building controller with joystick and button





assemble box

the switches



- long lever with three electrical terminals
- can be wired as normally open (electricity flows only when switch pressed)
- can be wired as normally closed (electricity stops flowing when switch pressed)
- used with 0.183 inch quick disconnect terminals



wiring

when the switch is not pressed, electricity can pass through the normally closed (NC) path



when the switch is pressed, electricity can pass through the normally open (NO) path



preparing your wire (12 pieces of wire)



- cut wire pieces 3 feet long
- strip about 3/8 inch of insulation off one end of the wire
- crimp one of the quick connect terminals on one end



put joystick together

(keep things in order below)



wiring of joystick directly to Board of Education



wires have been shortened here to show wiring

wiring of joystick



one digital pin for each switch

10Ωk resistors needed for joystick (4 switches)

simple program to check wiring



assembling control box

(screw standoffs onto Board of Education)



assembling control box

(screw Board of Education onto wooden box)



assemble push buttons

(holes in switch go in pegs on button)



use screws to attach joystick to box



underside before joystick attached (you may need some small washers)



bind wires to keep them neat



assembled system before connecting wires to Board of Education



completely wired system

(except for optional push button and XBee)



add the Xbee transmitter

underside of XBee





complete control box

(except for optional push button)

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complete control box

(except for optional push button)

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