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PRACTICAL COMPLETE COVERAGE OF GAME DESIGN BASICS FROM DESIGN PROCESS TO PRODUCTION THIS FULL COLOR STRUCTURED COURSEBOOK OFFERS COMPLETE COVERAGE OF GAME DESIGN BASICS FOCUSING ON DESIGN RATHER THAN COMPUTER PROGRAMMING PACKED WITH EXERCISES ASSIGNMENTS AND STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS IT STARTS WITH AN OVERVIEW OF DESIGN THEORY THEN PROGRESSES TO DESIGN PROCESSES AND CONCLUDES WITH COVERAGE OF DESIGN PRODUCTION JIM THOMPSON BARNABY BERBANK GREEN AND NIC CUSWORTH LONDON UK ARE COMPUTER GAME DESIGNERS AND LECTURERS IN ANIMATION AND COMPUTER GAME DESIGN

HOW OFTEN HAVE YOU HEARD ANYONE CAN DESIGN A GAME WHILE IT SEEMS LIKE AN EASY JOB GAME IDEAS ARE CHEAP AND PLENTIFUL ADVANCING THOSE IDEAS INTO GAMES THAT PEOPLE WANT TO PLAY IS ONE OF THE HARDEST AND MOST UNDER APPRECIATED TASKS IN THE GAME DEVELOPMENT CYCLE ANDREW ROLLINGS AND ERNEST ADAMS ON GAME DESIGN INTRODUCES BOTH STUDENTS AND EXPERIENCED DEVELOPERS TO THE CRAFT OF DESIGNING COMPUTER AND VIDEO GAMES FOR THE RETAIL MARKET THE FIRST HALF OF THE BOOK IS A DETAILED ANALYSIS OF THE KEY GAME DESIGN ELEMENTS EXAMINING GAME CONCEPTS AND WORLDS STORYTELLING CHARACTER AND USER INTERFACE DESIGN CORE MECHANICS AND BALANCE THE SECOND HALF DISCUSSES EACH OF THE MAJOR GAME GENRES ACTION ADVENTURE ROLE PLAYING STRATEGY PUZZLE AND SO ON AND IDENTIFIES THE DESIGN PATTERNS AND UNIQUE CREATIVE CHALLENGES THAT CHARACTERIZE THEM FILLED WITH EXAMPLES AND WORKSHEETS THIS BOOK TAKES AN ACCESSIBLE PRACTICAL APPROACH TO CREATING FUN INNOVATIVE AND HIGHLY PLAYABLE GAMES

VIDEO GAME DESIGN IS A VISUAL INTRODUCTION TO INTEGRATING CORE DESIGN ESSENTIALS SUCH AS CRITICAL ANALYSIS MECHANICS AND AESTHETICS PROTOTYPING LEVEL DESIGN INTO GAME DESIGN USING A RAFT OF EXAMPLES FROM A DIVERSE RANGE OF LEADING INTERNATIONAL CREATIVES AND AWARD WINNING STUDIOS THIS IS A MUST HAVE GUIDE FOR BUDDING GAME DESIGNERS INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVES FROM GAME INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS PROVIDE FASCINATING INSIGHTS INTO THIS CREATIVE FIELD AND EACH CHAPTER CONCLUDES WITH A WORKSHOP PROJECT TO HELP YOU PUT WHAT YOU VE LEARNT INTO PRACTICE TO PLAN AND DEVELOP YOUR OWN GAMES WITH OVER 200 IMAGES FROM SOME OF THE BEST SELLING MOST CREATIVE GAMES OF THE LAST 30 YEARS THIS IS AN ESSENTIAL

INTRODUCTION TO INDUSTRY PRACTICE HELPING READERS DEVELOP PRACTICAL SKILLS FOR VIDEO GAME CREATION THIS BOOK IS FOR THOSE SEEKING A CAREER MAKING VIDEO GAMES AS PART OF A STUDIO SMALL TEAM OR AS AN INDEPENDENT CREATOR IT WILL GUIDE YOU FROM UNDERSTANDING HOW GAMES ENGAGE ENTERTAIN AND COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR AUDIENCE AND TAKE YOU ON A JOURNEY AS A DESIGNER TOWARDS CREATING YOUR OWN VIDEO GAME EXPERIENCES INTERVIEWEES INCLUDE JAMES PORTNOW CEO AT RAINMAKER GAMES BRANDON SHEFFIELD GAMASUTRA COM GAME DEVELOPER MAGAZINE STEVE GAYNOR CO FOUNDER THE FULLBRIGHT COMPANY GONE HOME KATE CRAIG ENVIRONMENT ARTIST THE FULLBRIGHT COMPANY GONE HOME ADAM SALTSMAN CREATOR OF CANABALT GRAVITY HOOK JAKE ELLIOTT TAMAS KEMENCZY CARDBOARD COMPUTER KENTUCKY ROUTE ZERO TYSON STEELE USER INTERFACE DESIGNER EPIC GAMES TOM FRANCIS GAME DESIGNER GUNPOINT FLOATING POINT KAREEM ETTOUNEY ART DIRECTOR MEDIA MOLECULE LITTLE BIG PLANET 1 2 TEARAWAY KENNETH YOUNG HEAD OF AUDIO MEDIA MOLECULE REX CROWLE CREATIVE LEAD MEDIA MOLECULE

ARM YOURSELF WITH THE PRACTICAL SKILLS AND CUTTING EDGE INSIGHTS NECESSARY TO SUCCESSFULLY DESIGN CAPTIVATING GAMES ACROSS A VARIETY OF GENRES AND PLATFORMS WITH THE HELP OF THIS PART COLOR GUIDE KEY FEATURES MASTER THE SKILLS PROCESSES AND TECHNIQUES ESSENTIAL FOR WORKING IN A PROFESSIONAL SETTING GRASP THE CORE PRINCIPLES AND PROCESSES OF LEVEL DESIGN WORLD BUILDING AND STORYTELLING DESIGN IMPLEMENT AND REFINE HIGH QUALITY FEATURES AND MECHANICS FOR CONTEMPORARY VIDEO GAMES PURCHASE OF THE PRINT OR KINDLE BOOK INCLUDES A FREE PDF EBOOK BOOK DESCRIPTIONIF YOU RE IN SEARCH OF A CUTTING EDGE ACTIONABLE GUIDE TO GAME DESIGN YOUR QUEST ENDS HERE IMMERSE YOURSELF IN THE FUNDAMENTALS OF GAME DESIGN WITH EXPERT GUIDANCE FROM VETERANS WITH DECADES OF GAME DESIGN EXPERIENCE ACROSS A VARIETY OF GENRES AND PLATFORMS THE SECOND EDITION OF THIS BOOK REMAINS DEDICATED TO ITS ORIGINAL GOAL OF HELPING YOU MASTER THE FUNDAMENTALS OF GAME DESIGN IN A PRACTICAL MANNER WITH THE ADDITION OF SOME OF THE LATEST TRENDS IN GAME DESIGN AND A WHOLE LOT OF FRESH REAL WORLD EXAMPLES FROM GAMES OF THE CURRENT GENERATION THIS UPDATE BRINGS A NEW CHAPTER ON GAMES AS A SERVICE EXPLAINING THE EVOLVING ROLE OF THE GAME DESIGNER AND DIVING DEEPER INTO THE DESIGN OF GAMES THAT ARE MEANT TO BE PLAYED FOREVER FROM CONCEPTUALIZING A GAME IDEA YOU LL GRADUALLY MOVE ON TO DEVISING A DESIGN PLAN AND ADAPTING SOLUTIONS FROM EXISTING GAMES EXPLORING THE CRAFT OF PRODUCING ORIGINAL GAME MECHANICS AND ELIMINATING ANTICIPATED DESIGN RISKS THROUGH TESTING YOU LL THEN BE INTRODUCED TO LEVEL DESIGN INTERACTIVE STORYTELLING USER EXPERIENCE AND ACCESSIBILITY BY THE END OF THIS GAME DESIGN BOOK YOU LL HAVE LEARNED HOW TO WRAP UP A GAME AHEAD OF ITS RELEASE DATE WORK THROUGH THE CHALLENGES OF DESIGNING FREE TO PLAY GAMES AND GAMES AS A SERVICE AND SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE THEIR QUALITY THROUGH ITERATION PLAYTESTING AND POLISHING WHAT YOU WILL LEARN DEFINE THE SCOPE AND STRUCTURE OF A GAME PROJECT CONCEPTUALIZE A GAME IDEA AND PRESENT IT TO OTHERS DESIGN GAMEPLAY SYSTEMS AND COMMUNICATE THEM CLEARLY AND THOROUGHLY BUILD AND VALIDATE ENGAGING GAME MECHANICS DESIGN SUCCESSFUL GAMES AS A SERVICE AND PREPARE THEM FOR LIVE OPERATIONS IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF A GAME THROUGH PLAYTESTING AND METICULOUS POLISHING WHO THIS BOOK IS FOR WHETHER YOU ARE A STUDENT EAGER TO DESIGN YOUR VERY FIRST GAME OR A GAME DESIGNER LOOKING TO EXPAND YOUR SKILL SET THIS BOOK WILL HELP YOU MASTER THE FUNDAMENTALS OF GAME DESIGN ACROSS ALL STAGES OF GAME DEVELOPMENT WITH A FOCUS ON BEST PRACTICES AND A PRAGMATIC APPROACH PRACTICAL GAME DESIGN OFFERS INSIGHTS INTO THE ART AND CRAFT OF GAME DESIGN FROM TWO SENIOR GAME DESIGNERS WITH INSIDER KNOWLEDGE THAT EVEN VETERANS WILL FIND VALUABLE WHILE PRIOR EXPERIENCE WITH GAME DEVELOPMENT IS NOT ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY HAVING BASIC KNOWLEDGE OF POPULAR VIDEO GAMES WILL PROVE HELPFUL

CHRIS CRAWFORD ON GAME DESIGN IS ALL ABOUT THE FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS BEHIND THE DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURE OF A GAME WITHOUT THESE SKILLS DESIGNERS AND DEVELOPERS LACK THE UNDERSTANDING TO WORK WITH THE TOOLS AND TECHNIQUES USED IN THE INDUSTRY TODAY CHRIS CRAWFORD THE MOST HIGHLY SOUGHT AFTER EXPERT IN THIS AREA BRINGS AN INTENSE OPINION PIECE FULL OF PERSONALITY AND FLARE LIKE NO OTHER PERSON IN THIS INDUSTRY CAN HE EXPLAINS THE FOUNDATIONAL AND FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS NEEDED TO GET THE MOST OUT OF GAME DEVELOPMENT TODAY AN EXCEPTIONAL PRECURSOR TO THE TWO BOOKS SOON TO BE PUBLISHED BY NEW RIDERS WITH AUTHOR ANDREW ROLLINGS THIS BOOK TEACHES KEY LESSONS INCLUDING WHAT YOU CAN LEARN FROM THE HISTORY OF GAME PLAY AND HISTORICAL GAMES NECESSITY OF CHALLENGE IN GAME PLAY APPLYING DIMENSIONS OF CONFLICT UNDERSTANDING LOW AND HIGH INTERACTIVITY DESIGNS WATCHING FOR THE INCLUSION OF CREATIVITY

AND UNDERSTANDING THE IMPORTANCE OF STORYTELLING IN ADDITION CHRIS BRINGS YOU THE WISH LIST OF GAMES HE D LIKE TO BUILD AND TELLS YOU HOW TO DO IT GAME DEVELOPERS AND DESIGNERS WILL KILL FOR THIS INFORMATION

DESIGN ACCESSIBLE AND CREATIVE GAMES ACROSS GENRES PLATFORMS AND DEVELOPMENT REALITIES KEY FEATURES IMPLEMENT THE SKILLS AND TECHNIQUES REQUIRED TO WORK IN A PROFESSIONAL STUDIO ACE THE CORE PRINCIPLES AND PROCESSES OF LEVEL DESIGN WORLD BUILDING AND STORYTELLING DESIGN INTERACTIVE CHARACTERS THAT ANIMATE THE GAMING WORLD BOOK DESCRIPTIONIF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR AN UP TO DATE AND HIGHLY APPLICABLE GUIDE TO GAME DESIGN THEN YOU HAVE COME TO THE RIGHT PLACE IMMERSE YOURSELF IN THE FUNDAMENTALS OF GAME DESIGN WITH THIS BOOK WRITTEN BY TWO HIGHLY EXPERIENCED INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS TO SHARE THEIR PROFOUND INSIGHTS AS WELL AS GIVE VALUABLE ADVICE ON CREATING GAMES ACROSS GENRES AND DEVELOPMENT PLATFORMS THIS BOOK COVERS THE BASICS OF GAME DESIGN ONE PIECE AT A TIME STARTING WITH LEARNING HOW TO CONCEPTUALIZE A GAME IDEA AND PRESENT IT TO THE DEVELOPMENT TEAM YOU WILL GRADUALLY MOVE ON TO DEVISING A DESIGN PLAN FOR THE WHOLE PROJECT AND ADAPTING SOLUTIONS FROM OTHER GAMES YOU WILL ALSO DISCOVER HOW TO PRODUCE ORIGINAL GAME MECHANICS WITHOUT RELYING ON EXISTING REFERENCE MATERIAL AND TEST AND ELIMINATE ANTICIPATED DESIGN RISKS YOU WILL THEN DESIGN ELEMENTS THAT COMPOSE THE PLAYTIME OF A GAME FOLLOWED BY MAKING GAME MECHANICS CONTENT AND INTERFACE ACCESSIBLE TO ALL PLAYERS YOU WILL ALSO FIND OUT HOW TO SIMULTANEOUSLY ENSURE THAT THE GAMEPLAY MECHANICS AND CONTENT ARE WORKING AS INTENDED AS THE BOOK REACHES ITS FINAL CHAPTERS YOU WILL LEARN TO WRAP UP A GAME AHEAD OF ITS RELEASE DATE WORK THROUGH THE DIFFERENT CHALLENGES OF DESIGNING FREE TO PLAY GAMES AND UNDERSTAND HOW TO SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE THEIR QUALITY THROUGH ITERATION POLISHING AND PLAYTESTING WHAT YOU WILL LEARN DEFINE THE SCOPE AND STRUCTURE OF A GAME PROJECT CONCEPTUALIZE A GAME IDEA AND PRESENT IT TO OTHERS DESIGN GAMEPLAY SYSTEMS AND COMMUNICATE THEM CLEARLY AND THOROUGHLY BUILD AND VALIDATE ENGAGING GAME MECHANICS DESIGN SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS MODELS AND PREPARE YOUR GAMES FOR LIVE OPERATIONS MASTER THE PRINCIPLES BEHIND LEVEL DESIGN WORLDBUILDING AND STORYTELLING IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF A GAME BY PLAYTESTING AND POLISHING IT WHO THIS BOOK IS FOR WHETHER YOU ARE A STUDENT EAGER TO DESIGN A GAME OR A JUNIOR GAME DESIGNER LOOKING FOR YOUR FIRST ROLE AS A PROFESSIONAL THIS BOOK WILL HELP YOU WITH THE FUNDAMENTALS OF GAME DESIGN BY FOCUSING ON BEST PRACTICES AND A PRAGMATIC APPROACH PRACTICAL GAME DESIGN PROVIDES INSIGHTS INTO THE ARTS AND CRAFTS FROM TWO SENIOR GAME DESIGNERS THAT WILL INTEREST MORE SEASONED PROFESSIONALS IN THE GAME INDUSTRY

ANYONE CAN MASTER THE FUNDAMENTALS OF GAME DESIGN NO TECHNOLOGICAL EXPERTISE IS NECESSARY THE ART OF GAME DESIGN A BOOK OF LENSES SHOWS THAT THE SAME BASIC PRINCIPLES OF PSYCHOLOGY THAT WORK FOR BOARD GAMES CARD GAMES AND ATHLETIC GAMES ALSO ARE THE KEYS TO MAKING TOP QUALITY VIDEOGAMES GOOD GAME DESIGN HAPPENS WHEN YOU VIEW YOUR GAME FROM MANY DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES OR LENSES WHILE TOURING THROUGH THE UNUSUAL TERRITORY THAT IS GAME DESIGN THIS BOOK GIVES THE READER ONE HUNDRED OF THESE LENSES ONE HUNDRED SETS OF INSIGHTFUL QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF THAT WILL HELP MAKE YOUR GAME BETTER THESE LENSES ARE GATHERED FROM FIELDS AS DIVERSE AS PSYCHOLOGY ARCHITECTURE MUSIC VISUAL DESIGN FILM SOFTWARE ENGINEERING THEME PARK DESIGN MATHEMATICS WRITING PUZZLE DESIGN AND ANTHROPOLOGY ANYONE WHO READS THIS BOOK WILL BE INSPIRED TO BECOME A BETTER GAME DESIGNER AND WILL UNDERSTAND HOW TO DO IT

GAME DESIGNERS SPEND THEIR LIVES SOLVING EXTRAORDINARY PROBLEMS AND FACING MIND BENDING PARADOXES IT S THEIR JOB TO MAKE A METICULOUS PLAN FOR SPONTANEOUS FUN PLAYERS WILL WANT TO EXPERIENCE OVER AND OVER AGAIN PRESSURE IS HEAPED ON WITH DEMANDS FOR INNOVATION AND BLOCKBUSTER STATUS SO DESIGNERS FIND THEMSELVES FACING AN ABYSS OF PROBLEMS PRESSURE AND POSSIBILITIES ARMED ONLY WITH THEIR BRAINS AND AN ASSORTMENT OF DESIGN PRINCIPLES THEY PICKED UP OVER YEARS OF EXPERIENCE FOR THE FIRST TIME 100 PRINCIPLES OF GAME DESIGN GATHERS SOME OF THE BEST OF THESE BIG IDEAS INTO ONE TOOLKIT SEASONED DESIGNERS WILL BE GLAD THEY DON T HAVE TO HOLD IT ALL IN THEIR HEADS ANYMORE AND BEGINNING DESIGN STUDENTS CAN USE THE BOOK TO LEARN THE TOOLS OF THE TRADE WHEN THE GOING GETS TOUGH EVERYONE CAN TURN TO THIS BOOK FOR GUIDANCE INSPIRATION OR JUST TO REMIND THEM OF WHAT WORKS COLLECTED FROM EVERY POPULAR SCHOOL OF THOUGHT IN GAME DESIGN THESE CORE PRINCIPLES ARE ORGANIZED BY THEME

INNOVATION CREATION BALANCING AND TROUBLESHOOTING INCLUDES ADVANCES FROM THE WORLD S LEADING AUTHORITIES ON GAME DESIGN SOME EXPLAINED BY THE CREATORS THEMSELVES A REFERENCE BOOK OF FINITE INDIVIDUAL PRINCIPLES FOR EASY ACCESS PROVIDING A JUMPING OFF POINT FOR FURTHER RESEARCH PRINCIPLES ORIGINATING IN FIELDS AS DIVERSE AS ARCHITECTURE PSYCHIATRY AND ECONOMICS BUT SHOWN HERE AS THEY APPLY TO GAME DESIGN RICHLY DESIGNED WITH ILLUSTRATIONS AND PHOTOS MAKING EACH PRINCIPLE EASY TO UNDERSTAND AND MEMORABLE TIMELESS APPROACH INCLUDES FEEDBACK LOOPS GAME MECHANICS PROTOTYPING ECONOMIES OF SCALE USER CENTERED DESIGN AND MUCH MORE PROFESSIONAL DESIGNERS AND INSTRUCTORS AT ONE OF THE WORLD S LEADING GAME DESIGN INSTITUTIONS LAY OUT THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF DIVERSE KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED TO DESIGN EVEN THE SIMPLEST OF GAMES

DESIGN GREAT FACEBOOK IOS AND GAMES AND LEARN FROM THE EXPERTS WHAT MAKES A GAME A HIT THIS BOOK SHOWS HOW TO PUT INTO ACTION THE PROVEN DESIGN AND MARKETING TECHNIQUES FROM THE INDUSTRY S BEST GAME DESIGNERS WHO ALL STARTED ON A SMALL SCALE

AN IMPASSIONED LOOK AT GAMES AND GAME DESIGN THAT OFFERS THE MOST AMBITIOUS FRAMEWORK FOR UNDERSTANDING THEM TO DATE AS POP CULTURE GAMES ARE AS IMPORTANT AS FILM OR TELEVISION BUT GAME DESIGN HAS YET TO DEVELOP A THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK OR CRITICAL VOCABULARY IN RULES OF PLAY KATIE SALEN AND ERIC ZIMMERMAN PRESENT A MUCH NEEDED PRIMER FOR THIS EMERGING FIELD THEY OFFER A UNIFIED MODEL FOR LOOKING AT ALL KINDS OF GAMES FROM BOARD GAMES AND SPORTS TO COMPUTER AND VIDEO GAMES AS ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN GAME CULTURE THE AUTHORS HAVE WRITTEN RULES OF PLAY AS A CATALYST FOR INNOVATION FILLED WITH NEW CONCEPTS STRATEGIES AND METHODOLOGIES FOR CREATING AND UNDERSTANDING GAMES BUILDING AN AESTHETICS OF INTERACTIVE SYSTEMS SALEN AND ZIMMERMAN DEFINE CORE CONCEPTS LIKE PLAY DESIGN AND INTERACTIVITY THEY LOOK AT GAMES THROUGH A SERIES OF EIGHTEEN GAME DESIGN SCHEMAS OR CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORKS INCLUDING GAMES AS SYSTEMS OF EMERGENCE AND INFORMATION AS CONTEXTS FOR SOCIAL PLAY AS A STORYTELLING MEDIUM AND AS SITES OF CULTURAL RESISTANCE WRITTEN FOR GAME SCHOLARS GAME DEVELOPERS AND INTERACTIVE DESIGNERS RULES OF PLAY IS A TEXTBOOK REFERENCE BOOK AND THEORETICAL GUIDE IT IS THE FIRST COMPREHENSIVE ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH A SOLID THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE EMERGING DISCIPLINE OF GAME DESIGN

BOTH BURGEONING GAME DESIGNERS AND DEVOTED GAMERS SHOULD CONSIDER GAME DESIGN THEORY PRACTICE AN ESSENTIAL READ COMPUTER GAMING WORLD ULTIMATELY IN BOTH THEORY AND PRACTICE ROUSE S GAME DESIGN BIBLE GETS THE JOB DONE LET US PRAY NEXT GENERATION MAGAZINE IN THE SECOND EDITION TO THE ACCLAIMED GAME DESIGN THEORY PRACTICE DESIGNER RICHARD ROUSE III BALANCES A DISCUSSION OF THE ESSENTIAL CONCEPTS BEHIND GAME DESIGN WITH AN EXPLANATION OF HOW YOU CAN IMPLEMENT THEM IN YOUR CURRENT PROJECT DETAILED ANALYSIS OF SUCCESSFUL GAMES IS INTERWOVEN WITH CONCRETE EXAMPLES FROM ROUSE S OWN EXPERIENCE THIS SECOND EDITION THOROUGHLY UPDATES THE POPULAR ORIGINAL WITH NEW CHAPTERS AND FULLY REVISED TEXT

NOW IN ITS THIRD EDITION THE CLASSIC BOOK ON GAME DESIGN HAS BEEN COMPLETELY REVISED TO INCLUDE THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE GAME INDUSTRY READERS WILL LEARN ALL THE FUNDAMENTALS OF CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT GAMEPLAY DESIGN CORE MECHANICS USER INTERFACES STORYTELLING AND BALANCING THEY LL BE INTRODUCED TO DESIGNING FOR MOBILE DEVICES AND TOUCH SCREENS AS WELL AS FOR THE KINECT AND MOTION CAPTURE GAMEPLAY THEY LL LEARN HOW INDIE DEVELOPERS ARE PUSHING THE ENVELOPE AND HOW NEW BUSINESS MODELS SUCH AS FREE TO PLAY ARE INFLUENCING DESIGN IN AN EASY TO FOLLOW APPROACH ADAMS OFFERS A FIRST HAND LOOK INTO THE PROCESS OF DESIGNING A GAME FROM INITIAL CONCEPT TO FINAL TUNING THIS IN DEPTH RESOURCE ALSO COMES WITH ENGAGING END OF CHAPTER EXERCISES DESIGN WORKSHEETS AND CASE STUDIES

MAKING A GAME CAN BE AN INTENSIVE PROCESS AND IF NOT PLANNED ACCURATELY CAN EASILY RUN OVER BUDGET THE USE OF PROCEDURAL GENERATION IN GAME DESIGN CAN HELP WITH THE INTRICATE AND MULTIFARIOUS ASPECTS OF GAME DEVELOPMENT THUS FACILITATING COST REDUCTION THIS FORM OF DEVELOPMENT ENABLES GAMES TO CREATE THEIR PLAY AREAS OBJECTS AND STORIES BASED ON A SET OF RULES RATHER THAN RELYING ON THE DEVELOPER TO HANDCRAFT EACH ELEMENT INDIVIDUALLY READERS WILL LEARN TO CREATE RANDOMIZED MAPS WEAVE ACCIDENTAL PLOTLINES AND MANAGE COMPLEX SYSTEMS THAT ARE PRONE TO UNPREDICTABLE BEHAVIOR TANYA

SHORT S AND TARN ADAMS PROCEDURAL GENERATION IN GAME DESIGN OFFERS A WIDE COLLECTION OF CHAPTERS FROM VARIOUS EXPERTS THAT COVER THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ENACTMENT OF PROCEDURAL GENERATION IN GAMES DESIGNERS FROM A VARIETY OF STUDIOS PROVIDE CONCRETE EXAMPLES FROM THEIR GAMES TO ILLUSTRATE THE MANY FACETS OF THIS EMERGING SUB DISCIPLINE KEY FEATURES INTRODUCES THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN STATIC TRADITIONAL GAME DESIGN AND PROCEDURAL GAME DESIGN DEMONSTRATES HOW TO SOLVE OR AVOID COMMON PROBLEMS WITH PROCEDURAL GAME DESIGN IN A VARIETY OF CONCRETE WAYS INCLUDES INDUSTRY LEADERS EXPERIENCES AND LESSONS FROM AWARD WINNING GAMES WORLD S FINEST GUIDE FOR HOW TO BEGIN THINKING ABOUT PROCEDURAL DESIGN

THIS BOOK ADDRESSING AN EMERGING FIELD OF STUDY ETHICS AND GAMESAND ANSWERS HOW WE CAN BETTER DESIGN AND USE GAMES TO FOSTER ETHICAL THINKING AND DISCOURSE IN CLASSROOMS PROVIDED BY PUBLISHER

DISCUSSES THE FOUNDATIONS OF GAME DESIGN AND EACH STAGE OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS AND PROVIDES INTERVIEWS WITH INDUSTRY EXPERTS CASE STUDIES AND ADVICE ON GETTING INTO THE GAMING INDUSTRY

THIS EDITED COLLECTION OF CHAPTERS CONCERNS THE EVOLVING DISCIPLINE OF PROCEDURAL STORYTELLING IN VIDEO GAMES GAMES ARE AN INTERACTIVE MEDIUM AND THIS INTERPLAY BETWEEN AUTHOR PLAYER AND MACHINE PROVIDES NEW AND EXCITING WAYS TO CREATE AND TELL STORIES IN EACH ESSAY PRACTITIONERS OF THIS ARTFORM DEMONSTRATE HOW TRADITIONAL STORYTELLING TOOLS SUCH AS CHARACTERIZATION WORLD BUILDING THEME MOMENTUM AND ATMOSPHERE CAN BE ADAPTED TO FULL EFFECT USING SPECIFIC EXAMPLES FROM THEIR GAMES THE READER WILL LEARN TO CONSTRUCT NARRATIVE SYSTEMS WRITE PROCEDURAL DIALOG AND GENERATE COMPELLING CHARACTERS WITH UNIQUE PERSONALITIES AND BACKSTORIES KEY FEATURES INTRODUCES THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN STATIC TRADITIONAL GAME DESIGN AND PROCEDURAL GAME DESIGN DEMONSTRATES HOW TO SOLVE OR AVOID COMMON PROBLEMS WITH PROCEDURAL GAME DESIGN IN A VARIETY OF CONCRETE WAYS WORLD S FINEST GUIDE FOR HOW TO BEGIN THINKING ABOUT PROCEDURAL DESIGN

MOST BOOKS ON GAME DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT TREAT THE TOPIC AS IF DESIGNERS WORKED IN A VACUUM BUT IN THE REAL WORLD GAME DESIGN ALMOST ALWAYS NEEDS TO WORK WITHIN THE CONSTRAINTS OF TIME MONEY HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE LIMITATIONS MARKETING ISSUES SALES POTENTIAL AND OTHER CHALLENGES ANYONE WHO VIEWS THIS AS AN OPPORTUNITY RATHER THAN A PROBLEM CAN LEARN TO CREATE EXCITING AND TRULY ORIGINAL TITLES THAT BECOME HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL THE COMPLETE APPROACH TO GAME DESIGN IS ALL ABOUT GETTING INTO THE TRENCHES AND UNCOVERING THE REAL WORLD CONSTRAINTS AND ISSUES AND PROVIDING DESIGN SOLUTIONS THAT REALLY WORK THIS HIGHLY PRACTICAL AND INFORMATIVE GUIDE SHOWS THAT DESIGNING SUCCESSFUL GAMES INVOLVES CRITICAL FACTORS SUCH AS HOW TO DESIGN FOR LICENSES WHEN A GAME IS BASED ON A FILM BOOK OR TV SHOW HOW TO DESIGN FOR TECHNOLOGY THAT HAS SIGNIFICANT LIMITATIONS SUCH AS LIMITED MEMORY SMALLER DISPLAYS AND LIMITED CPU CAPACITY HOW TO CREATE DESIGNS THAT ARE COMPELLING AND REALLY HOOK THE PLAYER AND HOW TO SPOT AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF KEY DESIGN TRENDS THAT ARE LEADING THE INDUSTRY NO OTHER BOOK LIKE GAME DESIGN COMPLETE BRINGS TOGETHER THE AMAZING INSIGHT OF TODAY S TOP MINDS TO COVER TOPICS LIKE DESIGNING UNIQUE CHARACTERS DEALING WITH STRANGE AND CHALLENGING ENVIRONMENTS LIKE MARS OR THE ARTIC DESIGNING A GAME AROUND FAMOUS PEOPLE DESIGNING A GAME TO STAND OUT AS A BRAND DESIGNING FOR DIFFERENT DEMOGRAPHICS AND MUCH MORE THROUGHOUT THE BOOK IS JAM PACKED WITH DESIGN RELATED WAR STORIES TIPS AND TECHNIQUES THAT REALLY WORK

THIS BOOK HELPS YOU TO CREATE THE DIGITAL GAMES YOU LOVE TO PLAY USING A NON TECHNICAL APPROACH TO GAME DESIGN WITHOUT THE NEED FOR PROGRAMMING OR ARTISTIC EXPERIENCE AWARD WINNING AUTHOR TRACY FULLERTON DEMYSTIFIES THE CREATIVE PROCESS WITH CLEAR AND ACCESSIBLE GUIDANCE ON THE FORMAL AND DRAMATIC SYSTEMS OF GAME DESIGN USING EXAMPLES OF POPULAR GAMES ILLUSTRATIONS OF DESIGN TECHNIQUES AND REFINED EXERCISES TO STRENGTHEN YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF HOW GAME SYSTEMS FUNCTION THE BOOK GIVES YOU THE SKILLS AND TOOLS NECESSARY TO CREATE A COMPELLING AND ENGAGING GAME THIS FULLY UPDATED 4TH EDITION INCLUDES EXPANDED COVERAGE OF NEW PLATFORMS AND GENRES OF PLAY INCLUDING CASUAL GAMES AND GAMES FOR LEARNING IT EXPANDS ON AGILE DEVELOPMENT PROCESSES AND INCLUDES A HOST OF NEW PERSPECTIVES FROM TOP INDUSTRY GAME DESIGNERS GAME DESIGN WORKSHOP PUTS YOU TO WORK PROTOTYPING PLAYTESTING

AND REVISING YOUR OWN GAMES WITH TIME TESTED METHODS AND TOOLS THESE SKILLS WILL PROVIDE THE FOUNDATION FOR YOUR CAREER IN ANY FACET OF THE GAME INDUSTRY INCLUDING DESIGN PRODUCING PROGRAMMING AND VISUAL DESIGN

GOOD GAME DESIGN HAPPENS WHEN YOU VIEW YOUR GAME FROM AS MANY PERSPECTIVES AS POSSIBLE WRITTEN BY ONE OF THE WORLD S TOP GAME DESIGNERS THE ART OF GAME DESIGN PRESENTS 100 SETS OF QUESTIONS OR DIFFERENT LENSES FOR VIEWING A GAME S DESIGN ENCOMPASSING DIVERSE FIELDS SUCH AS PSYCHOLOGY ARCHITECTURE MUSIC VISUAL DESIGN FILM SOFTWARE ENGINEE

THIS BOOK PRESENTS 71 PRACTICAL GAME DESIGN TOOLS THAT READERS CAN USE TO SOLVE REAL WORLD GAME DESIGN PROBLEMS WRITTEN TO BE A TOOLBOX FOR GAME DESIGNERS IT OFFERS A HANDS ON APPROACH WITH CLEAR AND EASY TO USE TOOLS SO THAT READERS CAN QUICKLY FIND THE RIGHT SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM THEY ARE FACING THIS BOOK IS DIVIDED INTO SIX GAME DESIGN PHASES IDEATION EXPLORATION COMMITMENT PROBLEM SOLVING BALANCING AND TUNING EACH CATEGORY CONTAINS AN ARRAY OF RELEVANT TOOLS AND THE ACCOMPANYING INDEXES OFFER SUGGESTIONS FOR TOOLS TO USE FOR SPECIFIC PROBLEMS SUPPORT MATERIALS FOR THIS BOOK OFFER FURTHER TEACHING MATERIALS EXERCISES AND COMPLEMENTARY FAQS WRITTEN TO BE A PRACTICAL RESOURCE THIS BOOK WILL BE A USEFUL TOOLBOX FOR JUNIOR AND VETERAN GAME DESIGNERS ALIKE

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