Be Ready to Present Your Progress!





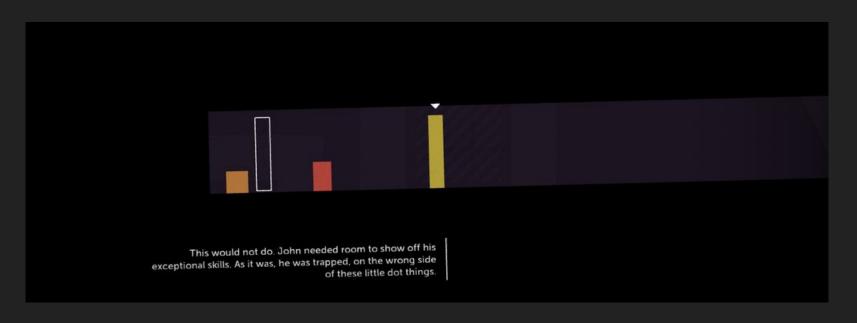




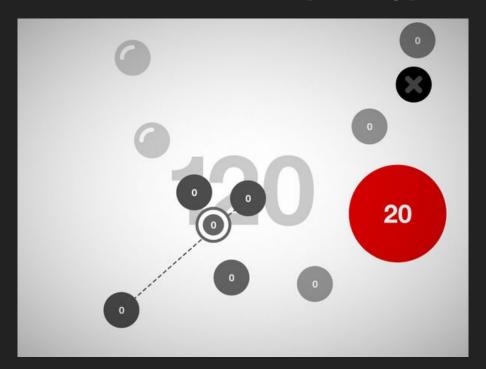
Overwatch was released May 2016



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90% done?

Let me know when the other 90% is done.

Part of your game that might need some love:

Various screens having nothing to do with game play:

Title Screen

Credits Screen

Game Menu

Instructions/Tutorial

Audio/Video Options

Part of your game that might need some love:

In-game / Game State Screens:

Loading Screen

In-game overlay, options, inventory, etc.

Game Over (You Win/Failed/Lost/Died)

Help Screen

Restart, Continue, etc.

Final Tweaks

Backgrounds and other Artwork

Special Effects

Music / Sound levels

Even more stuff:

Additional QA

Actually testing on the platforms you ported / exported it to

Screenshots

Gameplay Video

Trailer

Advertising/Promotional: Website, Social Media

Have a deadline!

Game festival deadlines and upcoming events.

Game Festivals

Independent Game Festival http://www.igf.com

Indiecade https://www.indiecade.com

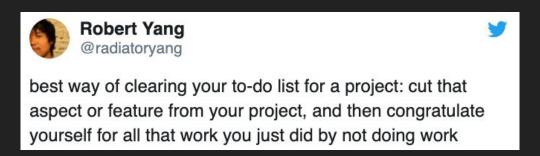
PAX http://www.paxsite.com

Game Devs of Color Expo http://gamedevsofcolorexpo.com

GenCon http://www.gencon.com



Cut out features, levels, enemies, power-ups, items, selectable characters, personalization, etc.



Minimum Viable Product (MVP)

Eric Ries (who popularized the term)

"The minimum viable product is that version of a new product which allows a team to collect the maximum amount of validated learning about customers with the least effort."

http://www.startuplessonslearned.com/2009/08/minimum-viable-product-guide.html

MVP means different things to different organizations, industries, etc.

Minimum features to satisfy the customer (or your professor).

Minimum features to be cash flow positive.

Minimum features to make that first dollar.

Releasing Your Game

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Steam

https://partner.steamgames.com

Apple App Store

https://appstoreconnect.apple.com

(previously itunesconnect)

Google Play Store

https://play.google.com/apps/publish

Itch

https://itch.io



Self publish from your own website!

Demo

I'm going to show you my actual steam and app store accounts!

Assignment:

Finish the MVP of your game.

In-class Activity

Talk with your team:

What is keeping your game from being ready for a game expo?

What needs to be done to publish your game?

Is it possible to get these things done by the end of the semester?