

# Game Based learning in the classroom

How (video) games can enhance learning in History, Music and Physics

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# 1. Introduction

**“Gaming is not about entertainment, it is about learning.”**

(Serge Hascoët, Ubisoft)

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## **Structure**

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## 2. Recap of last session

- **Gamification**
- **Gameful Learning Environment:**
- **central point: operant conditioning**
  - Reinforcement > behaviour occurs more often
  - Punishment > behaviour occurs less
- **ideal learning environment:**
  - actively encourages taking challenges
  - punishments not too harsh

# 3. History



<https://www.playstation.com/de-ch/games/assassins-creed-valhalla/>



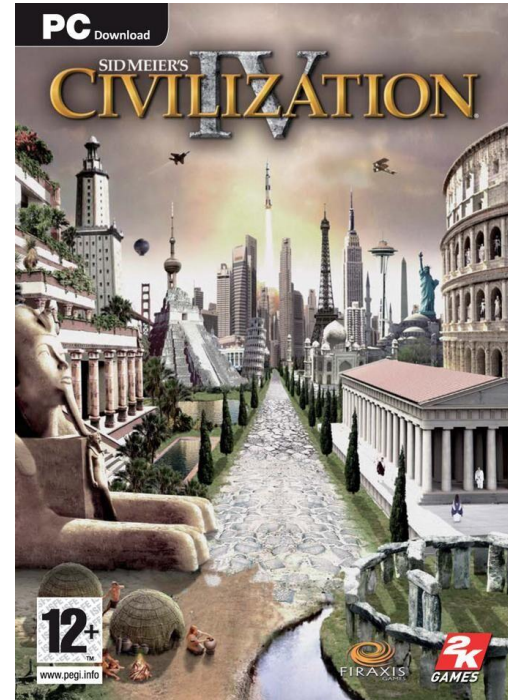
Thumbnail:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aRxhE6t-D4>



<https://game7.de/red-dead-redemption-2/news/xbox-one-x-native-4k-aufloesung-hv3/>

### 3. History

- **establishing familiarity** with historical events, characters, parties etc.
- player becomes part of historic world, ability to **recreate history**
- **application of knowledge** acquired in class



[https://civilization.fandom.com/wiki/Civilization\\_IV](https://civilization.fandom.com/wiki/Civilization_IV)

### 3. History

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I\\_KOpq\\_BH1g](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I_KOpq_BH1g)

## 4. Music

Conference Paper

PDF Available

### Game-Based Learning of Musical Instruments: A Review and Recommendations

October 2016

Conference: 10th European Conference on Games Based Learning · At: The University of the West of Scotland, Paisley, Scotland

Projects: TELMi (Technology Enhanced Learning of Musical Instrument Performance) · Technology Enhanced Learning of Musical Instrument Performance

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## 4. Music – Technology in Music Learning



<https://www.computerweekly.com/photostory/2240108367/Photos-Real-robots-not-in-disguise-walking-and-working-among-us/7/Music-playing-Toyota-robot>

## 4. Music – Technology in Music Learning



<https://www.pinterest.de/pin/239887117636821523/>

## 4. Music – Games in Music Learning



<https://www.scarymommy.com/hand-clapping-games/>

## 4. Music – Games in Music Learning

serious game: “a **mental contest**, played with a **computer** in accordance with **specific rules**, that **uses entertainment to further government or corporate training, education**, health, public policy, and strategic communication objectives.” (Margoudi et al. 429)

## 4. Music – Games in Music Learning



<https://www.amazon.de/Nintendo-045496740221-Rhythm-Paradise-Import/dp/B001P1ZE68>

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<https://www.rockpapershotgun.com/resident-evil-village-music-box-how-to-solve-the-music-box-puzzle>

## 4. Music – Approaches for Music Education

### 1. **Audio-Based Games (ABG)**

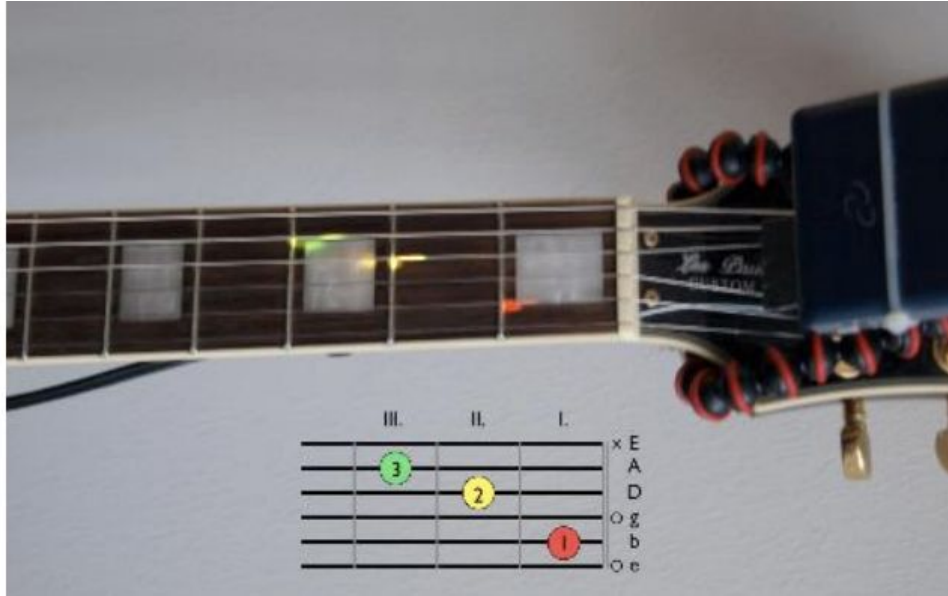
- sound as central element
- high entertainment quality

### 2. **Computer-Assisted Musical Instrument Training (CAMIT)**

- real-time feedback through digital means
- aimed at novice learners



## 4. Music – GBL in the Music classroom



<http://www.m-hikari.com/ces/ces2016/ces9-12-2016/p/CES6441.pdf>

## 5. Physics



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Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wGHICSMGO04>

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Table 4: Results of the Pre-Test and Post-Test Spaceflight Knowledge Assessment in Phase 1 (New KSP Players,  $n = 11$ )

Test	Mean Result (%)	SD	Min	Max
Pre	43.69	23.31	8.33	71.67
Post	70.12	13.70	42.04	93.70

Oberdörfer/Latoschick 2019, p. 25

## 6. Discussion

- 1. Which of the presented GBL approaches do you find useful? Why?**
- 2. In which other subjects could GBL be implemented?**

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