Razor Statement: “Magic Rinaldi in: The Adventure Zones” is a side-scrolling action platformer in which Rinaldi, an amnesiac time-traveling wizard, fights monsters with physics-based magic and searches for treasure across various environments, in the hopes that it will help him discover his past and future.

Focus Paragraph: Rinaldi is out of place and time: he awakes on a Polynesian island in the 19th century, yet he has vague memories of being a wizard and treasure hunter, and yet again wears a futuristic gauntlet displaying a mission he must fulfill before “The Next Jump” can occur. Rinaldi’s only hope of getting answers is to complete this mission: to find an artifact in each of the Adventure Zones. “MR: TAZ” is a side-scrolling platformer in which the player fight monsters and explores levels for clues that will lead to the artifacts. Rinaldi utilizes physics-based magic spells to fight enemies and traverse environments, such as an energy attack that he can also ride on [see the video below of Mr. Gimmick, an NES/Famicom game that inspired some of this mechanic]. Rinaldi will explore varied levels evocative of real-life locations and time periods: Island Zone, Medieval Zone, Detroit Zone, and many more [maybe 3 more]. Along the way, Rinaldi meets characters that will either help or hamper his efforts, some of which are also time travelers.

Video of Mr. Gimmick, starting at 1:25:http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mjPHdEEBfEI&hd=1#t=1m25s