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I. PROJECT TITLE: METEMP|SYCHOSIS: A ROLE-PLAYING GAME TO AID THE

LEARNING OF GRADE 6 PUPILS

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Fig. 2.1

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IV. CONTEXT AND GOALS:

Many people especially students, are being attracted in the hobby called gaming. Grade Six pupils are often attached to video games, such as Fortnite, Minecraft, Roblox, etc. they tend to disregard their studies. So, in order to balance it, the game developers inserted Logical and educational problems in games even though games can enhance once person abilities. According to Peña-Miguel Noemí and Sedano Hoyuelos Máximo, using educational game can also be very efficient in a way that if the pupils had the proper tools, they can almost do everything that can benefit to their studying without taking any dangerous and expensive risk. Educational Games is spreading widely in our society. Many game developers use this way in order to make games into much more useful by Peña-Miguel Noemí and Sedano Hoyuelos Máximo. The game developers also made sure that the Grade 6 pupils will be captivated in the game METEMP|SYCHOSIS visuals. It is because Visuals can stimulate and excites a player when playing a game (The Role of Visual Learning in Improving Students' High-Order Thinking Skills, 2016). The main goal of this study is to use the emerging interest of the Grade Six Pupils in terms of gaming, to change the negligence of their studies and to improve their learning while having fun with the cooperation works of researchers and game developers.

V. ESTIMATED PROJECT COST:

Description	Price		
Labor	150,000PHP		
Miscellaneous Expenses	50,000PHP		
Total	200,000РНР		

Fig. 5.1

The developers conceived and created the game within 3 months of work time. There are multiple positions such as Programmer, Illustrators, Composers, Voice Actors, etc. According to glassdor.com, the average salary of a game developer in the Philippines is PHP30,000/month. Since the developers of the game METEMP|SYCHOSIS are amateurs when it comes to developing, the 10 developers only demanded to have a PHP 15,000 salary each for the 3 months of working time. The Miscellaneous Expenses consists of the equipment, electricity, etc.

VI. AREA(S) OF INTEREST:

The researchers' area of interest is mainly focused on the field of education and game integration. It is common among students to experience boredom when required to learn new information. Education systems are rarely enticing especially when there's no exciting aspects for a student to enjoy. Most of the time books, papers, and presentations loaded with a lot of letters and words are not enough to pique a student's curiosity, resulting in lack of enthusiasm in learning participation.

Educational video games are effective tools for developing educational skills like critical thinking, motor skills and understanding of information. This type of method to impart knowledge breathes life into education as it transforms learning into an enjoyable thrilling game without boring lessons. Students assimilate and retain information even if they do not notice it. It also boosts a student's motivation if they feel immersed in the story as their success is rewarded with extra lives, new levels, medals, etc. It captures and keeps their interest in learning. Thus, creating an effective

educational game can improve a student's strategy, leadership, creativity, focus, visual memory, response time, and encourages self-immersion and participation in Learning.

VII. DIRECT BENEFICIARY/COMMUNITY OF INTEREST

The target audience of the Educational Game "METEMP|SYCHOSIS" are the Grade six pupils for the reason of their current curriculum has the four major subjects (English, Math, Science, and Filipino). This will be able to help them learn something while practicing their logical and critical thinking skills while enjoying.

Grade Six pupils are often attached to video games, such as Fortnite, Minecraft, Roblox, etc. they tend to disregard their studies. So, the developers developed a game that would merge their studies and their interest in video games. As a result, METEMP|SYCHOSIS is introduced. An Educational Game with contents and quest about English, Math, Science, and Filipino.

The developers hope that the game METEMP|SYCHOSIS will encourage the pupils to study while having fun.

Teachers will help to facilitate the teaching and enhancement of pupils in critical thinking, problem solving, interaction, creativity, teamwork, and good sportsmanship skills.

The result of this study can serve as a basis for further study about educational games. The result will also give an idea about "METEMP|SYCHOSIS" game for the benefit of future researchers.

VIII. RATIONALE:

As the world shift into a more modern and practical time, many people who has the skill to manipulate the technologies that we have into a more useful tools, some of them developed many games, but not just a game but they coded the game into much more useful hobby and they inserted the game category called "Educational Games". Many people, especially teenagers, are attracted to the hobby called gaming, many gamers spend their time and usually neglect their studies. So, in order to balance it, the game developers inserted Logical and educational problems in games even though games can enhance once person abilities the game developers made sure that the gamers will still learn something through online or offline gaming.

As the technology progress the game developers used this chance to include some advance games that the students use in order to progress more on their studies, for example the gadget called Virtual Reality Headset or VRH can project first person games and you being the main character, the medical students use this chance in order to practice very dangerous biology operations. Simulations also became popular not only to some gamers but also to the students who wants to become future pilots, by using Airplane simulators the student will be able to practice piloting and maintaining the plane in a most efficient way. But the most common way that the developers use is called Game-Based Learning (GBL) where they include educational topics in the instructions, quest, or missions of the games. Game-Based Learning helps gamers to harness not only their technical skills but also their intellectual skill in a very creative way.

The game that developers developed will undergo the test called beta test, the beta testers will grade and evaluate the game based on their own perspective and opinion. This will help the Game Developers Identify if the game that the researchers developed will be useful in the near future. The researchers will also be able to identify some or many major issues and bugs that the game may contain.

The proposed game "METEMP|SYCHOSIS" consists of four levels and a boss stage with a series of different difficulties and with a content of four major subjects of Grade Six Level. With the use of the four major subject content of the game, we could aid learning not just in one subject but also other subjects as well. It also uses a variety of different art styles to catch the attention of the target audience. With the use of different background music of the game, it can give mood and motivation to the players. And the different modes of the game (per level) will give the players interaction that could adjust and improve their critical thinking skills.

IX. STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM:

This study will help us to understand and evaluate the effectiveness of the proposed game with the participation of subject teachers from Elementary at New Era University IS. Thus, the researchers would like to address the following research question and problems:

1. What is the perception of Grade six teachers towards METEMP|SYCHOSIS as an aid to learning in the following terms:

1.1 Visuals

- 1.2 Background Music
- 1.3 Interaction
- 1.4 Content/Topic
- 2. What aspect of the game needs more development?

X. PROPOSED TECHNOLOGY/SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM:

The researchers and the game developers developed an Educational Game to cope and to encourage Grade Six Pupils to study while having fun. The game was entitled "METEMP|SYCHOSIS" a game consists of 4 levels with different game modes and different difficulty. Every level consists of different subject contents of English, Math, Science, and Filipino. The game has pixelated art and smooth art, to encourage the players to continue playing, and has original music composed by the game composer.

Since the developers have a wide but simple variety of choices, we decided to include and merge all of our ideas. The game is a 2Dimensional perspective that will include four levels and a bonus boss battle level that will going to run floor by floor representing the levels with different difficulties, it will also include different kinds of game modes for example: Puzzle, educational, and quest games that will have an educational topic related to the general knowledge of Grade six level (English, Filipino, Math, and Science). The game was inspired by the anime called "Sword Art Online".

The following are the levels and description of the game mode:

Level 1 -

Description: Level 1 (Mathematical Maze)

Player's Objectives: Find Reign Descartes and escape the maze

Reward: Life Refill

Major Gameplay: Maze

Enemies: Corrupted Monsters

Level 2 -

Description: Level 2 (Library Duel)

Player's Objectives: Solve Shakespeare's Riddle

Reward: Life Refill

Major Gameplay: Click Game Quiz

Enemies: William Shakespeare

Level 3 -

Description: Level 3 (Scout's Riddle)

Player's Objectives: Help Powell in finding the constellations in the sky

Reward: Life Refill

Major Gameplay: Click Game

Enemies: None

Level 4 -

Description: Level 4 (Castle Chase)

Player's Objectives: Follow the scream while passing by the obstacles

Reward: Life Refill

Major Gameplay: Platform Game

Enemies: Lava Obstacles

Boss Battle -

Description: Boss Battle (METEMP|SYCHOSIS)

Player's Objectives: Save Sychosis and Alfheim from the cruelty of Metemp

Reward: Fang Necklace

Major Gameplay: Hard Platform Text Array

Enemies: Metemp

The objective of the game is that the players need to complete all the quest needed every level for them to finish the game the way they wanted.

These objectives to finish the game also need to be considered:

Get out of the maze

To find the sister of Rene Descartes and to get the key item that will lead and help Xavier and Fox Spirit to proceed at the next door.

Defeat William Shakespeare

To give them permission to proceed at the next quest and then he will give Xavier a refill of hearts that can help them at the next level.

Hunt the stars

Help Baiden identify the stars in the night sky while staying for the night at the camp.

Find the scream

Follow the scream that you heard while talking to simoun.

Defeat Metemp at the castle

Overcome obstacles on the way to Metemp's castle. In order to defeat Metemp, the player must answer and complete the words and riddles presented.

The following are the game specifications needed to play the game "METEMP|SYCHOSIS":

Game Engine

In our game, the engine we used to do this was Adobe Flash CS6. We used the engine Adobe Flash CS6 because of what we studied in our subject Computer Programming.

Platform

In our game the platform we used is Personal Computer also called PC.

Operating System

Windows 7,8,10 and MAC are the operating systems that can enable or play the METEMP|SYCHOSIS game.

Packaging Art



Fig. 10.1

Splash Image



Fig. 10.2

Icon



Fig. 10.3

Level 1



Fig. 10.4

Level 2



Fig. 10.5

Level 3

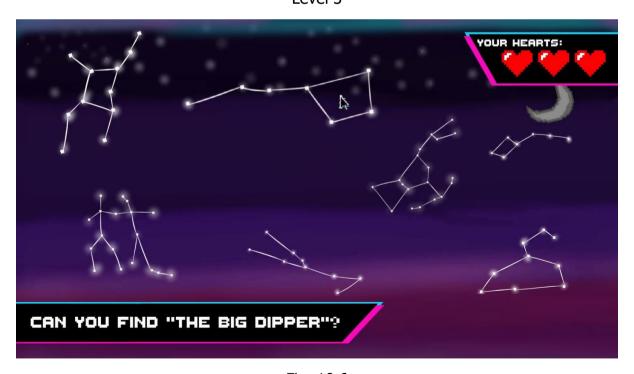


Fig. 10.6

Level 4



Fig. 10.7 Boss Battle



Fig. 10.8

XI. TECHNOLOGY VALIDATION:

The foundation of the game METEMP|SYCHOSIS is scrutinized and inspected through various software applications with the main usage of Adobe Flash CS6 as per required by the students' computer programming professor. The game development team also use Adobe Photoshop for image presentation elements, Medibang Paint Pro for the art pieces, Tiled for laying out the maze/platform tilesets, Finale 2014 for the music propietary composition, and FL Studio to mix and harmonize the pieces by the music composers. Through the said software the game went a process of investigation by observing how the game follows the flow of the implemented codes and how the game proceeds through different levels ranging from level 1 to boss battle.

For Analyzing the Interactive Segment of the game (Levels, Cut scenes, Decision-Making, Codes, etc.):

- -The correctness and smoothness of frame-by-frame transition trialed to see whether the assigned number inside the code section is accurate and leaps to the specified frame.
- -The segregation of layers per element went observation to confirm readability and comprehensibility of arrangement.
- -The Interactive buttons and letters is tested to confirm precision of scene transitions.

-The Compiler Error Section of Adobe Flash CS6 is used put to use in order to attempt and Fix the bugs encountered.

For studying and classifying the visual segment of the game (Character design, Scenery, Loading screens, buttons, etc.)

-The Character's anatomy and color palette combines with the ambiance of the game's scenarios.

-Medibang Paint Pro and Adobe Photoshop is used to create and illustrate art masterpieces that will be featured inside the game.

-Finale 2014 and FL studio is used be utilized to produce music pieces that blend well together with the setting of the game METEMP|SYCHOSIS.

The Validation and Authentication of the tools used for the whole project is essential in granting the presenter adequate time and variety of instruments to bring the game to life and present the final project design/prototype successfully and so to speak, will be bug-free.

Data and Results:

The content of this chapter are the data gathered from the respondents through online forms for the research paper entitled "METEMP|SYCHOSIS: A ROLE-PLAYING GAME TO AID THE LEARNING OF GRADE 6 PUPILS". The following are the data interpreted by the researchers, each question are then presented in bar graphs.

Layout & Design

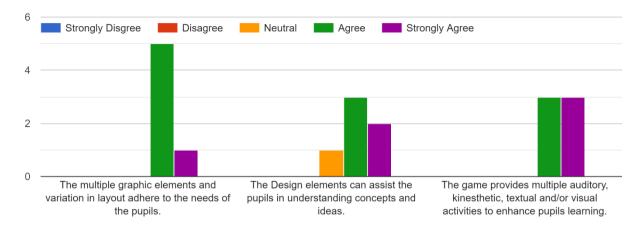


Fig. 11.1

	Strongly	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly	Mean	Results
	Disagree				Agree		
Question	0	0	0	5	1	4.17	Agree
1							

Fig. 11.2

Out of 6 respondents, 5 of them answered Agree while the remaining 1 respondent answered Strongly Agree. Therefore, they all agreed that the multiple graphic elements and variations in layout of the game METEMP|SYCHOSIS will help the pupils of their needs.

	Strongly	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly	Mean	Results
	Disagree				Agree		
Question	0	0	1	3	2	4.17	Agree
2							

Fig. 11.3

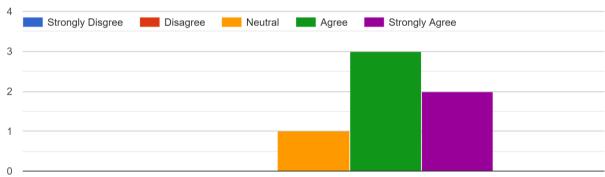
Out of 6 respondents, 1 answered Neutral, 3 of them answered Agree, while the remaining 1 respondent answered Strongly Agree. Therefore, they are agreed that the design element can really assist the pupils when it comes to understanding concepts and ideas.

	Strongly	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly	Mean	Results
	Disagree				Agree		
Question	0	0	0	3	3	4.5	Strongly
3							Agree

Fig. 11.4

On the third question, 3 out of 6 respondents answered agree, while 3 answered strongly agree. The mean on this question is 4.5. Therefore, the result on the third question is that they strongly agree that METEMP|SYCHOSIS provides multiple auditory, kinesthetic, textual and/or visual activities to enhance pupils learning.

Music



The background music is effective on delivering the mood and purpose of the game.

Fig. 11.5

	Strongly	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly	Mean	Results
	Disagree				Agree		
Question	0	0	1	3	2	4.17	Agree
4							

Fig. 11.6

On the forth question, 1 out of 6 respondents answered neutral, and 3 answered strongly agree, and 2 answered strongly agree. The mean on this question is 4.17. Therefore the result on the forth question is that they agree that the background music of the METEMP|SYCHOSIS is effective on delivering the mood and purpose of the game.

Interaction

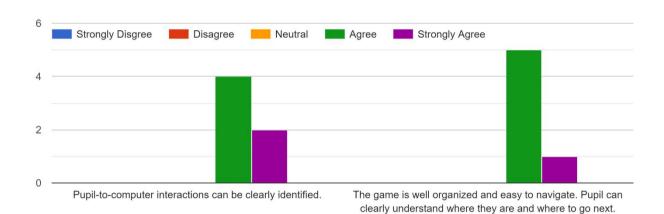


Fig. 11.7

	Strongly	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly	Mean	Results
	Disagree				Agree		
Question	0	0	0	4	2	4.33	Agree
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Fig. 11.8

Out of 6 respondents, 4 of them answered Agree, while the remaining 2 respondents answered Strongly Agree. Therefore, they are agreed that pupil-to-computer interactions is clearly identified.

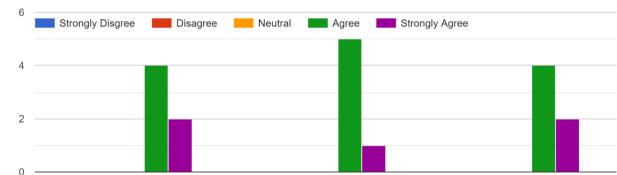
Strongly	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly	Mean	Results
Disagree				Agree		

Question	0	0	0	5	1	4.17	Agree
6							

Fig. 11.9

On the sixth question, 5 out of 6 respondents answered agree, and 1 answered strongly agree. The mean on this question is 4.17. Therefore the result on the sixth question is that they agree the game METEMP|SYCHOSIS is well organized and easy to navigate. Pupil canclearly understand where they are and where to go next.

Content/Topic



The game provides multiple activities to help the pupils to i...

The subject or topic of the game is clearly stated.

The goals and rules are clearly stated a...

Fig. 11.10

Strongly	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly	Mean	Results
Disagree				Agree		
0	0	0	4	2	4.33	Agree
				Disagree	Disagree Agree	Disagree Agree

Fig. 11.12

Out of 6 respondents, 4 agreed, while the other 2, strongly agreed. Meaning that respondents agreed that all of the goal and rules are clearly stated and it helps the pupil know and have the appropriate knowledge to complete the game.

Stro	ngly Disagree	Strongly	Neutral	Agree	Strongly	Mean	Results
Disag	gree	Disagree			Agree		

Question	0	0	0	5	1	4.17	Agree
8							

Fig. 11.13

Out of 6 respondents, 5 simply agreed while 1 of them strongly agreed, with the overall result of all respondents agreeing that the game's topic is clearly stated.

	Strongly	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly	Mean	Results
	Disagree				Agree		
Question	0	0	0	4	2	4.33	Agree
9							

Fig. 11.14

Out of 6 respondent 4 of them are answered Agree while the 2 remaining respondent answered strongly Agree Therefore they agree that all goal and rules are clearly stated and it will help pupil to know and be able to accomplish the game.

XII. PROJECT SCHEDULE:

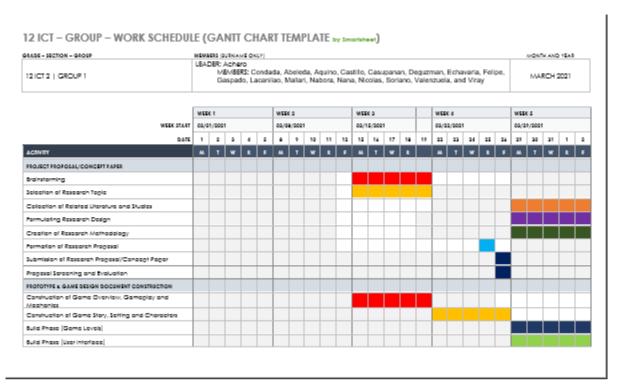


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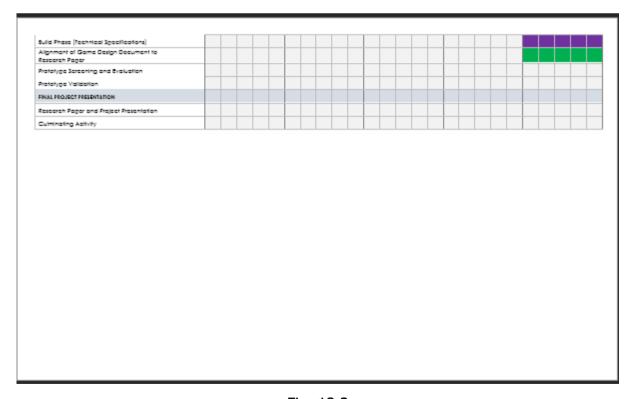


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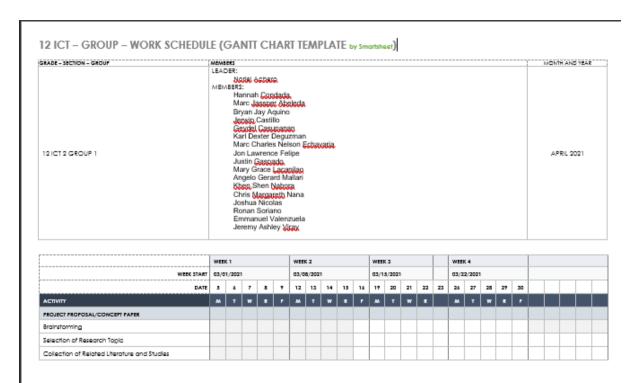


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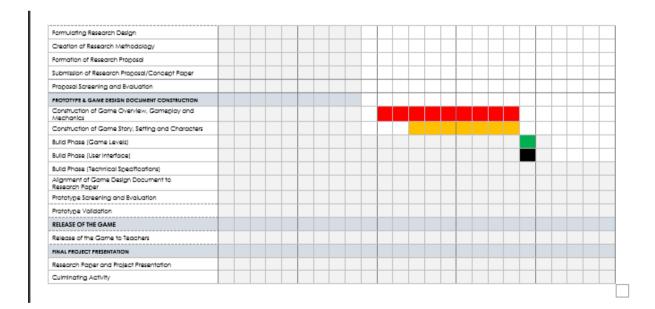


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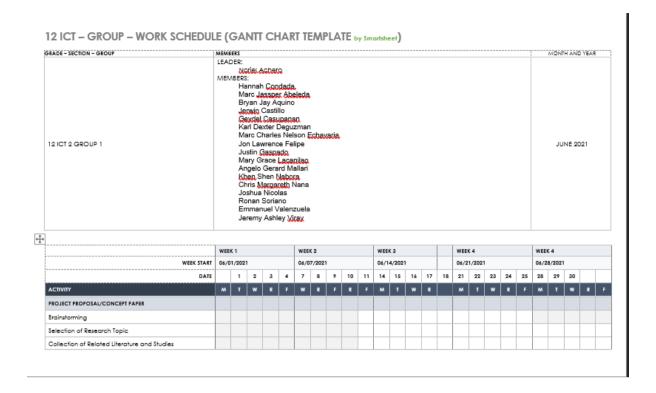


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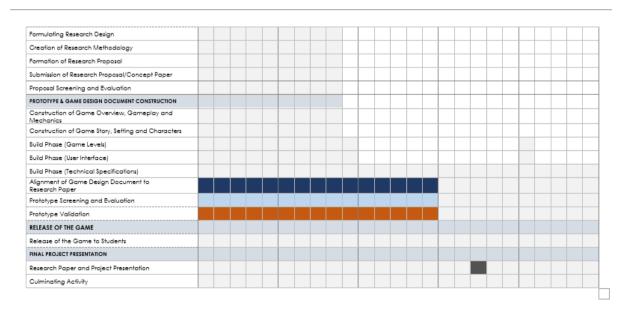


Fig. 12.5

Game Developers' Schedule



Fig. 12.6

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