Hack and Cybersecurity Games Reviews

Hacknet:

Summary: Hacknet is a terminal-driven hacking game with competitive multiplayer, a fully internally-consistent network simulation and a realistic interface. It follows the story of recently deceased hacker "Bit", whose death may not be the 'accident' the media reports. You stand in for no one, as most games have you do - play for yourself, make your own decisions, and see the world react - if you're leaving a trace that is. Hacknet has no protagonist, other than the person using it.



Figure 1 Hacknet Metacritic score

Critic Reviews;

NZGamer

Score:72

"Play it because it's different, play it because it's a far cry from anything you're likely to in the coming months."

LevelUp

Score: 80

"The best hacking simulation videogame to date, Hacknet leaves us wanting more of its honest and detailed portrayal of the hacking underworld. Without a doubt, is the greatest (legal) hacking experience available."

Digital Chumps

Score: 88

"The premise of Hacknet and my preexisting interest in the idea of a UNIX-based hacking sim had me going into this excited and hopeful. The quality gameplay and sense of reward from figuring things out kept me playing hours on end, and excited to tell others how cool of a game this was."

Steam Link: https://store.steampowered.com/app/365450/Hacknet/

Quadrilateral cowboy;

Summary: When you have a top-of-the-line hacking deck armed with a 56.6k modem and a staggering 256k RAM, it means just one thing: you answer only to the highest bidder.



Figure 2Quadrilateral cowboy Metacritic score

Critic Reviews;

Riot Pixels

Score: 35

"Compared to their previous creations, Blendo Games shows some promising progress. So far, they've mastered interactive introductions and tutorials. Still waiting for a full-fledged game, though."

Guardian

Score: 80

"It might be too short and a bit clunky, but Blendo Games' newest effort finds joy in the weird and wonderful retro-future world of 1980s coding."

Critical Hit

Score:80

"A game about conducting heists from behind a pc screen? It sure sounds mundane and complicated. Blendo Games though, have somehow managed to pull it off with ease in Quadrilateral Cowboy. They've put together a highly polished, surprisingly enjoyable product - one which every gamer should at least consider playing at some point."

Steam link: https://store.steampowered.com/app/240440/Quadrilateral Cowboy/

Hack_me;

Hack_me is a hacker simulator game. The main objective in game – is to hack big companies's servers to show people that there is nothing in this world that protected on 100%. You'll need to use your cmd, bruteforce, SQL-injectors and other programs to hack servers.

Don't have enough metacritic review

BÜTÜN İNCELEMELER: Karışık (1,475)

User Reviews;

MrMegawattts;

Score: 9

"Good simulator game especially if you are into hacking!

Graphics 9/10 Soundtrack 10/10 Storyline 9/10 Gameplay 9/10

Add new chapter and this game will be 10/10! Collapse"

The_reviewist;

Score: 3

"This is only a Hacking game in the loosest sense. Instead this is more like a visual novel with almost zero story.

The screen is set up to mimic a PC desktop, with several program icons and an operable WiFi popup.

However the gameplay, consists of simply opening an email or a chat log and typing a URL into a box on some program or other. This is made doubly tedious by long wait times during each program's run-time, and a tinny repetitive piece of music that can't be turned off, playing throughout the entire game.

This felt clearly like the product of a student who is learning basic game making, rather than a fully released game. In fact, the only "game" part of the experience was a brief game of Breakout that could be played while waiting on a "hack" occurring.

Skip this, there are far better Hacking games out there, including apparently the sequel to this, which allegedly offers more gameplay, the ability to copy-paste text and movable windows on the desktop screen. All of which would have made this dull, albeit mercifully short, (20 mins tops) experience more like a game and less like a fascinating plot into boredom."

Steam link: https://store.steampowered.com/app/526740/hack_me/

Welcome to the game;

Summary; Welcome to the Game is a creepy horror/puzzle game that takes you into the world of the Deep Web. Explore the Deep Web with the sole purpose of trying to find a Red Room, an online service / website that allows you to see and participate in interactive torture and murder.

Don't have enough metacritic review

EN SON İNCELEMELER: Çoğunlukla Olumlu (11)
BÜTÜN İNCELEMELER: Çok Olumlu (2,008)

Critic Reviews;

DarkStation

Score: 80

"If you're a hardened horror game veteran it's not the most illuminating of experiences, but it's a fun way to spend a late night all alone. With the doors safely locked, of course."

Steam link: https://store.steampowered.com/app/485380/Welcome_to_the_Game/

Hacker simulator;

Summary: Become a hacker and build your online reputation to the top by discovering a simplified and enjoyable version of real-life hacking methods. Complete contracts, buy new programs, upgrade your computer, crack wifi networks and infiltrate peoples or companies online systems.

Don't have enough metacritic score and any review

EN SON İNCELEMELER: Çoğunlukla Olumlu (13)
BÜTÜN İNCELEMELER: Çoğunlukla Olumlu (769)

Steam link: https://store.steampowered.com/app/1754840/Hacker_Simulator/

else Heart.Break();

Summary; A game about friendship, love and technology in a place where bits have replaced atoms





Critic Reviews;

PC Gamer

Score: 86

"A beautiful adventure with heart, humour, and satisfying hacking puzzles you can enjoy even if you don't know anything about coding."

Multiplayer.it

Score: 70

"Else Heart.Break() is a strange non linear adventure, deeply based on exploration and hacking mechanics. Perhaps the lack of details provided to the players and the slow pace of the story make this title not for everyone."

DarkStation

Score: 90

"All in all else Heart.Break () is a unique and challenging gaming experience that invites the player to take a turn on the other side of the program, all the while introducing us to an ambiguous world not so different than our own."

Steam Link: https://store.steampowered.com/app/400110/Else HeartBreak/

Hackmud;

Summary: hackmud is a text-based multiplayer hacking simulator for Intel-compatible personal home computers. Crack protected systems and solve puzzles as you explore the abandoned internet of the future. Write scripts to protect your winnings and trick other players. Lose everything. Get it back.

Not enough metacritic score



Critic Reviews;

GameSpew

Score: 80

Working out the real from the fake, the safe from the damaging is all just part of the game's mystique, and [hackmud] is almost entirely player driven; nearly everything has been built by other players.

Steam link: https://store.steampowered.com/app/469920/hackmud/

Hack run;

Summary; Ever wanted to be a hacker? Hack your way into the heart of a mysterious organization to uncover their secrets. Hack RUN® is a game which uses 'old school' command prompts (like DOS or UNIX) that simulate a real operating system. Learn the commands of each system to help you navigate

Don't have enough metacritic score and any review

BÜTÜN İNCELEMELER: Çok Olumlu (153)

Steam link: https://store.steampowered.com/app/378110/Hack_RUN/

Midnight Protocol;

Summary; Midnight Protocol is a tactical narrative-driven RPG with unique keyboard-only controls. Hack into servers, beat security systems and discover encrypted secrets while you try to find answers to why and how you got doxxed.



Metascore

Generally favorable reviews based on **5 Critic Reviews**

What's this?



User Score

No user score yet Awaiting 3 more ratings

Your Score 0

Critic Reviews;

The Indie Game Website

Score: 85

"The neatest trick that Midnight Protocol pulled is that even if it probably does not depict hacking in the most realistic or accurate manner, it still encapsulates the fascination that most of us have around hacking."

Screen Rant

Score: 70

"Throughout Midnight Protocol there will be tense situations, difficult encounters, and plenty of mysteries to solve. As answers start to come in, more questions arise, and the game has a few major twists rivaling those in Resident Evil Village. Players will have the chance to choose who they will fight alongside and what kind of person Data will be. Reputation and available missions are affected by every decision in the challenging, high-stakes hacking world of Midnight Protocol."

Softpedia

Score: 80

"Midnight Protocol is one of the best experiences in the newly ascendant hacking simulation category. Its biggest asset is the simple, yet solid set of mechanics and the way success can only be achieved by carefully balancing aggressiveness and planning, with some guessing thrown in for good measure. The narrative also works well, sketching an immersive world while delivering twists and revelations. Plenty of players will have issues with the decision to only control the game using the keyboard. It feels annoying at first but adds to the immersion and it's relatively easy to learn. The development team at LuGus knows how to blend mechanics and story in cool ways and Midnight Protocol is the kind of hacker-centered experience that no other medium can deliver."

Steam link: https://store.steampowered.com/app/1162700/Midnight Protocol/