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> It is **SAD** that we still call them as 'JALEBIS', 'CHAKALIS' & Not by **Language Script Name**

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BECAUSE WE CAN HARDLY RECOGNISE ANY...



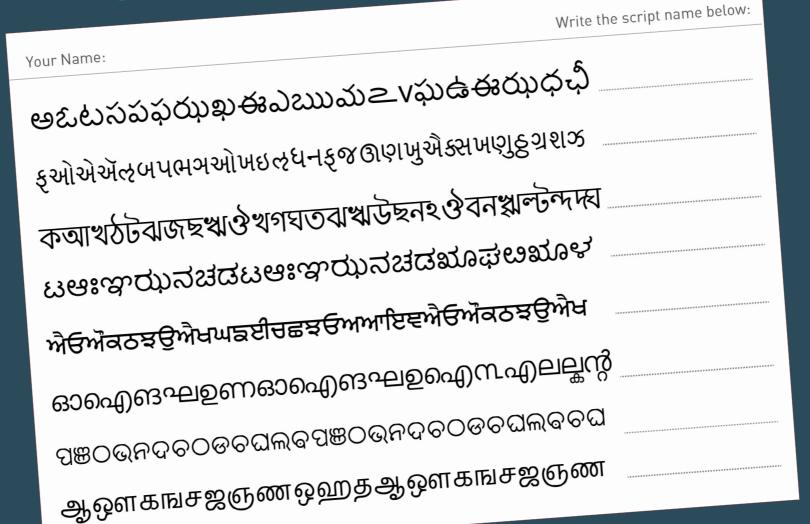
Designing a Touch Based Application Game to Recognise *Gujarati* Script for Children

PROJECT - 2

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- This is a crucial problem and if one could recognise a script in early childhood, it would be beneficial.



What is the need?

- When one travels to a different state, there is a new language spoken and supporting script used for reading and writing in India. But one is unable to identify these scripts.
- It would be useful if one can identify and read at least one new Indian script apart from what is learnt in schools.



Why Gujarati script?

- India is a country rich with diversity of 22 official languages spoken, 13 official scripts and 9 major scripts. The initial aim was recognising all these scripts. For achieving this, it was required to learn each script technically.
- Considering the time constrain, the best way was to develop a technique for one script in such a way that the same technique can be used for recognition of other scripts.



- The majority of languages in India uses *Devanagari* as their script. It was hence chosen as a native language script of the users.
- It is also known script to me thoroughly.
- To choose one among nine major scripts, four scripts were short-listed initially which were *Bengali*, *Gujarati*, *Tamil & Kannada*.



- As *Gujarati* script letterforms are more similar to *Devanagari* script, it would be convenient to develop a system initially. Hence, the selection of *Gujarati* script.
- I took this script only to start with. This system of recognition can be later developed for other scripts too.



Devanagari Letter-forms

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Gujarati Letter-forms

Problem Statement

Recognition of *Gujarati* script for children.

By the solution of this project, following are the things that a child will come to know about a script:

- Alphabet Recognition
- Letter Shape Recognition
- Letter-Sound Association
- Rapid-Letter Naming



Users

- For this project, it is necessary for a child to know *Devanagari* script completely.
- The age group selected initially for the study was 4-5.5 years old pre-primary school kids. By this age they start learning *Devanagari* script but may not know it properly.
- So the age group has been increased to 7-9 years old children who knows *Devanagari* script. By this age they would know to recognise, write & construct words in *Devanagari*.
- A child may know or may not know to speak *Gujarati* language.



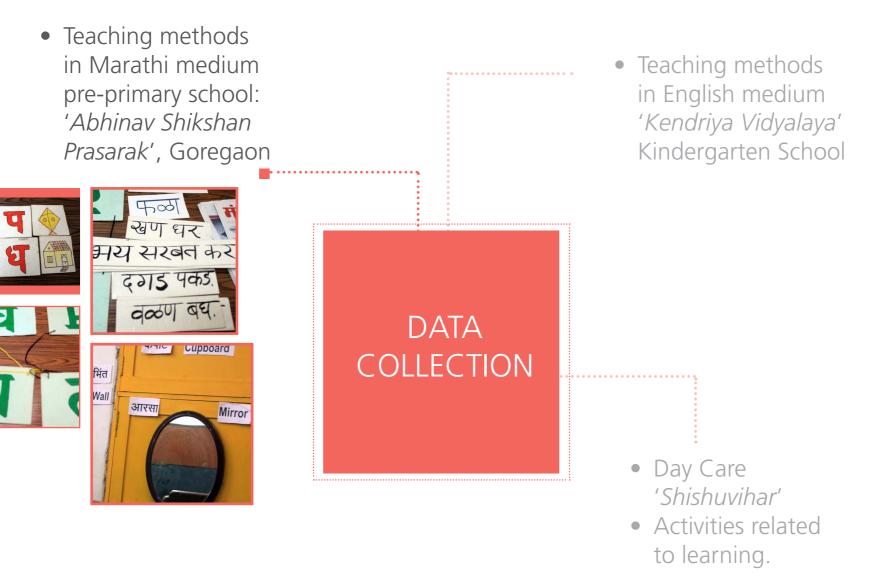


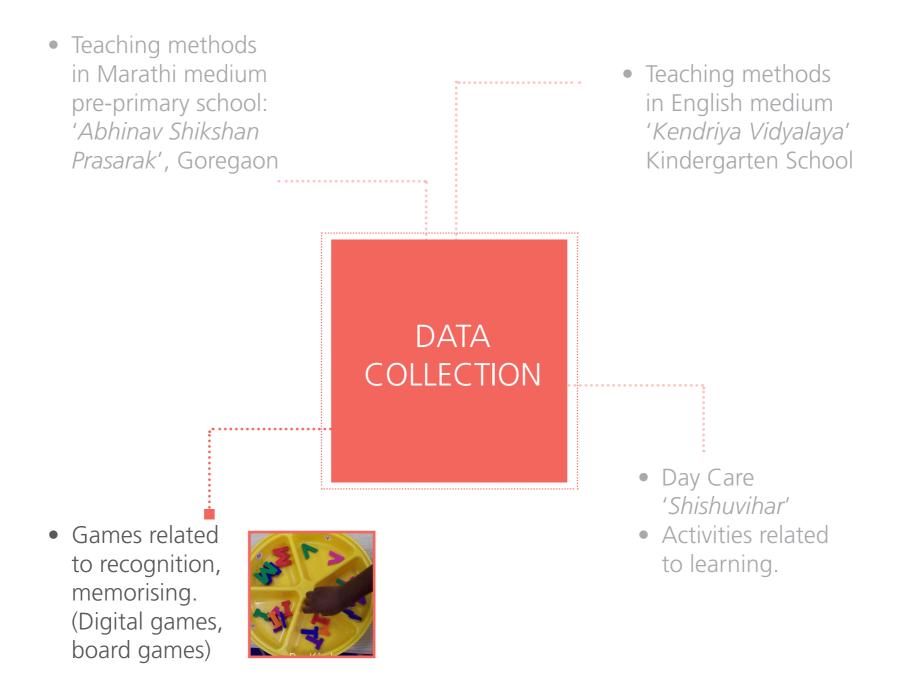
 Teaching methods in English medium 'Kendriya Vidyalaya' Kindergarten School





- Day Care '*Shishuvihar*'
- Activities related to learning.





Intended Goal

A Child should RECOGNISE '*Gujarati*' Script which includes Vowels, Consonants & Numbers & NOT Conjuncts, Writing of the Script.

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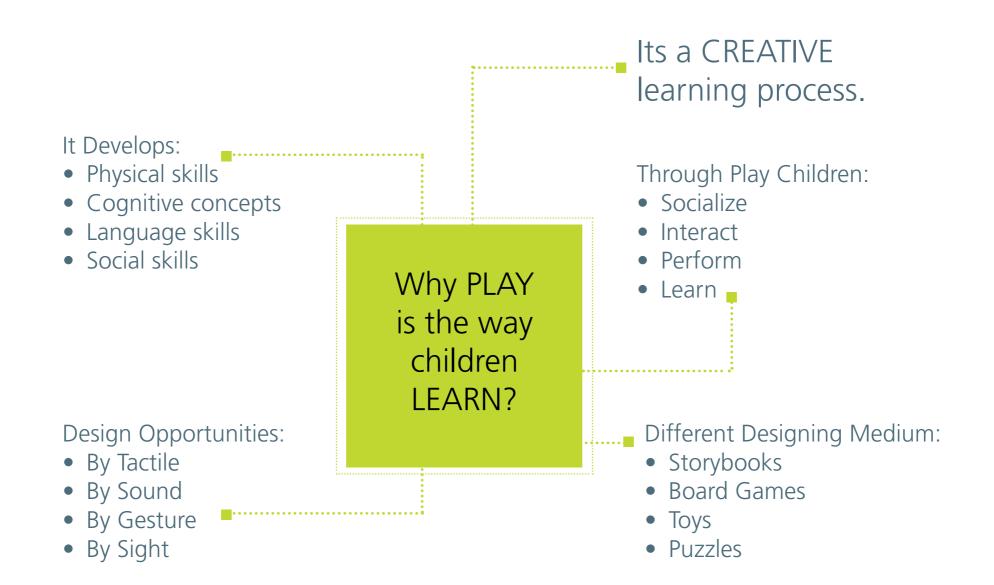
- EXECUTION:
- Book Design: Compilation of two language script in a book in a storyform or picture depiction
- Game Design: A game which will teach Gujarati is easiest and playful way. Board game or digital game.
- Visual Design of the Game/ Book/ Charts designed.

Why PLAY is the way children LEARN?





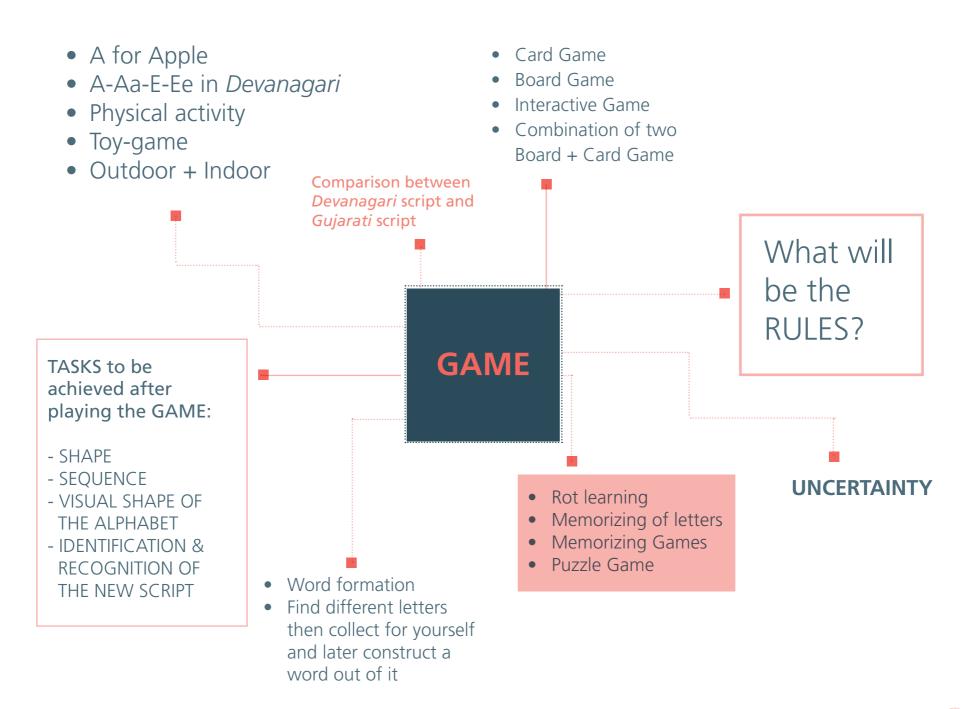
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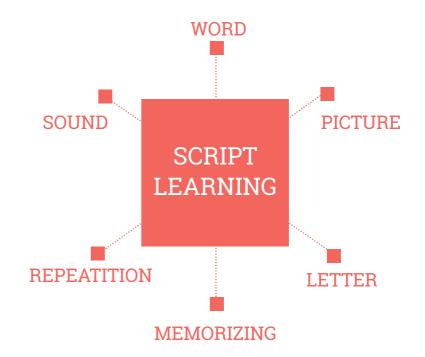
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Learning Charts:

Two same letter-forms but in different scripts are side-by-side in a flash card. But here there is a letter instead of a picture. This can be used for the introduction of a letter-form, the initial teaching activity for children.

Board Games:

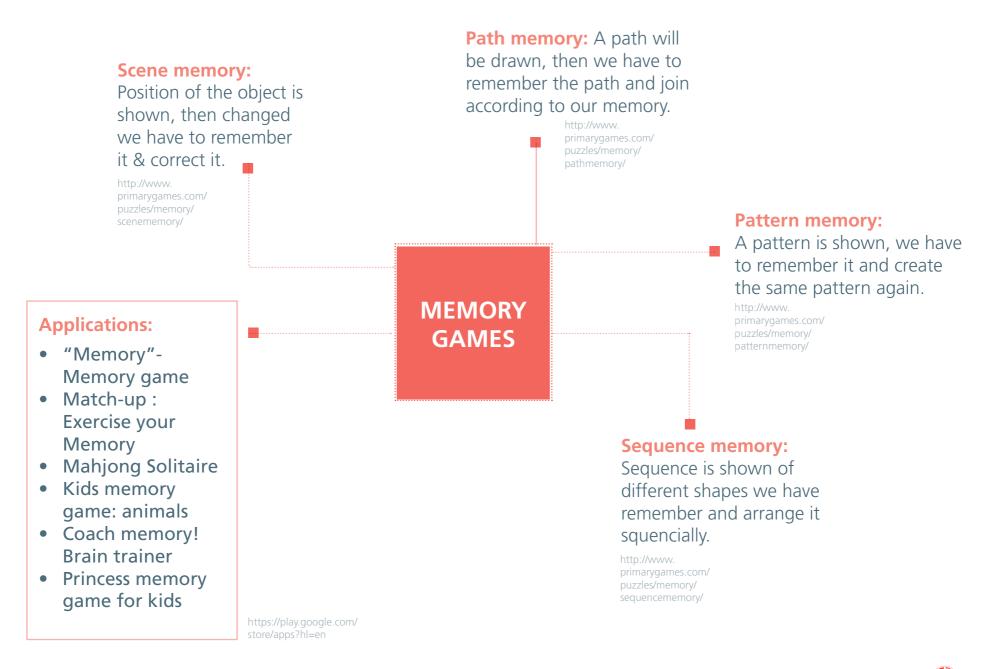
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MEMORY GAMES



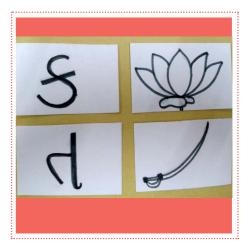
Concept 1

Card Game:

Letter 'Ka' will have clue as Lotus in pictorial form formed by *Gujarati* 'Ka' in `clue cards.

Devanagari 'Ka' will not be shown to the child. Player will only see *Gujarati* letter on that picture.

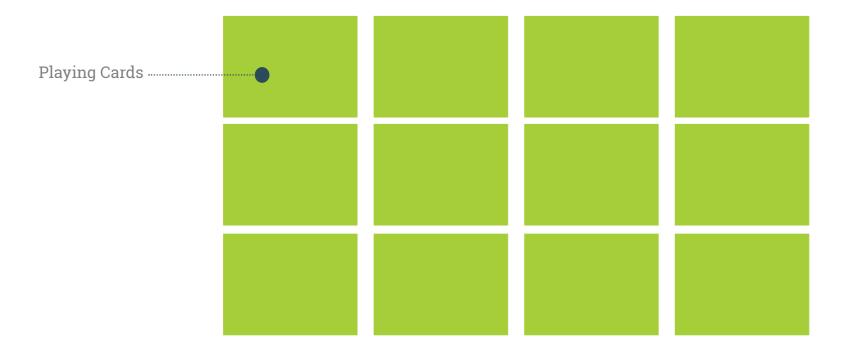
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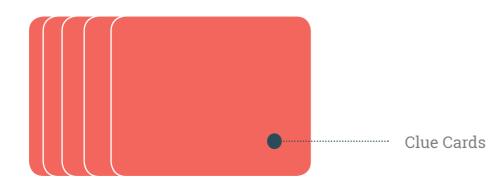


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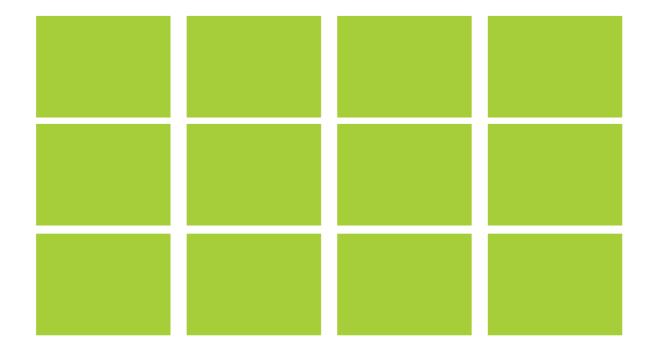


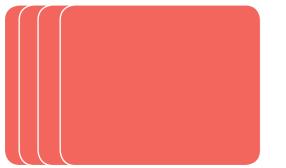
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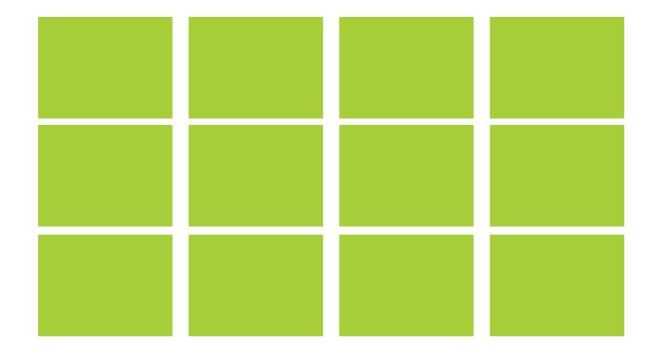
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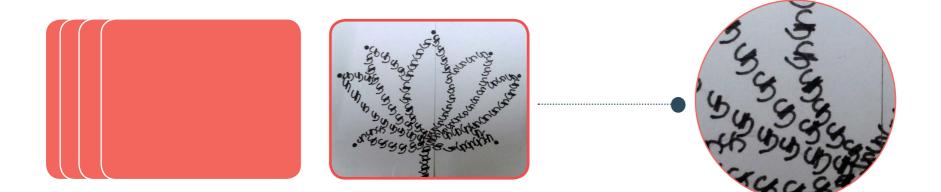


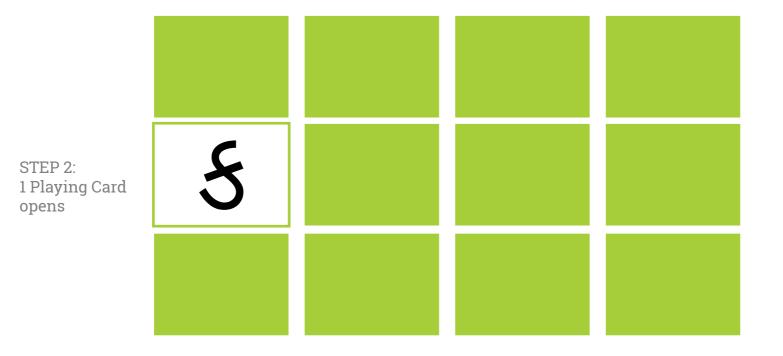


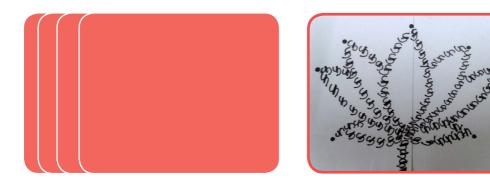


STEP 1: 1 Clue Card opens





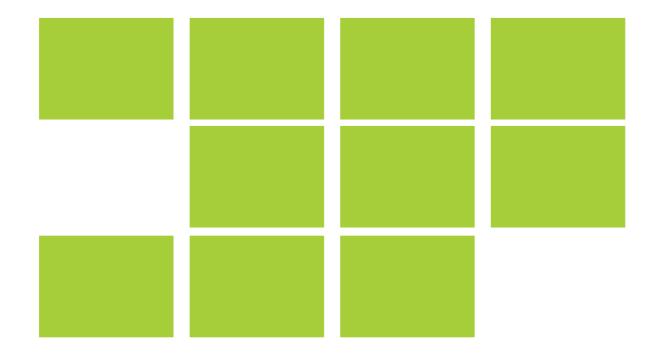




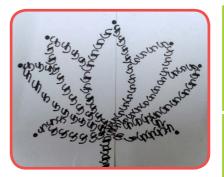


STEP 3: Another Playing Card opens









STEP 4: When they matches, they will come out of the game



Concept 2

• Game-play:

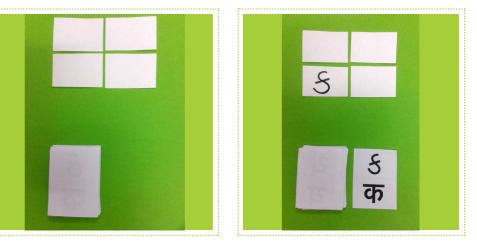
A clue card will open first which has Gujarati 'Ka' & Devanagari 'Ka'.

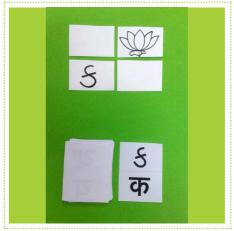
Then a playing card will open which has pictures and *Gujarati* letter-forms.

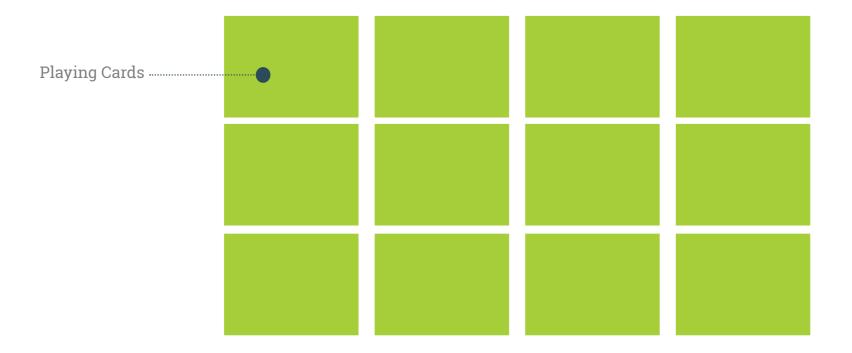
By pronouncing the word, the first letter of the word should be recognised and then matched.

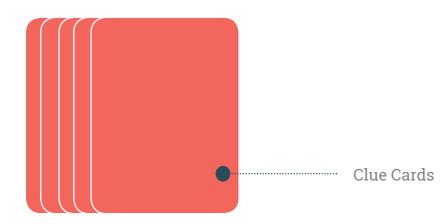
• Challenges:

Make the new script recognisable without referring any picture. A new game-play by which better *Devanagari* and *Gujarati* script can better be associated.

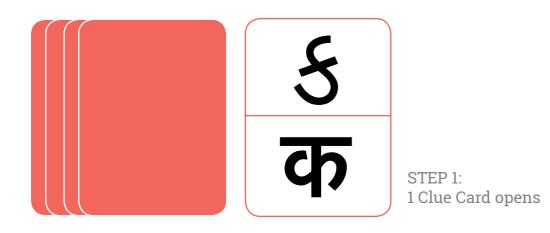


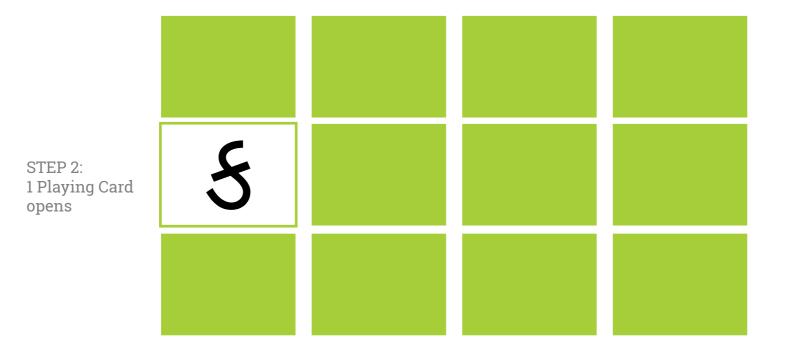


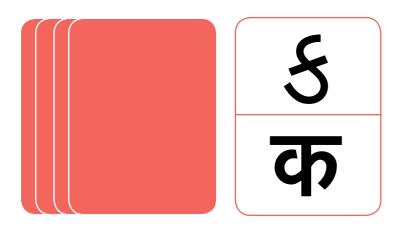


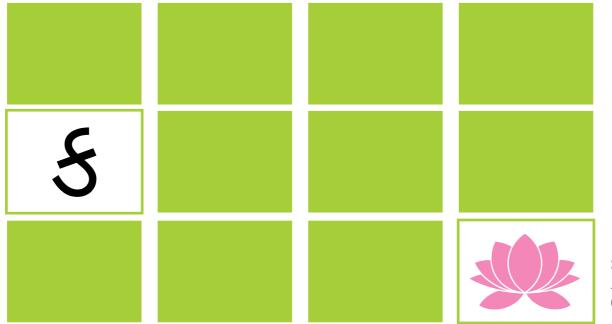


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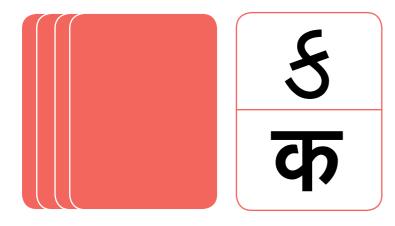




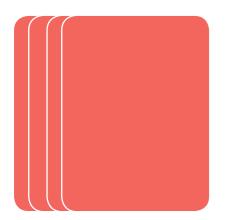




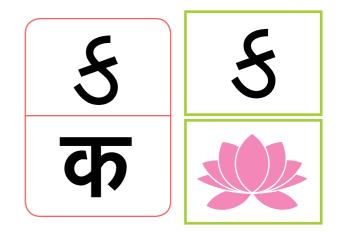
STEP 3: Another Playing Card opens







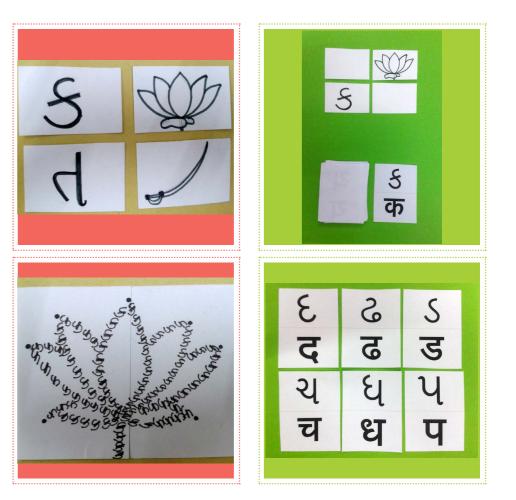
STEP 4: When they matches, they will come out of the game



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Conclusions (Concept 1-2)

- Knowing the name of the picture is important here.
- If the name of the picture is not known to the player, then they will get stuck at that point and game-play will not happen.
- Letter-form is not seen properly. Pictures familiar to children has to be selected.
- In concept 2, if the picture name is not know, it fails the game-play.
- Pronunciation of the picture should be known in both the languages.
 Pronouncing of the picture may differ in different scripts.



Concept 3

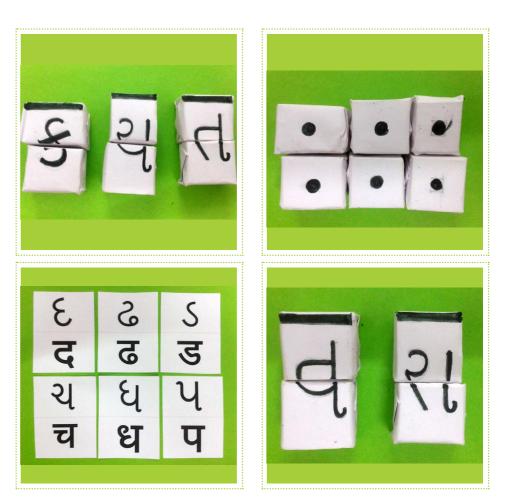
• Block and Card Game:

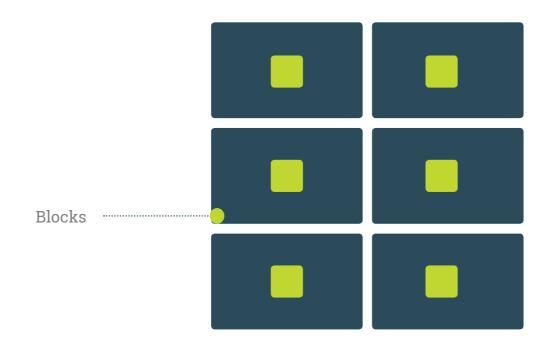
A *Gujarati* letter is written on a block. The block is divided into two.

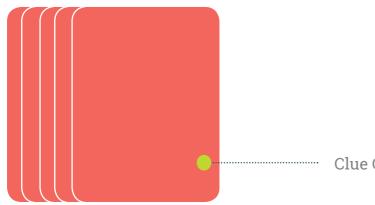
Blocks will be scattered, players have to look in the clue cards and look for correct match and for the new letter.

Each player will build their own tower of correct *Gujarati* alphabets formed.

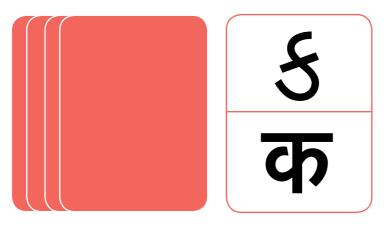
After collecting the letters to test the correct letter-form, the next task will be to form a word (without conjuncts).



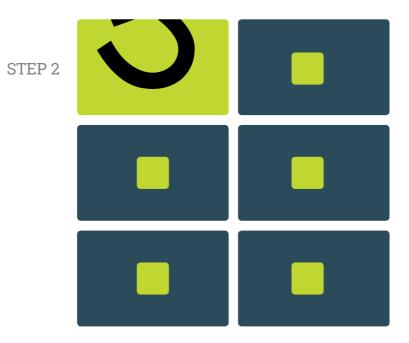


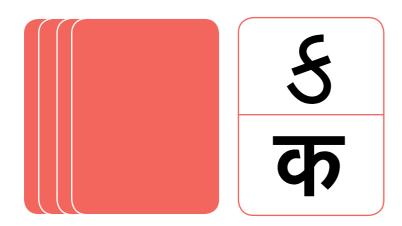


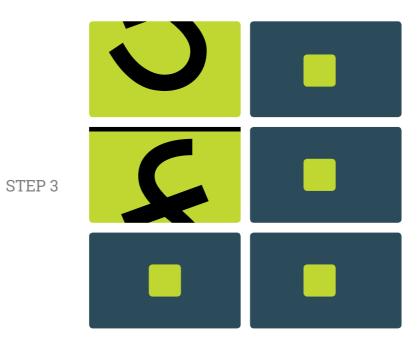
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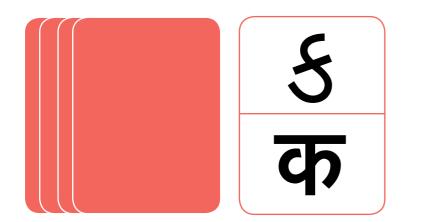


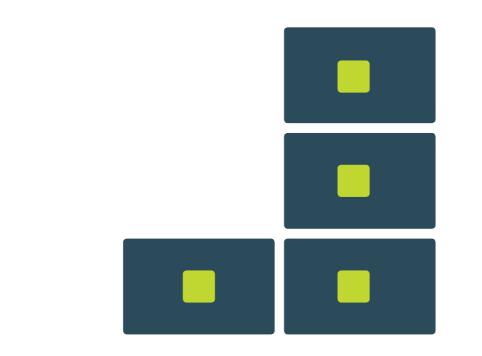
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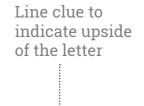






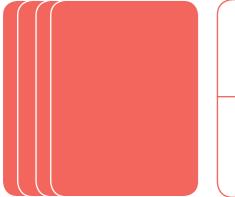






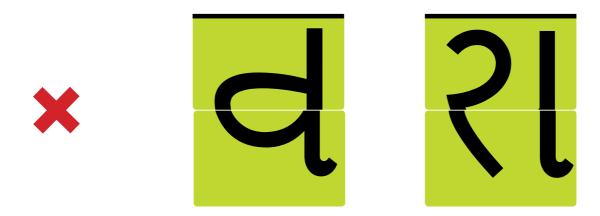


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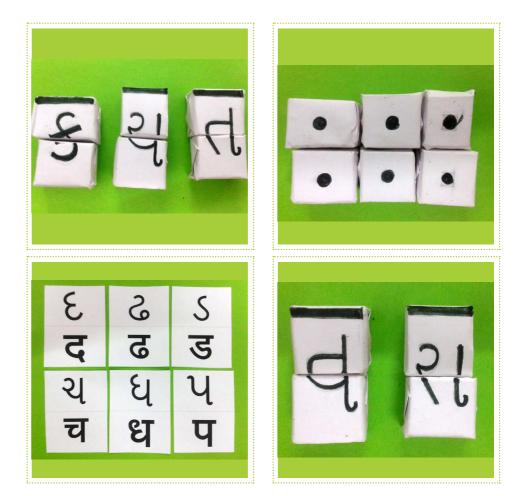




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Conclusions

- Letters were made broken to understand orientation of the letter instead, it created confusion.
- This can misguide the player as different combinations of letter may form a new letter which appears to be correct but are incorrect.
- The task was to collect blocks, and form a word. But if the language is not known, construction of a word is not possible.



Concept 4

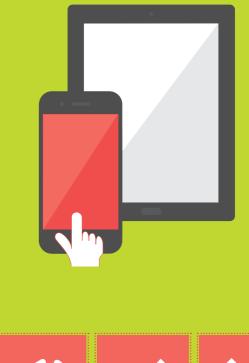
Touch based application:

Sound:

When a letter-form is visible, and it is supported by sound, a child could associate them both in a better way.

Judging:

To tell the player whether the answer is right or wrong is the judgment to be done in this game. As the script is new to players, so in the game if the answer is right or wrong is very important part. In interactive system, the system will be playing the role of judge.





Things are done automatically here. Score board, different levels, right-wrong indication, time duration all these are handled by the script.

Number of tile:

For this game, the number of tiles will be too large to handle. 51 letters and 10 numbers into 2. So total is 122 letters. This can be solved by levels. Gradually letters will be taught in levels. The difficulty level will increase accordingly.

Gujarati Script:

15 Vowels36 Consonants10 Numbers

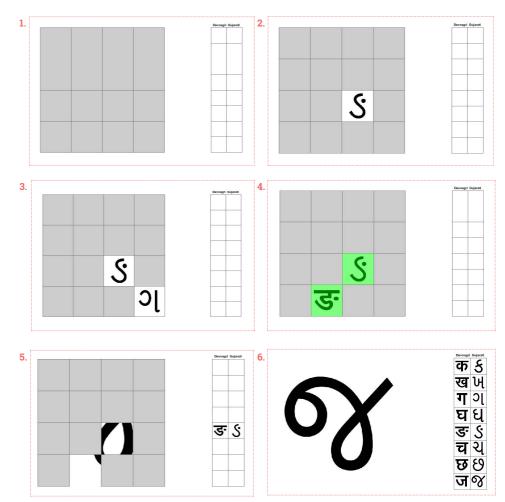
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Results

After testing, children took maximum support of sound to match the letters. By this, attention to visual shape of the letter-form was not given much. When asked them later to recognise these new letters, children could recognise few. Then when, the last question was asked, they could answer it. Letter was then known to the player, they could recall it better. Concentration at the visual shape of the letter is given. Sound support helped children to learn.

Challenges:

What are the other recall methods for more concentration to the visual shape of the letters? How many letters should be taught at a time?



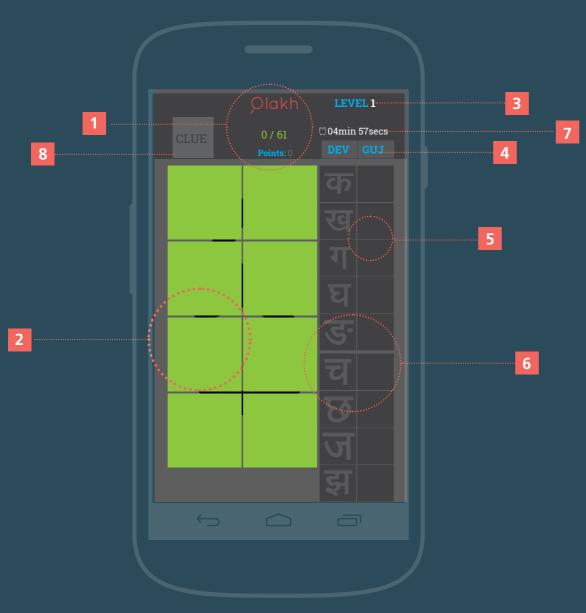
Final Concept

Interactive Memory Game to identify *Gujarati* script by taking *Devanagari* script as a supporting script. As we have seen earlier, repetition of letterform and memorising it again and again is done. So therefore, taking base of **memory game**, a child would be learning *Gujarati* script in a playful manner.

A **game application** is the medium for the execution of this game. This game will be an android based application. Application can easily be downloaded and the game can be played anywhere on any android device.



Wire-frame:



- **1. Name, Points, Solved letters:** Title of the game 'Olakh', number of tiles solved out of 61, score board (points).
- **2. Main tile panel bar:** The main game-play will happen here. These tiles are click-able.
- **3.** Level: Level number states here out of 3 levels.
- **4. Script title:** To know the script name for letter bar.
- **5.** Letter bar: To associate two scripts and for reminder.
- 6. Devanagari letters in grey: They are in sequence for the reference of players to check on how many letters are played and in what sequence?
- **7. Timer:** Time will start reducing as the game begins.
- **8.** Clue button: It will be only active in level 2 and level 3.

Level 1







Level 2







Level 3







VISUAL DESIGN





	, Olakh	LEVEL 2	Score: Time:	15/61 1		115/61
CLUE	5 / 61		150 3min. 45sec.	DEV. GUJ.	150 🕔 3:45	DEV. GUJ.
	Points: 50			तन		25
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- Size of the clue button = smallest tile size
- Score Card in numerals
- Time Duration bar to see added time
- Number of Letters solved count
- Level Number
- *Devnagari* & *Gujarati* script indication







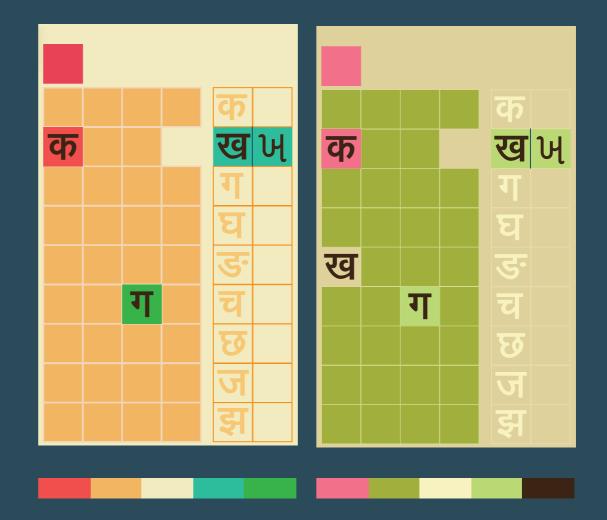
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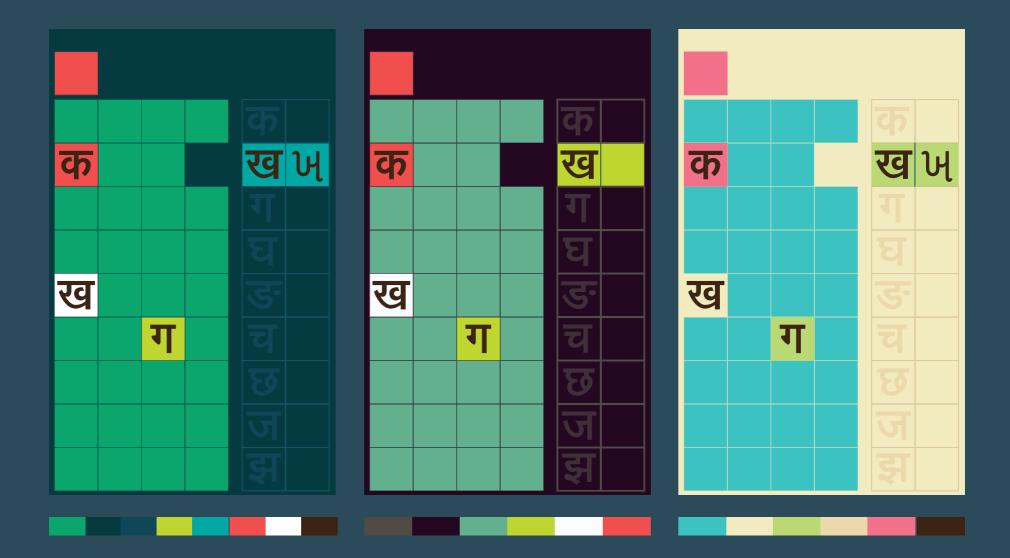


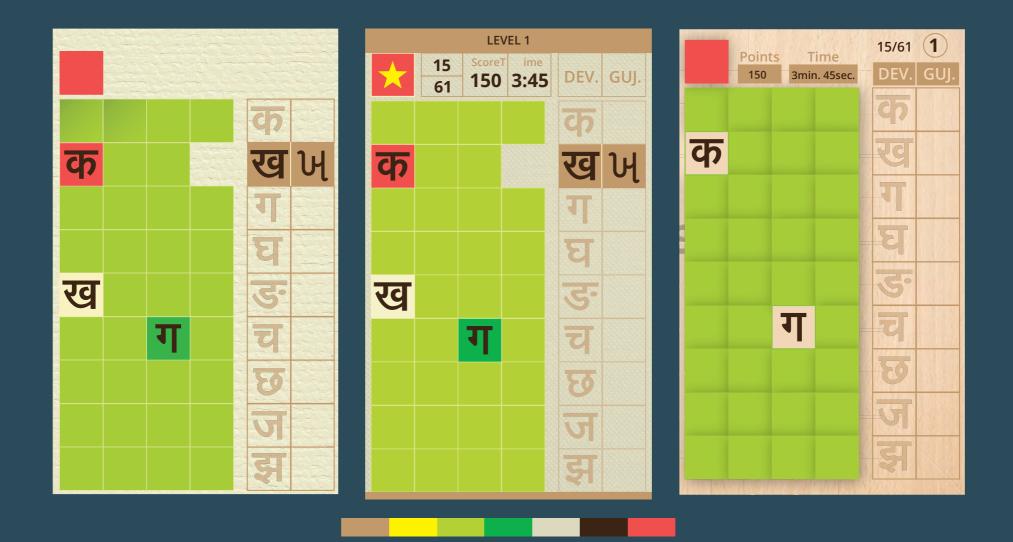




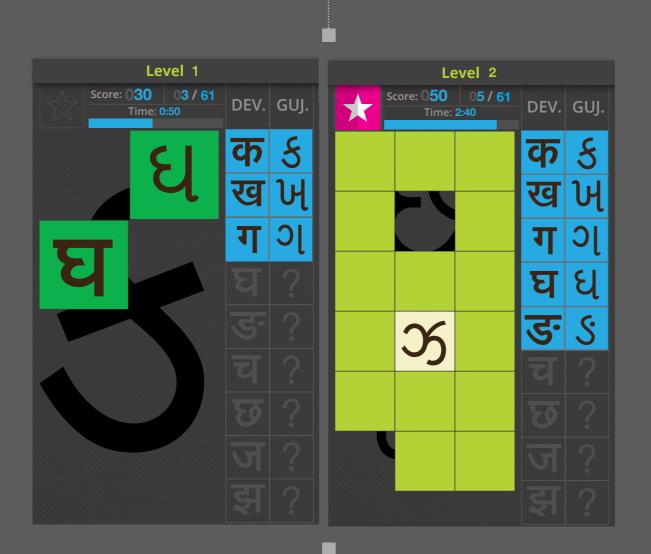
- Playful, as this game is for children
- Bright, with hierarchy of content,
- Suitable for screen.





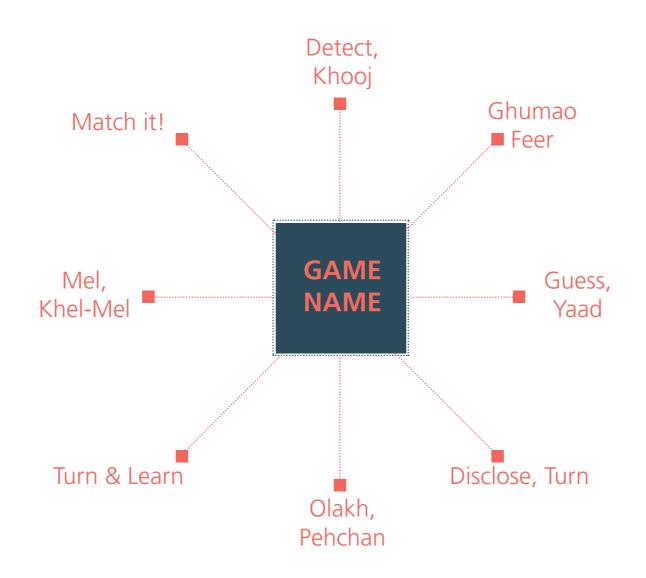


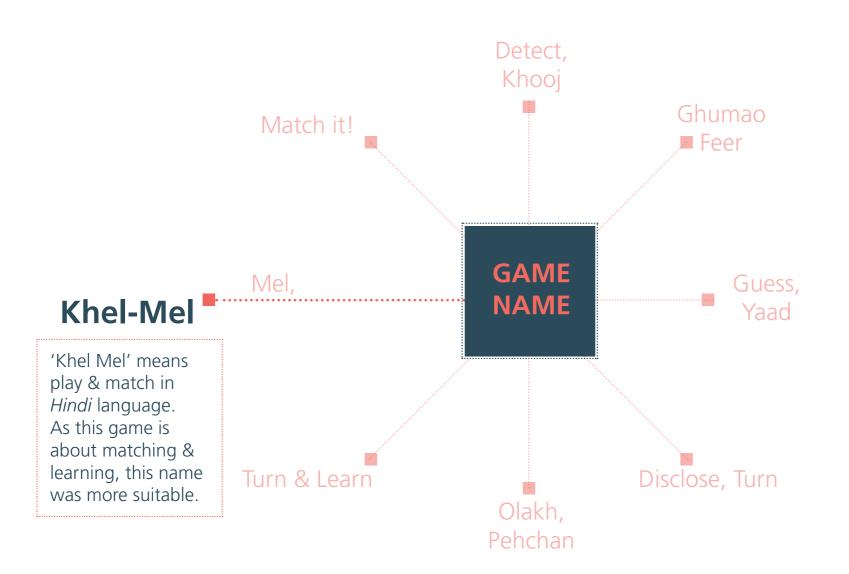




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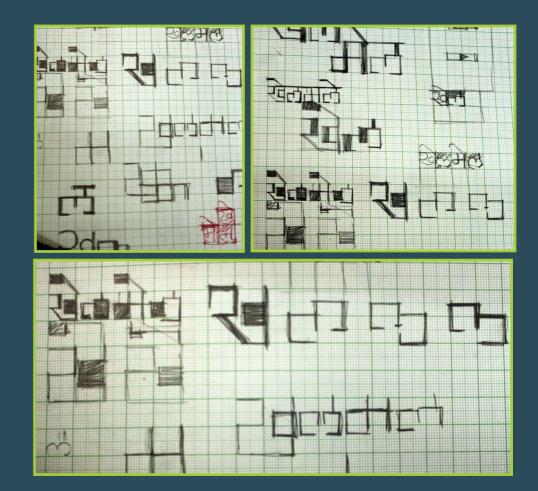




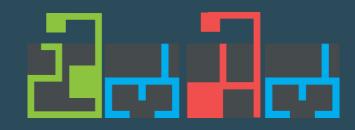


Idea

- Something related to tiles or square was required to match the language of the whole game.
- As the words are in *Hindi* language, the logotype in *Devanagari* was made to make it look more interesting and unique.
- Hence, this logo was made in a box grid to follow the tile language.

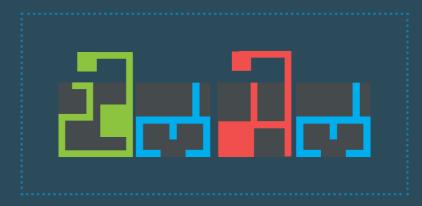


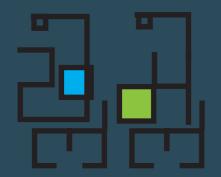




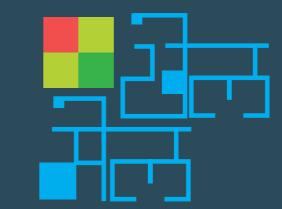


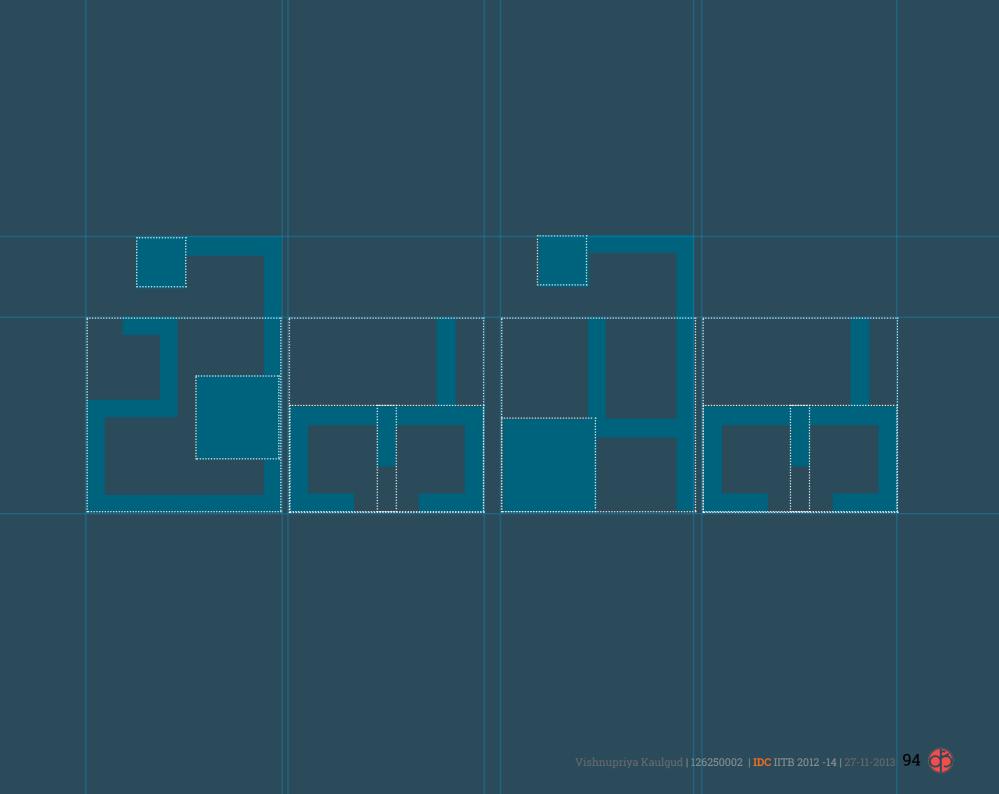


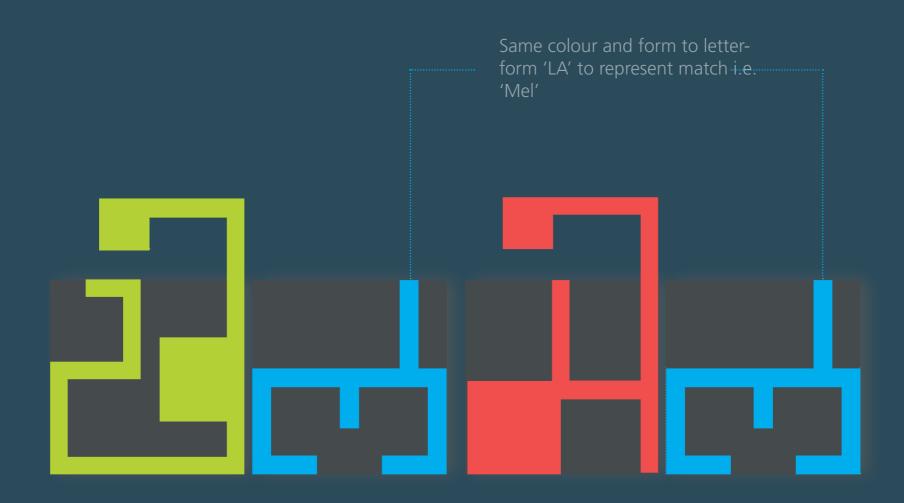








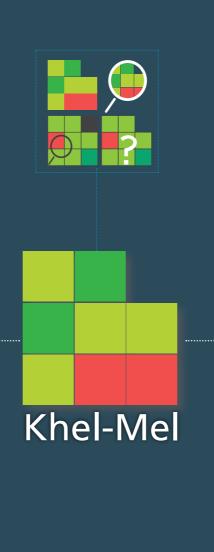










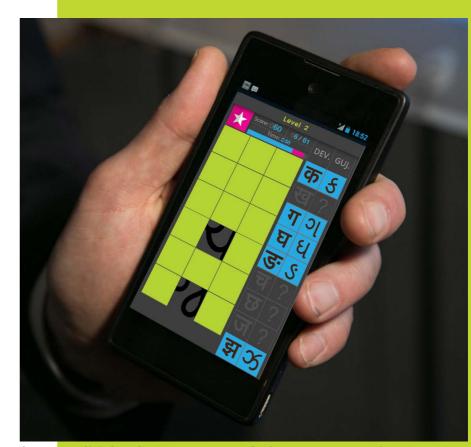




Game-play







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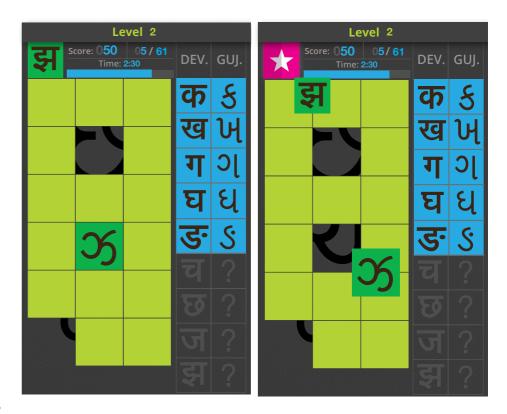
Results

• Clue button functions:

Initially when clue is taken, player could see the correct answer in the box but then too he/she has to find the correct answer in the tiles. This didn't help the game play. So, the change was made in such a way that the answer is solved, and goes into letter panel.

• Time duration:

Total time given was 5mins. in total. But while testing we found out, time was either less or more is some cases. So to benefit the game-play, when the clue is taken, a grace time will be added to the total time. So that the player gets more interested in the game-play. Game starts with 3mins.





Learnings

- Recognition of Gujarati script
- Application design
- Application design for a Game
- User interface design of the Game
- Interaction of the application for the best results of the game-play
- A child's perception and thinking while playing a game
- Visual design by which game can be better understood





Future Plans

This game can be used to recognise **any two Indian language script**. By taking support of sound, if the game played in this manner, it would easier to learn any Indian script.

Not only children but **adults** too can play this game to learn *Gujarati* script. For a **typographer**, **who wants to design a Gujarati font**, this game can be a guideline for them to learn the script and then design.

As there is repetition of sound & letter-form included in this game, a **partially hearing impaired person** too can play and learn a new script similarly.





PROTOTYPE

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