

6th Grade & Up



Minecraft

**PC, iOS, Xbox 360,
Xbox One, PlayStation 3,
PlayStation 4, PlayStation Vita**

Minecraft is the quintessential building game. In Minecraft, every material can be crafted into objects, and Minecraft players build as many things as their imagination allows. It might look simple, but it's as complex as they come.

Fez

**PC, iOS, Xbox 360,
PlayStation 3, PlayStation 4,
PlayStation Vita**

Fez is a puzzle game with a twist—literally. At any one moment, the game seems to be two dimensional, yet with the tap of a button the environment rotates by 90 degrees. This mechanic gives way to some truly innovative puzzle design.

Broken Age

**Windows, iOS, Android,
PlayStation 4, PlayStation Vita**

Broken Age is a beautiful coming-of-age story starring two teenagers. The game features complex puzzles, hilarious jokes, and fantastic world-building. It was one of our favorite games of 2014.

Elegy for a Dead World

Linux, PC, Mac

Elegy for a Dead World is more of a word processor than a video game. Players control a lonely astronaut and explore three abandoned planets, each one inspired by a famous Romantic poem. Players complete short writing prompts and can then share their stories with other players online.

Never Alone

PlayStation 3, Windows

Never Alone is a platformer game about a young Native Alaskan girl trying to save her tribe from a blizzard. It's best played with a friend or family member—one of you can control the girl, Nuna, and the other person can control her fox companion. Never Alone incorporates genuine Native Alaskan mythology into its story.

Dance Central

Xbox 360

Disney Fantasia: Music Evolved is a motion game in which you play as the conductor to various popular songs and classical pieces. The game features totally unique gameplay that illustrates the potential for more gameplay innovations in the future.

Papo & Yo

**Xbox 360,
Xbox One, PC**

Papo & Yo is a puzzle game that deals with parental abuse and alcoholism in an indirect way through metaphors like frogs and sad monsters. It's a wonderful story to use as a starting point for a difficult discussion, and it also has great puzzles and beautiful scenery.

Tearaway

PlayStation Vita, PlayStation 4

Tearaway is a platformer game set in a world made of paper. As yourself, you guide a tiny paper messenger towards the goal of delivering a message to you! It's an adorable, creative little game that lends itself well to arts and crafts, since you can print out and make most of the characters in the game from paper.

Gravity Ghost

Windows, iOS

Gravity Ghost is a unique PC game where you play as the ghost of a little girl as she traverses the universe. The gameplay involves jumping on and off planets and soaring through space. The planets in the game each have different gravitational pulls, which you must manipulate to achieve your goals.

Peggle 2

**PlayStation 3, PlayStation 4,
Xbox 360, Xbox One**

Peggle 2 is a puzzle game where you shoot a ball at a series of pegs with the goal of eliminating all the orange pegs before you run out of balls. It's an incredibly engrossing single-player and multiplayer experience, and while it can get really strategic, it's still easy for inexperienced players to pick up.