

6. Examlab Reading Part2

VIDEO GAMES

A - HP Adventures 2

Are you a Harry Potter fan? You will soon be able to play *Harry Potter's Adventures 2* which uses the story's key plot elements, but with better graphics, 3D and visual effects. It comes with single and multiplayer mode so be sure to grab a friend or relative to enjoy this easy-to-learn game. Rated age 10+ the game is on sale now.

B - The Commander II

Are you tired of playing the same game all the time? If so, try out *The Commander II*. Tom is the commander for a fleet of spaceships who fights against an evil emperor from the XI-13 galaxy to defeat him for the good of the people. Having single and multiplayer mode, it is fun to play with others because you work together rather than against one another. Rated age 6+, this game is not available in the shops. Buy online for €50 with free shipping included at amazon.com.

C - Zombies Now

Most shooter games go overboard with violence, but not *Zombies Now*. This is a tower defence game in which the players have to protect a house from the zombies. It's available on all formats, and includes single and different multiplayer modes. You can play locally or online with other players. Rated age 10+.

D - Harry Potter's Adventures

Are you looking for a new game for your library? How about *Harry Potter's Adventures*? Released for Windows and Mac earlier this year, it provides situations based on the movie plots to play on single mode only. It's great fun although the layout is rather old-fashioned and controls are the simple point-and-click. Rated 6+, this game is priced online at 15 pounds with free shipping in the UK.

E - The League

If you and your friends have been waiting for a new football game, then wait no longer because *The League* has arrived. It delivers authentic, true-to-life action, and is full of emotion because you can control every movement of all the players. Rated ages 15+ and compatible with all formats, it can even be played online. It includes single and multiplayer mode, and is priced at €70.

F - New Colony

In *New Colony*, a group of astronauts you lead have to explore and live on a new planet discovered beyond the Milky Way. There is some innocent shooting because they have to protect their settlement from alien life forms. Will your colony prosper or will it collapse? This is a science fiction-based action and adventure game for Windows and Mac. Rated 6+, this game is not available online. Get it in your favourite store. Price €50.

G - MX Football

MX Football is a downloadable sports game available for Windows and Mac. It is a successor to the 1980 American Football game. With basic controls, it is easy to pick up, and working the field is relatively easy too. Its special attraction is the over-the-top violent tackling, which can be adjusted in the game's settings. Single and multiplayer mode, it is rated 15+. Download from www.mxfl.com at €50.

H - Fast Fists

Need a new game for game night at home? *Fast Fists* is one of the oldest fighting games. Although it was first released over 40 years ago, it is loved by the gaming community for being a classic. Players do not have to be familiar with versions 1 and 2 to play the game, but try playing against yourself or watching the tutorials first. Available for PC. Single and multiplayer mode and rated 13+. Download it from www.123tn.com for €20.

QUESTIONS - PLAYERS

1 - **Matilda** is 12 and loves all the Harry Potter books. She has seen the movies and has got all the video games. The old ones lack innovative features and modern technology, so she is looking forward to an upgraded version. She would like to play the game with her sister or her friends.

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2 - **Stan** is looking for the latest football video game because he loves the beautiful game. He's 17, and plays football himself with his local side. He needs to get a multiplatform game because he travels a lot and likes playing the game online.

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3 - **My son Harry** is 11, and I need a shooting game for him which doesn't have as much violence as many of the popular games do. I would also like to try it on my mobile before buying it. It should also be playable online because I sometimes play with him from the office.

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4 - **Charles** - I remember playing a video game over 30 years ago. I am looking for the same game for my 14 year old grandson Charlie. It was a fighting game. We won't be using it with other people and I need it to be inexpensive.

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5 - **Harvey** - The space war video game 7-year-old Harvey received for Christmas is so easy that he has become bored with it. His father is looking online for something similar. They only play with each other.

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