

Programming Is Fun!



What is Programming?

- Set of instructions
- Composed of commands and functions
- Used to solve a specific problem
- Not the same thing as coding

Why Do We Program?

- Keep with the times
- Stimulates the brain
- It is fun!

How Do You Learn To Program?

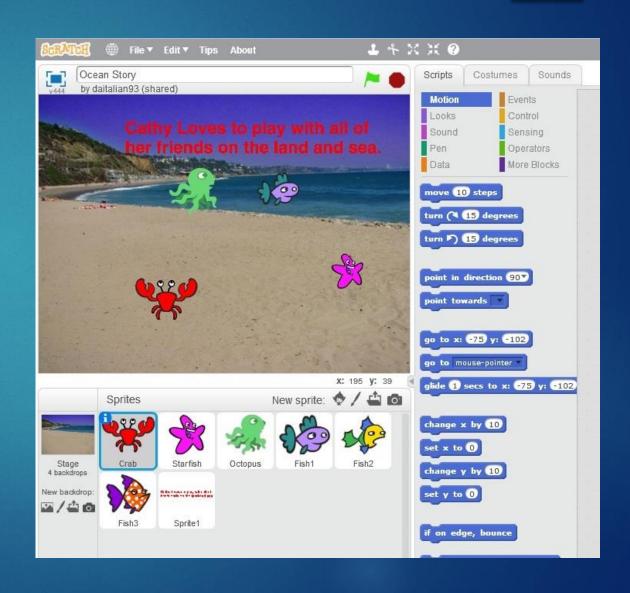
- Research software
- Download or use online software
- Start programming!





Lets Program!

- Programming
 Language (VPL)
- Great to learn with
- Best way to learn is practice



What Are Commands?

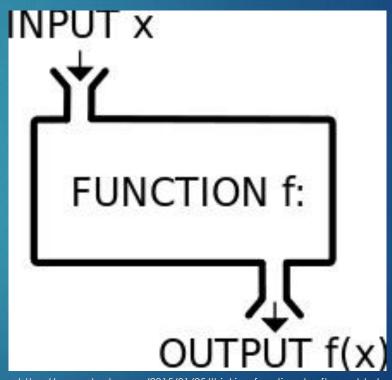
Commands
perform a specific task.



http://speak-it.com/what-are-natural-language-commands/

What are Functions?

- Functions are a collection of commands.
- Functions make programs more efficient.



https://www.ykode.com/2015/01/25/thinking-functional-software.html

Commands and Functions In Scratch



Commands and Functions Cont.

- Commands and functions make up a program.
- A program can be simple or complex.

```
when clicked

wait 1 secs

switch backdrop to boardwalk

go to x: -75 y: -102

show

say Hello! for 2 secs

say My name is Cathy! for 2 secs

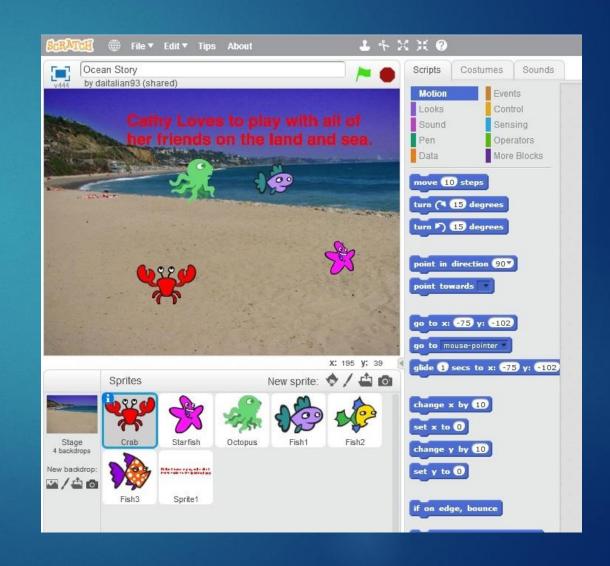
say Today is such a pretty day to be in Malibu. I think I will go to find my friends. for 2 secs
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Some Scratch Commands

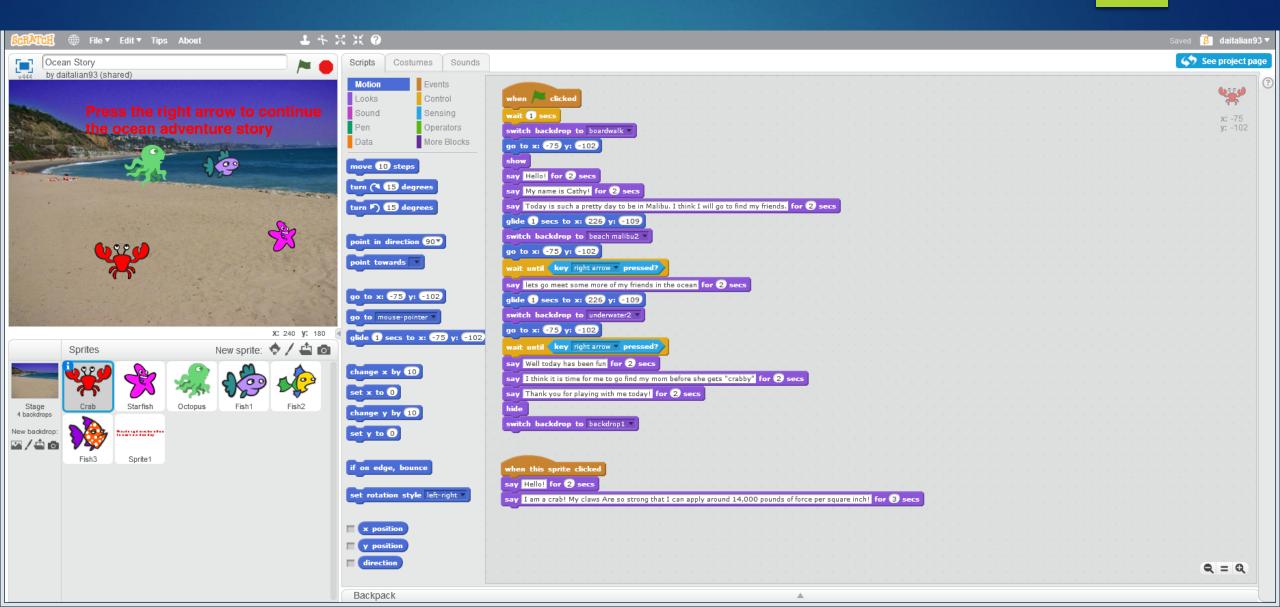
- Move moves a sprite along the X or Y axis
- ► Hide Makes a sprite invisible
- ► Show Makes a sprite visible
- Wait Makes the program pause for a specified time
- Switch Switches costumes and backgrounds

Programming in action!

- Interactive adventure story
- ocean based
- Uses Event controls to manipulate scenarios
- https://scratch.mit.e du/projects/1000888 52/



Ocean Adventure



Ocean Creature's code

```
when backdrop switches to beach malibu2 *
show

when this sprite clicked
say Hello! I am starfish! for 2 secs
say If I lose an appendage, I can grow another one to replace it! for 2 secs

when backdrop switches to underwater2 *
hide
```

```
when backdrop switches to beach malibu2 🔻
when this sprite clicked
 say Hello! I am an octopus! for 2 secs
 say I have 4 pairs of arms and they are covered in suction cups to help me find food! for (3) secs
when backdrop switches to underwater2
 when backdrop switches to backdrop1 -
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```
vhen this sprite clicked
  say Hello! I am a fish! for (2) secs
  say There are about 20,000 different species of fish in the ocean! for 3 secs
when 🖊 clicked
when backdrop switches to beach malibu2 -
when backdrop switches to underwater2 *
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```
when 🆊 clicked
 when backdrop switches to beach malibu2 🔻
 switch costume to costume1 *
 wait 3 secs
switch costume to costume2 *
 wait 3 secs
switch costume to costume3 *
 wait until key right arrow v pressed?
when backdrop switches to underwater2 *
switch costume to costume4 *
wait 3 secs
switch costume to costume5
wait 3 secs
switch costume to costume6
wait until key right arrow pressed?
```

Conclusion

Programming can be fun!



Sources

- Wikipedia
- Scratch.org
- Scratchjr.org
- Google Images

Questions?

