

Half-Life is a 1998 [first-person shooter](#) (FPS) game developed by [Valve Corporation](#) and published by [Sierra Studios](#) for [Microsoft Windows](#). It was Valve's debut product and the first game in the [Half-Life series](#). The player assumes the role of [Gordon Freeman](#), a scientist who must escape the [Black Mesa Research Facility](#) after it is invaded by aliens following a disastrous scientific experiment.