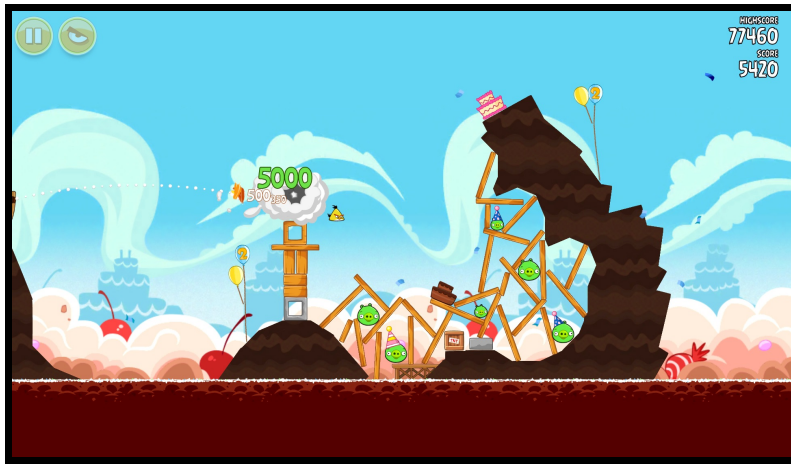


Story Synopsis: Angry Birds

The nest is empty!

We see a family of birds shocked and horrified to find that their eggs are missing from their nest in this cartoon environment. A gang of greedy pigs has stolen them! The birds have to get their eggs back at all costs, and we have to help! The birds are furious with the pigs and band together to fight them through a series of bright and light-hearted environments (our game levels). The pigs won't make it easy, though. They fortify themselves against the birds' attacks using wood, glass, and stone barriers. The birds do their best, armed only with a slingshot, which they use to shoot themselves in turn at the pigs to knock them all over, moving ever closer to getting their eggs back.

We start with the red bird sling-shooting itself into the structures the pigs have built to protect themselves. The red bird is able to knock over all the pigs despite the wooden and glass forts they have built. We feel as if



they will get their eggs back easily from the defeated pigs. But at the last minute, the King Pig flees with some other pigs, taking the eggs with them to a new location with more fortified protections.

At the next levels, defined in the game as chapters, the red bird is joined by the blue bird, who has a secret weapon to break through the tougher glass barriers: it can split mid-flight into three birds.

The birds, once again, take a slight advantage. The blue birds, however, are still no match for wood barriers, so a yellow, triangular-shaped bird joins the fray. It has the ability to speed up and smash through wood structures more easily than the red bird. They all help the red bird fight back the pigs here, but again, the pigs manage to flee with the stolen eggs to yet another, more fortified playing field at the very last minute.

The pigs grow more inventive with each level, learning to use barriers in more clever ways, like hiding behind walls of stone blocks, making it more difficult to knock them over. They seem to be safe until the family of birds is joined by a large black bird called Bomb, who has the ability to smash through stone barriers and explode, giving the birds yet another way to combat the ingenuity of the pigs. Eventually, the bird family is joined by Matilda, a white bird that lays exploding eggs. When used properly, her egg bombs are deadly. And unlike Bomb who can only go along the trajectory set by the slingshot, Matilda can help place bombs more strategically in the more complex forts the pigs are beginning to build now.

The birds and the pigs go back and forth a number of times in each chapter with the birds never being able to get their eggs back once and for all. Late in the game, the birds are joined by Hal, a green Toucan looking bird that has the unusual ability to swing backwards after being launched from the slingshot, almost like a boomerang. This ability is a big help in navigating the ever more complicated defenses the pigs have built and get the birds to the final levels.

In the final levels, we are in a dark and stormy night, rain and thunder making a moody atmosphere. With only Matilda, Chuck the yellow bird, and the trio of Blue Birds left, they finally confront the King Pig. The pigs use their entire defense arsenal with glass, stone and wood barriers placed to make for a well-fortified base. The birds must use all of their skills and strategy they learned from the previous chapters to knock eight pigs and the King Pig.

With Chuck as the last bird to be slingshot in the game, the birds finally knock over the King Pig, guaranteeing the secure return of their eggs! The birds are finally able to stand over the defeated King Pig and guard their eggs safely back in the nest.

