MY STUDIO

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

- Optionally, demonstrate how to create a new studio or have the My Studio handout available to guide students.
- Optionally, show example inspiration studios using the links provided. Give students 10 minutes to browse existing Scratch projects on the Scratch homepage and search for interesting programs using the Explore page.
- Ask students to identify three or more Scratch projects that can be used to inform and inspire a project of their own. Help students create a new studio from their My Stuff page and add the inspirational projects to the studio.
- Invite students to share their approaches for finding inspirational programs. We suggest pair-share: have students share studios and discuss search strategies in pairs.
- Ask students to think back on the process of discovery by responding to the reflection prompts in their design journals or in a group discussion.

OBJECTIVES
By completing this activity, students will:
+ investigate the range of creative possibilities with Scratch by exploring some of the millions of projects on the Scratch website
+ curate a collection of 3 or more Scratch projects in a Scratch studio

RESOURCES
- My Studio handout
- example studios
  [link 1]
  [link 2]
  [link 3]
  [link 4]

REFLECTION PROMPTS

+ What search strategies did you use to find interesting projects?
+ How might each example project help with future work?
+ It’s important to give credit to sources of inspiration. How can you give credit for inspiration from these projects?

REVIEWING STUDENT WORK

+ Are there three or more projects in the studio?
+ What do these projects tell you about your students’ design interests?

NOTES

+ If students don’t have individual Scratch accounts, create a class studio that students can curate.
+ A variety of studios can be created - students could collect Scratch projects that are similar in theme or topic to what they want to create or gather programs that include techniques or assets to incorporate in a future creation.

NOTES TO SELF
WHAT CAN BE CREATED WITH SCRATCH?

In this activity, you will investigate the range of creative possibility with Scratch by exploring some of the millions of projects on the Scratch website -- and start a collection of favorites in a Scratch studio!

START HERE

- Browse projects on the Scratch homepage OR click on "Explore" to search for specific types of projects.
- Create a new studio from your My Stuff page.
- Add three (or more!) inspiring projects to your studio.
- Use the search bar to find projects that relate to your interests.
- Explore each of the Animations, Art, Games, Music, & Stories categories on the Explore page.
- Look through the Featured Studios on the homepage for ideas.
- Challenge yourself to do more! The more Scratch projects you explore, the more you learn about what can be accomplished in Scratch!
- Find studios created by other Scratchers that you find interesting!
- Ask a neighbor what strategies they used to find interesting projects.
- Share your newly created studio with a neighbor!

THINGS TO TRY

FINISHED?
What search strategies did you use to find interesting projects?

How might each example project help with future work?

It's important to give credit to sources of inspiration. How can you give credit for inspiration from these projects?