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Computer games are popular everywhere with people young and old. One of the most well-known games is *The Sims*. An American company created it in 2000. In this game the players choose characters and ways to live in virtual worlds.



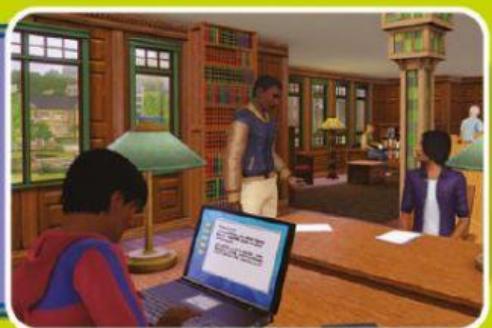
As a player, first you choose a character; you can be a man, a woman or a child. Then, you create a family. The family can't have more than eight people. It's fun to make a family because you can choose everything about the people, their age, their race and if they're males or females.



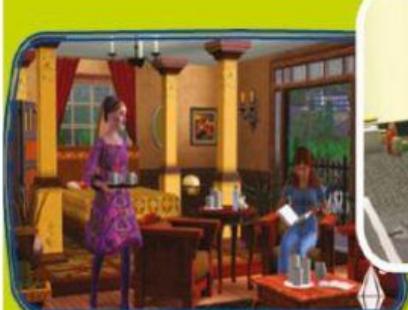
Every Sim character starts with some money. With this money you buy a house and some furniture. It's exciting to choose a house. There are so many different houses in the game to choose from.



A Sim child has to go to school and do his/her homework. A Sim adult has to find a job, go to work and pay the bills. It's not hard to find a job. There are many jobs to choose from.



Players make decisions about everyday activities. The Sims have to cook, have a shower, meet friends. Anything the player decides has a result. A Sim adult who doesn't work, for example, won't have any money. When you don't talk to your friends, you'll be sad.



***The Sims* is one of the best-selling games in the history of computer games. People buy it all the time.**

Write T for True or F for False and correct the sentences.

1. The Sims is a virtual reality game.
2. You can only be a man or a woman in the Sims game.
3. You never make any decisions about your life.
4. You can choose your house.
5. At the beginning of the game you haven't got any money.
6. It's hard to get a job.
7. You can have friends and go out.