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Read

A. Discuss.

- Do you play computer / video games?
- What are your favourite kinds of games?
- Which games can't you stand at all?

B. Read the information about the five teenagers below. Match each teenager with one of the computer games on the right that you think would interest him / her the most. Write a-h. There are three extra games which you do not need to use.

Tips!

First read the descriptions of the people carefully. Then scan each text and look for the specific information mentioned in each of the descriptions.

TEENAGERS

1

James is 15 years old and his favourite pastime is reading action stories and comics as well as playing games. He is always looking for adventure. He enjoys team games, but he can't stand games that involve strategy.

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Kate is a 16-year-old who is very sociable and enjoys playing video games and listening to music. Despite her passion for music, she doesn't have any musical talent or abilities, but she is always the first to try out new steps so as to perform in front of her friends.

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Helen is 13 years old and a born leader. She is the captain of the school environmental society and spends a lot of time organising projects with students to manage the school garden area.

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Phil is 17 years old. He's fond of activities through which he can gain knowledge, but nothing that involves violence. Even though he is intelligent and likes to be pushed mentally, he does not like competition.

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Kelly is 18 years old and adores any sport that involves excitement and speed. She likes to compete and be the best at everything, and seems to be afraid of nothing.

COMPUTER GAMES



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Enjoy a complete dance experience - follow the moves of a real dance teacher and learn amazing dance routines. This is the game to get the party started! Invite your friends and play with up to 4 others. Choose from a wide variety of dance styles, music and moods or create your own to impress your friends. Enjoy yourself and get fit at the same time.

You can always count on Puzzle-mania to create fantastic puzzle games. This brand new edition features over 1200 all-new puzzles. Perfect for all occasions, there is something for everyone here. These puzzles test your intelligence and memory so they are fun and educational at the same time! Puzzles and games available for all ages and abilities. You just need to be interested in puzzles and not afraid of giving your brain a good workout.



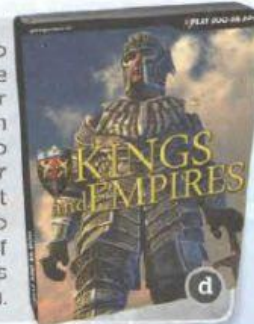
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If you think high speeds are thrilling, then this is the game for you. Live the excitement of professional drivers, with the latest effects and technology. It's so real that you feel like you're really inside a race car. Featuring a great soundtrack and only the most powerful cars, players will race on famous race tracks in world championships. Make sure you are ready for lots of pressure and action. This is a game only for the courageous!

This game will take you back to ancient times where you will take part in bloody battles to conquer some of the greatest cities in human history. Players will have to build up an army and develop war plans. This game requires excellent planning skills and the ability to concentrate and think ahead of time. History lovers will enjoy this thrilling journey into another era.

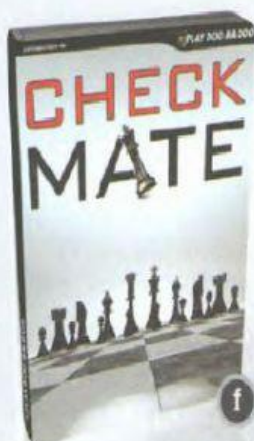


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Are you the world's best farmer? Then try to manage five different farms around the world! Take control of farms in Africa, Europe, South America, the USA and Asia. The fun never stops as you grow crops in fields, feed your animals, collect eggs and take your produce to market in order to earn money. This online game is not as easy as it looks. Only a good manager makes a successful farmer. Do you have what it takes?



The latest game from the best-selling chess series! A complete tutorial programme is included to teach you everything you need to know, from beginner to expert level. Multi-player option available to allow you to play

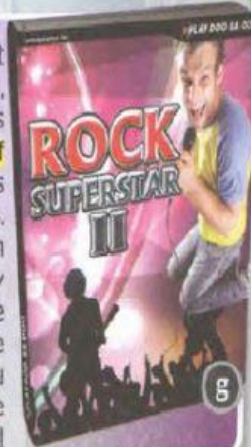
against other players live online. Join or create tournaments and leagues. Chess has been proven to improve problem solving skills and test all parts of the brain.

C. Look at the highlighted phrasal verbs in the texts and try to guess what they mean. Then match them with the meanings 1-7 below.

1. put somebody in prison: _____
2. trust somebody / something to do something: _____
3. test something to see what it's like: _____
4. meet somebody and spend time with them: _____
5. meet somebody by chance: _____
6. develop something, make something bigger, stronger, better, etc.: _____
7. try to impress people: _____

No music lover can be without this modern music phenomenon, with more songs and bands than ever before! **Show off** your musical skills and play as a whole band with your mates.

Each player chooses which instrument they want to play and work together on the same song. *Rock Superstar II* will make you a better musician, keep you entertained for hours and wake up the rock star in you!



The perfect game for superhero fans! Save Ultrapolis with your choice of superhero. Prepare to **run into** famous villains such as Dragonmaster and Wolfwoman. Clear the city by catching the enemies and **locking them up**. This game is full of adventure, action and surprises. Enjoy over 15 game modes and levels, or even play online, **hooking up** with people from different parts of the globe.

D. Discuss.

- Which of the computer games seem appealing to you? Why?
- Do you know of any similar computer games? What are they about and what are you required to do?