

Year 7 – Elements of the car system 70min Lesson 3

Learning Intentions	Lesson Outcomes	
 Students explore the features of a micro: maqueen including: motors, ultrasonic sensors, expansion ports, LED lights and battery packs Students explore the digital systems and features of a micro:bit including: 25 LED lights, built in sensors (microphone, motion, orientation and temperature), processor, speaker, antenna, Bluetooth connectivity, input and output pins and power options Students experiment with patterns, algorithms, loops, and create solutions to challenges with debugging and tinkering 	 Understand the design brief for today STEM knowledge used in the lesson Computational thinking skills Revise differences between a self-driving car and a regular car Describe features, function and digital system of the micro: Maqueen Work collaboratively to complete tasks Drive challenges 1, 2, 3, 4 	
Australian Curriculum Content	Australian Curriculum General	
Descriptors	Capabilities	
Digital technologies Design algorithms represented diagrammatically and in English, and trace algorithms to predict output for a given input and to identify errors (ACTDIP029)	 Critical and creative thinking – inquiring – identifying, exploring, and organising information and ideas Critical and creative thinking – generating ideas, possibilities, and actions Critical and creative thinking – reflecting on thinking and processes Critical and creative thinking – analysing, synthesising, and evaluating reasoning and procedures 	

Assessment

Formative assessment

Observations and feedback on understanding of programming algorithms, patterns, and loops.

Phase/Slide	Learning Activity	Resources
Slide 1 - 3	 Greetings / Introduction Acknowledgement of Traditional Custodians Lesson outcomes 	PowerPoint

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Phase/Slide	Learning Activity	Resources
Slide 4 - 6 Engage	 Introduce the Design Brief Discuss STEM knowledge that will be used Discuss Computational thinking Discuss the concepts and approaches they will use in the lesson today 	PowerPoint
Slide 7 – 8 Revision / Engage	 Revise – what are the differences are between self- driving car and a regular car? – ask for feedback / discuss 	PowerPoint
Slide 9 - 15 Explain / Discuss	 What is a micro:Maqueen – introduce the self-driving car Explain and discuss the features of the micro:Maqueen Explain and discuss the functions of the Micro:Bit and Maqueen noting the relevant parts to be used Discuss the similarities between a real self-driving car – sensors, sounds, speakers, antenna Discuss the equipment to be used today 	PowerPoint Example micro:bit & micro:maqueen
Slide 16 - 20 Explain	 Explain safety and respect of equipment Explain how to set up the equipment Explain how to connect, pair and download Explain how to download the extension: maqueen 	PowerPoint, micro:maqueen kits, laptops for students
Slide 21 - 24 Explore Evaluate	 Explain the Driving Task 1 Ask students to hypothesise about what code they will need, what commands to choose, explain their reasoning – Forward, wait, reverse wait repeat Introduce the code – decomposition (break it down into parts) – patterns & algorithms Discussing speed, movement & time Test – tinkering and debugging 	PowerPoint, micro:maqueen kits, laptops for students



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Slide 25 - 28 Explore Evaluate	 Ask students to hypothesise about what code they 	PowerPoint, micro:maqueen kits, laptops for students
Slide 29 - 31 Explore Evaluate	 Ask students to hypothesise about what code they 	PowerPoint, micro:maqueen kits, laptops for students
Slide 32 - 34 Explore Evaluate	Explain the Driving Task 4	PowerPoint, micro:maqueen kits, laptops for students
Slide 35 - 39 Engage	 Discuss learning outcomes of programming a car Saving work, Questions Packing up equipment Acknowledgements 	PowerPoint