

## Simulating Multiple Rolls of a Die

Let's alter our code from **Master 7** to include a loop, or a repeat, which will simulate rolling a die hundreds, thousands, and even millions of times!

A *loop* is a repetition of instructions used in code. In Scratch, a repeat is used to make code blocks loop through multiple times.

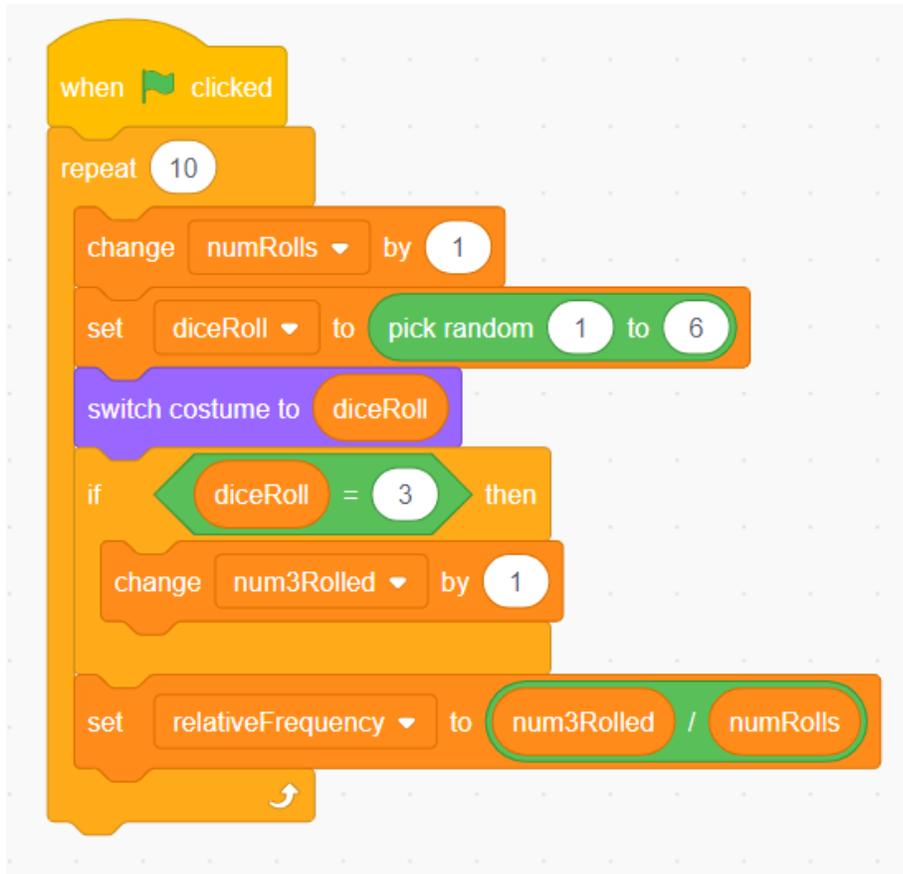
What do you think will happen to the relative frequency of rolling a 3 with so many rolls?

Relative frequency provides a better estimate of the likelihood of an event with larger amounts of data.

1. We will start by adding a repeat block so that the die rolls 10 times at once.
  - Click the link to access the completed code from **Master 7**:  
<https://scratch.mit.edu/projects/878489604/editor>
  - From the **Control** tab, select the **Repeat 10** block and place it around all the code under the green flag block.
  - Since we are rolling the die 10 times and are keeping track of the number of times a 3 is rolled in the **num3Rolled** variable, we can remove the **say 3!** block.
  - Click on the green flag multiple times to see what happens! Don't forget that if you'd like to reset the variables to 0, you can click on the **space** bar.

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Here is a screenshot of the completed code.



2. Let's loop the code even more times!

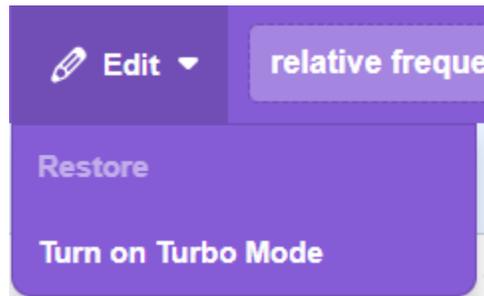
- Try changing the repeat number to 100 and then 1000.
- What do you notice about the relative frequency of rolling a 3?
- Does it get closer to the expected likelihood of  $\frac{1}{6}$  or about 0.17?

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3. When you changed the repeat to 1000, you might have noticed that you had to wait a while for the 1000 rolls to happen.

We can use **Turbo Mode** in Scratch to make this happen faster!

➤ To turn on **Turbo Mode**, select **Edit** and **Turn on Turbo Mode**.



- Try clicking the green flag with 1000 in the repeat to see what happens.
- Change the repeat to 10 000 and even 1 000 000 or more!
- What do you notice about the relative frequency when you roll the die so many times?