3-5 Main Themes to Keep in Mind:

1. When choosing a new game to play many people tend to look for games based on reviews, videos of the gameplay, friend recommendations, and in the case of multiplayer games group agreement on the game.
2. Users mostly play games at night and/or when they have time in their schedule—few people make specific time for games in their schedule.
3. Many people prefer to play videogames with friends, and are flexible on what game to play depending on what their friends want to play.
4. Users play different games based on how much time they have available—they prefer games with short matches and piecemeal content when they have little time.
5. Users prefer different kinds of games when they are in different moods, and the games seem to break into two main groups of games depending on mood, more competitive games and more relaxing games.

3-5 Implications

Ideas (75+):

1. App with timer with how much time left to play
2. Friends can see the timer
3. Overlapping free time timer [has the time available to all friends]
4. Calendar that shows free time in your day for games
5. App name game-plan
6. App like a planner but for games
7. List of what your friends are playing and when they are playing games
8. List of games they find relaxing, or some mood
9. List of games that people/community find relaxing
10. Make use of tags people use for games
11. Social Board where friends can recommend other cool games
12. Metacritic but only with your friends review
13. Color wheel of moods
14. Big panel with calendar, recommendations, friend status etc
15. Panel has widget
16. Group chat that also pulls in everyone's game libraries so you can see what you play
17. Finds the games everyone owns and lists them for multiplayer
18. A voting system built in for choosing a game
19. A filter of games based on how much time you have 10, 15 min etc
20. Like Metacritic but instead of just review scores it also shows multimedia [articles, videos, etc]
21. A section that pulls popular game play or review sites
22. People can add game tags they like
23. Tinder for gaming
24. Friend matching system based on common game tags/interests
25. Friends can add tags to games, like emotionally invested, relaxing, hard etc
26. Finding people in games you play a lot that are similar rank
27. Finding people to play games near you, college campus
28. Import steam and other libraries
29. Different section for different platform games
30. Section for games on like game pass or playstation pass
31. Find games to play based on genre (action, story, shooter, etc)
32. Find specifically users that want to play competitive or want to play casual
33. Section that just lists different levels of multiplayer games, 2 player, 3, 4 etc
34. Section that lists different modes in the game and how many players can play each mode
35. Suggest games that you own + don’t own depending on the time you list that you want to play
36. Mechanism like a mood ring that reads in body temperature to guess your mood and suggest certain games
37. Status bar or light per friends (available, busy etc)
38. Suggest a game based on what music you like to listen to
39. Calendar that shows all of your friends schedules and free time as well (not just yours)
40. A way to pin games you want to play later, and remind you
41. A way to find group chats within this app that have similar game taste
42. Suggest a game that goes well with the podcast you’re listening to
43. Suggest a game that goes well with the music you’re listening to
44. A way to save a list of games you want to play with friends before the next time yall play, to remind you
45. Find deals on multiplayer games
46. Notify you when games you ‘favorite’ go on sale
47. Group wishlists for multiplayer games
48. Notification when the number needed for a full team is online on a group chat you are in.
49. Section for upcoming DLC and expansions for favorite games, or group games
50. A list of what dlc your friends own for games have in common
51. Notify the group of free multiplayer games based on amount of players
52. Group funding of future games [like Kickstarter for friend group to buy next game]
53. A way to share trailers, walkthroughs, loadouts, etc for games with friends
54. Machine learning app that scans your chats with friends to see common interests of games you might have
55. A simple app that everyone in friend group pushes a button when they’re available, sends an urgent notification that isn’t silent even on do not disturb so everyone gets the notification immediately
56. An app that shows when friends are at home when they’re more likely to be down to game
57. Game swapper: Allow for people to swap similar games like HeartGold and SoulSilver
58. A built in notification system of the rank, role, and in-game time of people in the group chat
59. A game demo list that shows recommended games that have free demos to try
60. App that shows when your friends are online on their gaming device
61. A list of common genres you and your friends share, and a list of recommended multiplayer games based on that list
62. Invisible/private mode lets you look at the app without being shown as online
63. An app that connects to playstation, discord, etc voice chat to notify you when your friends are in a voice chat
64. Lets people insert their computer hardware info to help determine if a game can run on their system
65. Incorporate a system for board games
66. Incorporate a system for competing in games between friends, whether singleplayer or multiplayer (in-house tournaments)
67. LAN party planner
68. A live scoreboard of your friends scores and yours for a specific game or mode( customizable)
69. A notification when more than one friend is playing games together
70. A notification of what games your friends are playing currently
71. App that shows people in your local area who have split-screen gaming so you can go to their house and game
72. App that allows you to rent gaming equipment [controllers, consoles, etc.]
73. Show recommendations of new games to play based on what games you have played
74. A Reels system for best or worst highlights of a person or a team within a specific game in a group chat
75. Show achievements across consoles and game platforms
76. Smartwatch app that buzzes when your friends are available to game [push button on watch to activate it, when everyone activates it vibrates for everyone else]
77. A list of games your friends absolutely did not like so you know what are bad games to avoid
78. A list of games that are buggy, or just broken, unfinished so you don't also buy them
79. List of party/large group games (like mario party, jack in the box)
80. A pager system that notifies friends and asks them if they want to game
81. App that shows which consoles/platforms your friends have
82. App that shows which games are “transit-friendly” on portable consoles [short playtime, autosave, etc.]
83. App that connects all of people’s gaming accounts [Fortnite account, Roblox account, etc.]
84. Allow for forming new groups of friends around games
85. Show friends MMR for certain games (Rocket League, League of Legends, etc)
86. Random game generator when you can’t decide what game to play
87. Public vote system that a person generates when you can’t decide what game to play/ what role in a game to play (multiplayer games)/ difficulty, etc.
88. Random game choice from your library
89. List of games in your library that you haven’t played recently or all own and have never played
90. A list of games most played by people
91. List that shows currently most played, most played of the week, of the year, highest peak players, etc.
92. A list of games ranked most favorably by players, resets each year
93. A list of upcoming games ranked by you and your friends hype for them each
94. App that shows whether a game has any prequels that you might want to play first
95. App that groups games together if they are part of a series and lists them in order (cod, mass effect, etc)
96. Guilds: Like friends list but for more general people, maybe based on similar game play strategy
97. A way to challenge other full stacks in a team vs team game
98. Tourneys in guilds
99. A way to find other players in a game who play different classes than you, rogue, tank, healer etc
100. Way to find people who play different parts of map [jungle, lanes, etc]
101. Ways to find people who use different weapons [sniper, SMG, etc.]
102. A way to add friends to your display board on different levels, close friends see schedule, more distant only games in common etc
103. For games that go together show friend’s recommendation to skip the game or not
104. A way to search for games made by the same publisher or game studio that you already like for other games
105. Find games like games from a publisher you like [Find games like Bethesda RPGs]
106. A way to share live progress/stats of your game with your friends (rank, game % completed,etc.)
107. An easy way to report issues or bugs to a specific game publisher, especially game breaking bugs
108. Separate rating stars for bugs, story, etc., so you can accurately rate a game with a great story but poor performance at the moment that might be patched eventually
109. A list of upcoming games ranked by people who play similar games to you
110. Find games that are technically different but are somewhat similar in gameplay [Jedi Fallen Order, Dark Souls, etc]
111. A way to rank games based on how much attention they require idle games to dark souls scale
112. A platform to share possible local tournaments hosted by a group or an individual
113. Platform to organize local tournaments before they’re started (Swiss, best of 1, best of 5, etc.)
114. App that helps you meet up in person with friends you made gaming