Traffic lights with Scratch 2

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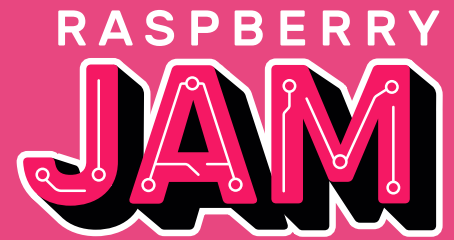
Connect the LEDs

1 Connect your LEDs to the following pins:

LED	GPIO
Red	22
Amber	27
Green	17
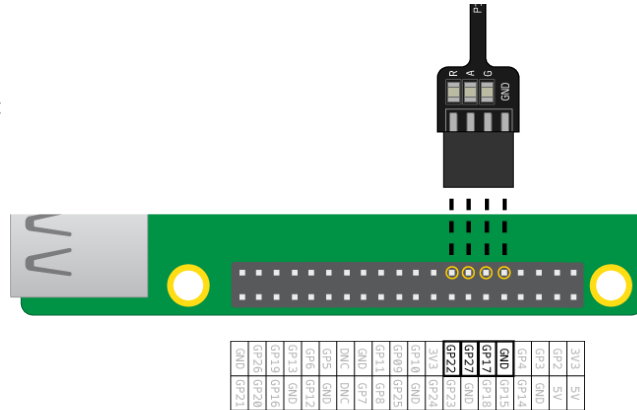
Control the LEDs

1 Open **Scratch 2** from the Programming menu (**Scratch 2**, not **Scratch**).

2 Open the **More Blocks** panel, click **Add an Extension**, and select **Pi GPIO**.

3 You should then see two new blocks appear in **More Blocks**:
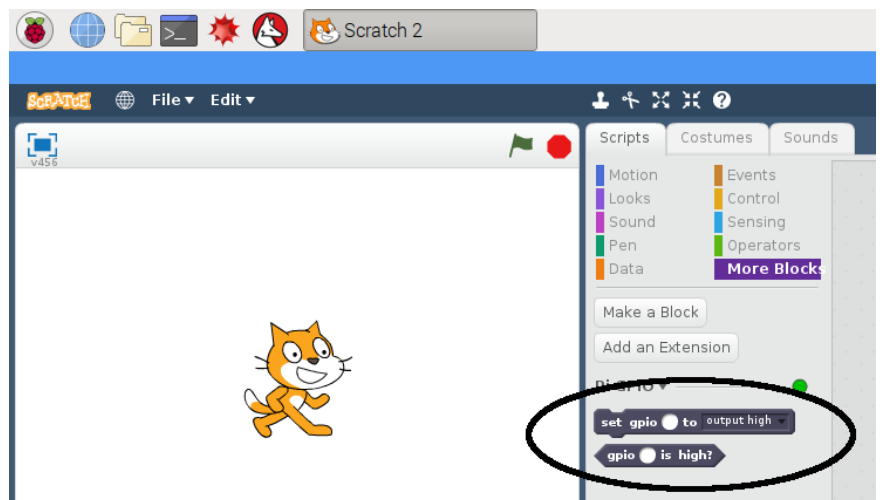
4 Open the **Events** panel and drag in a `when flag clicked` block.

when clicked

5 Open the **More Blocks** panel, drag in a `set gpio to output high` block and dock it under the previous block.

Set the gpio to number 22.

when clicked

set gpio 22 to output high

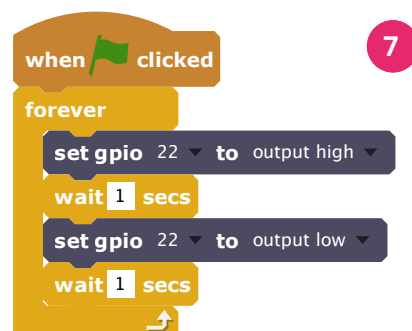**6** Now click the green flag to run your code. You should see the red LED light up.

7 Now add a `wait 1 secs` block before and after turning the LED off with `set gpio 22 to output low`, and wrap it in a `forever` block to blink continuously:

8 Click the green flag again and you should see the LED blink.

9 Now add some more `set gpio` blocks to introduce the other two lights on gpio 27 & 17, and make them all flash on and off:

10 Click the green flag again and you should see the three lights flash together.

11 Can you change the number in `wait 1 secs` to speed up or slow down the sequence?

```
when [green flag] clicked          7
forever
  set gpio 22 ▼ to output high ▼
  wait 1 secs
  set gpio 22 ▼ to output low ▼
  wait 1 secs
```

```
when [green flag] clicked          9
forever
  set gpio 22 ▼ to output high ▼
  set gpio 27 ▼ to output high ▼
  set gpio 17 ▼ to output high ▼
  wait 1 secs
  set gpio 22 ▼ to output low ▼
  set gpio 27 ▼ to output low ▼
  set gpio 17 ▼ to output low ▼
  wait 1 secs
```

Traffic lights sequence

1 Try turning the lights on and off in sequence:

2 Now you know how to control the lights individually, and time the pauses between commands, can you create a traffic lights sequence? The sequence goes:

- Green on
- Amber on
- Red on
- Red and amber on
- Green on

It's important to think about timing. How long should the lights stay on for at each stage?

Once you have completed the traffic light sequence, you might want to try adding in a button and a buzzer to make an interactive traffic light for a pedestrian crossing.

```
when [green flag] clicked          1
forever
  set gpio 22 ▼ to output high ▼
  wait 1 secs
  set gpio 27 ▼ to output high ▼
  wait 1 secs
  set gpio 17 ▼ to output high ▼
  wait 1 secs
  set gpio 22 ▼ to output low ▼
  wait 1 secs
  set gpio 27 ▼ to output low ▼
  wait 1 secs
  set gpio 17 ▼ to output low ▼
  wait 1 secs
```