

Process & Decision Documentation

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Side Quest 2

Project/Assignment Decisions(2-4 Sentences)

One key decision I made was redesigning the blob's movement to clearly express a specific emotion (panic) rather than keeping the original neutral breathing animation. I increased the blob's speed, wobble, and unpredictability to better communicate emotional intensity through motion. I also chose to add a small interactive environment with objects, allowing the blob to bump into or steal them as a mischief mechanic. This helped reinforce the emotional tone while making the interaction more playful and expressive.

GenAI Documentation (Used)

Date Used: January 27,2026

Tool Disclosure: ChatGPT (GPT-5.2)

Purpose of Use: ChatGPT was used to support ideation and technical problem-solving, including brainstorming ways to express emotion through motion, refining the blob's behavior, and generating example p5.js code for the mischief mechanic.

Prompts Used: Prompts focused on redesigning blob movement to convey specific emotions, adding environmental interaction, and implementing a simple mischief system where the blob bumps or steals objects.

Summary of Interactions: ChatGPT provided suggestions on how changes in speed, wobble, randomness, and color could communicate panic. It also offered example code structures for object interaction, collision detection, and simple behavioral mechanics.

Human Decision Points: All final design decisions, including the choice of emotion, movement parameters, visual style, and interaction rules, were made by me. I selectively adapted AI-generated ideas and adjusted the code to better fit my intended emotional expression and project requirements.

Integrity & Verification Note: All AI-assisted code and ideas were reviewed, tested, and modified to ensure they functioned correctly and aligned with the assignment goals. No AI-generated content was used without verification or personal revision.

Scope of GenAI Use: GenAI was used as a supportive tool for brainstorming and example generation, not as a replacement for independent coding or design decision-making.

Limitations or Misfires: Some initial AI suggestions were overly complex or did not fully match the existing blob structure, requiring simplification and manual adjustment. This highlighted the importance of human judgment when integrating AI assistance.