Introduce: Forever Loops

Blue Level Unit 2

Objectives

In this activity, students will:

• Will be introduced to the concept of forever loops through unplugged and plugged activities.

Activity Description (45-60 minutes)

5 min.	★ Introduce: Review the concept of forever loop using pages 6 and 7 (EN / SP) in the Blue Level Student Workbook. (5-10 min.)
30 - 40 min.	Engage: Select from the activities below to engage students in learning about forever loops and what they do in computer programs. (30-40 min.)
	Getting Loopy video: <u>Video on Loops for teachers</u> Unplugged activities: <u>Getting Loopy</u> Scratch activities: <u>Forever Loops: Dragon Boat Race</u> (single project), <u>Getting Unstack Loops</u> (studio of projects), and these <u>projects</u> are based on forever loops.
5 min.	REFLECT Ask students to think back on their experience learning about how a Computer Scientist would think about forever loops today by responding to these reflection prompts: • Can you explain forever loops to a friend? • Can you think of any way forever loops are used in real life?

Reviewing Student Work

- ★ Are students activating prior knowledge to understand forever loops?
- ★ Can students explain forever loops in their own words?

Lesson Notes

➡ Utilize a variety of resources to help students who get "stuck" while working on their project in Scratch. Encourage them to ask peers for support, explore Scratch tutorials or Starter Cards, or utilize one of these strategies to get unstuck!

