# Feb. Gr. 7 Technology

Content Area: **Technology**
Course(s):
Time Period: **February**
Length: **4-5 Weeks**
Status: **Published**

## Unit Overview

Students will work with Scratch to create animation.

## Enduring Understandings

We csn animate items on the screen using Scratch.

## Essential Questions

How do we create animation with Scratch?

## Instructional Strategies & Learning Activities

**Objective**: **CLEAN UP WEEK: U.S. Presidents - Table using Google Docs, U.S. Capital Cities Google Slides**
The student will be able to create a Table using Google docs to organize data pertaining to the 10 most recent U.S. Presidents.

**Differentiation**:
Students may elect to research 1st 10 Presidents to reverse the project content.

Assessment:
Rubric

**Objective**: **SCRATCH - Google Doodle " - Short version - create and document**
The student will be able to create an animation of the word "Wildcat" using Scratch.

**Differentiation**:
All aspects of code build - sprite, backdrops, animations, etc.

**Assessment**:
Rubric

**Objective**: **SCRATCH - W-I-L-D-C-A-T original animation based on "User Documentation" created for Google Doodle**

The student will be able to create an animation of the word "Wildcat" using Scratch.

**Differentiation**:
All aspects of code build - sprite, backdrops, animations, etc.

**Assessment**:
Rubric

## Integration of Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills

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| 9.2.8.CAP | Career Awareness and Planning |
| 9.4.8.CI | Creativity and Innovation |
| 9.2.8.CAP.1 | Identify offerings such as high school and county career and technical school courses, apprenticeships, military programs, and dual enrollment courses that support career or occupational areas of interest. |
| 9.2.8.CAP.3 | Explain how career choices, educational choices, skills, economic conditions, and personal behavior affect income. |
| 9.4.8.CI.4 | Explore the role of creativity and innovation in career pathways and industries. |
| 9.2.8.CAP.4 | Explain how an individual's online behavior (e.g., social networking, photo exchanges, video postings) may impact opportunities for employment or advancement. |
| 9.4.8.CT | Critical Thinking and Problem-solving |
| 9.4.8.CT.3 | Compare past problem-solving solutions to local, national, or global issues and analyze the factors that led to a positive or negative outcome. |
| 9.4.8.TL | Technology Literacy |
| | Some digital tools are appropriate for gathering, organizing, analyzing, and presenting information, while other types of digital tools are appropriate for creating text, visualizations, models, and communicating with others. |
| 9.4.8.TL.3 | Select appropriate tools to organize and present information digitally. |

## Technology and Design Integration

See activities above and standards below.

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| AP | Algorithms & Programming |
| | Individuals design algorithms that are reusable in many situations. Algorithms that are readable are easier to follow, test, and debug. |
| 8.1.8.AP.1 | Design and illustrate algorithms that solve complex problems using flowcharts and/or pseudocode. |
| | Programmers create variables to store data values of different types and perform appropriate operations on their values. |
| 8.1.8.AP.2 | Create clearly named variables that represent different data types and perform operations on their values. |

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| | Control structures are selected and combined in programs to solve more complex problems. |
| 8.1.8.AP.3 | Design and iteratively develop programs that combine control structures, including nested loops and compound conditionals. |
| | Programs use procedures to organize code and hide implementation details. Procedures can be repurposed in new programs. Defining parameters for procedures can generalize behavior and increase reusability. |
| 8.1.8.AP.4 | Decompose problems and sub-problems into parts to facilitate the design, implementation, and review of programs. |
| 8.1.8.AP.5 | Create procedures with parameters to organize code and make it easier to reuse. |

## Interdisciplinary Connections

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| LA.RI.7.1 | Cite several pieces of textual evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. |
| LA.RI.7.4 | Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone. |
| LA.RI.7.10 | By the end of the year read and comprehend literary nonfiction at grade level text-complexity or above, with scaffolding as needed. |
| LA.W.7.1 | Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence. |
| LA.W.7.2 | Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content. |
| LA.W.7.6 | Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and link to and cite sources as well as to interact and collaborate with others, including linking to and citing sources. |
| LA.W.7.7 | Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation. |
| LA.SL.7.1 | Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly. |
| LA.SL.7.5 | Include multimedia components and visual displays in presentations to clarify claims and findings and emphasize salient points. |
| LA.L.7.1 | Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. |
| LA.L.7.2 | Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. |
| LA.L.7.3 | Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening. |
| LA.L.7.4 | Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. |

## Differentiation

- Understand that gifted students, just like all students, come to school to learn and be challenged.
- Pre-assess your students. Find out their areas of strength as well as those areas you may need to address before students move on.

- Consider grouping gifted students together for at least part of the school day.
- Plan for differentiation. Consider pre-assessments, extension activities, and compacting the curriculum.
- Use phrases like "You've shown you don't need more practice" or "You need more practice" instead of words like "qualify" or "eligible" when referring to extension work.
- Encourage high-ability students to take on challenges. Because they're often used to getting good grades, gifted students may be risk averse.

- **Definitions of Differentiation Components**:

    - Content – the specific information that is to be taught in the lesson/unit/course of instruction.
    - Process – how the student will acquire the content information.
    - Product – how the student will demonstrate understanding of the content.
    - Learning Environment – the environment where learning is taking place including physical location and/or student grouping

**Differentiation occurring in this unit:**

Differentiation will be offered as listed in the above activities.

## Modifications & Accommodations

Refer to QSAC EXCEL SMALL SPED ACCOMMOCATIONS spreadsheet in this discipline.

**Modifications and Accommodations used in this unit:**

IEP and 504 Accommodations will be utilized.

## Benchmark Assessments

**Benchmark Assessments** are given periodically (e.g., at the end of every quarter or as frequently as once per month) throughout a school year to establish baseline achievement data and measure progress toward a standard or set of academic standards and goals.

**Schoolwide Benchmark assessments:**

Aimsweb benchmarks 3X a year

Linkit Benchmarks 3X a year

**Additional Benchmarks used in this unit:**

Teacher made assessments to measure growth.

## Formative Assessments

Assessment allows both instructor and student to monitor progress towards achieving learning objectives, and can be approached in a variety of ways. **Formative assessment** refers to tools that identify misconceptions, struggles, and learning gaps along the way and assess how to close those gaps. It includes effective tools for helping to shape learning, and can even bolster students' abilities to take ownership of their learning when they understand that the goal is to improve learning, not apply final marks (Trumbull and Lash, 2013). It can include students assessing themselves, peers, or even the instructor, through writing, quizzes, conversation, and more. In short, formative assessment occurs throughout a class or course, and seeks to improve student achievement of learning objectives through approaches that can support specific student needs (Theal and Franklin, 2010, p. 151).

**Formative Assessments used in this unit:**

Discussion

Teacher observation

projects

## Summative Assessments

**Summative assessments** evaluate student learning, knowledge, proficiency, or success at the conclusion of an instructional period, like a unit, course, or program. Summative assessments are almost always formally graded and often heavily weighted (though they do not need to be). Summative assessment can be used to great effect in conjunction and alignment with formative assessment, and instructors can consider a variety of ways to combine these approaches.

**Summative assessments for this unit:**

Projects

Assessments listed above

## Instructional Materials

Materials as needed for projects

## Standards

See Standards above.