

Own performance not assessable

The players can not or only with difficulty assess whether they play the game well. They do not know whether their success is due to their skills or just to chance.



Decision uncertainty too great

When it is the players' turn, they are uncertain which actions they can, may or must choose. This uncertainty complicates move planning and causes players to think too long for each move.



Rules are too complicated

The players have to follow a complicated set of rules. This makes it difficult for them to comply. The game does not invite players to play again because they have difficulty remembering the rules.



Game does not encourage cooperation

Players are supposed to work together in the game, but they do not. Each player plays for themselves rather than cooperating with other players.

Game is too easy

The game is too easy to win because it fails to demand effort and challenge the players. As a result, the course of the game is predictable early on and the game quickly becomes boring.



Game is too hard

The game is too hard to win, because despite great effort, players cannot reach their goals. Therefore, they quickly lose the desire to continue or replay the game.



Game seems meaningless

The game seems meaningless to the **players**, as they **feel** there is nothing **at stake**.



Game duration too long

The game lasts too long and it is not possible to maintain tension or anticipation over the entire period. The longer the game lasts, the less often it is started or finished because the effort exceeds the time budget.



Success depends too much on skills

The success of the players depends heavily on the skills that they already have at the beginning. This can lead to players with different levels and experience not being able to play well together, as the outcome of the game is already foreseeable before the game starts.



Game situation is unclear

The game situation is unclear because the players have to keep an eye on many parameters at the same time. This makes it difficult for them to choose the right actions.



Gameplay is too predictable

The course of the game is **predictable** for the players. This is especially the case when the game offers too few chances for variety and **surprises** and the **turn routine** is too rigid. The game then quickly loses its appeal.



Competition is too strong

The competition among players is so strong that the gaming experience suffers as a result. Not all players like to play under intense pressure. Some players then play very aggressively to win and defeat then feels very painful for the loser.