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# Video Game Review

— Tell us what you think! —

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# The Greenlight to Create Your First Review...

- Where do you begin?
- What should you talk about?
- How long should you play the game for?
- How much time do you need to write/film your review?

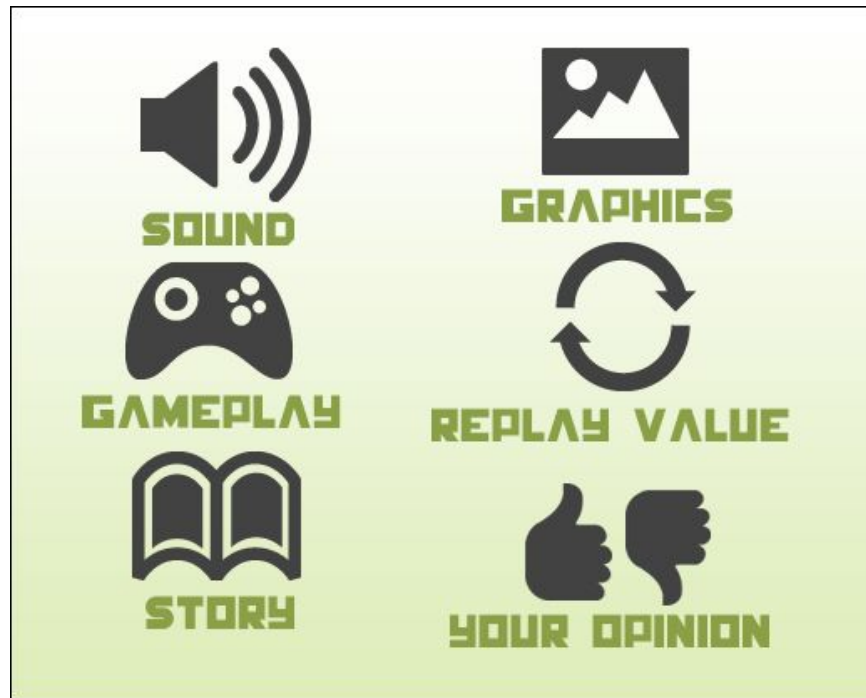
# Where do you begin?

- Grab a copy of the game!
- Jot down notes as you play
  - Do any specific elements stick out to you?
  - Are there any glaring problems?
  - How well do the game's unique features (if any) work for you?
  - What elements did you find exciting or boring?
  - How does the game compare to others in its genre?

Having a list of notes can help you recall your likes and dislikes as well as certain emotions you experienced throughout the gameplay.

# What Should You Talk About?

- A good review is about maintaining balance.
- You want to provide the audience with essential details as well as insightful opinions.
- Story, Graphics, Sound (Sound FX, Voice, Soundtrack), GamePlay, Longevity/Replay Value, Opinion/Fun Factor



# What you should NOT do.

- Do not fill your review with unnecessary rants and useless musings.
- Do not recite a list of the game's features and faults.
- Do not craft an EPIC and immersive blow-by-blow recount of the game's entire narrative.

This is **NOT** a **LET'S PLAY** or **REACT** video!

# How Long Should You Play the Game For?

- Every game will be different.
- It is not necessary to complete a game in order to review it.
- You can typically have a good enough feel for a game after you have spent **7-10 hours** playing it.

# How much time do you need to write/film your review?

- This will all depend on your level of production.
- This project will consume quite a bit of time to complete.
  - Playing through the game. (Pausing to take notes.)
  - Planning overall layout of review and what to discuss.
  - Capturing video of necessary gameplay.
  - Typing up our original review/script.
  - Gather any necessary images or materials.
  - Capturing any other necessary video.
  - Compositing and editing the video into its final format.

# Different Types of Reviews

- Written reviews with embedded images and GamePlay videos.
  - [Polygon](#)
  - [PC Gamer](#)
- Panel reviews
- Studio reviews ([IGN](#), [GT](#), [GameSpot](#))
- Independent reviews ([ACG](#), Angry Joe, Raychul, [JAR Media](#), Game Informer)



# A Couple of Samples

