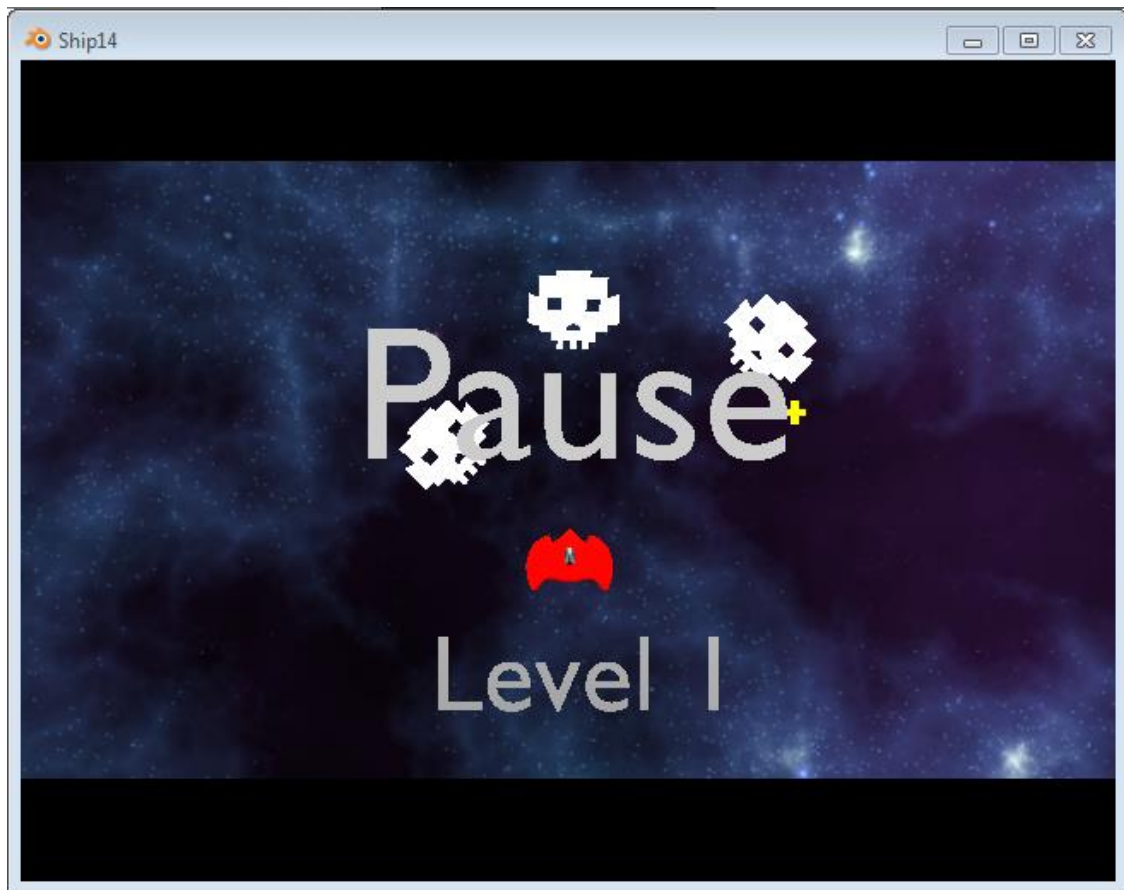


**“MAKE A VIDEO  
GAME FOR FREE”**



**BLENDER CLUB 2016  
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WELCOME TO BLENDER CLUB! THE GOAL OF THIS CLUB IS TO ALLOW FIFTH GRADERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN HOW TO CREATE THEIR OWN VIDEO GAME FROM SCRATCH. THE FIRST CLASS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS BLENDER CLUB CAME IN ON THEIR LUNCH BREAKS AND SPENT THE ENTIRE THIRTY MINUTES TYPING ON THEIR KEYBOARDS, TRYING DESPERATELY TO GET THEIR GAMES TO WORK. BY THE END OF THAT FIRST SCHOOL YEAR, TWO KIDS HAD COMPLETED GAMES. I CONSIDER THAT A HUGE SUCCESS, CONSIDERING THAT NEITHER OF THEM HAD DONE ANY SERIOUS PROGRAMMING.

IF YOU'VE EVER WONDERED HOW VIDEO GAMES WORKED, OR IF YOU'VE EVER WANTED TO TRY TO MAKE A VIDEO GAME BUT NEVER KNEW WHERE TO START, THIS IS THE CLUB FOR YOU. I WROTE THIS BOOK SPECIFICALLY FOR FIFTH GRADERS; THE FIRST TUTORIALS THAT I WROTE WERE ATROCIOUS, WITH PLENTY OF DIRECTIONS SKIPPED AND OTHER ERRORS. HOWEVER, I BELIEVE I'VE GOT MOST OF THE KINKS WORKED OUT BY NOW, THANKS TO MY KIDS WHO CORRECTED ME EACH TIME A MISTAKE WAS FOUND.

BLENDER IS A HOBBY OF MINE. I'VE BEEN USING IT SINCE 2010, MOSTLY FOR ANIMATIONS AND GAME ASSET CREATION. I ENJOY BUILDING AND PROGRAMMING COMPUTERS AND I HOPE TO BE ABLE TO SHARE THESE SKILLS WITH ALL OF MY CLASSES SO THAT THEY WILL BE BETTER PREPARED TO ENTER THE JOB MARKET OF A HIGH-TECH WORLD. I HOPE YOU GUYS ENJOY THIS BOOK.

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