Fimbulvinter Playtesting Review

# Playtest 1

**Number of Testers:** 4

**Average Play Time:** 1 minute

**Concepts/Features Tested:** Movement mechanics, basic interaction/inventory system, navigation between scenes.

## Findings

This prototype was minimally functional – players could move, pick up or examine some items, and navigate between scenes. Essentially, this was a test that to ensure that the built elements were functional. This version of the game was released as a web-based game because I initially thought this would ensure quick testing.

The Pros: Users liked the art style and graphics.

The Cons: The controls weren’t very clear, and there were some collision issues (users could walk to the end of one scene and walk off the edge, even though the camera stopped following. In addition, the web-based release cut off portions of the screen, and playing in full mode negated the efficacy of using the escape key to open the menu (it would shut down the full screen mode instead).

## Proposed Changes

For future iterations, I intend to add a small onboarding alert at the beginning to inform the player what controls are available. In addition, I’ll add a controls window to the options tab of the menu as a refresher.

The collision issues that were reported are a simple matter of programming interfering. They’re an easy fix. I do intend to eventually add some cinematics between scenes to help with story and explain why certain paths are un-navigable.

Finally, any future releases will be a PC/Mac download, to eliminate issues with accessing the options menu.

# Playtest 2

**Number of Testers:**

**Average Play Time:**

**Concepts/Features Tested:** Enemy AI and shooting combat, improved item stacking, real-time rules, consumables, death state.

## Findings

## Proposed Changes

# Playtest 3

**Number of Testers:**

**Average Play Time:**

**Concepts/Features Tested:** Game feel (added cinematics and audio), inventory transfer, melee combat.

## Findings

## Proposed Changes