

# Unit: 1.7 Coding

### **Key Learning**

- · To understand what instructions are and predict what might happen when they are followed.
- To use code to make a computer program.
- To understand what object and actions are.
- To understand what an event is.
- To use an event to control an object.
- To begin to understand how code executes when a program is run.
- To understand what backgrounds and objects are.
- To plan and make a computer program.

# **Key Resources**









# **Key Vocabulary**

#### Action

Types of commands which are run on an object. They could be used to move an object or change a property.

## **Algorithm**

A precise step by step set of instructions used to solve a problem or achieve an objective.

### Background

The part of the program design that shows behind everything else. It sets the scene for the story or game.

### Character

A type of object in 2Code that can be programmed to change actions or properties.

# Code Design

Design what your program will look like and what it will do. Coder - A person who writes computer code.

### Coding

Writing instructions that can be interpreted by a computer to create a program.

#### Command

A single instruction in a computer program.

### **Design Mode**

Used to create the look of a 2Code computer program when it is run.

### **Debugging**

Finding a problem in the code and fixing it.

#### **Event**

Something that causes a block of code to be run.

# **Key Vocabulary**

# Program

Input

Information going into

the computer. Can

include moving or clicking the mouse, using

the keyboard, swiping

and tilting the device.

Object

An element in a

computer program that

can be changed using

actions or properties.

Output

Information that comes

out of the computer e.g.

sound.

What is coding?

Writing instructions in a

way that a computer can

interpret them to make a

program.

In 2Code, this is several commands that run purposefully together.

**Properties** 

scale properties.

# Scene

All objects have properties that can be changed in design or by writing code e.g. image, colour and

The background and objects together create a scene.

Sound

This is a type of output

command that makes a

noise.

#### Scale

The size of an object in 2Code.

# Stop command

A command that stops a character moving.

## When clicked

An event command. It makes code run when you click on something (or press your inger on a touchscreen).

# **Key Questions**

# Why is it useful to design before coding?

idea of what you want your program to do. You can use the design to decide which objects you need to add, what to call them and what actions

It helps you to get a clear they should perform.

# How can you make characters move in a 2Code program?

In design mode, add a character. Change properties such as the name and scale. Exit from design mode and drag your character's code block into the coding window. From the properties menu, select right, left, up or down.

# **Key Images**











Save your work



Watch the instruction video



Get a hint when you are stuck in 2Code



Open design mode

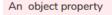
in 2Code





Switch to code mode in 2Code

The background object



Sound output block

A 'when clicked' code block

Open, close or share a file