

Ask the children to create a folder on the computer desktop called Scratch.

- Right click anywhere on the desktop.
- Choose new, then folder.
- Call it Scratch images or something similar.

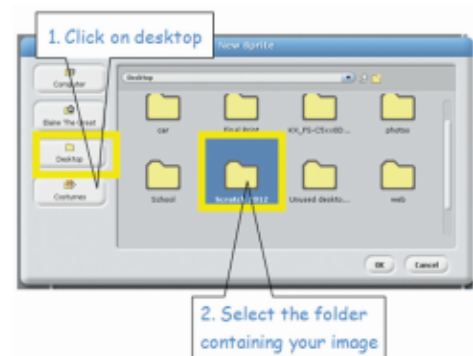
This folder will be used to store any images or sounds downloaded from the internet or imported from digital cameras, memory sticks or SD cards.

How to save images from the internet

- Search for images on websites or search engines such as www.google.com or photograph compilations such as www.imagebank.ie. Websites might include local sports clubs where images of the children are featured.
- Once children have found a suitable image, right click on the image.
- Click on “save picture as”.
- Give the picture a suitable title.
- Save the picture into the folder you created on the desktop.

Import pictures to Scratch

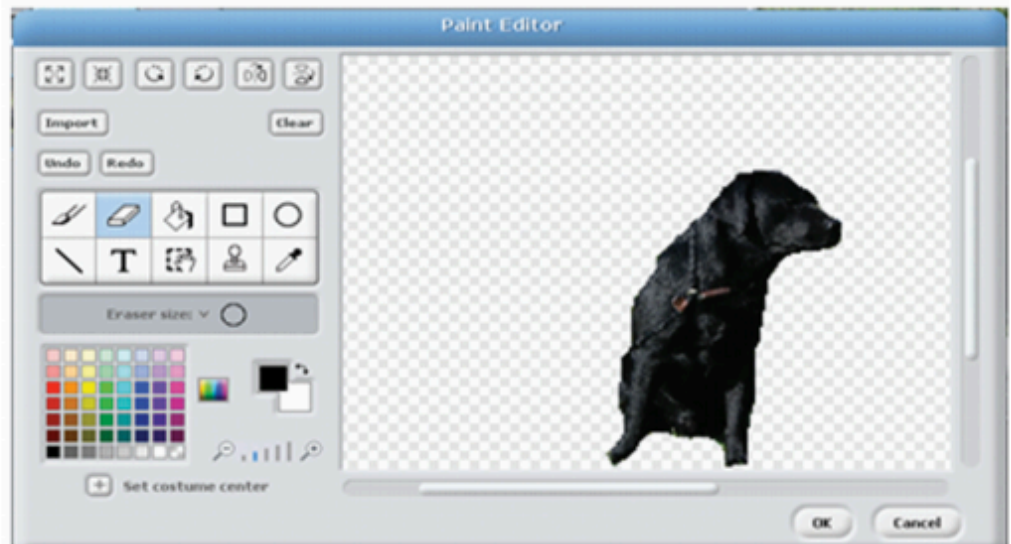
- Open Scratch interface.
- Delete the cat sprite.
- Click on “choose new sprite from file”.
- On the left hand menu choose desktop.
- Choose the folder you created earlier, scratch images.
- Select the photo you wish to use.



Edit a photo

When you import a photograph it may contain other images that you do not want, even simply a white background that has to be deleted.

- Click on the photograph in the sprites area.
- Click on the costumes tab.
- Click on edit. This will open a separate window where you can delete backgrounds, alter colours and size and add text.



Challenge Time 1!

1. Download some images from the internet or upload images from your camera.
2. Save the images to a folder on your desktop.
3. Import the image into Scratch as a sprite.
4. Edit the image.