

Prompt: Python simple 4 week project

Idea 6#

Snake Game

- Use pygame.
- Add score tracking, levels, or fun twists (powerups, obstacles).

4-Week Snake Game

Week 1 – Foundations

- Install/setup pygame.
- Make a window with a fixed size
- Draw the snake as a rectangle that moves in one direction.
- basic key input (arrow keys to change direction).

Goal: You can move the snake around the screen.

Week 2 – Mechanics

- Add food (randomly spawned square).
- Make snake grow when it eats food.
- Keep score in the corner of the screen.
- Game over when snake hits the wall.

Goal: Playable basic snake game (but snake doesn't collide with itself).

Week 3 – Game Over & Extras

- Add self-collision detection (if snake hits its own body then game over).
- Add restart option after game ends.
- Simple improvement(better colors, background, maybe snake segments with alternating shades).

Goal: Fully functional Snake game.

Week 4 – Add ons/Final debugging

Week 1 Goal

A snake (just a few rectangles) that you can move around the screen with the arrow keys.

Step-by-Step Breakdown

Day 1 – Setup pygame + Window

1. Install pygame (if not yet):

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pip install pygame
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Week 1 – Snake Foundations

1. Initialize Game

- Import pygame, sys, random.

- Initialize pygame (pygame.init()).
- Set window dimensions (e.g., WIDTH=600, HEIGHT=400).
- Create display (pygame.display.set_mode).
- Define colors (BLACK, GREEN, RED, etc).
- Set CELL_SIZE = 20.

2. **Snake Setup**

- Represent snake as a list of coordinate tuples:

3. **Game Loop**

- While game is running:

i. Handle **events**:

1. Quit event → close game.
2. Arrow keys → update snake's direction (up, down, left, right).

ii. Update **snake position**:

1. Compute new head = current head + direction.
2. Insert head at front of snake list.
3. Remove last segment (so snake keeps length).

iii. **Render**:

1. Clear screen.

2. Draw each segment of the snake.
3. Update display.

Control speed (clock.tick(10) for FPS).

End of Week 1: Snake moves around, controllable with arrow keys.

Week 2 – Food & Scoring

1. Add Food

- Spawn food at random grid location:
- Draw food as a red rectangle.

2. Check Snake Eating Food

- If snake's new head == food position:
 - i. Don't pop() tail (snake grows by 1).
 - ii. Increase score by +1.
 - iii. Respawn food at new random location (that doesn't overlap snake).

3. Wall Collision

- If new head goes outside screen boundaries → Game Over.

4. Render Score

- Use pygame.font to render text at top-left corner.
- ✓ End of Week 2: You can play a full snake game with growing snake, score count, and wall collision.
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Week 3 – Self Collision + Restart

1. Self-Collision Check

- After moving snake:

2. Game Over State

- If game over:
 - i. Display “Game Over! Press R to restart” message.
 - ii. Pause movement until player presses R or quits.

3. Restart Mechanic

- On pressing R:
 - i. Reset snake to starting position/length.
 - ii. Reset direction, score, and respawn food.
 - iii. Resume loop.

4. Visual Polish

- Alternate snake body colors (green shades).
- Center “Game Over” text.

End of Week 3: Full snake clone that grows, tracks score, dies when hitting walls or itself, and can restart without quitting.

- **Week 1:** Snake moves.
- **Week 2:** Add food + scoring + wall collision.
- **Week 3:** Add self-collision + restart system.