# Game Dev Assignment 4 - Due Wednesday, June 9

### **Base Requirements**

Develop another, **new** 3D top down, first person, or third person game and have some kind of win and lose condition. Use **this game jam theme generator** to come up with a theme, or choose **"Wait, Are We the Bad Guys?"** as your theme.

- 1. **Custom modeled mesh** for a Character (can be an existing model you've created)
  - 1. **Animated** with 2 different animations/actions (must be your animations)
  - 2. **Armature** with at least 10 bones and the root bone (must be your rig)
  - 3. **Animation BP** with state machine or Blend Space (blend space is preferred for polish req and call this out in the developer video)
- 2. **User feedback** in 3 different forms (camera shake, sounds, HUD color, HUD icons or animation)
- 3. **Blueprint communications** Communicate with other Blueprints within the level and call this out in your developer video:
  - 1. Direct communication through variable references.
  - 2. Event dispatcher, handling that event in another Blueprint.
- 4. **Posted to Itch.io** account as new game with the following:
  - 1. **Screenshots** At least 3 on Itch.io page.
  - 2. **Trailer video** Around 30 seconds. First 5-10 seconds should be exciting gameplay, not logos or text. Hook the player first, then explain your game. End the video with them wanting to find out more. More tips on creating a game trailer. Editing software
  - 3. **Developer Video** posted on Itch.io. 2-3 minutes or more showing each point in the list. Can post the link in the description of the page.

#### **Additional Requirements**

- 1. **Polish** How well does your game work, feel and look? (10%)
  - 1. **Game flow** Game starts, ends, transitions and moves along in a cohesive and smooth manner through menus, story introduction, end game scenarios, tutorials and other screens.

- 2. **UI** Game transitions should be smooth (menus should fade in and out, pan, zoom, bounce or otherwise animate in).
- 3. **Animations** Enemies, items and other objects should have animations and not just simply appear, disappear, slide/move.
- 4. **Look and Feel** Game has a consistent look and feel and materials match and look consistent.
- 5. **Immersive environments** Through good lighting, sound, models, materials, animations, and good QA, the environment should not disrupt the player's immersion in the game.
- 2. **Fun or enjoyment** Games should be fun. Impress me and make it an enjoyable experience.
  - 1. **Theme** Does the game match the chosen theme?
  - 2. **5 Why's** Do the game's objectives make sense such as the win/lose conditions, enemies, pick ups, HUD status, environmental aspects, etc?
  - 3. **Thoughtful** Does the game make the player think, feel, question or become surprised during the game?
  - 4. **Replayable** Does the game have any replayability? For games that have surprise endings, if playing the game again reveals additional clues that make sense, that would count.
  - 5. **Recommendation** Would the player want to recommend this to a friend, add to their wishlist or want to find out more based on playing it, looking at the screenshots, or the video.

## **Grading**

Completing all **Base Requirements** fully will result in a grade of 80%.

The additional 20% will be based on the amount of polish and fun of the final game as outlined in the **Additional Requirements**.

## **Submitting**

Export your game from Unreal Engine:

- File -> Package Project -> Build Configuration -> Shipping
- File -> Package Project -> Windows and/or macOS
- Zip up the resulting files

- Upload zipped file to Itch.io
- Publish and ensure page is visible.
- $\bullet\,$  Post the link in #game-dev-submission in the Discord channel with your name