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THE VIDEO GAME ISSUE

Three secrets to saving on your gaming habit

When it comes to saving money on video games, we all know the typical tricks: buy used and wait for sales. But if you dig a little deeper, you'll find even more ways to slash your spending (don't worry, we did the work for you).

Check out these effective but less obvious ways to one-up your savings power:



Play the long game

Try to choose games that will be awesome no matter how many times you play them. Typically these include strategy or simulation games—anything that's complex and pays off even after you complete it.

Keep your older consoles

Great games stay great forever. Whether it's a PS3 or Xbox 360, hang on to your older consoles if you still love their games. It might keep you from wanting to buy every new release.

Watch for discounts

Okay, this isn't exactly a "secret," but it's a less popular tactic because it requires more time. If there's a new release you just have to have, check retailers' websites for coupons. \$20-off discounts happen fairly often.





WHY ARE SCAMMERS ALWAYS TRYING TO RUIN OUR FUN??

GAME OVER

THESE VIDEO GAME SCAMS ARE A SERIOUS BUZZKILL



SCAM: THE SKETCHY SMARTPHONE GAME

Watch out for less popular games, especially on Windows phones. In one particular scam, the downloaded game secretly dials long-distance calls and runs up your phone bill.



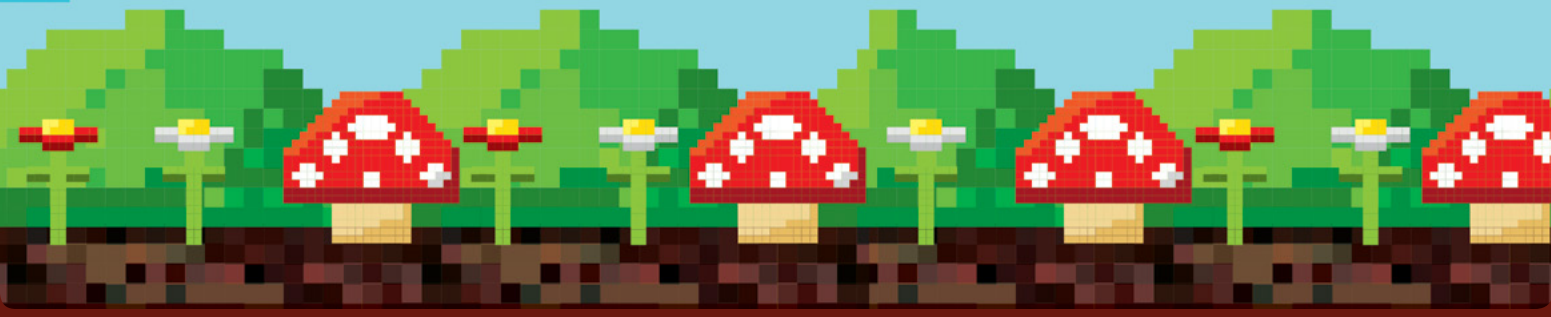
SCAM: UNLIMITED DOWNLOADS FOR A ONE-TIME FEE!

Sounds good, right? There's just one major hitch: the downloads come from pirate sites, and may unleash malware on your device.



SCAM: EARN \$100 PER HOUR TO TEST GAMES!

What actually happens: you hand over your information and get paid almost nothing. In reality, video game testers don't make much money.



What's on your VIRTUAL REALITY wish list?

As you probably already know, virtual reality continues to grow. But according to a recent survey of students, a video game isn't the only thing they want to experience in VR.

From most to least popular...

- Visit another country
- Go on an adventure
- Visit a fantasy world
- Travel back in time
- Play video games
- Fly like a bird
- Watch a 3D movie



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