Lesson 3.3 – Marty Python Dance-Off

Education Level: Third/Fourth Level (Ages 11-14) **Lesson Duration:** 45 minutes

Prerequisite Knowledge: Lesson 3.1 & 3.2 Device Compatibility: Laptop or PC



Lesson Overview

In this lesson, students will be putting together their first scripts using IDLE so that they can have a continuation of Python commands to control Marty. From doing this, students will start to build up a dance routine for Marty and have a small dance-off in the class.

Learning Objectives

- Create small Python scripts using IDLE or an equivalent editor
- Explore the use of combining multiple commands to get a sequence of movement happening

Key Vocabulary

- Python
- Coding
- Script
- Dance
- Movement

Resources & Equipment

- Marty the Robot
- Python editor (such as IDLE)
- Access to computers/laptops (with Python & MartyPy installed)
- Student workbook (Lesson 3)
- Marty Says cards

Additional Reading

- Educator's Guide
- Get Started with MartyPy
- MartyPy documentation

Learning Plan & Activities

- 1. Warm-up by getting students to create small sequences using the IDLE commands as before
 - a. Wouldn't it be great if we could type more than one command at a time and run them all in one go? This is where scripts are useful and should be used
- 2. Demo creating, saving and running the Python script in the editor that students will be using
 - a. Highlight best practices of where students should be saving the Python files
- 3. Challenge students to a dance-off
 - a. Agree to a song for the whole class and set a time limit for how long students have to work on their Marty dance routines
- 4. Bring all Marty's together and start the dance-off and get students to pick out their favourite dance routines, discussing with other groups what code they used for different moves

Additional Challenges

- Each team could choose their own song and demo their Marty dance individually
- Set some constraints for the dance off such as a minimum of 3 different body parts must move at some point during the routine

Curriculum Benchmarks

Curriculum for Excellence – Technologies Benchmark Guide

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Curriculum Organiser	Benchmark Covered	Lesson 3.3
Digital Literacy	TCH 0-01a	•
	TCH 1-01a	0
	TCH 0-02a	•
	TCH 1-02a	0
Technological Developments in Society & Business	TCH 0-05a	•
	TCH 0-11a	•
	TCH 1-11a	0
Craft, Design, Engineering & Graphics	TCH 2-11a	0
Grapines	TCH 1-12a	•
	TCH 3-12a	0
	TCH 0-13a	•
	TCH 1-13a	0
	TCH 2-13a	0
	TCH 3-13a	0
	TCH 3-13b	0
	TCH 4-13a	0
	TCH 0-14a	•
	TCH 0-14b	•
	TCH 1-14a	•
Computing Science	TCH 1-14b	•
	TCH 2-14a	0
	TCH 2-14b	0
	TCH 3-14a	0
	TCH 4-14a	0
	TCH 4-14c	0
	TCH 0-15a	•
	TCH 1-15a	•
	TCH 2-15a	0
	TCH 3-15a	0

National Curriculum – Computing, Design & Technology

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Curriculum Organiser	Benchmark Covered	Lesson 3.3
	1-a	•
	1-b	•
	1-c	•
Computing	1-d	•
	1-e	0
	2-a	•
	2-b	0
	2-c	•
	2-f	•
	3-a	•
	3-b	0
	3-c	0

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	3-f	0
	3-g	0
	4-a	0
	4-b	0
Design & Technology	1.1-a	•
	1.1-b	•
	1.3-b	•
	2.1-b	•
	2.3-b	•
	2.4-d	•
	3.1-b	•
	3.1-d	•
	3.1-e	0
	3.3-c	•

Australian F-10 Curriculum – Digital Technologies, Design & Technologies

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Curriculum Organiser	Benchmark Covered	Lesson 3.3
	ACTDIK001	•
	ACTDIK002	•
	ACTDIP003	•
	ACTDIP004	•
	ACTDIP009	•
	ACTDIP010	•
	ACTDIP011	0
	ACTDIP013	•
Digital Technologies	ACTDIP017	0
	ACTDIP019	0
	ACTDIP020	0
	ACTDIP029	•
	ACTDIP030	0
	ACTDIP038	0
	ACTDIP039	0
	ACTDIP040	0
Design & Technologies	ACTDEK001	•
	ACTDEK002	0
	ACTDEP005	0
	ACTDEP006	•
	ACTDEP009	•
	ACTDEP015	•
	ACTDEP018	•
	ACTDEP025	0