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The Secret Path Project



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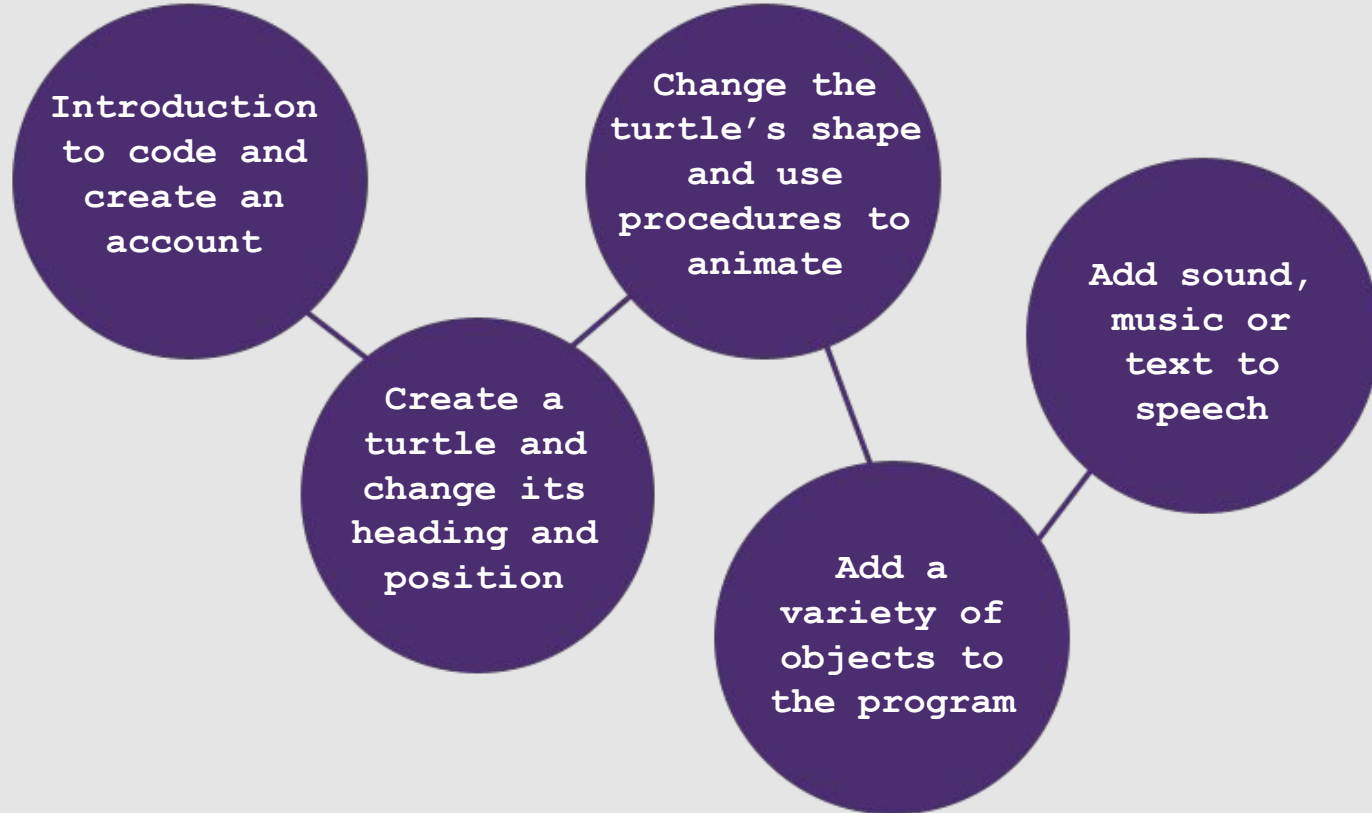
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Learn coding concepts while learning about Chanie's journey
and creating a message of ReconcilACTION.

Learning Goals

Students will learn these coding concepts.



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Introduction to Text-based Coding

What is LYNX and learning the environment.

What is LYNX?

- LYNX is the natural next step after you have used block-based coding programs like Scratch.
- LYNX uses *words* to code. They are called PRIMITIVES. You can think of them as COMMANDS the computer understands. There are approx. 200 Primitives that LYNX understands. You will learn some of them for this project.

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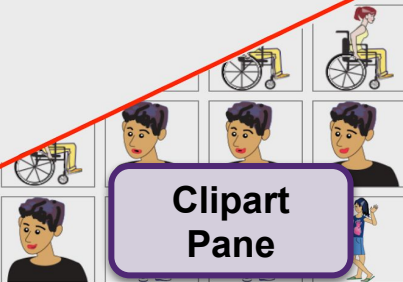
My project - page1



Procedures

```
1 ; This is an example of a procedure. Type the  
   word DrawSquare in the Command Centre (the  
   area below the white Work Area)  
2  
3 to DrawSquare  
4 pendown  
5 repeat 4 [  
6   forward 100  
7   right 90  
8 ]  
9 end  
10
```

Procedure
Pane



Clipart
Pane



HELP!

Name your
Project



Turtle

Work Area
(Page)

Command
Centre



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Getting Started

Get a free LYNX Account and work with the Template



Join Your Class Coding Club and Register for your own account

*Accept the **Link** that your teacher sent to you or shared with you. You will become a member of that Coding Club.*

*In the top right corner, **Register** with your third party provider and get your own free Lynx account.*

Login/Register

LOGIN/REGISTER

If you sign in for the first time, you agree to our [Terms](#), [Privacy Policy](#).

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The invitation link from your teacher must be accepted within 30 days!

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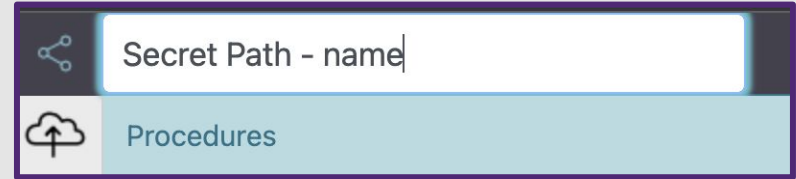
Start in the Right Place!

At the top, click **All Projects**. Open the **Secret Path Project Template** project from your Secret Path Project Club. It will appear in **Player** mode. To modify it, click on **Edit**.

Name the project something personal, e.g. **Secret Path by Your Name**.

Save the project right away!
Click the save icon
There is **NO** autosave so remember to **Save** often.

EDIT



Join your Secret Path Project Club, Open and Rename the Template: Video



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Learning about Chanie

Who was Chanie and why is the story important?

Who was Chanie?

On page 1, Click the **button** and an animation will begin, music will play and a short explanation will appear.

Click to start

Chanie Wenjack was born on
January 19, 1954, on the Marten
Falls First Nation.



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Changing the Appearance and Altering Position

Adding a turtle, moving a turtle, setheading and setpos.

Add a Turtle

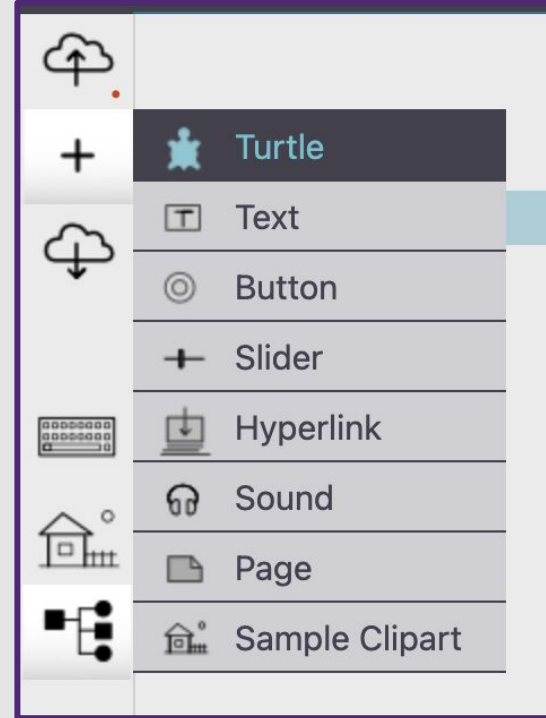
Need to add a **Turtle** to the Page? On the left side, click the + sign and choose **Turtle**.

Important Tip:

Do you see a red dot below the Cloud icon?

That means you have not saved recently. Save now by clicking on the Arrow up to the Cloud.

There is **NO** autosave.



Move a Turtle

In LYNX, some primitives have short forms like *fd* for *forward* or *rt* for *right*.

In the Command Centre type *fd 100* and hit enter. What do you think the *fd* primitive does? What does 100 represent?



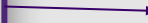
```
↵ fd 100
```

Type *right 90* into the Command Centre. What does the *rt* primitive do? What does 90 represent?



```
↵ fd 100  
rt 90
```

Type *glide 500 1* and *glide 500 2* into the Command Centre. What does the 500 represent? What does changing the 1 to a 5 do?



```
↵ glide 500 1  
glide 500 5
```

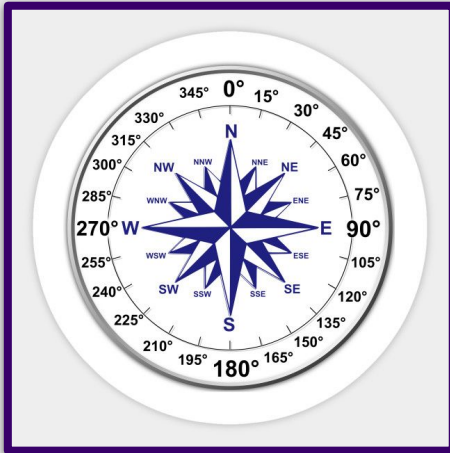
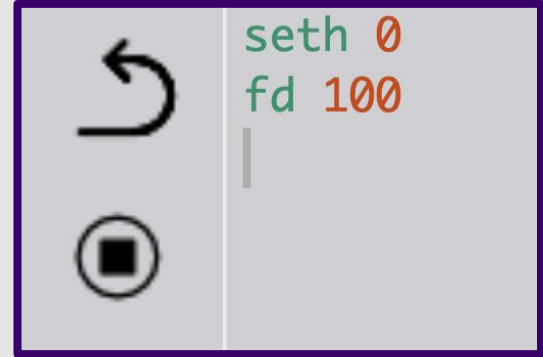
Try the following primitives and note what they do:
fd 100, bk 100, rt 90, lt 90, rt 45, and home

Set Heading

Try the following primitives along with **fd 100** and see what they do:

seth 0, seth 90, seth 180, and seth 270.

seth is short for **setheading**. Don't put a space between set & heading.

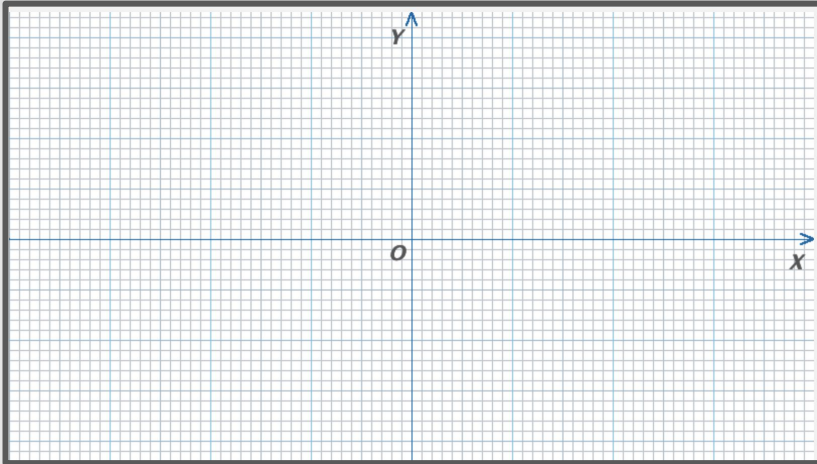


Try to use the **setheading** and **forward** primitives to move your turtle in the shape of square.

By entering the command, **PD** (pen down) the turtle will draw a line and you will see the turtle draw a square.

Set Position (setpos)

In the Command Centre set the following positions for your turtle and note where your turtle goes for each. Use the Square Brackets beside the letter P.



```
setpos [-200 200]  
setpos [200 200]  
setpos [-200 -200]  
setpos [200 -200]
```

Move the Turtle around to determine how large the work area is. What did you find? What is the centre of the work area?



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Changing the Turtle's Size and Shape

Change the size of the turtle and choose a new shape using clipart

Set Size

In the Command Centre type **setsize 20** and hit enter. How small can you make your turtle?

Type **setsize 100** into the Command Centre. How large can you make your turtle?

Use the **repeat** primitive to make the turtle do the instructions inside the brackets multiple times. In this case, switch between size 20 and size 100 **five** times. **Wait 5** tells the turtle to wait half a second before changing sizes. Try different numbers and have fun.

Try to have your turtle gradually grow from smallest to largest.
Note: all turtles start with a default size of 40.

```
↩ setsize 20
```

```
↩ setsize 100
```

```
↩ repeat 5 [setsize 20 wait 5 setsize 100 wait 5]
```

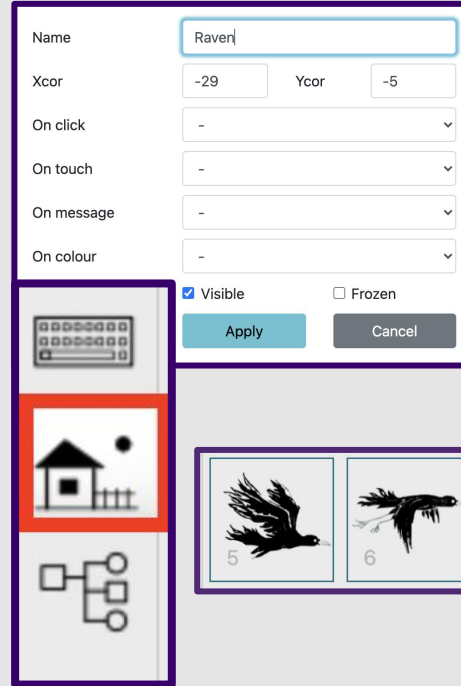

Set Shape

*Right-click on the turtle and name it **Raven**. Turtles **MUST** have a 1 word name.*

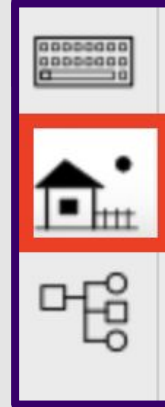
Click the Clipart icon in the left menu tab to see the sample clipart. Notice number 5 is the Raven.

*In the Command Centre type **setshape 5**. This will change the turtle to the Raven. Then type **setshape 6**.*

*Finally, use the **setsize** command you previously learned to set the size of the Raven to a more suitable size.*



The screenshot shows the 'Edit' window for a turtle named 'Raven'. The 'Name' field contains 'Raven'. The 'Xcor' is -29 and 'Ycor' is -5. The 'On click', 'On touch', 'On message', and 'On colour' dropdown menus are all set to '-'. The 'Visible' checkbox is checked, and the 'Frozen' checkbox is unchecked. The 'Apply' button is highlighted in blue, and the 'Cancel' button is grey.



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What is a Procedure and how to use them

Put your new Procedure in a Button

Understanding Procedures

A **procedure** is a group of instructions that you give a name to. This new procedure is added to Lynx's primitives, but only in the project you are currently working on. Basically, you are teaching Lynx a new command for this specific project.

Go to the **Procedures Pane**.



Create a Procedure called **fly**. The 1 word name **CANNOT** be a LYNX command that already exists.

Use **setshape** and **wait** to create an animation for the Raven Type **fly** to the **Command Centre** to run your **Procedure**!

Important Tips:

- All procedures **MUST** start with **to**, then a space, then 1 word.
- All procedures **MUST** finish with the word **end** on a line by itself.

Procedures

```
1 to fly
2 setshape 5
3 wait 5
4 setshape 6
5 wait 5
6 setshape 5
7 wait 5
8 setshape 6
9 wait 5
10 setshape 5
11 wait 5
12 setshape 6
13 wait 5
14 setshape 5
15 wait 5
16 setshape 6
17 wait 5
18 setshape 5
19 wait 5
20 setshape 6
21 wait 5
22 end
```



fly



Repeat

Identify the core of the pattern used for your *fly* procedure.

Procedures

```
1 ▾ to fly
2   setshape 5
3   wait 5
4   setshape 6
5   wait 5
6   setshape 5
7   wait 5
8   setshape 6
9   wait 5
10  setshape 5
11  wait 5
12  setshape 6
13  wait 5
14  setshape 5
15  wait 5
16  setshape 6
17  wait 5
18  setshape 5
19  wait 5
20  setshape 6
21  wait 5
22  end
```

Use the **repeat** primitive to shorten your *fly* procedure. Note that the repeated primitives must be placed in square brackets (beside the letter *P* on your computer).

Procedures

```
1 ▾ to fly
2   repeat 10 [setshape 5 wait
3             5 setshape 6 wait 5]
3   end
```

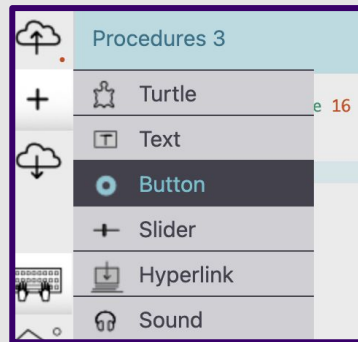


Add a Button to the FLY Procedure

Click the **+** and add a **Button**

Right-click the button. Change the Label to **Fly Raven** and select the **fly** procedure from the On Click dropdown. Click Apply

Click your button to see your animation



Important Tips:


- Buttons can be dragged to different spots on your page.
- Buttons can be resized by dragging the bottom right corner.
- The Label is plain English-it is not code.

Name: button4

Label: Fly Raven

On click: fly

☒ Visible ☐ Frozen

 Apply Cancel

Try to have your raven fly across the screen while it flaps its wings. Use cards 16 to 18 for help!

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PAGES and BACKGROUNDS

Add a Page, put a Background on it & navigate between Pages

Add Another Page

Click the **+** sign and select **Page**.

A new page with a plain white background appears.

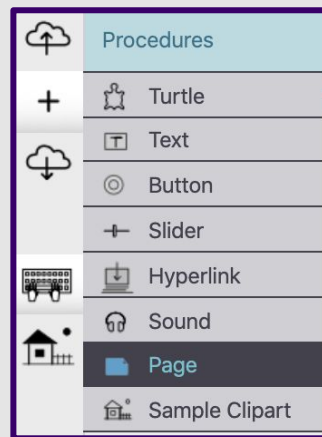
You will need a **Turtle** on the Page. If one is not there, click the **+** sign and select **Turtle**.

Important Tips:

Pages are added in this order: Page1, Page2, Page3 etc. You can rename a page but you must use a 1 word name with no spaces.

You can **remove** a page with the command **remove 'page2'** assuming **page2** is the name of the page.

You can also go to the **Project Tree**. Click on the page you want removed and click **Delete**



Name



Apply

Cancel

Creating a Background

Open the **Clipart Pane** and find an image you like.
Remember the **shape number** in the bottom left.

In the Command Centre type **setshape 22** (or the clipart number of your choice). The black turtle has changed shape.

Use **setsize** to make it bigger or smaller if needed.

In the Command Centre type **stamp** to permanently stamp the image on the background. **IMPORTANT:** To get the turtle shape back again after stamping, type **setshape 0** in the Command Centre.

Method 2: You can also click on the image you like in the Clipart Pane. You will see a white glove. Now click directly on the turtle. Click & Click. Do NOT click & drag

IMPORTANT TIP:
If you don't like your background after stamping, click **Undo** twice.



Page Navigation

Click the **forward** and **back** arrows to the right of the project name to navigate between pages.



Secret Path Project - page1



You can also use the command center to navigate between pages. Try typing **page1** in the Command Centre.



page1



Important Tip:
Remember, procedures cannot be named after Lynx commands.

Try writing a procedure to change the page. Type **to** **gopage 2** in the procedure pane.

```
1 ▾ to gopage2
2   page2
3   end
```



Page Navigation with a Button

Click the **+** and choose **Button**.

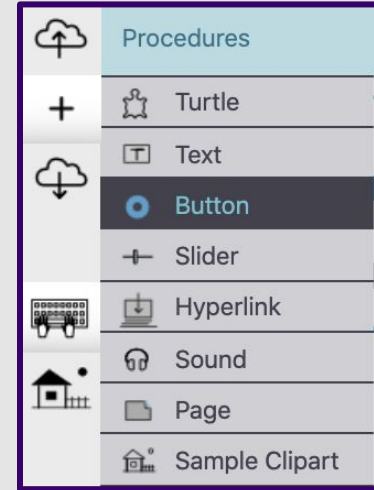
Right-click the **Button**.

In the **Label** field, type something meaningful such as **Go to Page 2**.

Click the **On click** drop down menu.

Choose the **procedure** you made on the previous slide to change pages **gopage2**.

Click **Apply**.



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Adding Text Boxes

And managing Text Boxes

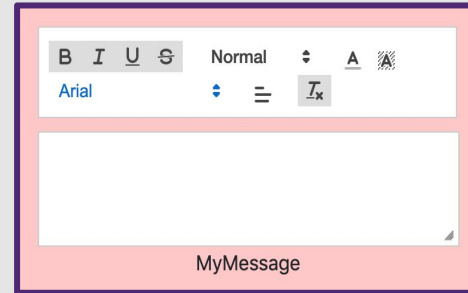
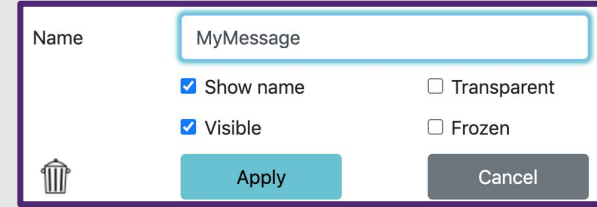
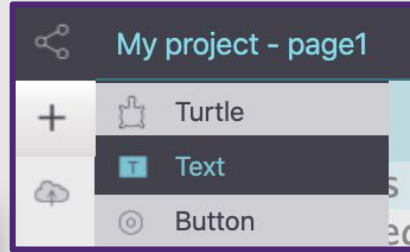
Creating Text Boxes

Click the **+** sign and select **Text**.

Right-click on the text box, a **dialog box** appears.

Type the name: **MyMessage**. Text boxes must have 1 word names.

Click **Apply**.



Important Tip:

To Move the text box: Grab it by the name and drag it.

Resize it: Drag on the small triangle in lower right that appears when you hover over it.

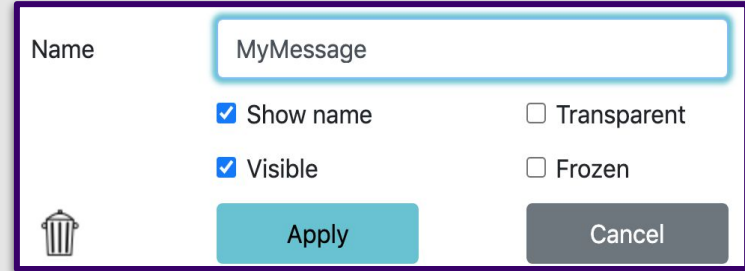
Format: Click inside the text box—or select text—and use the formatting tools that will appear near the text box.

Managing Text Boxes

*Right-click on the **Text Box**.*

*Check the **Transparent** box.*


*Click **Apply**.*



Name: MyMessage

☒ Show name ☐ Transparent

☒ Visible ☐ Frozen

 Apply Cancel

Important Tips:

*Making the text box **transparent** removes the border and makes it look cleaner. If you want the border back just right-click on any word inside the text box.*

*If you uncheck **visible**, the text box is now **invisible**. No worries! Type this in the Command Centre: **showtext**. The Text Box reappears. If you have more than one text box, you will have to call it by its name like this: **MyMessage, showtext***

***Hidetext** does the opposite.*

***Delete** a text box by clicking the trash can.*

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ReconcilACTION

With the coding skills you learned, you will create a message of ReconcilAction to inspire others to #DoSomething.

Learning Goals

Students will use their learned coding skills and understanding of Chanie to create a message of reconcilACTION.

Using the procedures you learned and the clipart in the template, create a message of reconciliation to share with others. Be sure to include information about the Downie Wenjack Fund.

Tip: Screen record your animation to share on social media or school websites.

Extension - Can you add your own clipart to create unique backgrounds and animations?

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EXTENSIONS

Going further!

Choose a different Gord Downie song

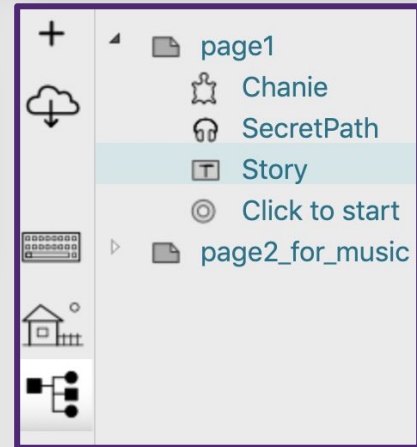
Go to **Page2_for_Music**. Here you will find all the Gord Downie songs from the **Secret Path** album. To choose a different song on **Page1**, on Line 21 of the Template replace **SecretPath** with the name of the song you like by **copying and pasting** the name of the song. An easy way to copy a Sound name is to right-click on the Sound icon. The Dialog Box will open and then copy the name.

On **Page2_for_Music**, there are also 2 recorded phrases and their Ojibwe translation. Try them, click the Sound Icon or type the name of the phrase in the **Command Centre**.

If you like, include **launch** **[PhraseName]** in a procedure.

Important Tip:

The Project Tree is on the left side directly below the Clipart (house) icon. It shows all the pages in your project and all the objects on each Page. Objects are turtles, buttons, sounds, text boxes etc.



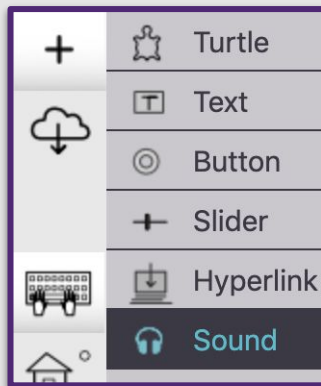
ADD Your own Voice or Import a WAV or MP3 file

*Record your voice using a recording app.
Name your **.wav** or **mp3** file with a simple
1-word name.*

*Click the **+** and choose **Sound**.*

***Select** the audio file from your computer.
Click **Create**.*

*To try it out, click the **Sound** icon or type
the name of your sound in the **Command
Centre**.*



Important Tip:

*Hide your sound icon by
right-clicking it and unchecking
Visible.*

*Show it again: On the left side,
below the house icon, click on the
Project Tree icon. Find the sound
on the Page where it is used. Click
on it and press **Edit**.
In the dialog that opens, check
Visible.*

*Include **launch [SoundName]** in a procedure. Try
it out and see if you want more sounds!*



Text to Speech

Type **say MyMessage** in the Command Centre and press **Enter**. This reads the contents of the Text Box named **MyMessage**. On card 32, you created this TextBox. Make sure there are words in it !

Important Tip:

If you see a red dot below the Save Icon. it is time to save. Click on Arrow up-to-the-cloud.

Can you create a procedure that includes **say MyMessage**? Add a **button** to **launch** your procedure.

Adding Clipart

IMPORTANT - Try to find **PNG** images that have a **transparent** background.

Copy and Paste

Press **Ctrl-C** to **Copy** the photo on your computer that you want to add.

Click on the **House** icon to open the Clipart Pane.

Click on an empty box to reveal a **+** sign.

Paste. Press **Command-V** on a Mac, or **Ctrl-V** on other computers.

TWO WAYS



Upload an Image

Click on the **House** icon to open the Clipart Pane.

Click on an empty box to reveal a **+** sign.

Use the dialog box to locate a clipart file on your computer.

Click the **Create** button.



Share your Project

Click the **Share** icon.



Click **Create**.

A **URL** will be generated here.

Click on **Copy Link** and send it to friends.

Click on **Project Properties** and add a **Preview Image** to make your project easier to find.

Share this project...

Sharing Options

[Project Properties](#)

Link Sharing is OFF. [Create](#) a link to share.

URL

To create a link to share, click Create

Copy link

E-mail

Twitter

Facebook

Embed on
your site

To see the code, click Create

Copy

*Will you allow others to modify your App? If Yes, uncheck **Private**. Don't worry, your original will remain!*

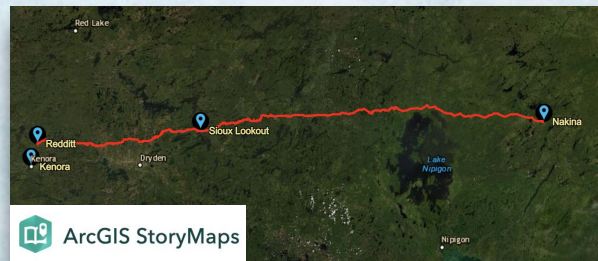


DESCRIPTIONS FOR EACH LOCATION

You can find more information about Chanie Wenjack in many places.
Here are just 2 suggestions:



www.downiewenjack.ca

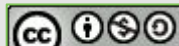


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