/concepts:

- Assigning variables and arrays in the inspector
- Editing colliders to the appropriate size
- Testing xyz positions with greater/less than operators in if-else statements
- Randomly generating values and selecting objects from arrays

Challenge Instructions:

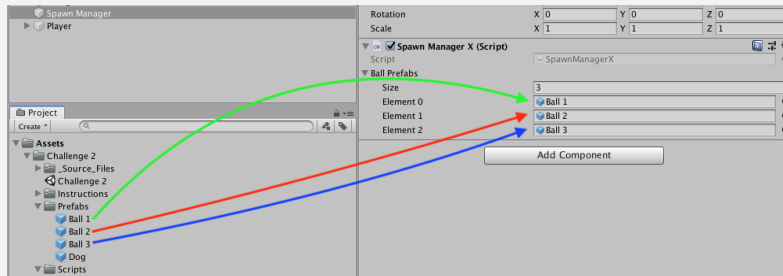
- Open your **Prototype 2** project
- **Download** the "Challenge 2 Starter Files" from the Tutorial Materials section, then double-click on it to **Import**
- In the *Project Window* > *Assets* > *Challenge 2* > **Instructions** folder, use the "Challenge 2 - Instructions" and "Outcome" video as a guide to complete the challenge

Challenge	Task	Hint
1 Dogs are spawning at the top of the screen	Make the balls spawn from the top of the screen	Click on the Spawn Manager object and look at the “Ball Prefabs” array
2 The player is spawning green balls instead of dogs	Make the player spawn dogs	Click on the Player object and look at the “Dog Prefab” variable
3 The balls are destroyed if anywhere near the dog	The balls should only be destroyed when coming into direct contact with a dog	Check out the box collider on the dog prefab
4 Nothing is being destroyed off screen	Balls should be destroyed when they leave the bottom of the screen and dogs should be destroyed when they leave the left side of the screen	In the DestroyOutOfBounds script, double-check the lowerLimit and leftLimit variables, the greater than vs less than signs, and which position (x,y,z) is being tested
5 Only one type of ball is being spawned	Ball 1, 2, and 3 should be spawned randomly	In the SpawnRandomBall() method, you should declare a new random int index variable, then incorporate that variable into the Instantiate call

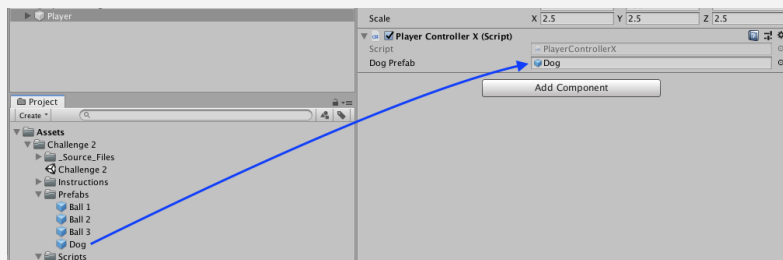
Bonus Challenge	Task	Hint
X The spawn interval is always the same	Make the spawn interval a random value between 3 seconds and 5 seconds	Set the spawnInterval value to a new random number between 3 and 5 seconds in the SpawnRandomBall method
Y The player can “spam” the spacebar key	Only allow the player to spawn a new dog after a certain amount of time has passed	Search for <code>Time.time</code> in the Unity Scripting API and look at the example. And don’t worry if you can’t figure it out - this is a <i>very difficult</i> challenge.

Challenge Solution

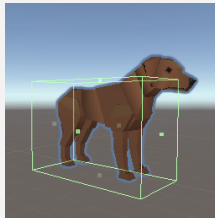
- 1 Select the Spawn Manager object and expand the "Ball Prefabs" array, then drag the **Ball 1, 2, 3** prefabs from *Assets > Challenge 2 > Prefabs* onto **Element 0, 1, 2**



- 2 Select the Player object and drag the **Dog** prefab from *Assets > Challenge 2 > Prefabs* onto the "Dog Prefab" variable



- 3 Double-click on the Dog prefab, then in the Box Collider component, click **Edit Collider**, and reduce the collider to be the same size as the dog



- 4 In *DestroyOutOfBoundsX.cs*, make the `leftLimit` a negative value, change the greater than to a less than when testing the x position, and test the y value instead of the z for the bottom limit

```
private float leftLimit = -30;
private float bottomLimit = -5;

void Update() {
    if (transform.position.x > leftLimit) {
        Destroy(gameObject);
    } else if (transform.position.y < bottomLimit) {
        Destroy(gameObject);
    }
}
```


- 5 In the SpawnRandomBall() method, declare a new random **int index** variable between 0 and the length of the Array, then incorporate that index variable into the the Instantiate call

```
void SpawnRandomBall ()
{
    // Generate random ball index and random spawn position
    int index = Random.Range(0, ballPrefabs.Length);
    Vector3 spawnPos = new Vector3(Random.Range(spawnXLeft, spawnXRight), spawnPosY, 0);

    // instantiate ball at random spawn location
    Instantiate(ballPrefabs[index], spawnPos, ballPrefabs[index].transform.rotation);
}
```

Bonus Challenge Solution

- X1** In SpawnManagerX, the “InvokeRepeating” method will not work to accomplish this, since it is only capable of calling a single, unchanging method at a pre-set spawnInterval. Instead, we could use the simpler “Invoke” method (which does not specify a spawnInterval), and then in the in SpawnRandomBall() method, randomly reset **startDelay** using Random.Range() and re-call the SpawnRandomBall() method again from within the method itself.

```
private float spawnInterval = 4.0f;

void Start ()
{
    InvokeRepeating("SpawnRandomBall", startDelay, spawnInterval);
}

void SpawnRandomBall ()
{
    startDelay = Random.Range(3, 5);
    ...
    Invoke("SpawnRandomBall", startDelay);
}
```

- Y1** In PlayerControllerX.cs, declare and initialize new fireRate and nextFire variables. Your “fireRate” will represent the time the player has to wait in seconds, and the nextFire variable will indicate the time (in seconds since the game started) at which the player will be able to fire again (starting at 0.0)

```
public GameObject dogPrefab;
private float fireRate = 1; // time the player has to wait to fire again
private float nextFire = 0; // time since start after which player can fire again
```

- Y2** In the if-statement checking if the player pressed spacebar, add a new condition to check that Time.time (the time in seconds since the game started) is *greater* than nextFire (which represents the time after which the player is allowed to fire. If so, nextFire should be *reset* to the current time plus the fireRate.

```
// On spacebar press, if enough time has elapsed since last fire, send dog
if (Input.GetKeyDown(KeyCode.Space) && Time.time > nextFire)
{
    nextFire = Time.time + fireRate; // reset nextFire to current time + fireRate
    Instantiate(dogPrefab, transform.position, dogPrefab.transform.rotation);
}
```