

Topic:

Scratch – Selection in quizzes Cycle A Spring Term 2 Y5/6

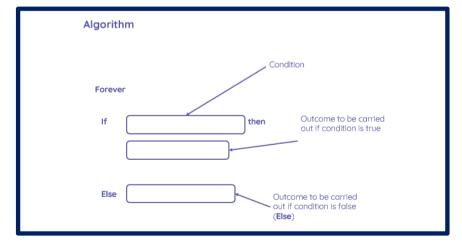
Did you know ...

Programmers do not put their computer programs straight to work.

They trial them first to find any errors.



<u>New Vocabulary</u>	
Selection	Part of a program where if a condition is met (usually a decision or a question), then a set of commands is run.
Conditions	A statement that can either be true or false.
Loop (infinite)	A command that repeatedly runs a section of code.
Command	A single instruction that can be used in a program to control a computer.



Helpful hints

If your algorithm does not work correctly the first time, remember to debug it.

Career links

Software developers design, build and test computer programmes.

To develop your career route, you would need to understand different programming languages, algorithms, and data structures.

New Knowledge

At some point, a program may need to ask a question because it has reached a step where one or more options are available.

Depending on the answer given, the program will follow a certain step and ignore the others.

Conditions are statements which need to be met for a series of actions to be carried out. We usually see this with the words 'if...then...else.'

We use **selection** in programming to decide which actions to follow. We can create a program that uses selection to produce different outcomes.

Prior Learning In Year 1/2, pupils learned:

Programming is when we make a set of instructions for computers to follow.

An **algorithm** is a list of step-by-step instructions to follow in order to complete a task or solve a problem.

When we fix a problem in a code, we call this **debugging**.

A sprite is a character or object on Scratch.

The stage is the background of the game.

In Year 3/4 pupils learned:

On Scratch, blocks are shaped like puzzles as they fit and connect together <u>vertically</u> to create an **algorithm**.