## **Bloxels**

You don't need to understand fancy code and own super expensive computer programs to make video games anymore. All it takes is your Bloxels Gameboard, some blocks and a mobile device and, of course, your imagination to take the



keep me safe in my

community, including my online interactions."

"I can use strategies to find peace in stressful times."

guesswork out of building your own video games!

### **Tell Your Story**

It all starts with your idea. The sky's the limit! You can be a dragon, climbing a volcano while fighting ice cream monsters! Or, a zebra-man escaping a zombie-filled zoo?! Anything's possible with Bloxels. Turn a story you are reading into a live action game.

#### **Build Your Game**

Using the gameboard and blocks, you can build the levels, heroes, and art to make your story come to life. Your world can be up to 169 rooms!

## Capture

Use the camera on your mobile device to snap a picture of the Gameboard and add it to your game. You can build layouts, heroes, and all the art needed for your video game.

#### **Customize**

Using the Bloxels Builder app, you can create game maps, animate heroes and game art, as well as build different elements. This is where your game really comes alive!

# Play & Share

You've built your masterpiece, but it's not done yet! Play it and share it with the world by publishing it to the Infinity Wall. Share the unique coordinates with friends to see if they can beat it!

#### **Additional Resources**

☐ "I reflected on what was

easy and challenging."

For more Bloxels activities visit <u>bloxelsbuilder.com/education</u>

To get started download the *Bloxels Builder app* and purchase a Bloxels Box Set.

#### **CORE COMPETENCIES CORE COMPETENCIES CORE COMPETENCIES COMMUNICATION** THINKING (CRITICAL/CREATIVE) (PERSONAL/SOCIAL) Connect and engage with others Analyze and critique Self determination (to share and develop ideas) ■ "I analyzed our process ☐ "I can celebrate my efforts and accomplishments." "I expressed my ideas or and looked for ways listened to others' ideas" (sequences) to make it ☐ "I can advocate for myself Collaborate to plan, carry out and better." and my ideas." review constructions and **Generate Ideas** Self regulation activities ☐ "I deliberately learn a lot ☐ "I can persevere with ☐ "I can work with others to about something (e.g., by challenging tasks. I can achieve a common goal; I doing research, talking to take ownership of my goals do my share." others or practising) so learning, and behaviour." Well-being Explain/recount and reflect on that I am able to generate ☐ "I can make choices that experiences and new ideas or ideas just accomplishments pop into my head." benefit my well-being and

# **TEACHER ACTIVITY: Bloxels**

Sample Competency Targets of a Bloxels Activity

Core Competency	<ul> <li>"I can work with others to achieve a common goal; I do my share."</li> <li>"I analyzed our process and looked for ways (sequences) to make it better."</li> <li>"I can persevere with challenging tasks. I can take ownership of my goals learning, and behaviour."</li> </ul>		
<b>Curricular Competency</b>	Defining, Ideating, Protoyping, Testing, Making, Sharing		
Content	Computational Thinking, Drafting		

**OBJECTIVE:** Create a Background for a Game

# PROCEDURE:

- 1. Using the cubes and the black 13X13 board, create a scene. Be sure to refer to the colour codes for each cube.
- 2. Using the Bloxel App on the iPad, find the camera button, and take a picture of your scene.
- 3. Try one of the activities in the Teacher's Guide.

**NEXT STEPS:** How might you integrate this tool with another subject?

subject?			
Math:			
LA:			
SS:			
SC:			
FA:			
CE:			
OTHER:			