

What you need to know to program Kara for the exercises on this Sheet:

## Actions

You program Kara, you write a list of actions that will be processed in order. Available actions:

<code>move();</code>	move one step in the current direction
<code>turnLeft();</code>	change direction 90° to the left
<code>turnRight();</code>	change direction 90° to the right
<code>putLeaf();</code>	put a leaf on the current position
<code>removeLeaf();</code>	remove leaf from the current position

To use them, you just put them one after another into your program.

## Sensors and the If-Statement

Kara can react to its environment using sensors.

Available sensors:

<code>onLeaf()</code>	true if the current tile contains a leaf
<code>treeFront()</code>	true if the next tile in the current direction contains a tree
<code>treeLeft()</code>	true if tile to the left – again relative to current direction contains a tree.
<code>treeRight()</code>	Same for <code>treeRight</code> , only to the right.
<code>mushroomFront()</code>	true if the next tile in the current direction contains a mushroom.

To use the sensors, you need a conditional statement, the Java if-statement (the else part can be omitted)

```
if (onLeaf()) {  
    // put the commands that should be executed if onLeaf() is true here  
} else {  
    // put the commands that should be executed otherwise here  
}
```

### Example:

```
if (onLeaf()){  
    removeLeaf();  
}
```

## Defining own actions for Kara (Methods)

If you need to do the same set of actions repeatedly, you can define an own action for Kara by defining a Java method:

This is especially useful in Exercise 6, where you need to walk around a tree several times. So you would define a method named “walkAroundTree” in Java like so:

```
public void walkAroundTree(){  
    //put instructions to walk around tree here  
}
```

You can then use the method as any other action listed above:

```
walkAroundTree();  
move();  
walkAroundTree();  
move();  
move();  
....
```

















