Memory Game shows how to use Grid to implement a simple memory game to pair moon phases

Step 1

Follow Setup and Start on how to Install and/or Get Started with Visual Studio 2019 if Create a new project not already or in Windows 10 choose Start, Choose a project template with code scaffolding find and select Visual Studio 2019 then from to get started the Get started screen select Create a new project Then choose Blank App (Universal Blank App (Universal Windows) Windows) and select Next and then in A project for a single-page Universal Windows Platform (UWP) app that has no **Configure your new project** enter the predefined controls or layout. C# Windows Xbox UWP Desktop Project name as MemoryGame and select Create New Universal Windows Platform Project × Finally, in New Universal Windows Platform Select the target and minimum platform versions that your UWP application will support. Project pick the Target version and Minimum version to be at least Windows Windows 10, version 1903 (10.0; Build 18362) Target version: Minimum version: Windows 10, version 1903 (10.0; Build 18362) 10, version 1903 (10.0; Build 18362) and then select **OK** Which version should I choose? OK Cancel

Target Version will control the most recent features of Windows 10 your application can use. To make sure you always have the most recent version, check for any Notifications or Updates in Visual Studio 2019

Step 2



Choose **Project** then **Add New Item...** from the **Menu** in **Visual Studio 2019**

Step 3



Visual C#

Then choose **Code File** from **Add New Item** in **Visual Studio 2019**, enter the **Name** as **Library.cs** and select **Add**





Step 4

In the **Code** View of **Library.cs** will be displayed and in this the following should be entered:

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using Windows.UI.Popups;
using Windows.UI.Xaml;
using Windows.UI.Xaml.Controls;
using Windows.UI.Xaml.Media;
public class Library
{
    private const string title = "Memory Game";
    private const int size = 4;
    private int moves = 0;
    private int _firstId = 0;
    private int secondId = 0;
    private Button _first;
    private Button second;
    private int[,] _board = new int[size, size];
    private List<int> matches = new List<int>();
    private Random _ random = new Random((int)DateTime.Now.Ticks);
    private Dictionary<int, string> moon = new Dictionary<int, string>()
    {
        { 1, "\U0001F311" }, // New
        { 2, "\U0001F312" }, // Waxing Crescent
{ 3, "\U0001F313" }, // First Quarter
          4, "\U0001F314" }, // Waxing Gibbous
        {
        { 5, "\U0001F315" }, // Full
        { 6, "\U0001F316" }, // Waning Gibbous
{ 7, "\U0001F317" }, // Last Quarter
        { 8, "\U0001F318" } // Waning Crescent
    };
```

There are **using** statements to include necessary functionality. There are **private** members for various parts of the game including the two-dimensional array **_board** which represents what will appear in the game and a **Dictionary<int, string>** to represent the Emoji characters to represent each phase of the moon that should be matched





Then below the **private Dictionary**<int, string> _moon = new Dictionary<int, string>() { ... }; the following **methods** should be entered:

```
private void Show(string content, string title)
{
    _ = new MessageDialog(content, title).ShowAsync();
}
```

Show() is used to display a basic MessageDialog

Next below the **private void Show(...) {...} method** the following **method** should be entered:

```
private Viewbox Phase(int value)
{
    TextBlock textblock = new TextBlock()
    {
        Text = _moon[value],
        IsColorFontEnabled = true,
        TextLineBounds = TextLineBounds.Tight,
        FontFamily = new FontFamily("Segoe UI Emoji"),
        HorizontalTextAlignment = TextAlignment.Center
    };
    return new Viewbox()
    {
        Child = textblock
    };
}
```

Phase(...) is used to **return** a **Viewbox** which contains a **TextBlock** which will contain the Emoji value of a phase of the moon

Next after the **private Viewbox Phase(...) { ... } method** the following **method** should be entered:

```
private List<int> Choose(int start, int maximum, int total)
{
    int number;
    List<int> numbers = new List<int>();
    while ((numbers.Count < total)) // Select Numbers
    {
        // Random Number between Start and Finish
        number = _random.Next(start, maximum + 1);
        if ((!numbers.Contains(number)) || (numbers.Count < 1))
        {
            numbers.Add(number); // Add if number Chosen or None
        }
    }
    return numbers;
}</pre>
```

Choose() method is used to return a List<int> of numbers using Random to select them





Then after the **private List<int> Choose(...) { ... } method** the following **methods** should be entered:

```
private void Match()
{
    _matches.Add(_firstId);
    matches.Add( secondId);
    if ( first != null)
    {
        first.Background = null;
        first = null;
    }
    if (_second != null)
    {
        _second.Background = null;
        second = null;
    }
    if (_matches.Count == size * size)
    {
        Show($"Matched all moon phases in {_moves} moves!", title);
    }
}
private async void NoMatch()
{
    await Task.Delay(TimeSpan.FromSeconds(1.5));
    if (_first != null)
    {
        _first.Content = null;
        _first = null;
    }
    if ( second != null)
    {
        _second.Content = null;
        _second = null;
    };
}
private void Compare()
{
    if (_firstId == _secondId)
        Match();
    else
        NoMatch();
    _moves++;
    _firstId = 0;
    _secondId = 0;
}
```

Match() method will handle what should happen when a pair of phases patch and then if the game is over will display a message. NoMatch() method will reset selected items after a Delay of 1.5 seconds and the Compare method will handle when to call those methods





Next after the **private void Compare() method** the following **method** should be entered:

```
private void Add(ref Grid grid, int row, int column)
{
    Button button = new Button()
    {
        Width = 75,
        Height = 75,
        Margin = new Thickness(10),
        Style = (Style)Application.Current.Resources
        ["ButtonRevealStyle"]
    };
    button.Click += (object sender, RoutedEventArgs e) =>
    {
        int selected;
        button = (Button)(sender);
        row = (int)button.GetValue(Grid.RowProperty);
        column = (int)button.GetValue(Grid.ColumnProperty);
        selected = _board[row, column];
        if ((_matches.IndexOf(selected) < 0))</pre>
        {
            if (_firstId == 0) // No Match
            {
                _first = button;
                firstId = selected;
                _first.Content = Phase(selected);
            }
            else if (_secondId == 0)
            {
                 _second = button;
                if (!_first.Equals(_second)) // Different
                {
                    _secondId = selected;
                    _second.Content = Phase(selected);
                    Compare();
                }
            }
        }
    };
    button.SetValue(Grid.ColumnProperty, column);
    button.SetValue(Grid.RowProperty, row);
    grid.Children.Add(button);
```

The Add(...) method is used to add a Button to a Grid to contain each part of the game and it will be used to check if the _first item selected with a Button and calls the Compare() method





Next after the Add(...) { ... } method the following method should be entered:

```
private void Layout(ref Grid grid)
{
    _moves = 0;
    _matches.Clear();
    grid.Children.Clear();
    grid.RowDefinitions.Clear();
    grid.ColumnDefinitions.Clear();
    // Setup Grid
    for (int index = 0; (index < size); index++)</pre>
    {
        grid.RowDefinitions.Add(new RowDefinition());
        grid.ColumnDefinitions.Add(new ColumnDefinition());
    }
    // Setup Board
    for (int row = 0; (row < size); row++)</pre>
    {
        for (int column = 0; (column < size); column++)</pre>
        {
            Add(ref grid, row, column);
        }
    }
```

Layout(...) configures a Grid and sets up the layout of the game using the Add(...) method and _board





Finally after the **private void Layout(...) { ... } method** the following **public method** should be entered:

```
public void New(Grid grid)
{
    Layout(ref grid);
    int counter = 0;
    List<int> values = new List<int>();
    // Pairs : Random 1 - 8
    while (values.Count <= size * size)</pre>
    {
        List<int> numbers = Choose(1, size * 2, size * 2);
        for (int number = 0; number < size * 2; number++)</pre>
        {
             values.Add(numbers[number]);
        }
    }
    // Board : Random 1 - 16
    List<int> indices = Choose(1, size * size, size * size);
    // Setup Board
    for (int column = 0; column < size; column++)</pre>
    {
        for (int row = 0; row < size; row++)</pre>
        {
             _board[column, row] = values[indices[counter] - 1];
            counter++;
        }
    }
```

New(...) will setup the layout of the Grid using the Layout method, it will also select the Pairs of items that will be matched in the game and setup the Board

Step 5



In the Solution Explorer of Visual Studio 2019 select MainPage.xaml





Step 6

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Choose **View** then **Designer** from the **Menu** in **Visual Studio 2019**

Step 7

In the **Design** View and **XAML** View of **Visual Studio 2019** will be displayed, and in this between the **Grid** and **/Grid** elements enter the following **XAML**:

```
<Viewbox>

<Grid Margin="50" Name="Display"

HorizontalAlignment="Center"

VerticalAlignment="Center"/>

</Viewbox>

<CommandBar VerticalAlignment="Bottom">

<AppBarButton Icon="Page2" Label="New" Click="New_Click"/>

</CommandBar>
```

The first block of XAML the main user interface features a Viewbox to contain a Grid which will display the game. The second block of XAML is the CommandBar which contains New to start a new game

Step 8

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Choose View then Code from the Menu in Visual Studio 2019

Step 9

Once in the **Code** View, below the end of **public MainPage() { ... }** the following Code should be entered:

```
Library library = new Library();
private void New_Click(object sender, RoutedEventArgs e)
{
    library.New(Display);
}
```

Below the MainPage(...) method an instance of the Library Class is created. In the New_Click(...) Event handler will call the New(...) method in the Library class





▶ Local Machine ▼

That completes the **Universal Windows Platform** Application, in **Visual Studio 2019** select **Local Machine** to run the Application

Step 11

Once the Application is running you can click the **New** Button and then click on any two **Buttons** to display a phase of the moon, match the phases to make a pair and match them all to win!



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To Exit the Application, select the **Close** button in the top right of the Application



