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A WARNING

Important Health Warning About Playing Video Games

Photosensitive Seizures

A very small percentage of people may experience a seizure when exposed to certain visual images, including flashing lights or patterns that may appear in video games. Even people who have no history of seizures or epilepsy may have an undiagnosed condition that can cause these "photosensitive epileptic seizures" while watching video games.

These seizures may have a variety of symptoms, including lightheadedness, altered vision, eye or face twitching, jerking or shaking of arms or legs, disorientation, confusion, or momentary loss of awareness. Seizures may also cause loss of consciousness or convulsions that can lead to injury from falling down or striking nearby objects.

Immediately stop playing and consult a doctor if you experience any of these symptoms. Parents should watch for or ask their children about the above symptoms—children and teenagers are more likely than adults to experience these seizures. The risk of photosensitive epileptic seizures may be reduced by taking the following precautions:

- · Sit farther from the television screen.
- Use a smaller television screen.
- · Play in a well-lit room...
- · Do not play when you are drowsy or fatigued.

If you or any of your relatives have a history of seizures or epilepsy, consult a doctor before playing.

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Rediscover the puzzle phenomenon that conquered the Net—right on your Xbox 360^{TM} console. Set against striking planetary vistas, this sequel offers more than just colorful jewel swapping...

- Dazzling 3-D special effects.
- Typnotic sound effects and entrancing music.
- Stunning planetary backdrops.
- Explosive new pieces: Power Gems, Hyper Cubes, and Time Bombs.
- Four ways to play: Classic, Action, Puzzle, and Endless.
- A veritable galaxy of handcrafted puzzles in Puzzle mode.
- Nonstop gameplay and infinite jewelry in Endless mode.
- The Secret game modes.
- On-demand hints.



Match four of a kind to earn an explosive Power Gem. Five in a row gets you a Hyper Cube, a special piece that clears all gems of a single color. And don't forget Time Bombs and the brand-new Endless mode. Discover secret game modes, get hints when you want them, and enjoy mesmerizing music and special effects.



Tips & Tricks

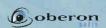
- Try to match gems from the top down rather than from the bottom up.
- Thorde as many Hyper Cubes as possible, and then use them when you're in trouble.











JEDMETRY WARS

Piloting your craft alone through deep space, you're suddenly, mercilessly attacked by strange... shapes?! Though the diamonds and pinwheels seem easy enough to defeat, the threat increases as wily, aggressive squares appear.

- Green squares evade your fire.
- Purple squares, when fired upon, divide into smaller clones of themselves.
- Serpentine lines leave venomous trails in their wake and often travel in packs.
- Red circles quickly morph into black holes that can warp the course of your fire, or even consume you.

Luckily, your main weapon is equipped with unlimited ammo. But your ultimate firepower comes in the form of a bomb that instantly destroys all enemies on screen. Unfortunately, bombs are in limited supply.

Geometry Wars became an instant classic when it first appeared in Project Gotham Racing® 2. This exclusive Xbox Live® Arcade sequel gives you both the original game and a new, upgraded





version wrapped together in Geometry Wars Retro Evolved, featuring ten times more particles, highdefinition graphics, digital sound, new enemies, enhanced special effects, and a scrolling play area.

Tips & Tricks

- Stay in the same spot and keep picking off your attackers for as long as you can. Don't move until you have to!
- Only use your bombs as a last resort. You don't earn points for blowing up enemy ships with the bombs, and racking up points is key to success.
- Watch out for the really fast ships, especially when they get close.
- Try to stay in the center of the screen, away from the sides and corners.



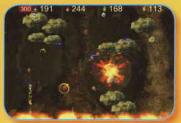






The story of Wik is a sad tale, you see, Filled with sorrow and loss and grim tragedy. We begin with a family cruelly taken... A loss that has left poor Wik's heart forsaken. Our hero, now seeking the souls of these lost, Has yet to fathom the immeasurable cost. But wait! Strange creatures called grubs now appear, Seeming benign but with motives unclear. Could these green worm things be somehow involved? Will this great riddle ever be solved? Wik is quite clever with his long, sticky tongue. From rocks and from mushrooms our hero has swung. He sucks up those green grubs and spits out the same. With acorns and horde flies has incomparable aim. His faithful mule Slotham is loyal but dim. If he wanders away, Wik's future looks grim. Adventure through more than ten dozen levels With goodies and baddies and all sorts of devils. Accompany Wik down countless dark roads As you play any one of the seven fun modes. Now journey with Wik; unravel the mystery To reunite the boy with his beloved family.





Tips & Tricks

To build swing momentum more quickly, try jumping away from the point you want Wik to swing from before you latch his tongue.

Looping close to scorpions or other players will knock them off their platform.

Spit acorns at other players for extra points and to prevent people from camping in tall trees.

Watch for bags of rocks and large berries—if you spit them, they will break into many smaller pieces, which can each take out a bug.







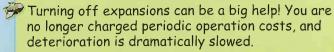


Everyone loves galactic lemonade... which means big space bucks for you! But how are you going to supply power to your lemonade stand? Better build a solar windmill. But how will you pay for the windmill with no space dollars?!

Outpost Kaloki X is the whimsical space-station tycoon game filled with zany characters and hilarious storylines where it's your job to keep the visiting aliens happy and rake in the cash! Play the Adventure Story, the War Story, or any one of 11 different Scenarios. Chat with your patrons to find out what they really want... and to get hot tips on cool expansions. Complete lower-level expansions to unlock more advanced ones. Can you juggle the needs of your station, the desires of your clients, and your own hopes for cash and glory?

For the first time, the unique controls and gameplay of Outpost Kaloki X bring a tycoon-style game directly to the Xbox 360 console. Even seasoned gamers will find this player-friendly game a challenge to beat in gold-medal time. Outpost Kaloki X is truly a game for everyone that will keep you laughing and provide hours of entertainment. Even the big band music helps set the unique tone of this game.

Tips & Tricks



On higher levels where you need to build up to advanced technology in various trees, keep in mind that the Science category is a prerequisite for many other expansions.

If you're having a hard time reaching a money or power goal within the time limit, try selling everything off at the last moment. But save the game first, just in case it doesn't work.

Turn your power down or off when you're not using it. Wasted power costs money.









Try your hand at the most realistic game in town— Texas Hold 'Em poker! Beginner or pro, you name the game and set the stakes. Feel the thrill of watching that perfect hand develop. Surprise your rivals as you deliver the ultimate stone-faced bluff.

Experience Standard Games, Tournaments, or edgeof-the-seat Scenarios where you'd better have the cards or the guts to survive. Use the comprehensive Help to learn the basics and how best to play the cards you're dealt.

Texas Hold 'Em poker—hold 'em or fold 'em, it's always your call!





Texas Hold 'Em includes these great features:

- Three entertaining game modes: Standard Game, Tournament, or Scenarios.
- Dozens of game variations.
- Comprehensive Help topics on each aspect of the game.
- Realistic in-game players to challenge every skill level.









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Enjoy a game of classic backgammon against in-game opponents, against a friend on the same Xbox 360 console, or against an online opponent on Xbox Live. For centuries, civilizations across the globe have enjoyed backgammon's challenging blend of luck and strategy. So roll the dice and ponder your next move. And should you find your opponent's checker vulnerable, strike fast and send him to the bar! Once you have victory assured, use the doubling cube to bring you even closer to ultimate success!

- Two-player games at home or on Xbox Live.
- Challenging in-game opponents using Neural Net technology.
- Customizable items:
 - Environments (backgrounds, some with sound).
 - · Dice.
 - Doubling cube.
 - · Checkers.
 - · Playing board.
- Fooms[™], similar to emoticons, don't affect the game, but they might affect your mood. Send your opponents Fooms—like a Kiss, Fireball, or Lightning—to let them know how you feel.

Tips & Tricks

Avoid leaving a checker alone on a point and hence open for capture.

Use a wall of checkers to block a player from getting off the bar. This makes your opponent's rolls worthless—it's like getting extra moves.







