

Process & Decision Documentation

Project/Assignment Decisions

For Side Quest 2, I decided to redesign the blob's movement and environment to express the emotion of panic and relaxation. When the blob is on the ground, it is surrounded by a calming environment. But when the blob is in the air, it panics, turning red and small, and the environment around it grows dark and scary. The significant decision I made was to turn the background dark to show the panic the blob faces. I made this decision because I wanted to express how, when you feel panicked, the world around you becomes nonexistent.

Role-Based Process Evidence

From CS100, CS105, CS106, and GBDA228, I remembered many functions and features I could use. Since there was already a state created to check if the blob was on the ground (`blob3.onGround`), I created an if statement in the draw function, so whenever the blob was in the air, it would change the fill colour of the platform, and when it was back on the ground, it would change back. I also used the [p5.js](#) set colour names and changed them depending if it collided well with the other colours or not. I tested the “darkpurple”, which turned out not be a part of the set colour names. In the `drawBlobCircle(b)`, I created another if statement so that when the blob was on the ground (`b.onGround`), it would change the colour to blue, and if it was off the ground, it would turn red. Used both RGB codes and [p5.js](#) set colour names for the colours.

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platform colour
1 file changed +3 -3 lines changed
sketch.js @@ -64,11 +64,11 @@ function setup() {
64   64
65   65   if (blob3.onGround) {
66   66     background("lightblue");
67 - 67     fill("lightgreen");
68 + 68     background("teal");
69 + 69     fill("green");
70   } else {
71 - 71     background("black");
72 + 72     fill("orange");
73 + 73     fill("darkpurple");
74   }
75   // --- Draw all platforms ---
```

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background change 3
main
sketch.js
@@ -63,7 +63,11 @@ function setup() {
 63 63
 64 64
 65 65   function draw() {
- 66 66     background(240);
+ 66 66     if (blob3.onGround) {
+ 67 67       background("lightblue");
+ 68 68     } else {
+ 69 69       background("black");
+ 70 70     }
 67 71
 68 72   // ---- Draw all platforms ----
 69 73   fill(200);
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@@ -155,11 +159,9 @@ function overlap(a, b) {
155 159   // Draws the blob using Perlin noise for a soft, breathing effect
156 160   function drawBlobCircle(b) {
157 161     if (b.onGround) {
- 158 158       fill(20, 120, 255); // stays blue when on ground
- 159 159       background("blue");
+ 162 162       fill("blue"); // blob stays blue when on the ground
160 163     } else {
- 161 161       fill(255, 60, 60); // turns red in air
- 162 162       background("black");
+ 164 164       fill("red"); // turns blob red in air
163 165     }
164 166     beginShape();
165 167   }
```

For the background, I used the set [p5.js](#) background colour to “teal,” but it did not fit the theme, so I used a colour picker online to choose a colour that fit better.

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dif background colour
main
sketch.js
@@ -64,7 +64,7 @@ function setup() {
 64 64
 65 65   function draw() {
 66 66     if (blob3.onGround) {
- 67 67       background("teal"); // background turns teal when blob is on ground
+ 67 67       background(150, 236, 250); // background turns teal when blob is on ground
 68 68     } else {
 69 69       fill("green"); // makes platform green
 70 70     }
+ 71
```

Since there was already a set radius in the visual properties, I thought I could change it to 12 when the blob was in the air by using blob3.r. However, it didn't work, and the sizing stayed the same, so I added blob3.r = 26 in the first state with the fill("blue") to see if there would be changes, but when I tested it, both states stayed the same radius.

```
160  160      // Draws the blob using Perlin noise for a soft, breathing effect
161  161      function drawBlobCircle(b) {
162  162          if (b.onGround) {
163  163              fill("blue"); // blob stays blue when on the ground
164  164          } else {
165  165              fill("red"); // turns blob red in air
166  +      blob3.r = 12; // changes blob size in air
166  167      }
```

When blob3.r didn't work, I decided to create a new variable and change the b.r in the const r for the radius calculation to blobR to make the blob's radius change when it was in the air or on the ground.

```
160  160      // Draws the blob using Perlin noise for a soft, breathing effect
161  161      function drawBlobCircle(b) {
162  162          let blobR;
163  163          if (b.onGround) {
164  164              fill("blue"); // blob stays blue when on the ground
165  165              blobR = 26; // original blob size
166  166          } else {
167  167              fill("red"); // turns blob red in air
168  168              blobR = 12; // changes blob size in air
169  169          }
170  170          beginShape();
171  171
172  172          for (let i = 0; i < b.points; i++) {
173  173              const a = (i / b.points) * TAU;
174  174
175  175              // Noise-based radius offset
176  176              const n = noise(
177  177                  cos(a) * b.wobbleFreq + 100,
178  178                  sin(a) * b.wobbleFreq + 100,
179  179                  b.t,
180  180          );
181  181
182  -      const r = b.r + map(n, 0, 1, -b.wobble, b.wobble);
182  +      const r = blobR + map(n, 0, 1, -b.wobble, b.wobble);
183  183
```

Every time I made a change, I submitted the commitment to see if the change would reflect on the live server. It includes changing the background colours, updating the README.md, colours, platform colours, and the blob size.

↳ Commits on Jan 26, 2026
Update README.md k262huan-uw committed 9 minutes ago 2aee0e7 ↗ ↗
blob k262huan-uw committed 16 minutes ago 8484594 ↗ ↗
blob size k262huan-uw committed 17 minutes ago eceec0e ↗ ↗
blob size k262huan-uw committed 20 minutes ago ebcdec4 ↗ ↗
blob size k262huan-uw committed 20 minutes ago 3ca50b3 ↗ ↗
blob size k262huan-uw committed 21 minutes ago 70ea532 ↗ ↗
updated readme k262huan-uw committed 27 minutes ago b155dac ↗ ↗
diff background colour k262huan-uw committed 29 minutes ago 8d9c5bb ↗ ↗
comments + platform k262huan-uw committed 30 minutes ago a55b3f6 ↗ ↗
platform colour k262huan-uw committed 32 minutes ago 1abc0ca ↗ ↗
platform colours k262huan-uw committed 33 minutes ago 8574186 ↗ ↗
background change 3 k262huan-uw committed 35 minutes ago 81074c9 ↗ ↗
background 2 k262huan-uw committed 40 minutes ago 4d34983 ↗ ↗
background instead of fill k262huan-uw committed 43 minutes ago 8371f53 ↗ ↗
background colour k262huan-uw committed 44 minutes ago d6a0122 ↗ ↗
↳ Commits on Jan 25, 2026
blob turns red in air k262huan-uw committed 18 hours ago 27444c3 ↗ ↗

Entry Header

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Primary responsibility for this work: Changed colours based on the environment/emotion I wanted to show.

Goal of Work Session

During this phase, I updated the blob's movement and environment to express the emotions of relaxation and panic.

GenAI Documentation

No GenAI used for this task.

Summary of Process (Human + Tool)

Did testing and revision by committing my changes and checking the live server.

Decision Points & Trade-offs

Had to decide which colours would fit the theme of the emotions better. Tried the colour orange for the platforms when the blob was in the air, it seemed like it didn't fit the emotion properly, which is why I tried to change it to a dark purple. Tested `fill("darkpurple")` to see if a colour would show up; when it didn't, I searched up a colour picker and copied the RGB code, and it fit the emotion better.

Verification & Judgement

I evaluated whether my change was appropriate by comparing it to how I would feel in both panicked and relaxed environments, and using popular representations of relaxed and panicked environments.

Limitations, Dead Ends, or Open Questions

- `fill("darkpurple")` is not a properly named colour in p5.js