



Second Milestone: Halves

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This was halves week for project teams at the ETC. We had our presentation on Wednesday, before which we were mainly focusing on preparing for our presentation. We rehearsed a lot amongst ourselves and also did a couple of mock presentations with our project advisors. Halves presentations are important as it gives a chance to the teams to look back upon the work finished until now and also prepare a schedule for the remaining semester.



Thanks to the valuable feedback from our advisors, our practice paid off and we had a good presentation. We were lucky enough to have Dr. K with us here at the ETC for our presentation. Our producers were right on the job immediately after the presentation and came up with a solid working plan for the rest of the semester. Every week from now on has some or the other significant event for us and we have a good deal of tasks to be finished. Based on the feedback from our last playtest as well as from the faculty and our advisors, we will be improving our two games and their customization tool.

We discussed about the issues for the two existing games SPRACE and ScaleBot (Finally, official names!) and listed down things that had to be done. We were particularly facing some issues with the wand detection behaviors in the SMALLab. Thus, two of our programmers will be visiting Elizabeth Forward this Wednesday to get into the depths of understanding the issues with the Traceable wands.

Our game designer will come up with a base design for the third game by Monday and we plan to brainstorm about the third game after that. Following the design, we will start the development of our last game immediately. We have around 4 weeks to finish our tasks and be ready with a deliverable product. Since the time is limited, one of the biggest challenges for us would be dedicating our time appropriately to the three games and the customization tool in terms of all departments programming, art as well as sound. For the remaining two weeks, we expect that we will only have minor polishes to be done and some documentation to be prepared for hand off.

This is the final phase and we are really excited to take on this challenge of finishing all our work on time and producing a good quality end product.

Thanks,

Team AweSeven