# Introduction

You will take the games you played in class, analyze each game, write a critique of each game, do a comparative analysis between both games, and submit this critique via Moodle.

# Research

For this assignment you will analyzing the two games you played in class. Take note of the following:

* Visual and auditory elements of the games
* Game play and game mechanics
* Reaction of the player to different elements of the games

# Written Game Critique

Write a 400 - 800 word critique of EACH game, incorporating the following:

* The name of the game being critiqued
* The name of the team that developed the game
* Your name.
* The course and section for which the critique is written (e.g. GAM100-A or B).
* A one to three paragraph summary of the game.
* The main body of the critique
* An overall score that you would give to the game, on a scale of 1 to 10.

The main body of the critique should identify the strengths and weaknesses of the game, including game mechanics, graphics, music, and sound effects, where appropriate. If there are any elements that stand out as being exceptionally good or bad, then note that as well. Where possible, provide some rationale for your position and back-up any claims with observations from the game play sessions.

Additionally, given more time and a "bigger budget", what could the development team have done to make the game better? Are there game elements that could have been reduced or removed without degrading the player experience?

**Do:**

* Include at least one screen shot (hint, including one or more images at the beginning of the critique is better than including them at the end)
* Check your grammar and spelling
* Submit your written critique in pdf format.

**Don’t:**

* Rant (or rave) unless you back-up your position with observations
* Submit a plain text file for your written critique (automatic grade of 0)

Some signs of a bad game review/critique:

* “*This puzzle game really stinks because it isn't Halo.*”
* “*I only like playing games on the PS4, so this PC game really sucked.*”

# Comparative Analysis

Write a 400-800 word comparative analysis on the games you played.

Compare both games that you played.

* In what ways are they similar?
* In what ways are they different?
* Which one did you enjoy playing more? Why?
* What are the criteria you are using for judging the games?

# Game Critique Submission

Submit the game critique via Moodle as a pdf file document before class next week.

The submission must consist of only a single document in pdf format. Name the document according to the following naming convention:

* YourName\_GAM100F19<section letter>\_Assignment##.pdf

Late submissions will automatically receive a -25% penalty without prior written approval of the instructor. Any submissions more than one week late will automatically receive a grade of 0%.