

Game on!

1. Read the texts. Choose the correct variant in gaps. Then listen and check.

BIG NUMBERS

Video games and consoles are big business.

1. _____

A team of designers took three years to make the Wii console. In its first six months in Europe, people bought 6 million of them. Companies sold the first games in the 1970s and one of the first big video heroes was Mario in the 1980s. Super Mario World was the world's number one game in the 1990s and 20 million people bought it.

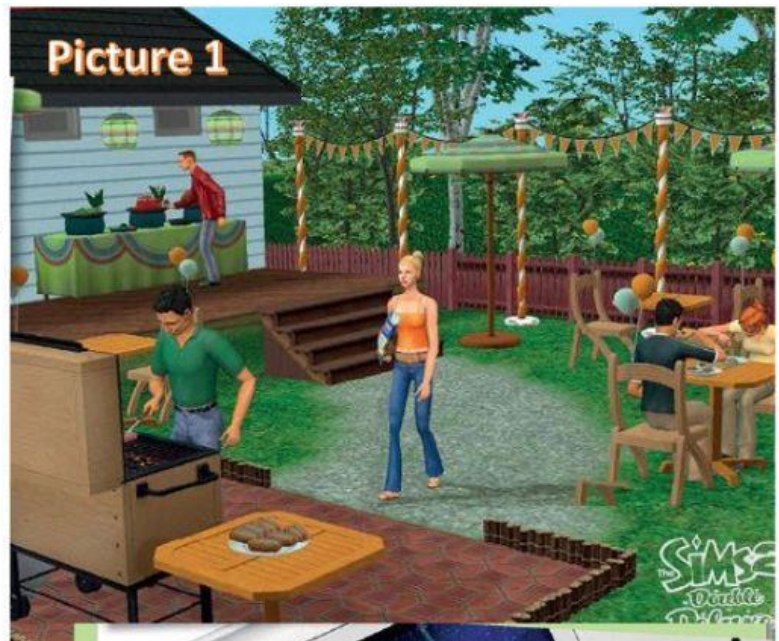
WAR AND PEACE

In the early years, many people thought that video games were boys' toys because companies sold most of their games to men. The designers created a lot of violent action games and women didn't like them.

2. _____

Then in 2000, games creator Will Wright made the SIMS game. In the SIMS game, players designed houses and built towns.

3. _____



TOO MUCH

Today, video games are popular with all ages and there's a lot of choice. But games can cause health problems, especially when people play for hours. Many children prefer video games to sport and they become overweight.

4. _____

Video games are good for your imagination and memory. And they are also great entertainment. So enjoy playing video games, but remember to do other activities too!

2. Do you know the video games in the photos (in the previous exercises):

It is _____ in picture 1.

It is _____ in picture 2

3. Match these verbs (from the text) with correct nouns.

Verb (darbības v./глагол.)	Noun (lietvārds/ существительное)
create	designer
design	memory
play	choice
entertain	creator
imagine	player
choose	entertainment
remember	imagination

4. Complete sentences with correct nouns.

1. Video game _____ make very violent games.

2. Shigeru Miyamoto was the _____ of Mario.

3. My favourite form of _____ is TV.

4. There is a large _____ of books in the library.

5. My favourite football _____ is Wayne Rooney.

6. You use your _____ when you write a story.

7. He's got a good _____. He never forgets.