

# **Rhyme Time**

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Duration: 1 hour

| LEVEL      | SUBJECTS                       | PROVINCES / TERRITORIES | TOOL        |
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| Grades 1-3 | Language Art<br>and Technology | Across Canada           | Scratch Jr. |

#### Overview

Students will use their knowledge of rhyme and Scratch Jr. coding to create their own coding program.

## Prep Work

- Review rhymes
- Create a list of rhymes (anchor chart)
- Students can create their own rhyming dictionaries

## Lesson

- 1. Give students 10 minutes to freely explore Scratch Jr.
- 2. Review blocks (see reference guide or learning tips). Blocks can also be printed and displayed.
- 3. Have students create a new project.
- Students will create another sprite (character) to go along with Cat.
   https://www.scratchjr.org/learn/tips/multi-character
- 5. Have students rename this character Mat.
- 6. Tell students that together Cat and Mat are

## **Key Coding Concepts**

- Algorithms
- Events
- Sequence

# **Terminology**

**Algorithm**: A step-by-step set of operations to be performed to help solve a problem

**Events:** When one thing causes another thing to happen

**Sequence:** Identifying a series of steps necessary to complete a task.

## **Curricular Connections**

Language Arts: use knowledge of context, pictures, letters, words, sentences, predictable patterns and rhymes in a

- going to practice their rhymes. Every word Cat says, Mat has to say the rhyme.
- 7. Have students add a background.
- 8. Add a green flag (trigger block)
- Make the characters talk
   (https://www.scratchjr.org/activities/card09-talk.pdf)
   or video explantation
   https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2HYLZ5-Zb5
- 10. Have Cat say a word and then Mat respond with the rhyming word.
- 11. Use motion blocks to have Cat and Mat move to another background.
- 12. Students will continue having Cat and Mat say rhyming words (each set of rhyming words can be on a new page)

## Assessment

#### **Checklist:**

Student is able to identify the word that rhymes with the original word until they are given the answer.

\_\_\_(Y) \_\_\_\_(N) \_\_\_\_(with support)

Student is able to work with partner to create Scratch Jr. Game

\_\_\_\_(Y) \_\_\_\_(N) \_\_\_\_(with support)

Student is able to use coding elements to create an engaging Scratch Jr Game

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## Extensions

- 1. Older students can have their characters use rhyming sentences.
- 2. Students can use the sound blocks to record their own rap. They can add motion blocks to make their character (sprite) dance to their rap.
- 3. Have students work in pairs. Each student will be a character and take turns coming up with rhyming sentences to tell a story.

variety of oral, print and other media texts to construct and confirm meaning

Group work: Students will work cooperatively with others in small groups on structured tasks

#### References

Scratch Jr Learning Blocks Reference Guide <a href="https://www.scratchjr.org/learn/blocks">https://www.scratchjr.org/learn/blocks</a>

Blocks to be printed/displayed <a href="https://www.scratchjr.org/pdfs/blocks.pdf">https://www.scratchjr.org/pdfs/blocks.pdf</a>

Learning Tip <a href="https://www.scratchjr.org/learn/tips">https://www.scratchjr.org/learn/tips</a>

Making Scratch characters talk: Scratch Activity Card (https://www.scratchjr.org/activ ities/card09-talk.pdf)

Video explanation https://www.youtube.com/watc h?v=2HYLZ5-Zb5g

Find rhymes <a href="https://www.rhymezone.com/">https://www.rhymezone.com/</a>