



Connecting international students to their campus, city, and community in a FUNtastic way

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Our mission

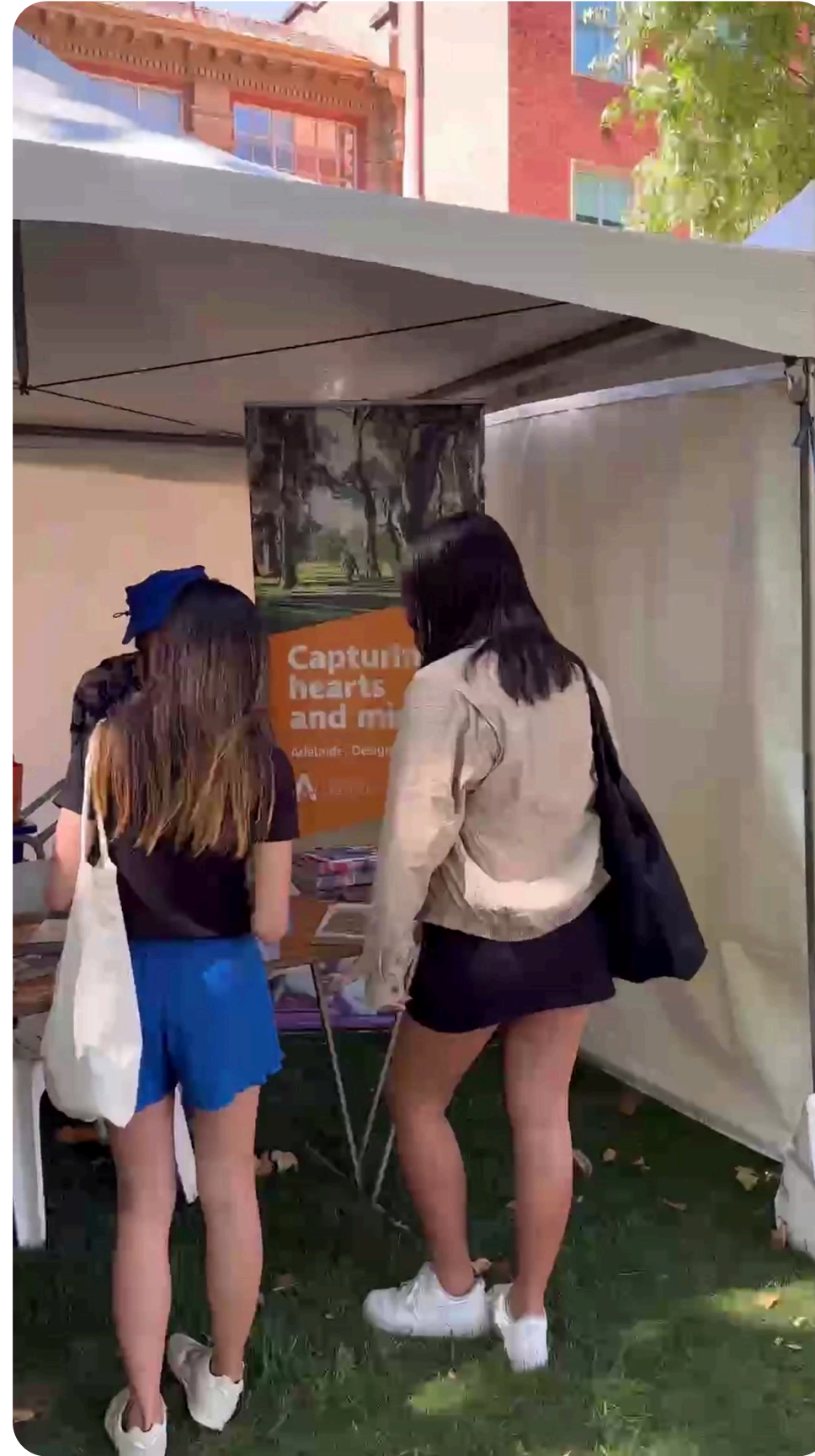
We empower international students to flourish by providing timely, clear and accurate advice, facilitating meaningful connections, and celebrating cultural diversity.

Our services

Our team includes International Student Advisors who provide one-on-one support to all current international students. **We also run a wide range of social programs for international students.**



Why are we here?



International Student Welcome



The Fantastic Race - Overview

Aims

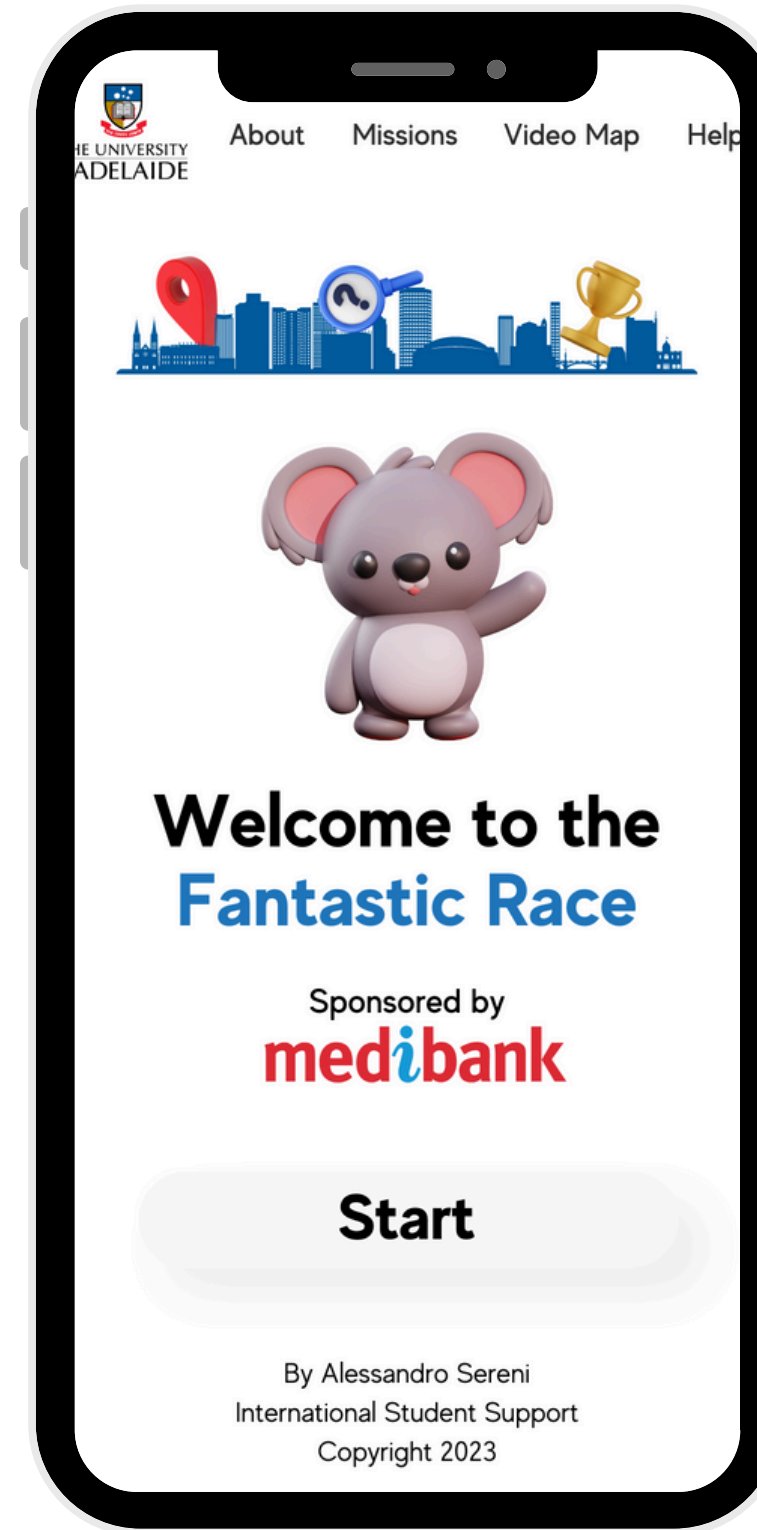
- Building a sense of community and belonging
- Connecting students to Adelaide
- Facilitating new friendships
- Supporting transition to the University and life in Australia

Compliance

- Data privacy and protection
- ESOS standards aligned

Platforms used

- Power Apps, Power Automate, Microsoft Excel for Business and SharePoint (Microsoft 365)
- KnightLab StoryMapJS/ Google Earth
- Canva



The Fantastic Race - Benefits



Enhanced student experience



Increased visibility for the institution/service and sponsors



Purpose-built, easily customisable, full control



Data protection ensured (built within University IT infrastructure)



Low cost (time=about 76 hours across 3-4 weeks)



Organic social media engagement via student-generated content



The Fantastic Race - Social media

International Student Welcome program
Semester 2 2023
Welcome to the Fantastic Race
Sponsored by medibank
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make history.

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Welcome to the Fantastic Race!
While you get to know the gameplay and your teammates, follow our account and comment below with your team number to give your team 2 extra points. Have fun!
#uniofadelaid #internationalstudents #welcometoadelaid #studyabroad #studyinaustralia #adelaide
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corentin_snx 17 | Oui oui baguette
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shihminnie Team 6
13w · 1 like · Reply

skarieth_o Team 26 🍌🍌🍌
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michelle.oceann Team 2!!!!
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himani_tendulkar 30
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Welcome to the Fantastic Race!
While you get to know the gameplay and your teammates, follow our account and spin the wheel to give your team extra points.
Take a screenshot of the result and send it to us via direct message with your team number for the points to be counted.
Have fun!
#uniofadelaid #internationalstudents #welcometoadelaid #studyabroad #studyinaustralia #adelaide
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SEPTEMBER 1

Art a comment



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Adelaide, South Australia

iss.uoa Here are some of the amazing team pics from our Fantastic Race yesterday 📸

More than 300 commencing international students joined in with their respective teams to solve a series of challenges, leading them to discover the City of Adelaide, make new friends, and have heaps of fun 🎉

Thanks to @medibank for sponsoring the event and prizes 🏆

Keep an eye on our Facebook page for more team pictures!

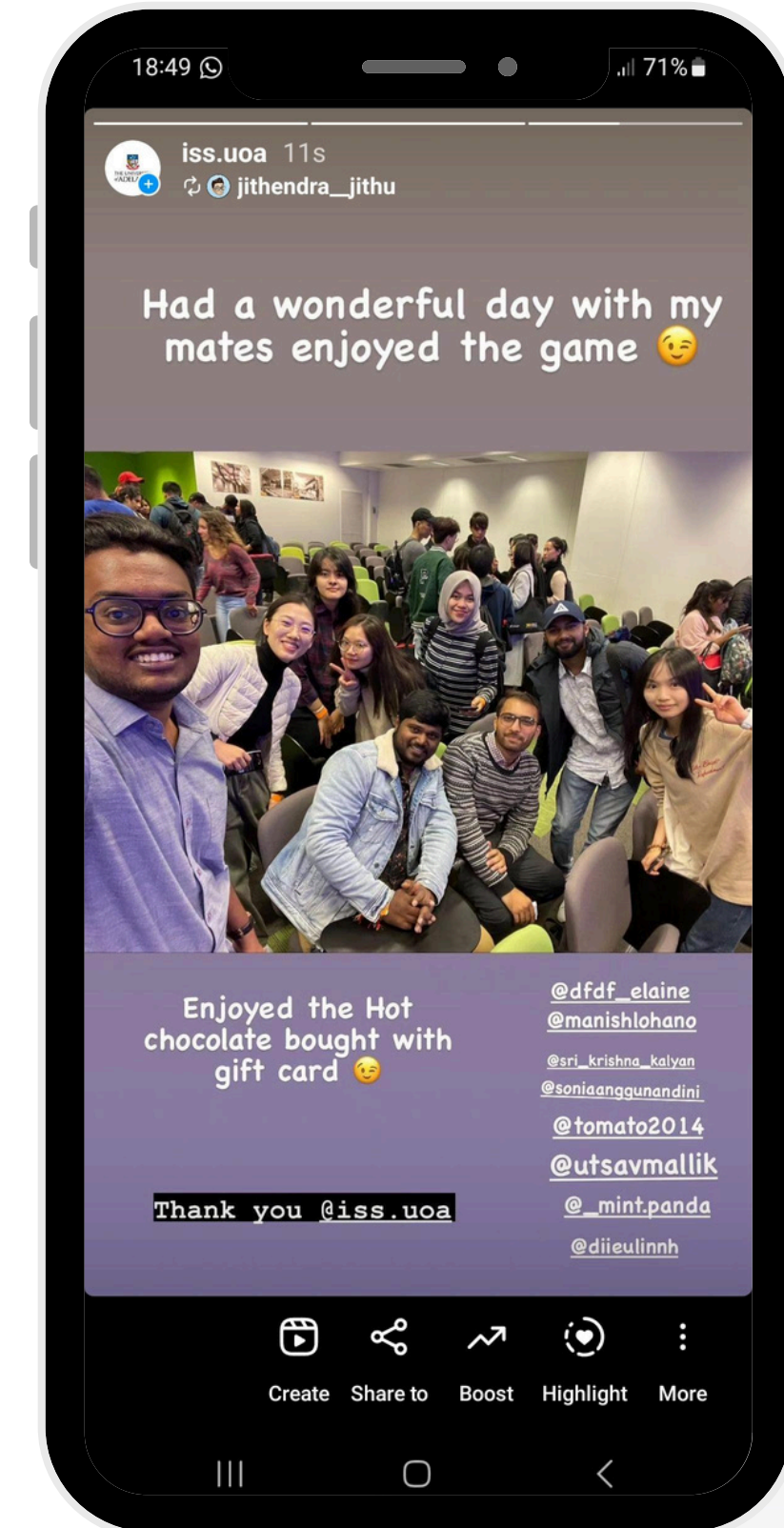
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The Fantastic Race - Student Feedback

"I wanted to express my sincere gratitude for organizing such an **amazing and incredible event** that brought us **all together**, fostering **friendships across diverse cultures**, and filling our hearts with **laughter and joy**. Thank you so much for making it a truly wonderful experience."

(Fantastic Race participant, Semester 2 2023)



Gameplay - Overview



Teams of 10 students each



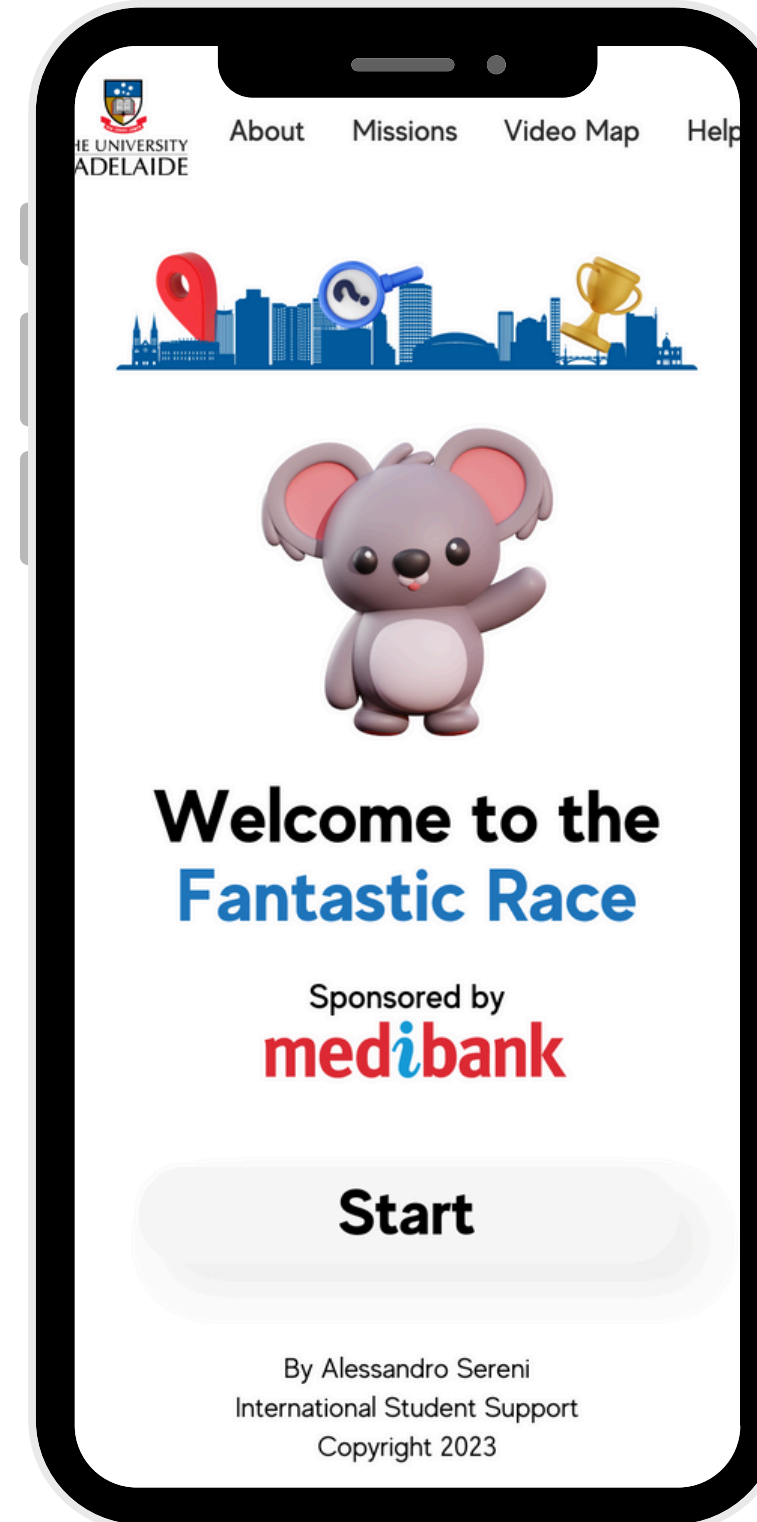
4 missions with 3 to 4 point-based challenges each



90 minutes



Prizes for all teams
(sponsored by Medibank)



Gameplay - Team roles



Team Captain

The Team Captain downloads **Power Apps** on their phone and leads the team through the missions keeping an eye on the clock.



Team Navigator

The Team Navigator uses **Google Maps** on their phone and guides the team to the mission areas and from one challenge to the other.



Team Recorder

The Team Recorder uses the **checklist** provided to mark completed challenges, and to record any answers should the team incur in technical difficulties.

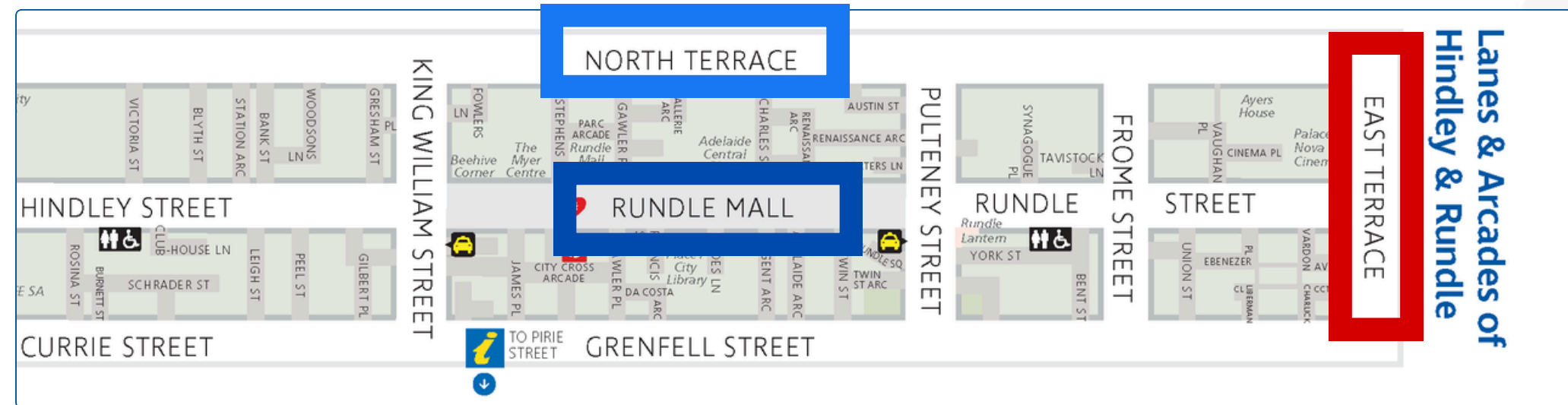
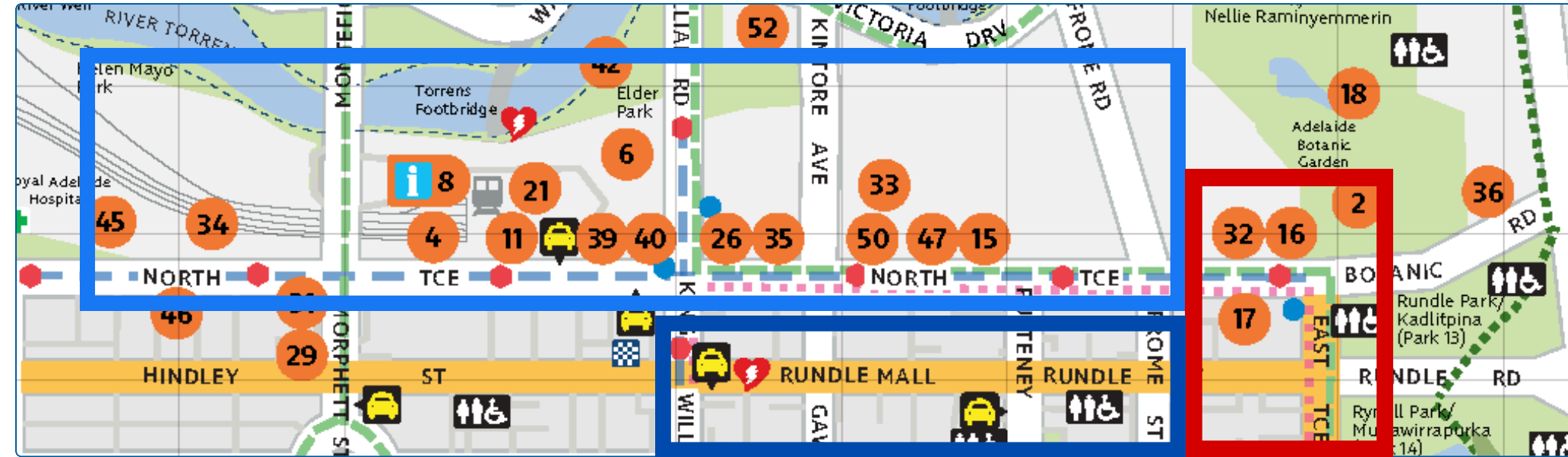
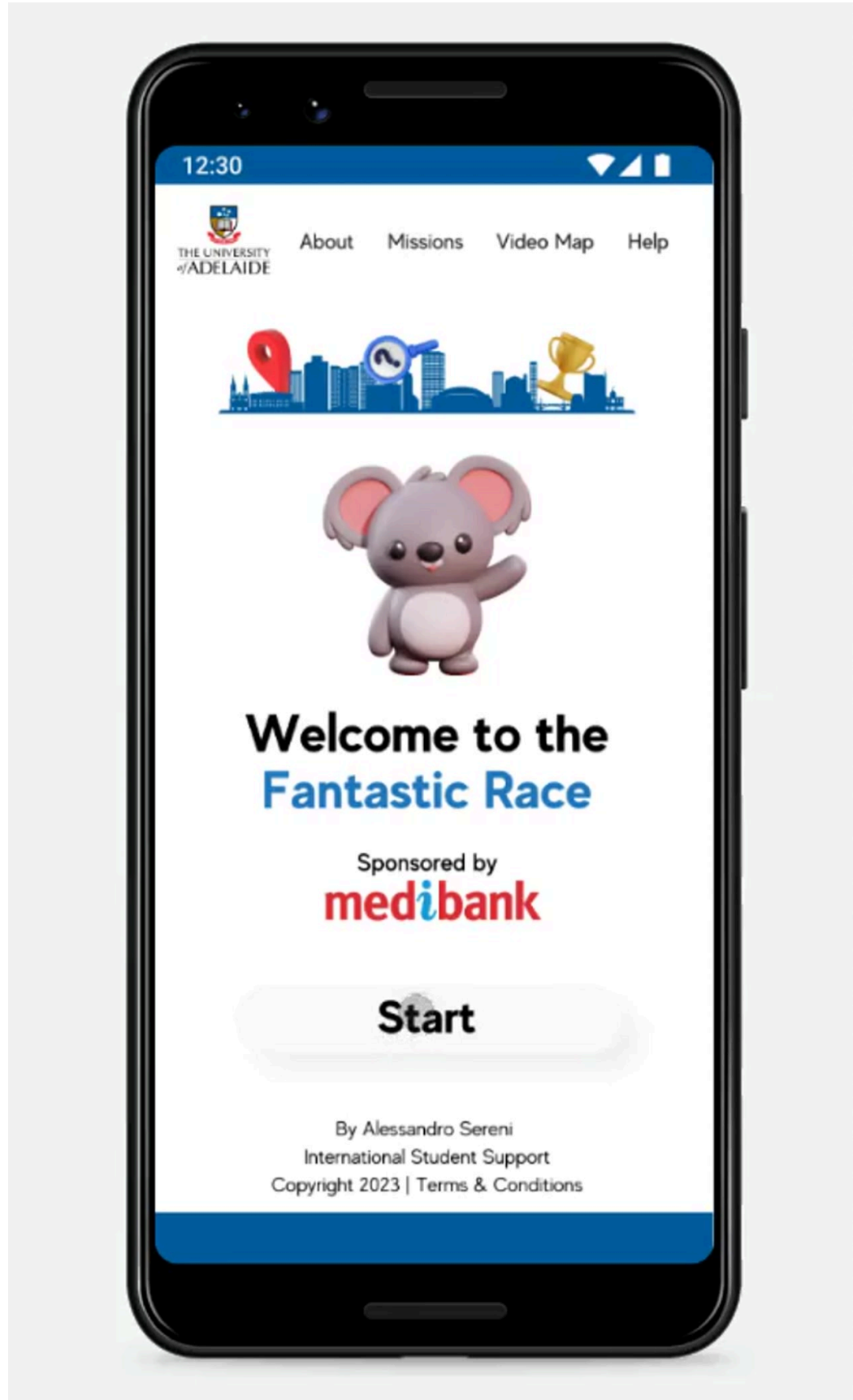


Teammate

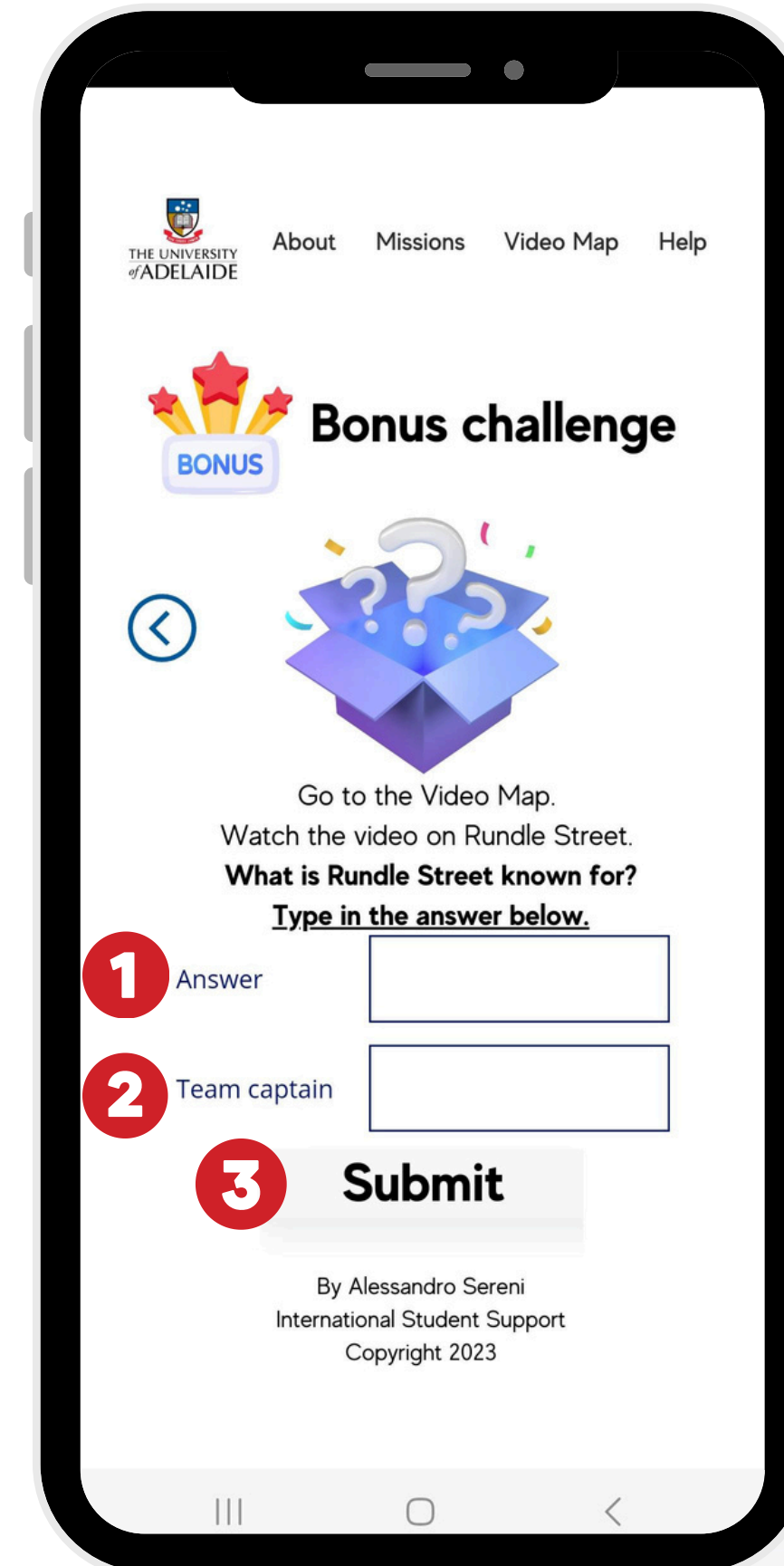
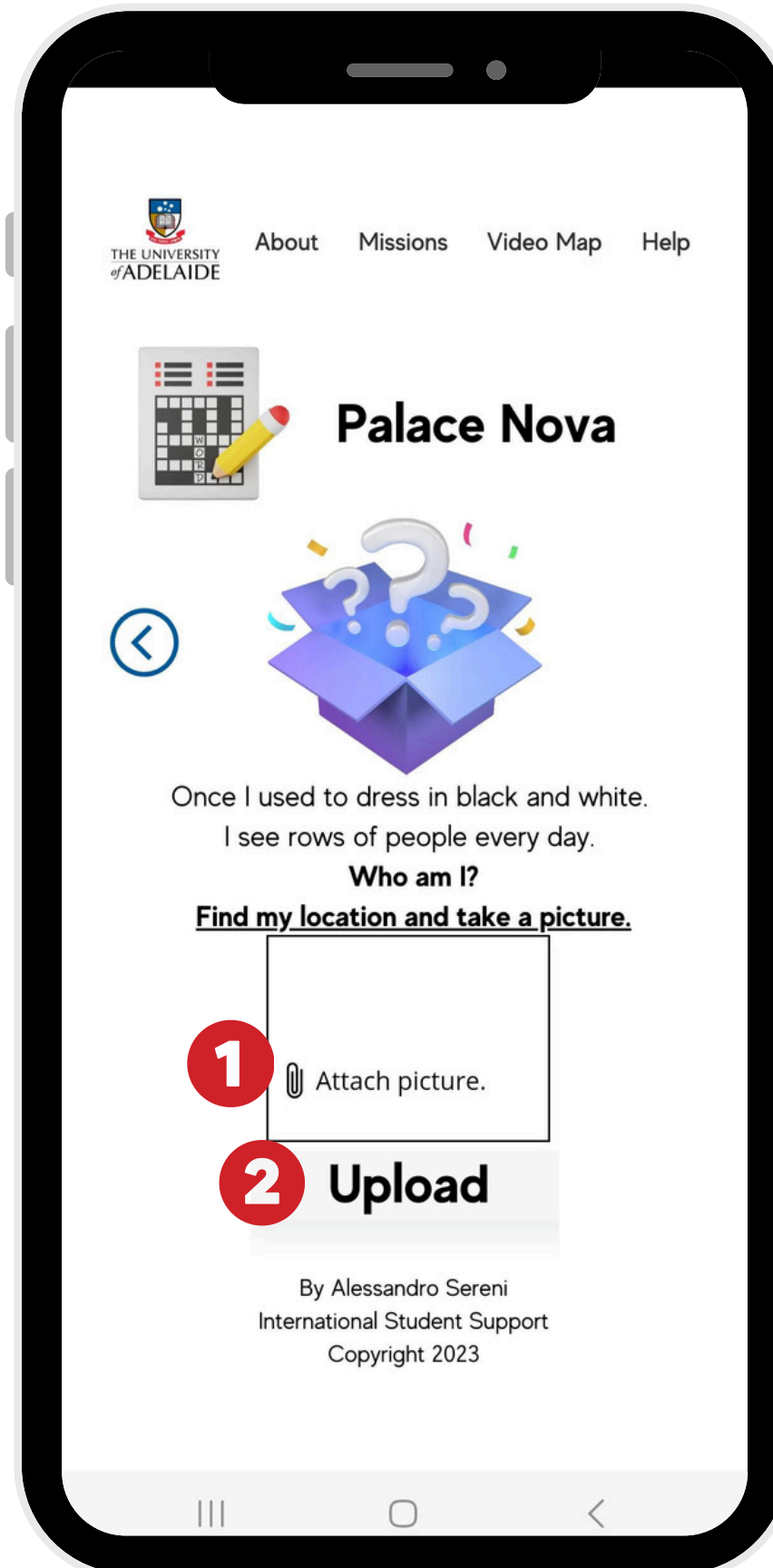
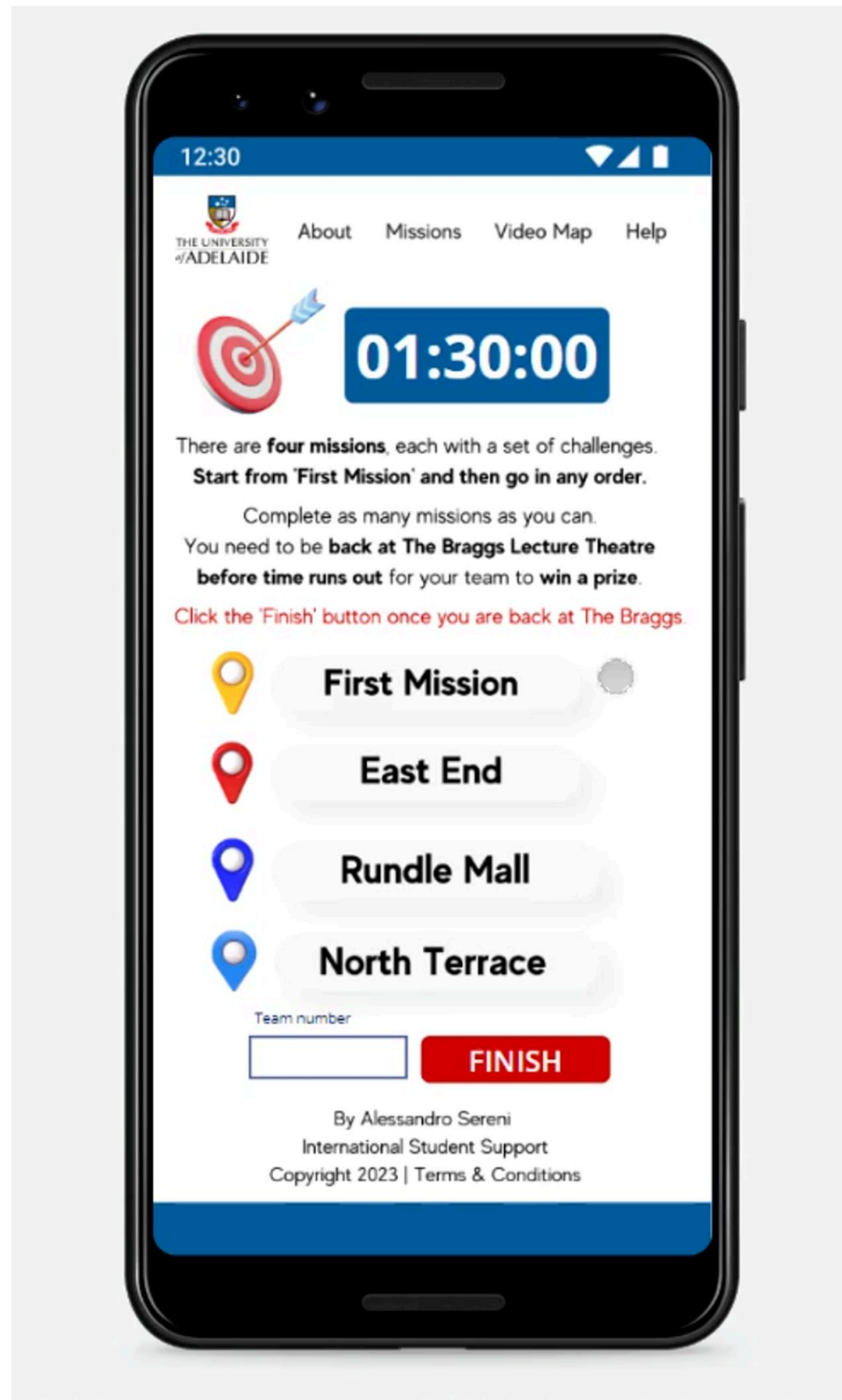
The Teammate leverages their **skills** to solve challenges and complete the missions.



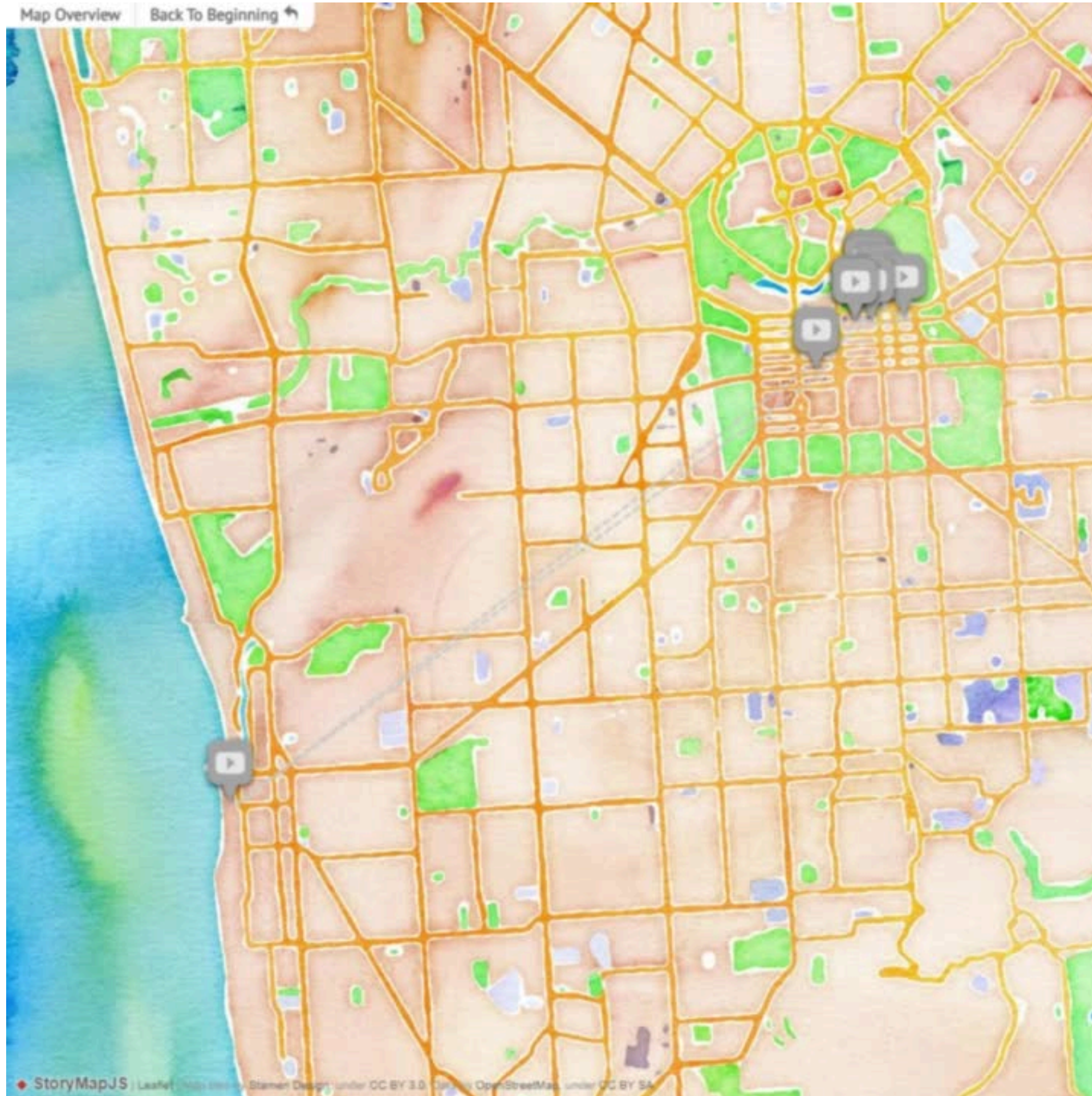
Gameplay - Missions and challenges



Gameplay - Types of challenge



Gameplay - Video Map



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StoryMap ^{JS}

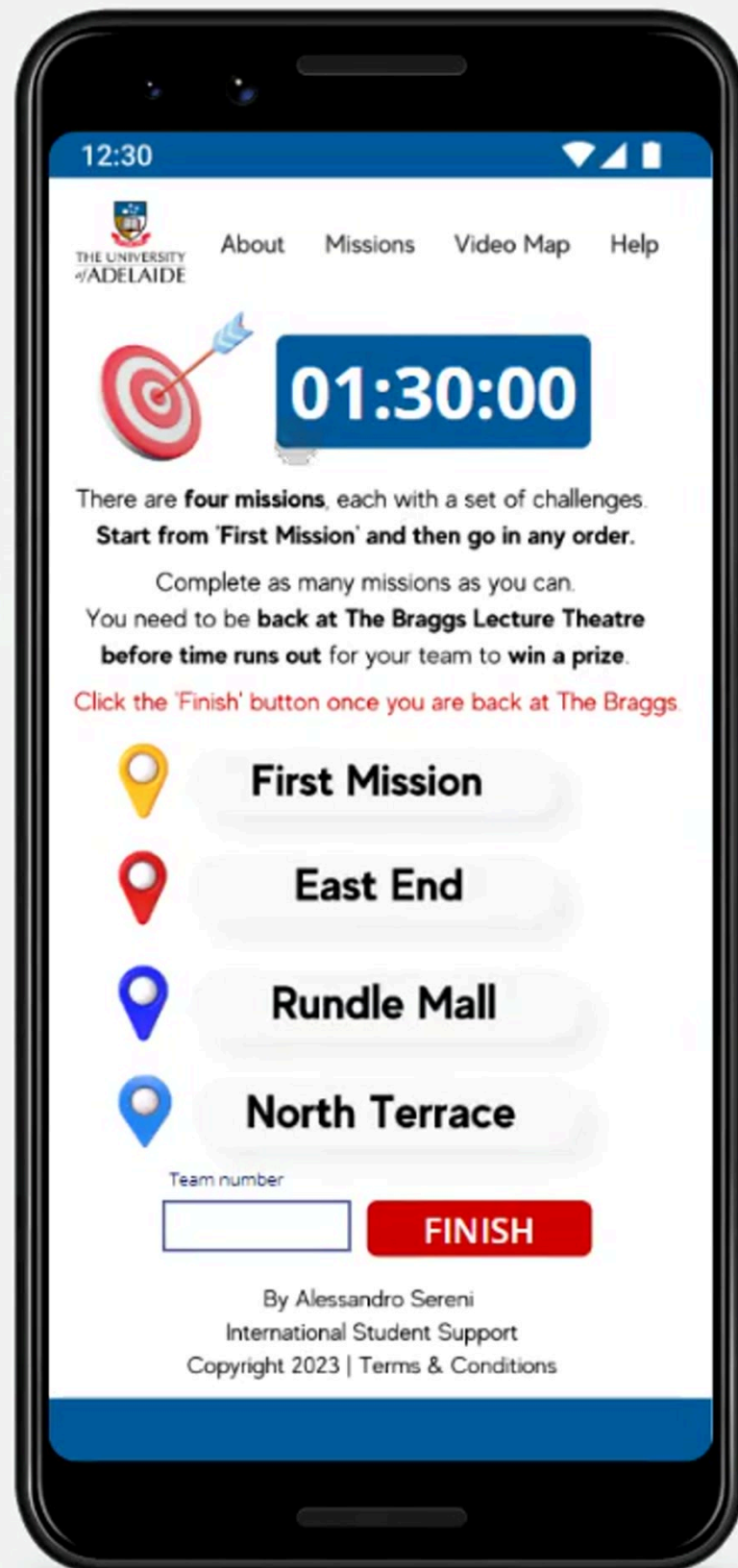
Maps that tell stories.

Google Earth



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Gameplay - Support



How can you build it?



Power Apps



Excel

Power Automate



SharePoint



StoryMap

JS

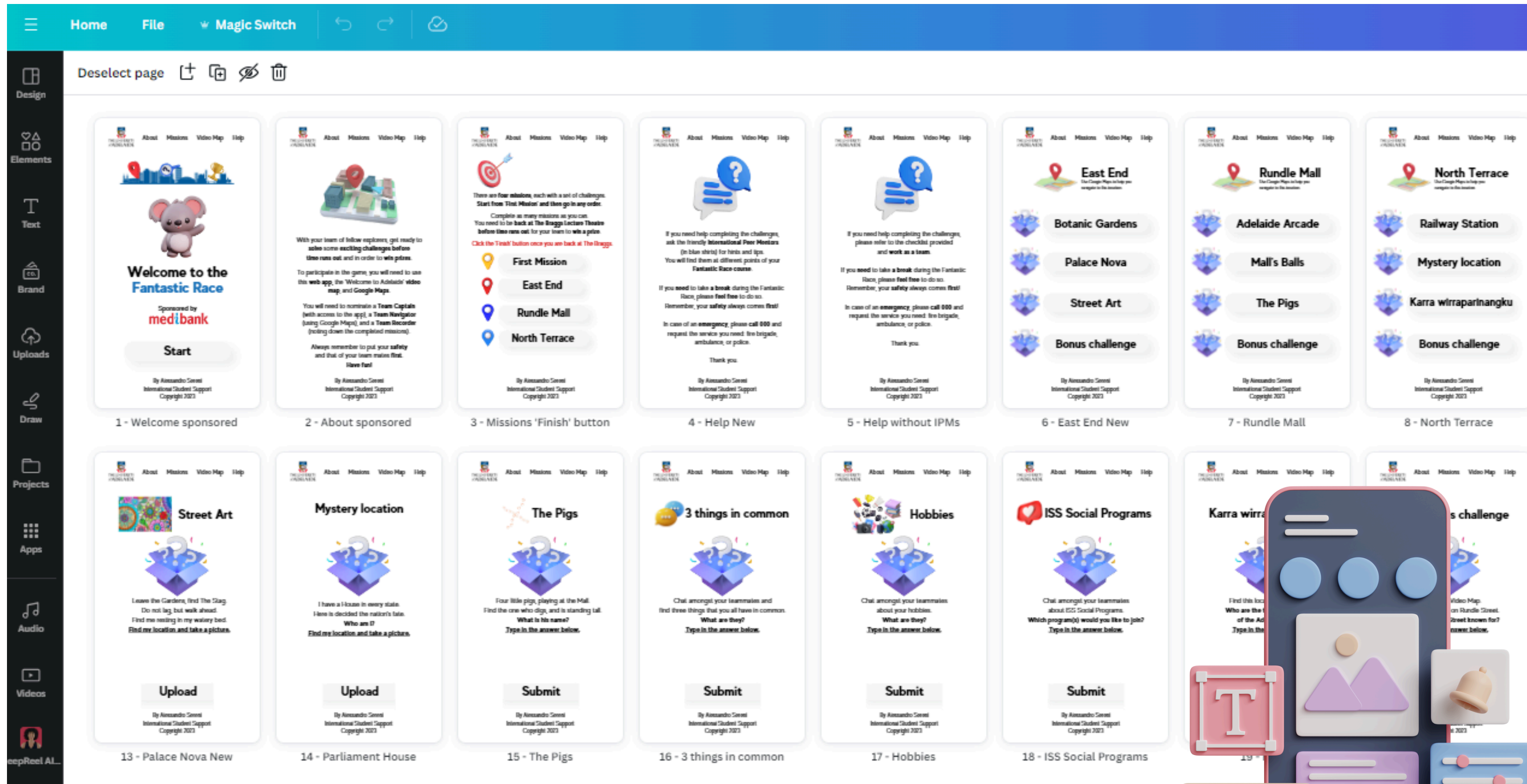
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The Interface - Canva



The Scaffolding - Power Apps

Power Apps | ISS Fantastic Race - S2 2023 (Editing)

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Back | Undo | Redo | Insert | Add data | New screen | Theme | Background color | Background image | Settings

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Tree view

Screens Components

Search

+ New screen

- Button - Missions_1
- Button - About_1
- Start button
- About screen
- Missions screen
- Help screen
- East End screen
- Botanic Gardens screen
 - Button - T&Cs_5
 - Button - Back to East End screen
 - Button - Video Map_6
 - Button - Upload_1
 - Attach Picture_1
 - Button - Home_6
 - Button - Help_6
 - Button - About_6
 - Button - Missions_6

Botanic Gardens screen content:

THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE | About | Missions | Video Map | Help

Botanic Gardens

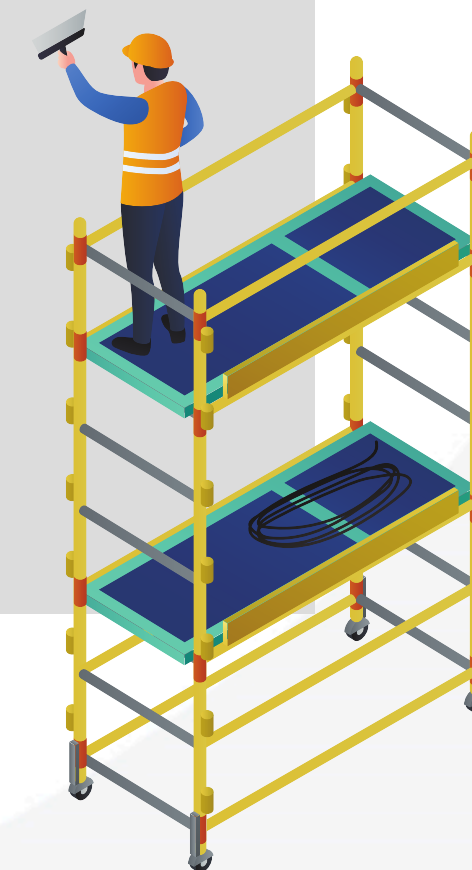
Find the Botanic Gardens' front gate.

Take a group picture.

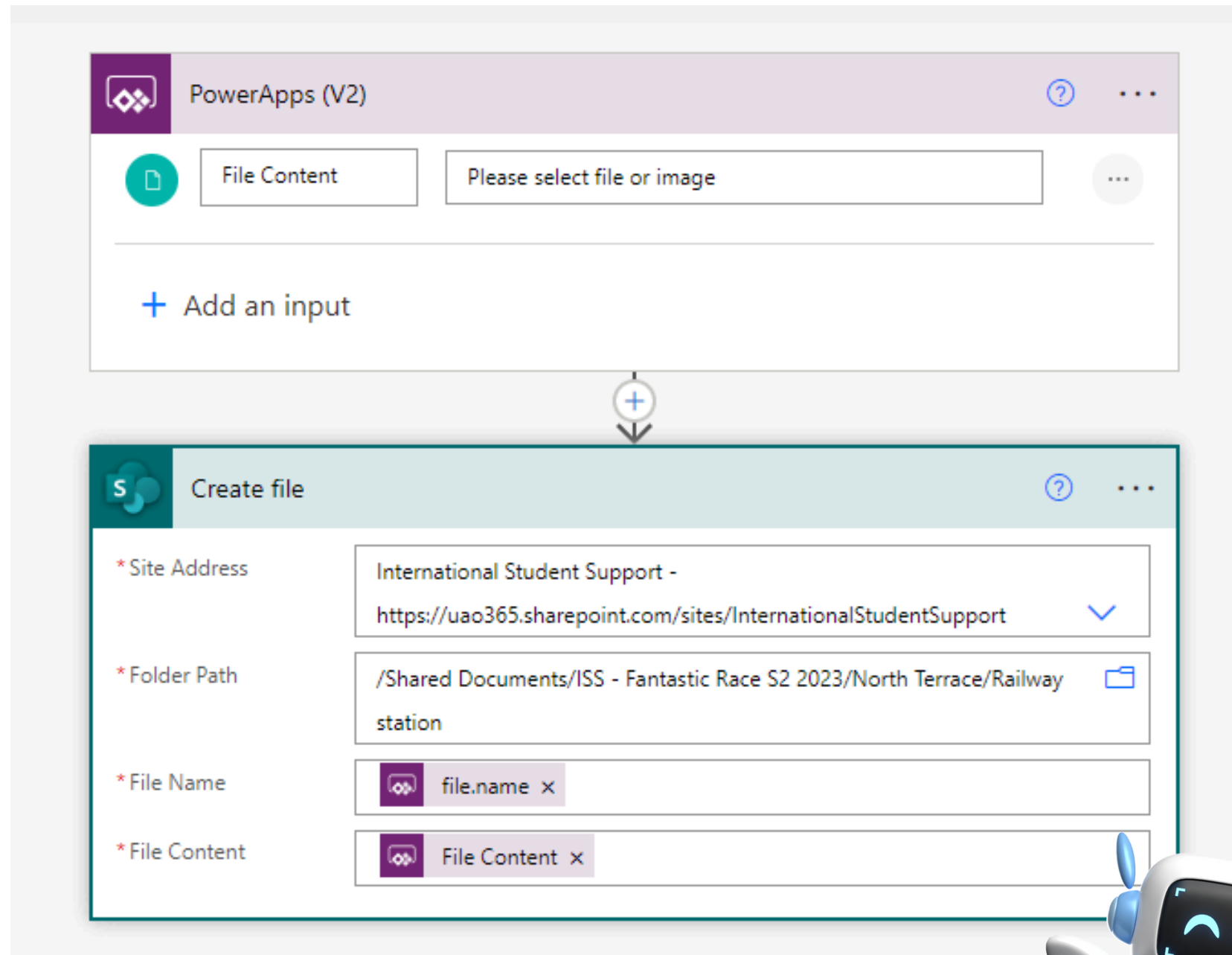
Attach picture.

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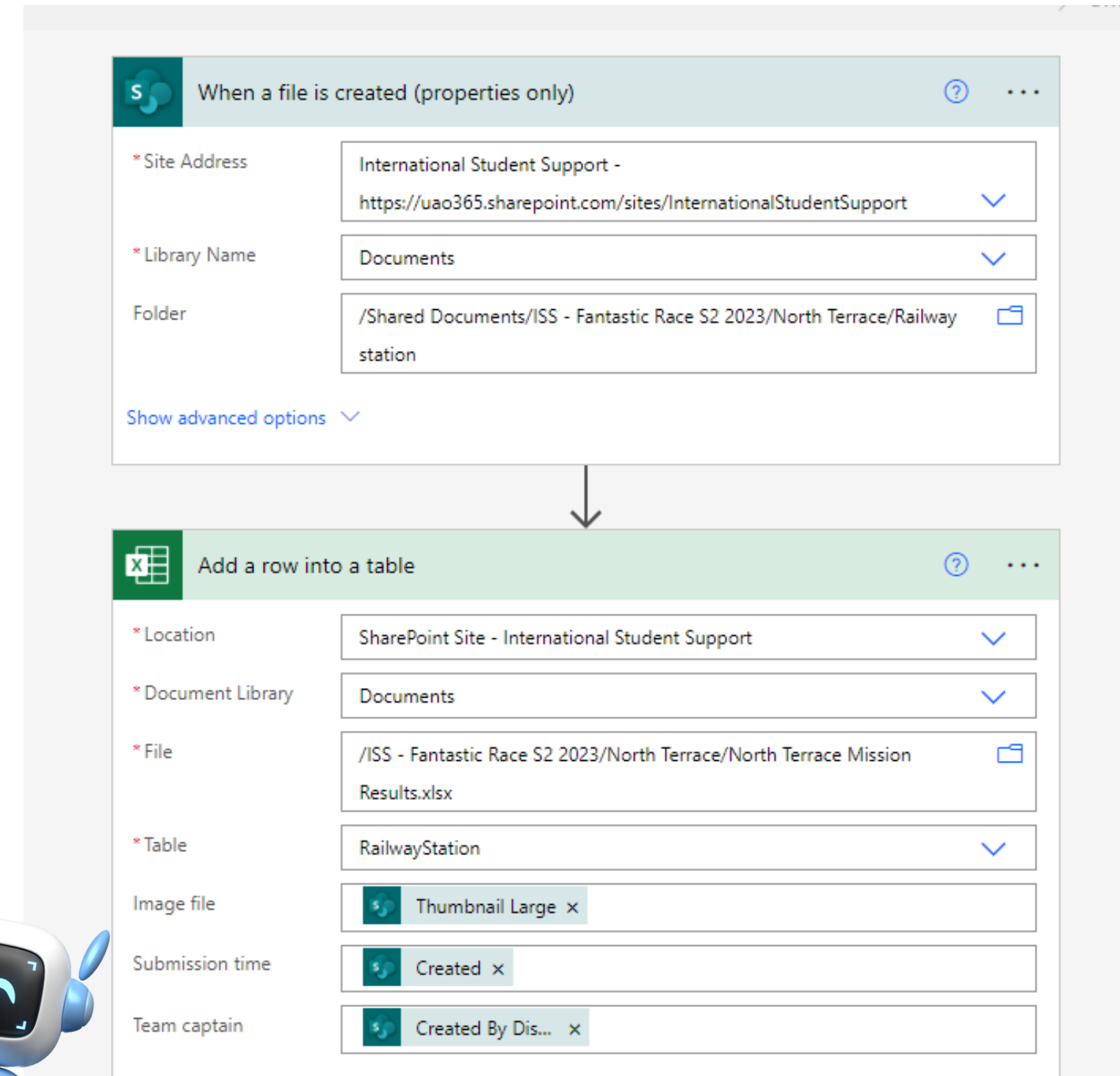
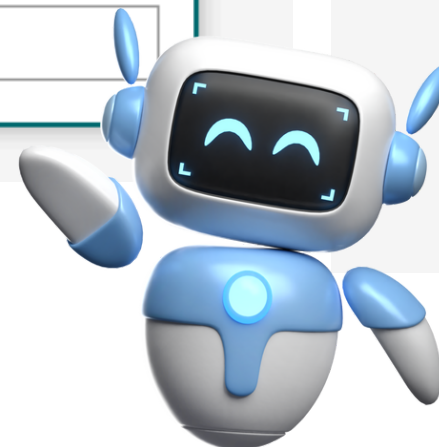


The Automation - Power Automate



The image shows two screenshots from the PowerApps (V2) interface. The top screenshot displays a 'File Content' input field with the placeholder text 'Please select file or image'. Below it is a '+ Add an input' button. The bottom screenshot shows the 'Create file' action configuration. It includes the following fields:

- * Site Address: International Student Support - <https://uao365.sharepoint.com/sites/InternationalStudentSupport>
- * Folder Path: /Shared Documents/ISS - Fantastic Race S2 2023/North Terrace/Railway station
- * File Name: file.name x
- * File Content: File Content x



The image shows two screenshots from the Power Automate interface. The top screenshot displays the 'When a file is created (properties only)' action configuration. It includes the following fields:

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- * Library Name: Documents
- Folder: /Shared Documents/ISS - Fantastic Race S2 2023/North Terrace/Railway station

The bottom screenshot displays the 'Add a row into a table' action configuration. It includes the following fields:

- * Location: SharePoint Site - International Student Support
- * Document Library: Documents
- * File: /ISS - Fantastic Race S2 2023/North Terrace/North Terrace Mission Results.xlsx
- * Table: RailwayStation
- Image file: Thumbnail Large x
- Submission time: Created x
- Team captain: Created By Dis... x

The Registry - Excel

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Excel interface. The title bar reads "Excel East End Mission Results". The ribbon is set to "Home". The formula bar shows "C17" and "fx". The spreadsheet has the following data in row 1:

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The bottom status bar shows the following tabs: Botanic Gardens, Palace Nova, Street Art, Bonus challenge.



The Repository - SharePoint

SharePoint Search this library

International Student Support Private group

Home Conversations Documents Shared with us Notebook Pages Site contents Recycle bin Edit

+ New Upload Edit in grid view Share Copy link Sync Add shortcut to One

Documents > ISS - Fantastic Race S2 2023

Name
East End
First mission
North Terrace
Rundle Mall
ISS Fantastic Race - Teams & Scoreboard.xlsx
ISS Fantastic Race - Teams Finish Time.xlsx

SharePoint Search this library

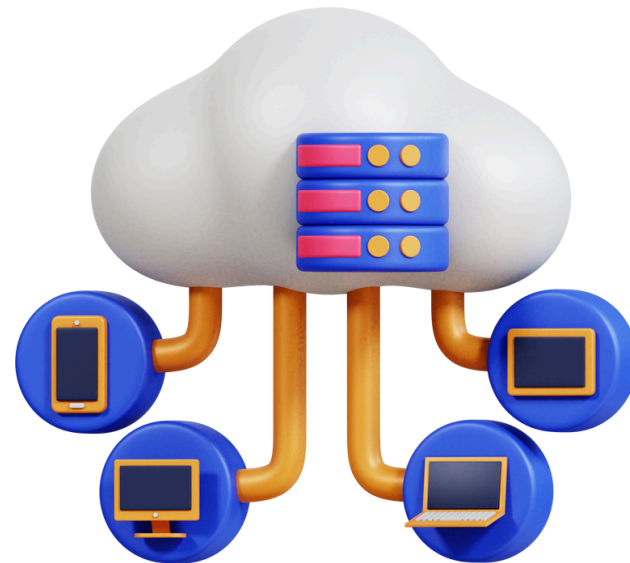
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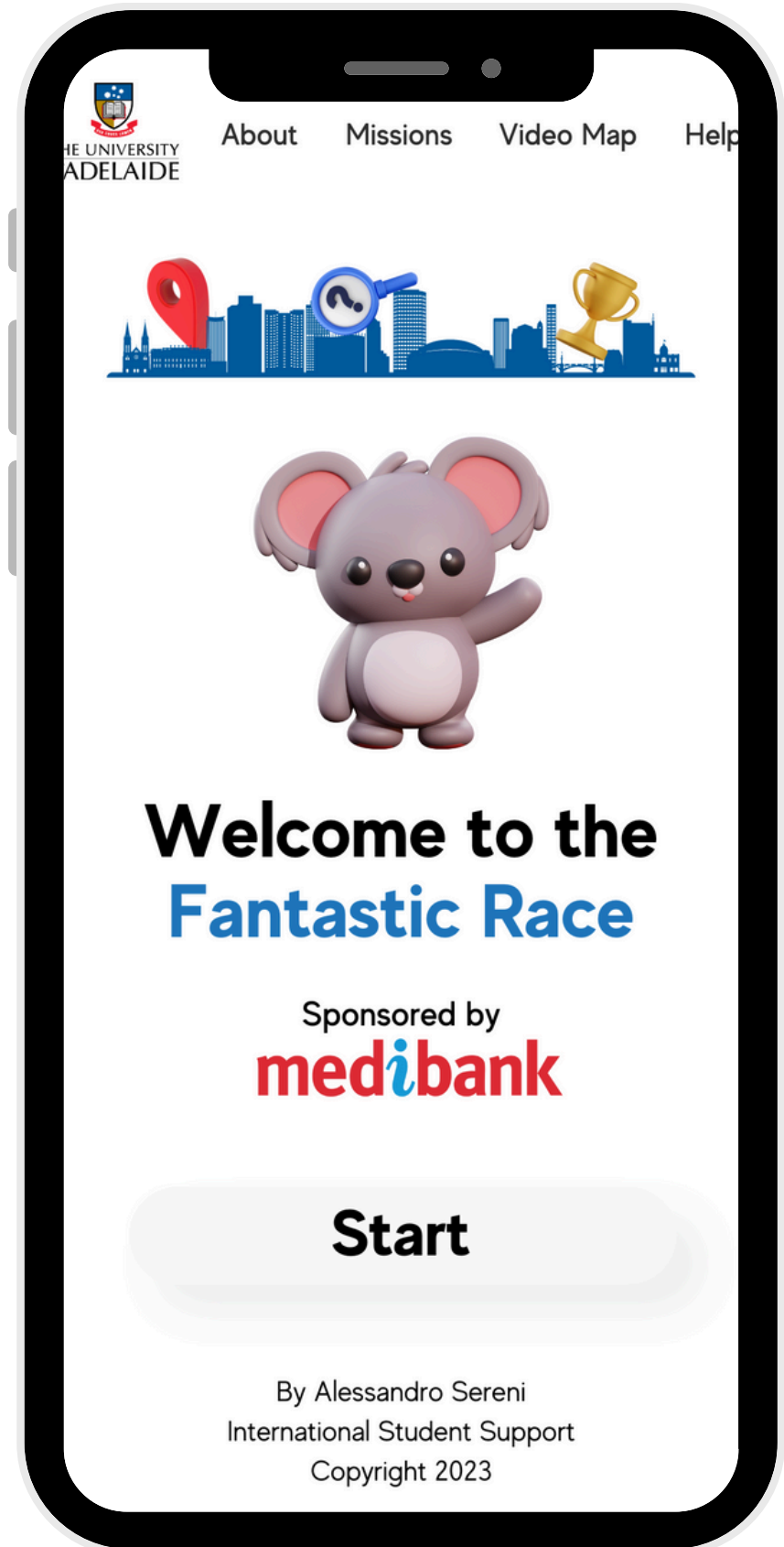
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Documents > ISS - Fantastic Race S2 2023 > East End

Name	Modified	Modified By
Bonus challenge	June 2	Alessandro Sereni
Botanic Gardens	May 24	Alessandro Sereni
Palace Nova	May 24	Alessandro Sereni
Street Art	June 2	Alessandro Sereni
East End Mission Results.xlsx	September 19	Alessandro Sereni



Gameplay walkthrough





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Sharing is caring

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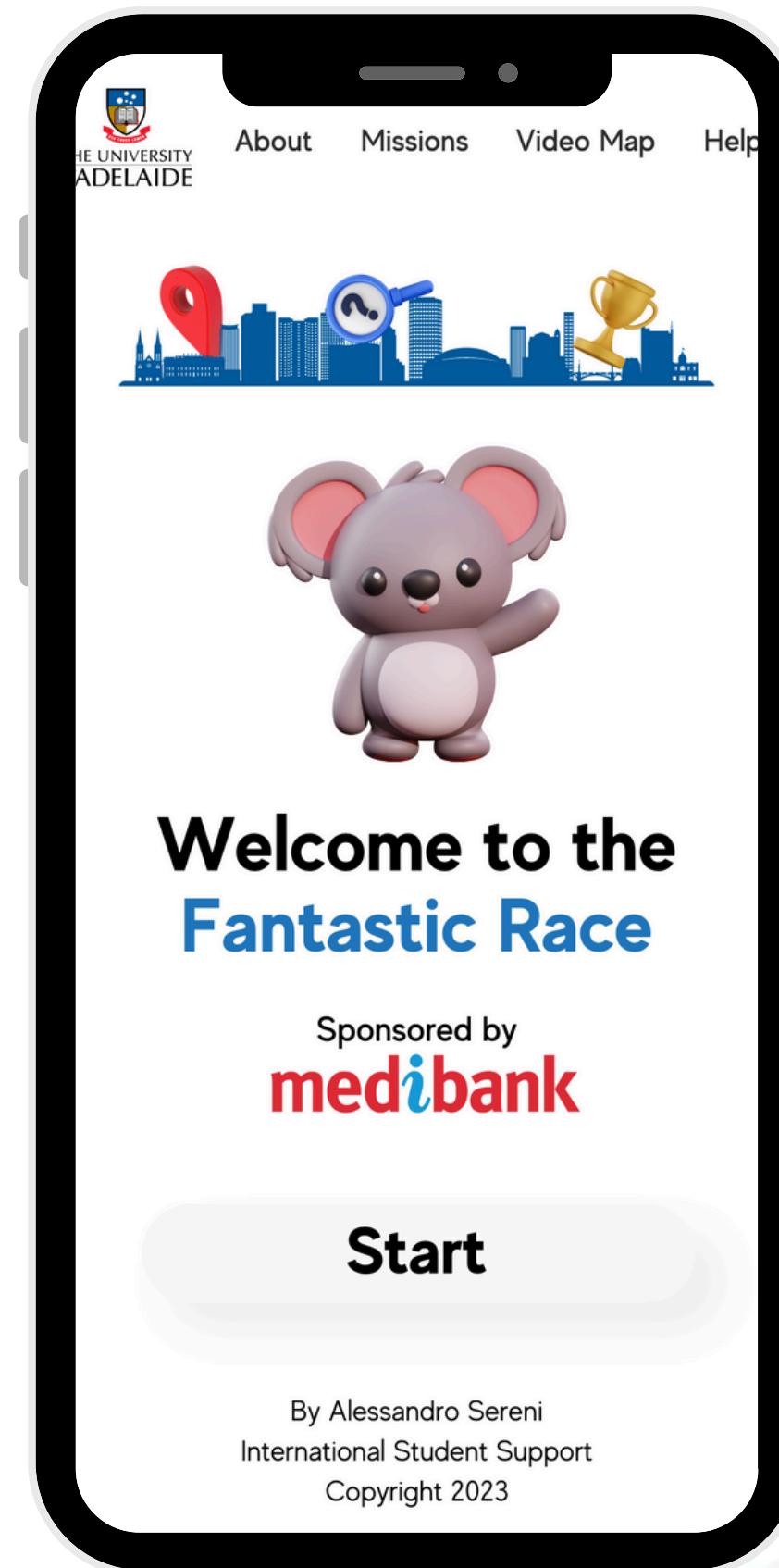
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