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To The Sky

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Features List

Key: High Medium Low

- 1. Features 4 Worlds with 3 levels per world
- **2.** Full controller support: Support for controllers such as Playstation, Xbox, X-Input etc.
- **3.** Tile Based Movement: Locks the players movement so they move one block to another block.
- **4.** Turn Based Puzzles/Combat: Our game will mainly focus on puzzles, and combat will involve thinking and become part of the puzzles itself.
- **5.** Puzzle Focused Gameplay: Our game will mainly focus on puzzles and not strictly action based
 - a. Inspiration from Pokemon Gym Puzzles
 - b. Time Based Puzzles
 - c. Sound puzzles
- **6.** Instant Respawn on Puzzles (Fast Level Rebuild on Death): Upon death, the game will quickly rebuild the level so the player can quickly continue from their last autosave/checkpoint
- Multiple Level Formats: Our game will focus on two main level formats, turn based and free roam
 - **a. Turn Based:** For each action the player does, the enemy will do one movement action.
 - **b.** "Free" Roam: The player is allowed to move freely without affecting the enemy's actions
 - **c. Bonus:** Deviates from turn based and free roams. They can be minigame styled levels and are optional.
- **8.** World/Level Selection System: We plan to allow the player to select which level they want to play by having an overworld map
 - **a.** 4 levels per worlds
- **9. 4 Element World Theme**: For each world, we plan have it follow a theme based on four elements: water, fire, earth, and air
 - a. Water Theme:
 - i. Beach
 - ii. Underwater
 - iii. Ice
 - b. Fire Theme
 - i. Volcanic Debris/Meteors
 - ii. Volcano
 - iii. Lava river
 - c. Earth Theme
 - i. Cave
 - ii. Forest
 - iii. Mountain Scaling / Vertical Climbing
 - d. Air Theme

- i. Lightning/Wind storm/Peak of the mtn
- ii. Tornado
- iii. Sky/Clouds
- **10.** Boss Fights: Each boss fight will follow either Turn based or Free roam format and will be the last level in that world
- 11. Unique tiles:
 - a. Ice blocks
 - **b.** Spring jumps
 - c. Key blocks
 - **d.** Gates
 - e. Reset token
- **12.** Basic Physics Implemented: Some tiles will have gravity or have some interaction with the world.
- **13.** Unique Enemy Types per World: Enemy types will all be related to the theme of the world they are in.
- **14.** Enemy AI: Enemies will have AIs in which that determine how they interact in turn based and free roam levels
 - a. Turn Based: Enemies will have a pattern in which they move and attack
 - **b.** "Free" Roam: Enemies will follow a predetermined path or chase the player or predetermined action.
- **15.** Trader/shop system: This will be the primary way players will spend their persistent item in the world. players may purchase items such as health/shields.
 - a. a way to use the persistent item
 - **b.** items can be bought with coins collected in levels
- **16.** Lots of Collectibles: Our game will have lots of collectibles for the player to collect. Each level will have its own list of items left to collect
 - a. keys: unlock access to new levels/areas
 - **b.** coins: used with the trader to buy items
 - **c.** power-ups: special items that are pertinent to puzzles in each level
- 17. Bonus Levels which deviate from main format of the game: Optional levels that will deviate from the normal level formats and serve as an aspect to reward players who collect collectibles
- 18. Power ups gained from boss fights (progressional mechanics):
 - **a.** Plans: Mega-man/crash bandicoot style -> future levels will include more complex mechanics
- 19. Branching paths in levels
 - **a.** Unlocked by some criteria (challenges or collectibles)
- **20.** Customizable player cosmetics: Players will be able to unlock cosmetics through exploration in the game
- **21.** Star rating based on level/stage objectives: Player will gain 0-3 Stars per level based on the below criteria.
 - a. Timed Completion
 - **b.** Mobs Destroyed
 - c. Amount of Collectibles

- **22.** Optional checkpoints: Player can choose whether they would like to be able to save progress
 - **a.** Located in the middle of stages
 - **b.** Will reward the player somehow or be a criteria for a star
- **23.** Background music/Sound effects Sounds/music that plays continually in the background while playing and sounds that occur when certain actions are made

Features	Our Game	Ms. Pac-Man Maze Madness	Frogger 2: Swampy's Revenge	Rust Bucket
Feature [X] amount of levels	✓	✓	✓	1
Full controller support	✓	✓	✓	X
Tile based movement	✓	✓	√	1
Turn based puzzles/combat	✓	X	X	1
Puzzle foused gameplay	✓	✓	Х	1
Instant respawn on puzzles (fast level rebuild on death)	1	X	1	1
Multiple level formats	✓	X	Х	Х
World/level Selection System	✓	✓	✓	1
4 Elemental World Theme	✓	X	Х	Х
Boss fights	✓	✓	Х	Х
Unique tiles	✓	✓	✓	1
Basic physics implemented	✓	✓	✓	Х
Unique enemy types per world	✓	✓	√	X
Enemy Al	✓	√	✓	1

Trader/shop system	✓	X	Х	Х
Lots of Collectibles	✓	X	X	X
Bonus levels which deviate from main format of the game	✓	√	X	X
Power ups gained from boss fights (progressional mechanics)	>	X	X	X
Branching paths in levels	\	X	X	X
Customizable player cosmetics	✓	X	X	Х
Star rating based on some objectives	√	✓	X	Х
Optitional checkpoints	1	X	Х	Х
Background music/Sound effects	√	√	1	1