Game Summary

Game General Description

It is undeniable that shooting games stand as one of the most attractive types of game genres. However, a shooting game with a great story line can appeal to a wider audience and separate itself from the crowd. **Hydrobot Adventure** is a very special shooting game with 12 levels, a lot of unique game play features and an intriguing storyline.

Game Intention

Hydrobot Adventure allows the player to learn about under-sea environment sustainability and what can be done to save it as part of the gameplay. The game also brings to mind a vision of what the sea environment will become in the future if we do not act right now.

Game Play Features

Hydrobot Adventure is a game that allows the player to play as an aquatic robot on his quest to save the oceans. It captures the real under-sea environment with realistic water effects and amazing graphics. Among many other things, the player will clean ocean debris, heal animals and drop seeds on the ocean bed to grow special plants.

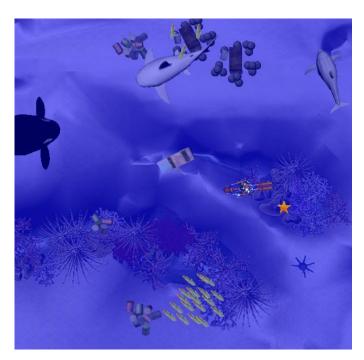


Figure 1. Game environment with sea animals, schools of fish, corals and trashes on the seabed An environment status bar will show how polluted the sea is and how many sea animals have been wounded. The worse the environment status, the quicker the sea animals' health reduces over time.

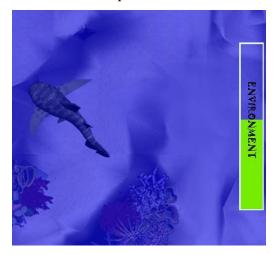


Figure 2. In game environment bar showing environment status

Each level has a different objective. The purpose of the game is not just to clean the ocean or save the animals, but to spread awareness of the marine crisis. Through progressing each level, the player is awarded experience points that can be used to level up and obtain greater skills. These skills are divided into 4 attributes:

Strength – Increases shooting power,

Speed – Increases mobility.

Shooting rate – Increases the rate of fire

Health points – Increases the chance of survival.



Figure 3. In game attribute board for improving the hydrobot

The hydrobot is able to function infinitely under water. The special fruits planted from the hydrobot himself supplies him with an infinite power source. The fruits not only replenish our Hydrobot with health and temporary power-ups but also serve as a mean of restoring the environment condition.



Figure 4. A grown up tree gives out fruit periodically

To make the game more interesting, there are stage bosses in the game where the hydrobot's current power cannot overcome. In order to defeat them, the player will need to follow the instruction of Poseidon to find the ancient mythological relics. These relics are left forgotten in treasure chests inside shipwrecks. These treasure chests are heavily locked and opening them without the key is impossible. However, the fishes populating the area know the way to the sacred key. Therefore, helping the animals will lead the player to the key allowing you to overtake the bosses.



Figure 5. A shipwreck lying on the seabed



Figure 6. Exploring treasure chests inside shipwreck

With the relics, the player is able to learn special skills that will make the fight with the big bosses possible. The power of each skill is linked to the hydrobot's basic attributes. Accordingly, the player will have to strategize when choosing which skill to master. For example, the power of Thor's hammer is linked to our bot's strength. However, each skill is a double-edged sword. Using the power to much can adversely damage the Hydrobot.



Figure 7. Use Thor's hammer to damage and stun a group of enemy inside an area

By playing this game, the player will learn easy ways to help change the world! The treasure chests not only contain relics but also contain paintings of the sea. These paintings describe a sea environment that is much better than the current game's environment. The paintings will also give players facts and hints that not everybody knows about. The ocean animals will also show their unique abilities, and offer interesting ways on saving the oceans.



Figure 8. The Hydrobot can understand sea animal languages

This information is needed in the minigame after every level. There are 2 minigames: quiz game and typing game. In the quiz minigame, the player would have to answer several questions regarding the sea environment. Answering more questions correctly means we have successfully educated more hunters, turning them from bad to good. Accordingly, the next level will be easier for the player. These hunters will stop polluting the environment and hunting the animals. The starting environment status of the next level will be higher.



Figure 9. Educate hunters by playing Quizz minigame

In the typing mini game, the player will have to type an educational passage correctly in a limited time period. The faster the player types, the more experience the hydrobot will gain!



Figure 10. Educate hunters by playing Typing minigame

Future Work

Hydrobot Adventure is now a completely playable game but we aim to even bring many more new

features to improve both of its fun and education factors in the near future. Some of the possible

improvements include:

• "New game +" or different difficulty levels to enhance the replayability factor of the game and

satisfy both casual and hardcore gamers.

• Making the in-game shooting much more dynamic and fun with random factors.

• More types of enemy and boss with their unique abilities.

• Opening the treasure chests will also gives the player fragments of extinct sea animals' fossils.

Collecting enough fossil fragments will let the player to play a jigsaw type of minigame,

successful in which will bring the extinct sea animal back to life and information about itself

along with the reason of its extinction. The revived sea animal will be able to assist the player in

battle with its unique ability.

Any idea for improving this game is welcome. If you would like to contribute an idea, please feel free to

send email to any of our team members.

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- None of the sound tracks appearing in this game and its trailer is the property of Eager Beavers. They were written and played by different artists and the sound tracks were available for free download.
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