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M05: Final Project Website Outline

**Topic**: Phantasy Star Online 2 (PSO2); Japanese MMORPG video game

**Purpose**: To inform those interested about the game and how it works.

**Reason**: I have been playing the game for around 3 years now, and I have a lot of knowledge about it now. Because of this, I have a great passion for this hobby, and I wish to pass on my knowledge and experience. PSO2 is an interesting game that requires a lot of outside research to understand. There are two main reasons for this:

Firstly, because the game has only been released in Japan, so there is a lot of third-party installation that requires instruction (e.g., English translation). Secondly, because there are a lot of complex systems and mechanics in the game that no other game really has. It is difficult to get new players to understand and stick with the game, because it’s hard to pick up the unique systems at play. The reason I would like to make a site like this is to assist with this dilemma.

**Goals:**

* To inform new and even experienced players on the systems of the game.
* To help people interested in the game to get started.
* Make the website accessible enough for a sizeable demographic to understand the game.
* Keep the website organized and easy to understand.
* Include graphics or multimedia to help explain things.

**Audience**: Because the game is lesser known in the western gaming market, and because the game is difficult to acquire and understand, the number of people interested in the game is presumably low. Most fans of the franchise would have played the earlier releases that did see the western market around the 2000’s.

Given this as well as the complexity of the game, I would label the audience as relatively mature, 18-30 years old. Gaming in general, especially MMOs, are more populated by men than women, which is another thing to account for. The game can easily run on lower-end hardware, or even on PlayStation 4, so accessibly from that perspective is good.

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