

Girls in the Game

Welcome to "Girls in the Game" coding challenge. In this project you'll learn how to combine code blocks to create an animation.

Learning Objectives

- Sprites.
- Costumes.
- Sequential code blocks.
- Broadcast messages.
- Repeat loops.

Challenges

- "Adding another sprite" introducing a second sprite.
- "Preparing to animate" renaming and resizing costumes.
- "Expanding your animation" personalising sprites, adding more sprites, code blocks & sounds.

You can find a completed version of this animation here https://scratch.mit.edu/projects/98172784/#editor or if you're looking for some animation inspiration look at some other football animations here https://scratch.mit.edu/studios/1112522

Happy coding!

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Introduction

You are going to learn how to program your own animation!





Activity Checklist



Test your Project



Save your Project

Follow these INSTRUCTIONS one by one

Click on the green flag to TEST your code

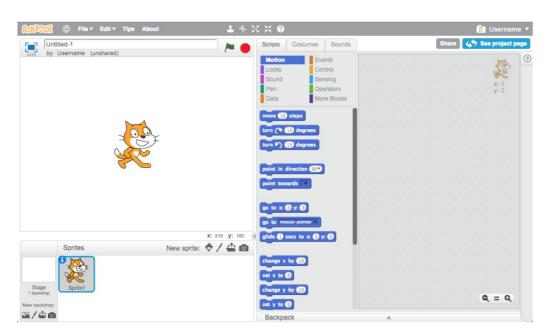
Make sure to **SAVE** your work now

Step 1: Sprites

Before you can start coding, you'll need to add in a 'thing' to code. In Scratch, these 'things' are called sprites.



• First, open up the Scratch editor. You can find the online Scratch editor at jumpto.cc/scratch-new. It looks like this:



• The cat sprite that you can see is the Scratch mascot. Let's get rid of it, by right-clicking and then clicking 'delete'.



• Next, locate the 'New sprite' icons. Click 'Choose sprite from library' to open up a list of all the Scratch sprites.



• Search until you see a sprite called 'Adrian'. Click on her and click 'OK' to add her to your project.

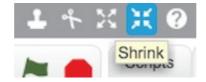


Challenge: Adding another sprite

Can you add the sprite 'Soccer Ball' to your project?



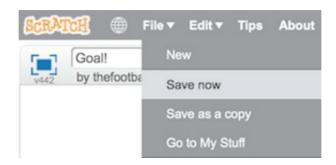
You'll notice the Soccer Ball is too big. You can resize sprites by clicking on the 'shrink' icon then clicking on the sprite you want to change.



Save your project

Give your program a name, by typing one into the text box in the top-left corner.

You can then click 'File' and then 'Save now' to save your project.

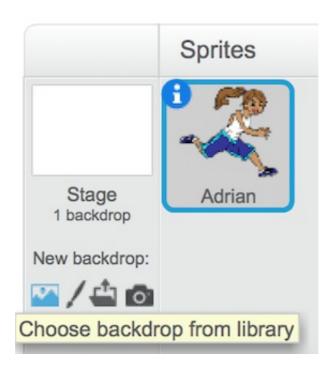


Step 2: The Stage

The stage is the area on the left, and is where your project comes to life. Think of it as a performance area, just like a real stage!

Activity Checklist

• At the moment, the stage is white, and looks pretty boring! Let's add a backdrop to the stage, by clicking 'Choose backdrop from library'.



• Click 'Outdoors' on the left and then click on a goal backdrop and click 'OK'.



Your stage should now look like this:



Step 3: Animating your footballer

Let's code Adrian to kick the Soccer Ball.

Activity Checklist

• To make Adrian look like she is kicking the ball we need two of her costumes. Click on Adrian, then on her 'Costumes' tab, and you'll see 3 costumes.



• The names of the costumes aren't very helpful at the moment. Rename 'adrian-a' to 'kicking' and 'adrian-b' to 'standing' by typing the new name of each costume into the text box.



 Now we need to add some code. You can find the code blocks in the 'Scripts' tab, and they are all colour-coded! Drag these blocks into the code area to the right, making sure that they are connected together (like Lego blocks):





Step 4: Moving the ball

When Adrian has kicked, you need to **broadcast** a message to the soccer ball sprite, telling it to move.

Activity Checklist

• To do this, first add this block to the end of your code.



To create the **broadcast** block, click the down arrow and select 'new message...'. You can then type 'kick' to create your new message.

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when clicked

go to x: -188 y: 0

switch costume to standing v

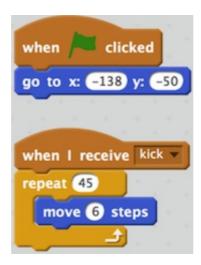
say Hello! for 2 secs

wait 1 secs

switch costume to kicking v

broadcast kick v
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 You now need to tell your soccer ball sprite where to start and what to do when it receives the message. Click on your soccer ball sprite and add this code.



The repeat block is used to repeat something lots of times, and is also known as a loop.

• Click on the flag to see your new animation.

Step 5: Some fans

Now we're going to add some fans to cheer when Adrian kicks the ball into the net.

Activity Checklist

• Let's add a new sprite called 'Anna' from the library. Anna has 2 costumes, we'll use them both to make it look like she's cheering when a goal is scored.



Challenge: Preparing to animate

Can you rename Anna's costumes to arms-side and arms-up to make them more obvious?

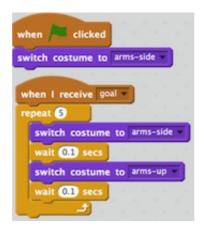
If Anna is a bit too big, can you use the shrink tool to resize her.



• To make sure Anna cheers at the right time, we need to add an extra block onto the end of our Soccer Ball script to broadcast a message when a goal is scored.



• Next, click on Anna and add these code blocks.



• Click on the flag to see your animation.



Save your project

Challenge: Expanding your animation

Can you personalise the footballer? Perhaps change her hair colour or kit.

Can you add some more fans to your project?

Can you make the fans say encouraging words?

Can you add some sounds to your project?



Save your project