

# **Karel Project #15**

# THREE ROOMS

### Define your own variables to test the player's skills.

Click on File and save the worksheet in the folder course-karel-projects under the new name, three-rooms.

Click on Designer and select 2 to remove the example maze.

#### Goal: Use Predefined Variables

To create a maze with predefined variables, you will:

- 1. Create the 3-rooms template.
- 2. Place Objects in your maze.
- 3. Define Variables for each room.
- 4. Test your maze.

#### **Predefined Variables**

In this project you will use <u>predefined variables</u> to make your maze more challenging. In the Karel course, you can use variables to solve many tricky problems.

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1 #This variable is a number with a value of two
2 new_variable = 2
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This variable might be used to count the quantity of Objects in a maze. It can also be used to keep track of Karel's movement or to perform mathematical computations. You will be able to challenge the player in interesting ways when you create a predefined variable as part of your Karel maze.

Before you define your variable you need to build a simple maze.

### **Step 1: Create a maze with the 3-rooms template**

The 3-rooms template will be useful for creating challenges that use variables. The template provides 3 separate rooms for Karel to evaluate. Each of these rooms will correspond to a predefined variable that you will create.

Place some Walls so that you create 3 separate rooms. The rooms can be as large or as small as you like. This will be your 3-rooms template.

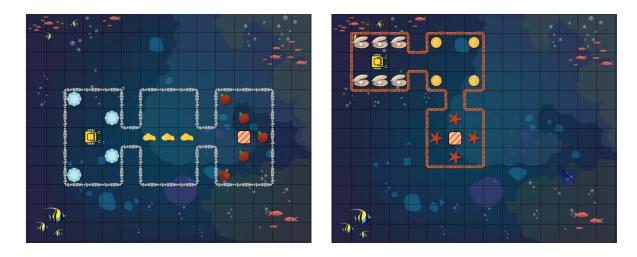




Save your template as a separate file for later use.

## **Step 2: Place Objects in Your Maze**

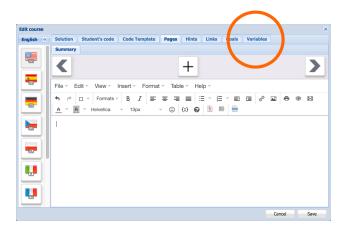
To make the rooms unique, place Objects in each of the rooms. Every room should have its own unique Object.



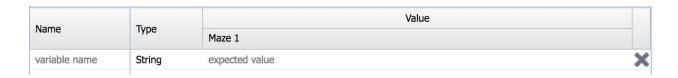
In the next step, you will define a different variable for each of the 3 rooms. Remember the names of the Objects you used as well as the quantity of each Object.

## **Step 3: Define Variables for Each Room**

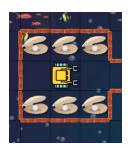
Select Edit game from the top of the window. Then select the Variables tab.



Select the Add Variable button. Your new variable will appear. Take a look at the options available for your new variable.



The variable for the room below will be a Number named pearls with an expected value of 6.



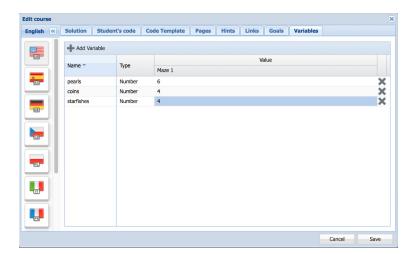
Every time you add a new variable, you need to define:

- The variable's name,
- The type of the variable,
- And the expected value of the variable.

For example, your first variable will need:

- The name will be the name of the Objects you placed in the first room,
- The type will be Number,
- And the expected value will be the quantity of that Object in the first room.

When you are done, you should have 3 variables.



## Step 4: Test your maze

It is time to solve your maze. You will need to set the Mode to Programming in Goals before attempting your maze. Then create a solution for your maze that defines 3 variables.

Use Functions when solving your maze. You can use the value that a function returns to evaluate each room as you move through the maze.



## **Project Checklist**

This project will be finished when:

- 1. You have created the 3-rooms template.
- 2. You placed Objects in your maze.
- 3. You defined Variables for each room.
- 4. You tested your maze.