Bee-Bot Challenges

The following slides provide some ideas for extending children's thinking when working with the Bee-bot

The "CHALLENGES" can be set up using a range of materials such as attribute blocks, clear floor mats, marker pens etc

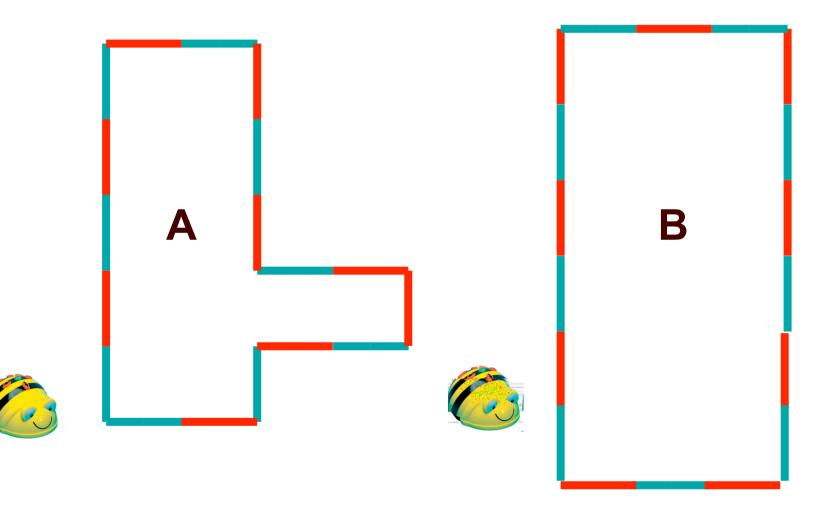


Which Bee-Bot journey will take the longest time to complete ? Why?

Which Bee-bot will travel furthest?

Estimate and test by programming your Bee-bots to travel both journeys.

Time your Bee-bots too!





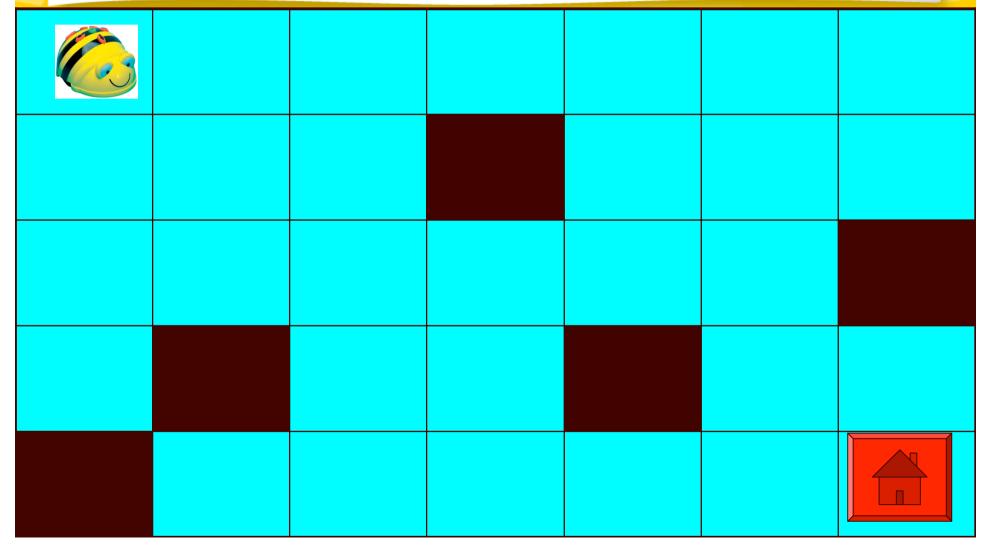
Program your bee-bot to dance!

Include some spins and shuffles in your dance sequence.

Record your dance sequence for others to try.

Help Bertie find his way home

- *Take the "shortest" route.
- * Do not go over a black square.



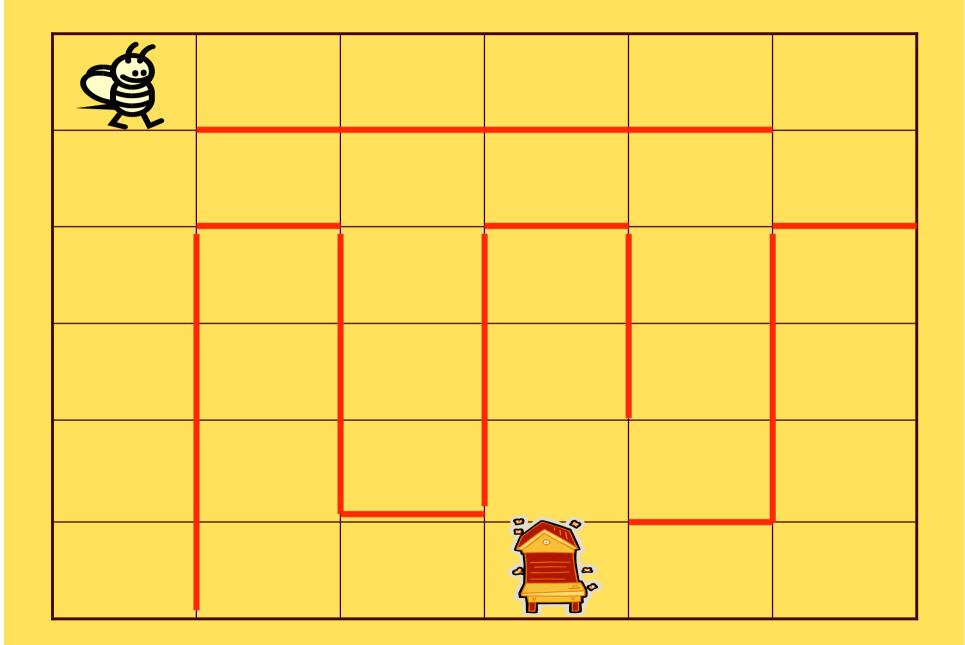
Shapes & Patterns

PROGRAM your Bee-bot to create some interesting shapes or patterns eg

Squares, oblongs
Circles
Shuffle
Zig Zag
Spiral



RECORD your patterns for others to try!



Help the Bee-bot find his way to the bee-hive

Bertie's Challenge

Take Bertie on a journey. Whilst on the journey :

- * Bertie must visit both his friends Sid and Pinky.
- * The journey must not use any more than 20 commands.

Who will I visit first I wonder?

* You should record the journey showing all commands.

Assessment Questions

- What is the most interesting path you could travel to get to...? Why is it the most interesting path?
- What did you have to think about as you planned the trip your beebot would take?
- TELL/RECORD how you would give directions to someone who wants to program their bee-bot to take the same trip?
- What are some of the <u>words</u> you used to describe the bee-bots journeys?
- What happens if you forget to press the CLEAR button?

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