



Game-based Learning

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We don't stop playing because we grow old – we grow old because we stop playing. (Oliver W. Holmes)

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- Principles of learning embedde in games
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- Learning outcomes and the role of the educators





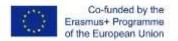
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Definitions

- Play
- Game
- Gaming
- Game-Based Learning (GBL)
- Simulation
- Gamification
- Serious Games
- Edutainment
- Learning





Definitions: Play

While playing people, children and adults alike, are excercising freedom along five distinct axes:

- 1. freedom to **fail**
- 2. freedom to experiment
- 3. freedom to fashion identities
- 4. freedom of effort, and,
- 5. freedom of interpretation

Reference: Klopfer et al (2009, pp. 4.): http://education.mit.edu/wpcontent/uploads/2015/01/MovingLearningGamesForward_EdArcade .pdf







Definitions: Game

Computer and videogames are potentially the most engaging experiences:

- 1.Games are a form of **fun**. That gives us **enjoyment** and **pleasure**.
- 2. Games are form of **play**. That gives us intense and passionate **involvement**.
- 3. Games have **rules**. That gives us **structure**.
- 4. Games have goals. That gives us motivation.
- 5. Games are **interactive**. That gives us **doing**.
- 6. Games are **adaptive**. That gives us **flow**.
- 7. Games have outcomes and feedback. That gives us learning.
- 8. Games have win states. That gives us ego gratification.
- 9. Games have **conflict/competition/challenge/opposition**. That gives us **adrenaline**.
- 10. Games have **problem solving**. That sparks our **creativity**.
- 11.Games have interaction. That gives us social groups.
- 12.Games have representation and story. That gives us emotion.

Reference: Prensky, M. (2001). Digital game- based learning. New York: Mc Graw-Hill, pp 05-01: http://www.marcprensky.com/writing/Prensky%20-%20Digital%20Game-Based%20Learning-Ch5.pdf)





Definitions: Gaming







Definitions: Game-Based Learning

Game-Based learning (GBL) is a type of **game** play that has **defined learning** outcomes.

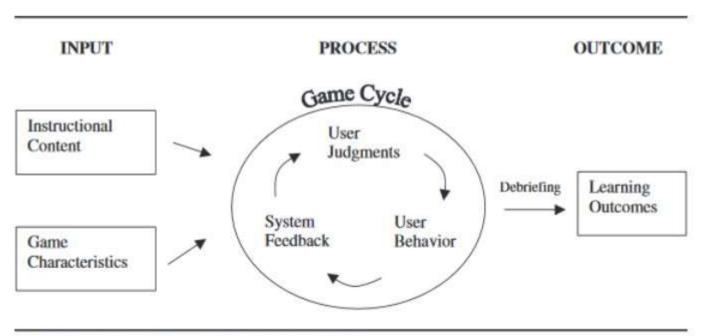


FIGURE 1: Input-Process-Outcome Game Model

Reference: Garris, R., Ahlers, R., & Driskell, J. E. (2002). Games, motivation, and learning: A research and practice model. *Simulation & gaming*, *33*(4), 441-467. <u>http://sag.sagepub.com/content/33/4/441.full.pdf+html</u>





Definitions: Simulation

Simulation is the imitation of the operation of a real-world process or system over time. The act of simulating something first requires that a model be developed; this model represents the key characteristics or behaviors/functions of the selected physical or abstract system or process.

Reference: <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Simulation</u>





Definitions: Gamification

Gamification takes game elements (such as points, badges, leaderboards, competition, achievements) and applies them to a non-game setting. It has the potential to turn routine, mundane tasks into refreshing, motivating experiences.

Reference: http://edtechreview.in/dictionary/298-what-is-game-based-learning





Definitions: Serious Games

The focus of the Serious Games movement is most commonly associated with what may best be described as "Games for Training".

That is, Serious Games were initially conceived as being designed to train people for **tasks in particular jobs**. This might be training army personnel to better identify enemy combatants, or training insurance salesmen how to close a deal. These tasks may be physical or cognitive, or a combination of both. But they are characterized by their specificity and applicability **for particular work-related purposes**.

While Serious Games may appeal to people simply interested in playing fun games, they are typically targeted at a **captive audience**.

Reference: Klopfer et al (2009, pp. 20-22.) http://education.mit.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/MovingLearningGamesForward_EdArcade.pdf



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Definition: Serious Games

Games for Health	Advergames	Games for Training	Games for Education	Games for Science and Research	Production	Games as Work
Public Health Education & Mass Casualty Response	Political Games	Employee Training	Inform Public	Data Collection / Planning	Strategic & Policy Planning	Public Diplomacy, Opinion Research
Rehabilitation & Wellness	Recruitment & Propaganda	Soldier/Support Training	School House Education	Wargames / planning	War planning & weapons research	Command & Control
Cybertherapy / Exergaming	Public Health Policy & Social Awareness Campaigns	Training Games for Health Professionals	Games for Patient Education and Disease Management	Visualization & Epidemiology	Biotech manufacturing & design	Public Health Response Planning & Logistics
Advertising Treatment	Advertising, marketing with games, product placement	Product Use	Product Information	Opinion Research	Machinima	Opinion Research
Inform about diseases/risks	Social Issue Games	Train teachers / Train workforce skills	Learning	Computer Science & Recruitment	P2P Learning Constructivism Documentary?	Teaching Distance Learning
Employee Health Information & Wellness	Customer Education & Awareness	Employee Training	Continuing Education & Certification	Advertising / visualization	Strategic Planning	Command & Control
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Definitions: Edutainment

Edutainment is an earlier and more broad term, that refers to any type of content, including video games, television and all other media.





Definitions: Learning

Learning is necessary to distinguish the purpose of games for education rather than for advertising (advergaming), health (games for health), or social change (social impact games).

Learning also captures the **cognitive change process** that results from the interaction of learner, content, and strategies. (<u>Richard Van Eck, in Print</u>)

"The promise of games is that we can harness the spirit of play to enable players to build new cognitive structures and ideas of substance" (<u>Klopfer et al.</u> <u>2009. pp.5</u>)





Learning Theories: Overview

- Behaviorism
- Cognitivism
- Constructivism
- Situated Learning
- Experiential Learning





Learning Theories: Behaviorism

"Learning is a change in observable behaviour caused by external stimuli in the environment."

Reinforcement is the key element in Skinner's S-R theory. A reinforcer is anything that strengthens the desired response.

- 1. Positive reinforcement
- 2. Negative reinforcement
- 3. Adversive reinforcement

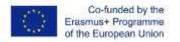
A reinforcer is anything that strengthens the desired response.

- verbal praise,
- a good grade or
- a feeling of increased accomplishment or satisfaction.

Reference: Carlton Reeve, Play with Learning Blog:

http://playwithlearning.com/2012/01/06/behaviourism-and-games/ Instructional Design website: Operant conditioning and further literature

http://www.instructionaldesign.org/theories/operant-conditioning.html





Learning theories: Behaviorism

Principles of behaviorism

- 1. Behavior that is positively reinforced will reoccur; intermittent reinforcement is particularly effective
- 2. Information should be presented in small amounts so that responses can be reinforced ("shaping")
- 3. Reinforcements will generalize across similar stimuli ("stimulus generalization") producing secondary conditioning





Learning Theories: Behaviorism

Traditional positive reinforcers in computer games

- Points
- Power-ups
- Bonuses
- Unlocks

Negative (or adversive) reinforcers

- Failure to beat high score
- An increase in obstacles or opponents
- A decline in health

Social reinforcers

- Status
- Leaderboards





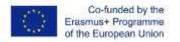
Learning Theories: Behaviorism

Examples – Drill and Practice

- Brain Games (PEAK)
- Math Bluster

Critique

- Gamification = a simplistic behaviorist approach
- "The behaviorist approach to games channels inquiry away from the harder problems of immersion, cooperation and competition that is so important to creating successful game experiences."
- "brain training games are no better than even the humble paper and pen for increasing brain 'power'"
- Learners are seen as passive storer of knowledge



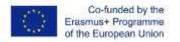


Learning Theories: Cognitivism

"Cognitive psychology proposes that learning comes from mental activity such as **memory**, **motivation**, **thinking** and **reflection**. Cognitivists believe that learning is an **internal process** that depends on the learner's capacity, motivation and determination"

"learning is demonstrated through a change in knowledge and understanding"

Carlton Reeve, Play with Learning Blog, Cognitivism and Games http://playwithlearning.com/2012/01/11/cognitivism-and-games/





Learning Theories: Cognitivism

Cognitivism focuses on the transmission of information from someone who knows (such as an 'expert' as opposed to facilitators) to learners who do not know.

The learners **receive** it, take it on board, **store** it, **relate** it to existing ideas and information that they already have, **index** it (like a filing system) and then **retrieve** it, so that they can find it in their memories later when they need it. In cognitivism, learning is the process of connecting pieces of knowledge in meaningful and memorable ways.





Learning Theories: Cognitivism

Examples:

- Puzzles (e.g. Prof. Layton)
- Strategy games (e.g. Age of Empires)





Learning Theories: Constructivism

In constructivist theory, the learner takes an active role in constructing his own understanding rather than receiving it from someone who knows.

According to constructivists, learners interpret information from the unique personal perspective of their previous experience.

They learn through observation, processing and interpretation: personalising the information into knowledge

Carlton Reeve, Play with Learning Blog, constructivism and games: <u>http://playwithlearning.com/2012/01/20/constructivism-and-games/</u> Constructivist Theory (Bruner): <u>http://www.instructionaldesign.org/theories/constructivist.html</u>





Learning Theories: Constructivism

- A theory of instruction should address four major aspects:
- (1) predisposition towards learning,
- (2) the ways in which a body of knowledge can be structured so that it can be most readily grasped by the learner,
- (3) the most effective sequences in which to present material, and
- (4) the nature and pacing of rewards and punishments.

Beothel, M & Dimock, K. V., (2000), *Constructing Knowledge with Technology*, Southwest Educational Development Laboratory, Austin, TX





Learning Theories: Constructivism

Examples

- The game process encourages learners to consider how new ideas, actions they take and experiences make sense of their own mental models
- provide primary sources of information, simple elements and raw data for players to experiment with and manipulate.
- Open-ended God-games where every instance of the game is a unique creation by the player.
- constructionism, that is, "learning by making."

Papert, S. & Harel, I., (1991), Constructionsim, Ablex Publishing Corporation, Norwood, New Jersey





People learn from experience.

Learning follows a cycle of stages:

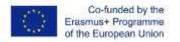
- 1. Concrete experience
- 2. Observation and reflection
- 3. Abstract conceptualisation
- 4. Testing concepts in new situations

Carlton Reeve, Play with Learning Blog, Experiential Learning and Games: http://playwithlearning.com/2012/01/26/experiential-learning-and-games/ Kolb, D. A., (1984), *Experiential learning: Experience as the source of learning and development,* Englewood Cliffs, Prentice Hall, New Jersey





- Typical experiential games include task-based simulations (such as SimCity) or role-play (e.g. The Sims) where players have a given or a chosen goal and must act consistently "in character" to achieve it. The beauty of these "open-ended sandboxes" is that players can experiment and "fail softly."
- The simulation describes environmental processes through graphics, animations and other dynamic media, portraying complex abstract relationships in a more recognisable and intuitive way.
- And that is where simulations offer most education value, not product but process: the articulation of rules and **relationships** – the basis of experiential learning.

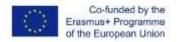




Learning Theories: Situated Learning

- Lave argues that learning as it normally occurs is a function of the activity, context and culture in which it occurs (i.e., it is situated).
- Social interaction is a critical component of situated learning -- learners become involved in a "community of practice" which embodies certain beliefs and behaviors to be acquired.
- Situated learning is usually **unintentional** rather than deliberate.

Instructional Design website: Situated Learning (j. Lave) http://www.instructionaldesign.org/theories/situated-learning.html





Learning Theories: Situated Learning

Examples

- Games in which players activity takes place in an authentic context.
- Games in which progress requires social interaction and collaboration.





James Paul Gee says:

- ... schools, workplaces, families, and academic researchers have a lot to learn about learning from good computer and video games
- games incorporate a whole set of fundamentally sound learning principles
- the learning principles that good games incorporate are all strongly supported by contemporary research in cognitive science
 - Bereiter, C. & Scardamalia, M. Surpassing Ourselves: An Inquiry Into the Nature and Implications of Expertise. Chicago: Open Court, 1993.
 - diSessa, A. A. Changing Minds: Computers, Learning, and Literacy. Cambridge, Mass.: MIT Press, 2000.
 - Gee, J. P. What Video Games Have to Teach Us About Learning and Literacy. New York: Palgrave/Macmillan, 2003.
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 <u>http://www.academiccolab.org/resources/documents/Good_Learning.pdf</u>
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Identity

- no deep learning takes place unless learners make an extended commitment of self for the long haul
- take on a new identity: to make a commitment

Interaction

- books were passive games do talk back
- nothing happens until a player acts and makes decisions

Production

- Players are producers, not just consumers "writers" not just "readers"
- players co-design games by the actions they take and the decisions they make





Risk taking

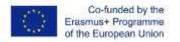
- in a game, failure is a good thing players can start again
- Players are encouraged to take risks, explore, and try new things

Customization

- Players can customize a game to fit with their learning and playing styles
- games allow players to solve problems in different ways

Agency

- players feel a real sense of agency and control because of the last 5 principles
- They have a real sense of ownership over what they are doing.



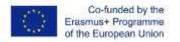


Well-Order Problems

- Problems in video games are ordered (different levels, etc)
- players form hypotheses that work well for later, harder problems

Challenge and Consolidation

- Learners develop skills to solve problems in a level, then the game throws a new class of problem at the players
- "Cycle of Expertise" (Bereiter & Scardamalia 1993)
- "Just in Time" and "On Demand"
 - Games give verbal information either "just in time" or "on demand"





Situated meanings

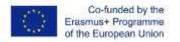
- Games situate the meanings of words in terms of the actions, images, and dialogues they relate to
- They show how they vary across different actions, images and dialogues

Pleasantly Frustrating

- good games stay within, but at the outer edge, of the player's "regime of competence" (diSessa 2000)
- This is a highly motivating state for learners

System thinking

 Games encourage players to think about relationships, not isolated events, facts, and skills



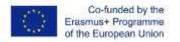


Explore, Think Laterally, Rethink Goals

- Not moving as fast and efficiently to your goal as possible
- But: Games encourage players to explore thoroughly before moving on too fast
- And: to think laterally and not just linearly
- And: to use such exploration and lateral thinking to reconceive one's goals from time to time

Smart Tools and Distributed Knowledge

- The characters and other aspects of the game world one manipulates in a game are "smart tools"
- In a multi-player game the knowledge needed to play the game is distributed among a set of real people and their smart virtual characters





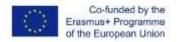
Learning Principles in Videogames

Cross-Functional Teams

- in multi-player games people play in teams in which each player has a different set of skills
- people are affiliated by their commitment to a common endeavor

Performance Before Competence

- Players can perform before they are competent, supported by the design of the game
- They are supported by the "smart tools" and/or other, more advanced players





To sum up

GBL can be effective, but not as a means for making learning "**fun**" or for "**tricking**" students into learning;

"GBL can be effective because it supports powerful learning strategies such as situated learning, authentic environments, and optimized challenge and support (scuffolding)." (R.N. Van Eck, 2015, pp.2)

Available from: <u>Richard Van Eck</u>, Dec 15, 2015 <u>https://www.researchgate.net/publication/284178854_Digital_game-based_learning_Still_restless_after_all_these_years</u>





Game Taxonomies

We differ 3 main groups of games

- Games of exercise (0-2)
- Symbolic Games (2 7)
- Games with rules (from 7 on)

Claudio Dondi, Behnn Edvinsson, Michela Moretti – Games Classification, Papst Science Publishers, Germany cited in In Maja Pivec, Anni Koubek, Claudio Dondi (Eds). (2004) Guidelines for Game-Based Learning





Game Taxonomies

Groups of videogames

- Arcade
- Shooting games
- Platform games
- Simulations
 - Flight Simulators
 - Sim City
- Adaptions
 - Once real games adapted into video games





Game Taxonomies

Categories of games by Marc Presnky (2001)

- Action games
- Adventure games
- Fighting games
- Puzzler games
- Role-playing games
- Simulation games
- Sports games
- Strategic games





Classification from a content perspective

- Facts
- Skills
- Judgement
- Behaviours
- Theories
- Reasoning
- Process
- Procedures
- Creativity
- Language
- Systems
- Observations
- -561 Communication





Learning Outcomes while playing Videogames

Video games support the aquisition and practice of skills needed in a high-risk global **VUCA** world:

Volatile Uncertain Complex Ambiguous

Johansen, B. (2007). Get there early: sensing the future to compete in the present. San Francisco, CA: Berett-Koehler Publishers, cited in In James Paul Gee⁻, Video Games: What Are They Good For? Unpublished ms., Arizona State University, 2014

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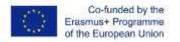
21 century Skills

Other skills

- critical thinking,
- problem solving,
- collaboration,
- effective communication,
- motivation,
- persistence,
- learning to learn

- systems thinking,
- collective intelligence,
- participation,
- storytelling,
- analysis,
- leadership

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Role of educators

- Facilitation is about creating and providing space for learners to
 - try out something new,
 - reflect on their experiences,
 - arrive at new conclusions and
 - think about how they would apply these conclusions in their work and life.
- In this view people **learn for themselves** with a bit of help and assistance, rather than have it done to or for them.





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Balanced Design

- Learning design approach
- based on fundamental structures of Evidence-Centered Design (ECD)
 - focuses on measurable evidence of student's learning
 - offers a methodology for collecting and analyzing evidence from tasks performed by students
- helping game designers to better align the learning goals with the game mechanics (Jennifer Groff et al)

Groff, Jennifer, Clarke-Midura, Jody, Owen, V. Elisabeth, Rosenheck, Louisa and Beall, Michael (2015): Better Learning in Games. A Balanced Design Lens for a New Generation of Learning Games, Learning Games Network, MIT Education Arcade. <u>http://education.mit.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/BalancedDesignGuide2015.pdf</u>

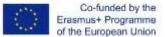




Need of Balanced Design

to understand

- what a game is targeting
- how that situates into learning
- how we know what was learned from the game





Part of the Evidence Centred Design (ECD) Framework

- Content Model (Student Model): defines knowledge/skills/abilities targeted
- Evidence Model: describes potential observations and behaviors of students that would give evidence of their ability
- Task Model: describes aspects of situations that are likely to evoke and provide such evidence





Balanced Design: A Design Lens for learning with games

- Content: What knowledge, skills, abilities will players improve in playing the game?
- Evidence: How do I know that players mastered that content?
- Task: What tasks do players do to engage with that content in the game and elicit the evidence we need?





Like all technologies, video games can be good, bad, or indifferent: It all depends on how they are used (Gee 2007, 2014; Shaffer 2007)

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Games are highly educational when...

... integrated with

- a) other tools and technologies,
- b) forms of participation and social interaction,
- c) and various curricular activities

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Integration of digital games in education

- Use an existing **C**ommercial **O**ut of **T**he **S**helf (COTS) game or learning game
- Let students design their own game
- Design your own game for your students

COTS: Commercial Out of The Shelf games





Integration of Games: COTS

- Find a learning game that suits your educational aims and objectives
 - E.g. on the project site "Play the learning game" you can find games that have been evaluated and marked as educational.
- Play and evaluate it for use in the classroom.
- Integrate it in the learning process
- Plan reflection and feedback session

Project PlayIT: www.learningame.org/





Integration of Games: COTS

 "Teachers should be encouraged to take training from their students. The students who are playing the games will be expert at the rules and content of those games. By encouraging students to educate their teachers, they have opportunities to demonstrate expertise to themselves, their classmates and their teachers." (Klopfer et al, 2009, pp.50)

Teaching with Games: Using commercial off-the-shelf computer games in formal education Richard Sandford, Mary Ulicsak, Keri Facer and Tim Rudd Research Report, January 2006 [last accessed 05.01.2016]: https://www.nfer.ac.uk/publications/FUTL49/FUTL49.pdf





Integration of Games: COTS

Games are seen as a catalysator for learning

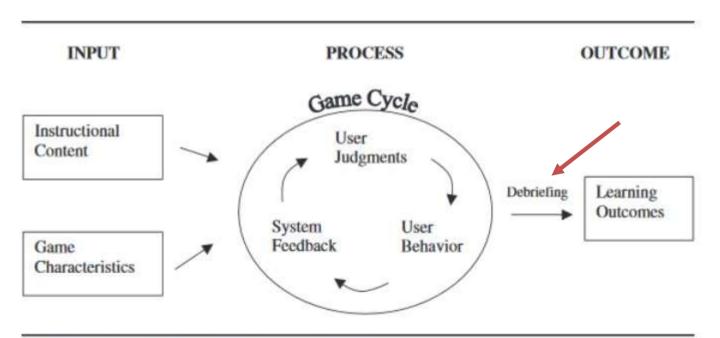


FIGURE 1: Input-Process-Outcome Game Model





Integration of Games: Let your students design a game

Mostly recommended for those with interest in programming or those teaching programming.

A sophiophilosophical movement supports this approach called the "**maker movement**", which has a lot in common with **Problem Based Learning** (PBL), is very popular especially in science.

Students learn to create products in a process that requires learning related skills.





Integration of Games: Let your students design a game Process

- students are grouped and tasks are allocated according to interests and competences.
- Students
 - support each other with programming,
 - write the naratives and instructions,
 - design logos and artwork,
 - perform mathematical calculations and
 - collaborate in the whole creation process,
 - while learning the educational content of the game in order to embed it in the game.





Integration of Games: Let your students design a game

Tools for game design

Scratch, Game Maker, Gamestar Mechanic, Alice, Adventure Maker

3D worlds: <u>Second Life</u>, <u>Active Worlds</u>, <u>MinecraftEdu</u>

Also for young ages: <u>Tynker</u> and <u>Pixel Press</u>.

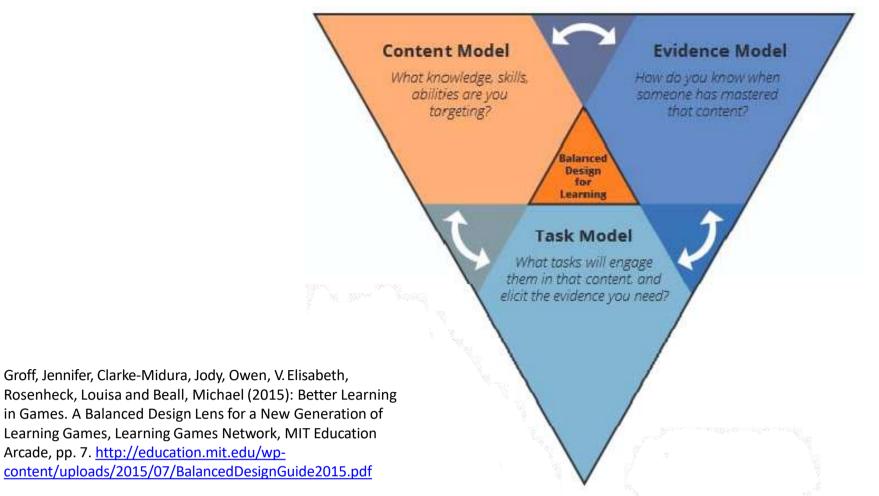
Example of students designing and building a game for learning chemistry using the software MinecraftEdu: <u>http://services.minecraftedu.com/worlds/node/164</u>

Vladimir Propp's characters might be helpful to start spark cerativity of the students in defining the story





Integration of Games: Design your own Game







Bariers to the adoption of learning games

- Attidutes of parents and Kids
 - Parents: violence in videogames
 - Kids: Chocolate-broccoli problem
- Logistics: 45min classes
- Support for teachers lacking experience in integrating games
- Frameworks for assessment of higher order skills
 - Understanding
 - Analysis
 - Evaluation
 - Creation

Klopfer et al (2009, pp. 21.) http://education.mit.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/MovingLearningGamesForward_EdArcade.pdf





Bariers to the adoption of learning games

- Evidence for effective learning through games
- Use of games: examples of how games can be integrated into curiculum
- Limited view: of the variety of games available, which narrows expectations of the viability of games to engage students
- Social and cultural structures: around education, school, learning and play





Bariers to design and development

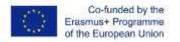
- High development costs: creation and maintainace
- Development process: involve learning scientists and teachers
- Playtesting at schools: often difficult
- Sources of funding: past experiences of loosing investments





Bariers to sustainability

- Shelf-life of a game:
 - replayability factor
 - preference of gamers
- Speed of technology change
- Maintainance and support: especialy for networked games





Bariers to innovation

- Limited data: reporting on educational game play
- Limited pedagogical paradigms: educational institutions need to rethink their pedagogies and the role of teachers
- Limited research:
 - Games as learning environments
 - Effective play patterns
 - Combination of play patterns with kinds of learning
- Limited ambition of funded projects





Framework for Qualifications of the European Higher Education Area

- The Framework's aim is to organise national higher education qualifications into an overarching European-wide qualifications framework.
- Within this Framework, qualifications are defined according to levels of complexity and difficulty.

Why is this interesting?

- <u>http://ecahe.eu/w/index.php/Framework for Qualifications of the European Higher Education Area#First cycle -</u> <u>Bachelor.27s level</u>
- http://ecahe.eu/w/images/7/76/A Framework for Qualifications for the European Higher Education Area.pdf

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Structure of Framework

The framework is structured in three cycles:

- 1. First cycle Bachelor's level
- 2. Second cycle Master's level
- 3. Third cycle PhD

And in 5 categories of learning objectives

- 1. Knowledge and understanding
- 2. Application of knowledge and understanding
- 3. Ability to make judgements
- 4. Ability to communicate
- 5. Learning skills





knowledge and understanding ..

1st cycle	[that is] supported by advanced text books [with] some aspects informed by knowledge at the forefront of their field of study
2nd cycle	provides a basis or opportunity for <u>originality</u> in <u>developing or applying ideas</u> often in a
	research context
Doctorates	[includes] a systematic understanding of their field of study and <u>mastery of the methods of</u> <u>research</u> * associated with that field





application of knowledge and understanding ..

1st cycle	[through] <u>devising and sustaining arguments</u>
2nd cycle	[through] <u>problem solving</u> abilities in new or
	unfamiliar environments within broader (or
	multidisciplinary) contexts
Doctorates	[through the] <u>ability t</u> o conceive, design,
	implement and adapt a substantial process of
	research* with scholarly integrity
	[that has] made a contribution that extends the frontier of knowledge by developing a substantial body of work some of which merits national or international peer-reviewed publication .





ability to make judgements ..

- 1st cycle .. [through] <u>gathering and interpreting</u> relevant data ..
- 2nd cycle .. the ability to <u>integrate knowledge</u> and <u>handle complexity</u>, and formulate judgments with incomplete data ..
- Doctorates.. [through] <u>critical analysis, evaluation</u> <u>and synthesis</u> of new and complex ideas..





ability to communicate ..

- 1st cycle .. information, ideas, problems and solutions ..
- 2nd cycle .. their conclusions and the underpinning knowledge and rationale to specialist and nonspecialist audiences ..
- Doctorates.. with their peers, the larger scholarly community and with society in general about their areas of expertise ..



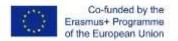


learning skills ..

1st cycle .. needed to study further with <u>a high level</u> of autonomy ..

2nd cycle .. to study in a manner that may be largely <u>selfdirected or autonomous</u>..

Doctorates.. *expected to be able to <u>promote</u>, within academic and professional contexts, technological, social or cultural advancement*..





Reflection / отражение

Take a look at the agenda - взглянуть на повестку дня and reflect the 2 days - и отражают 2 дня

- What was new? Что было нового ?
- What was fun? Что было интересно ?
- What was difficult? Что было трудно ?

Discuss your experiences - Обсудите свои переживания And collect them on cards - И собрать их на карточках