

Prize Winner

Programming, Apps & Robotics Year 3-4

Chiara Kaushik

Burnside Primary School











Fruit Health Detector

By Chiara Kaushik, Year 3 - Burnside Primary School

1. Project Overview

I built a simple program that can tell if a banana or an apple is good or bad. The program uses a webcam to look at the fruit and then says out loud "good banana," "bad banana," "good apple," or "bad apple." It helps people who cannot see well.

2. Tools and Data

- **Fruit Images:** I used an open-source library of fruit pictures from Kaggle. It has many photos of good and bad bananas and apples. It can be found here: https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/ryandpark/fruit-quality-classification
- **Teachable Machine:** I trained a model with thousands of these pictures. I made four groups: good banana, bad banana, good apple, bad apple.
- **PictoBlox:** I used this block-coding software to load my model from a web link. PictoBlox's machine-learning blocks helped me connect the model to my program.

```
open recognition window

forever

If is identified class from web camera in Good Banana ? then
say good banana for 2 seconds
play sound recording1 until done

If is identified class from web camera in Bad Banana ? then
say bad banana for 2 seconds
play sound recording2 until done

If is identified class from web camera in Good Apple ? then
say good apple for 2 seconds
play sound recording3 until done

If is identified class from web camera in Bad Apple ? then
say good apple for 2 seconds
play sound recording3 until done
```

3. How It Works

- 1. The webcam shows a fruit in front of the computer.
- 2. The model looks at the picture and decides which group the fruit belongs to.
- 3. The program speaks the result through the computer's speaker.

4. Results

- The detector was right more than 95 out of 100 times in my tests.
- It spoke the result clearly so anyone can hear what the model sees.

5. Impact and Future Ideas

- This tool can help people who are visually impaired choose fresh fruit safely.
- In the future, I want to add more fruits like grapes and oranges.
- I also plan to make a phone app so people can use it on the go.

6. Conclusion

This project combines easy-to-use tools with smart learning to solve a real problem. I had fun learning about machine learning and coding. My father helped in searching for fruit database and in using Teachable Machine. Thereafter, I did the coding part myself. I hope it helps many people pick good fruit every day.