



Representation within video games.

I am a student in my last year of university studying games design and development for this module. I must collect primary research to further explore my case study findings from last semester.

My case study was that how do representations differ in 'classic' video games compared to modern video games when comparing an original to a remake? and this survey will relate to your project. Creating a hypothetical example of your video game that includes outdated or problematic representations.

All answers are anonymous and will not be used outside of the project. Your email will not be connected to the survey or referenced at all.

If you have any further questions, please contact me by email at willowdewar1@gmail.com [Twitter account](#)
Thank you for you time!

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What gender do you identify as?

- Male
- Female
- Other

Please write you age in the box below

Your answer

What year did you start playing video games?

If you can not remember specifically, please provide an estimate

Your answer

Which element of representation do you feel is most commonly discussed problematically in video games?

- Race/ethnicity
- Gender
- Sexuality
- Religion
- Disability
- Mental health
- Other

Out of all the video games you are familiar with, which game do you feel includes the BEST representations of one or more of these elements?

Your answer

Why do you feel the representations in this game are POSITIVE?

Please explain as thoroughly as possible.

Your answer

Out of all the video games you are familiar with, which game do you feel includes the WORST representations of one or more of these elements?

Your answer

Why do you feel the representations in this game are NEGATIVE?

Please explain as thoroughly as possible.

Your answer

Representation as Video game remasters and remakes.

A video game **remaster** is a reissue of an original game that has been enhanced by improving assets such as models, sound effects, lighting, and other aspects.

Remasters are essentially the same as the game with enhanced assets and visuals to update the experience for modern players (Mack-Land, 2023).

A video game **remake** completely rebuilds the game, starting development from scratch.

Recent (2020) evidence that a remake isn't the original game as it includes different games, even if they use the same story, setting, music, art or gameplay ideas!

Do you play video game remasters?

- Yes
- No
- Other

Do you play video game remakes?

- Yes
- No
- Other

How much do you agree with this statement:
"Problematic depictions in classic video game should be removed when remastering the game."

1 2 3 4 5
Agree Disagree

Why did you choose you last answer? Please explain below.

Your answer

How much do you agree with this statement:
"Problematic depictions in classic video game should be removed when remaking the game."

1 2 3 4 5
Agree Disagree

Why did you choose you last answer? Please explain below.

Your answer

How much do you agree with this statement:
"Video games released from 1970-1990 include problematic representations of elements such as race, gender, sexuality etc."

1 2 3 4 5
Agree Disagree

How much do you agree with this statement:
"Video games released from 1990-2000 include problematic representations of elements such as race, gender, sexuality etc."

1 2 3 4 5
Agree Disagree

How much do you agree with this statement:
"Video games released from 2000-2010 include problematic representations of elements such as race, gender, sexuality etc."

1 2 3 4 5
Agree Disagree

How much do you agree with this statement:
"Video games released from 2010-2015 include problematic representations of elements such as race, gender, sexuality etc."

1 2 3 4 5
Agree Disagree

How much do you agree with this statement:
"Video games released from 2015-2024 include problematic representations of elements such as race, gender, sexuality etc."

1 2 3 4 5
Agree Disagree

How much do you agree with this statement:
"Positive representation within video games is important"

1 2 3 4 5
Agree Disagree