

# Etoys

# Quick Start Guide

Every thing is an object.

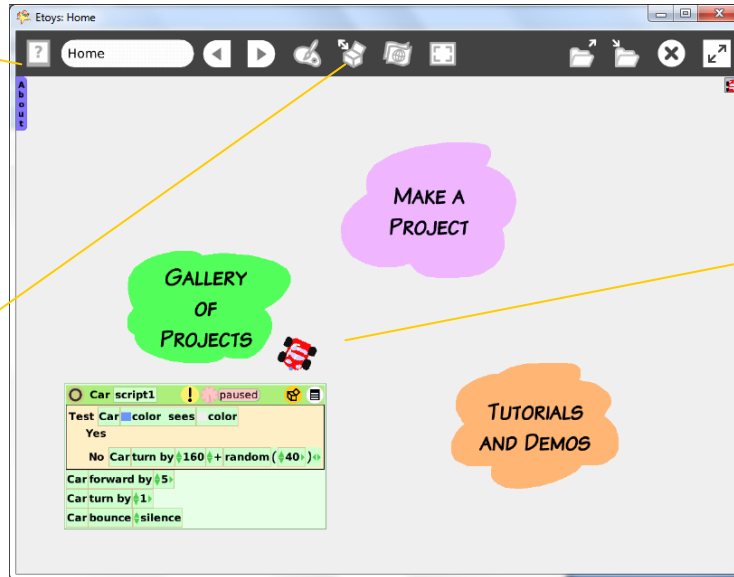
Authoring is always on.

## Etoys World

### Navigator Bar

A source of tools to move between projects, to publish, and to paint.

Supplies contains an assortment of objects and tools



### Sketch

Any painted object before it is named, is a Sketch.

It is good practice to name sketches after painting and keeping them.

### Project

A project is the "hyper-document" in Etoys. Projects are created, published (saved) and, projects are shared and exchanged. In word processing we create documents, in Etoys projects are created that can be published and opened again.

## Navigator Bar

Help		Languages	
Project Name		Full Screen Toggle	
Previous Project		Find Projects	
Next Project		Publish	
Paint Tools		Quit	
Supplies		Hide Navigator Bar	

## Halo Handles

The colored icons surround an object allow for different manipulation and change to that object. Every object has a set of halo handles. Right click on any thing to reveal its icons. Each icon is supplied with balloon describing its function.



## Script

Objects can be sent messages and instructions by combining tiles and running them in a Scriptor. It is good practice to name scripts as you create them.

A screenshot of a script editor window titled 'Car move'. The window has a green header with a close button, a 'paused' indicator, and a menu icon. The script contains several tiles: a 'Test Car color sees color' tile with 'Yes' and 'No' branches. The 'Yes' branch has a 'Car forward by 5' tile. The 'No' branch has a 'Car turn by 160 + random (40)' tile. Below the test tile are three more tiles: 'Car turn by 1', 'Car bounce', and 'silence'. Labels on the left point to the close button, the script name 'Car move', the 'Test' tile, and the script tiles. Labels on the right point to the menu icon, the 'Test' tile, and the script tiles.

Remove script from screen

Object's name

Script's name

Run the script once

Script Tiles

A menu of useful commands

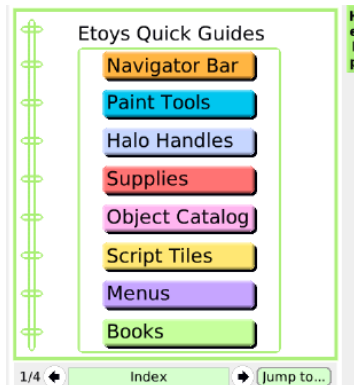
A supply of useful tiles

When the script runs

Test for yes or no

## Etoys Help

The Quick Guides introduce seventy-six common Etoys tools, tiles, menus, commands and techniques. Each four page book is interactive and invites experimentation.



## Etoys Scripting

The Viewer shows categories of properties and instructions for the object represented by the tiles.

Click the yellow exclamation point to run a particular instruction one time.

Drag a tile and drop it on the screen to form a script.

Values of properties such as X, Y, and heading are also in the Viewer.

There are many categories of tiles, click on a category name, such as basic, to open a menu of categories.

Help balloons are available for tiles and icons.

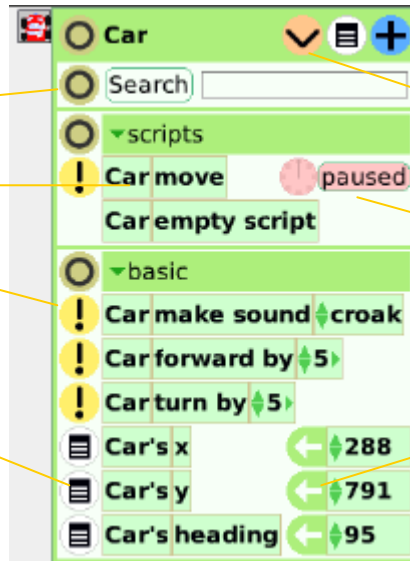
Object name

Remove category pane  
Search for methods tile  
Script

Run command once

Script tiles for commands and properties

Menu with simple and detailed watchers and to change the number of decimal places



Add a category pane  
Menu

Create a variable

Ticking clock state

Drag from white arrow to obtain an assignment phrase

## Supplies and Tools

Click the Supplies box in the Navigator Bar to open this flap of objects and tools.



Object Catalog: ready-to-use objects

Paint tools: brushes, erasers, palette

