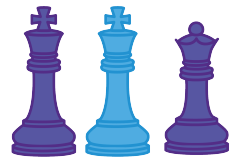


9th Grade & Up



Device 6

iOS

Device 6 is an incredibly intelligent and mind-bending puzzle game. It uses pulp mystery tropes to guide the player along a twisty, text-based adventure. The game is incredibly self-aware and raises a lot of questions about free will, fate, and the nature of media.

PC, iOS, Android

Superbrothers: Sword and Sorcery EP

Sword and Sorcery EP is a thoughtful adventure game in which you control The Scythian, a wandering warrior on a woeful errand. This game features a fantastic soundscape as well as a lot of unusual twists on common gaming tropes.

PlayStation 2, PlayStation Vita

Persona 4

Persona 4 is a very long game and a good way to spend some relaxing hours after running around outside has run its course. While the game is rated M for Mature, it deals with a lot of important teen concerns (friendship, sexuality, gender, parental expectations, leaving home, loneliness, etc.) and has a great story and characters all around.

Valiant Hearts: the Great War

PC, iOS, Android,
PlayStation 3, PlayStation 4,
Xbox 360, Xbox One

Valiant Hearts is a surprisingly gentle game, given the subject matter: World War I told from the perspective of both combatants and non-combatants. This is a history game, but instead of being about war tactics and strategy, it's about family, friendship, and how war affects people in profound ways no matter their relationship to the battlefield.

☐ Year Walk

Windows, iOS

Year Walk is a puzzle horror game about Swedish mythology. It's scary, and it's a great place to start talking about myths, monsters, and where our innermost fears come from. It also takes place in winter, so it might be a nice respite from a hot day.

☐ Journey

PlayStation 3, PlayStation 4

Journey's beautiful art and music make this game a poetic experience that encourages players to think about big issues. Themes include environmental stewardship and the need to persevere in the face of incredible hardship.