Games For Ur Enjoyment League (GFUEL)

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Packet 5: well if itll make people mad then we should definitely do it

1. A "warm and nice" room in this game is filled with floating text like "you are a gate" and "a stranger appears." In this game, the player interviews a machine and rallies a group of people labeled "press" to destroy it before they shoot the world with a gun that creates white space. A recurring symbol of three dots is never explained by the narrator of this game. After being told that they failed a conversation on a (*) stage in this game, the player backs up as prison bars fall. In this game's ostensibly impossible penultimate level "Tower," the narrator continually modifies the world to let the player pass. Lampposts signify the end of levels in this game and were added by the narrator, who caused another character to quit game design. For 10 points, name this walking simulator by Davey Wreden ("REE-den") about exploring games created by Coda, a follow-up to The Stanley Parable.

ANSWER: The Beginner's Guide

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2. This character is depicted playing the violin part to Astor Piazzolla's Café 1930 in an adaptation of the fanfic "Passerine" called "Sunsprite's Eulogy." In a voiceover, this character describes "[repaying] injustice a thousand times over" before putting on a crown. After a drunk president is killed, this character lambasts "[replacing] one tyrant with another." This character is resurrected after an execution attempt via falling (*) anvil and declares "I have a pickaxe and I'll put it through your teeth!" during a duel in a cave. This character describes violence as a "universal language" that was spoken in "the pit" during a conversation with TommyInnit. Wilbur Soot and this character describe moving onto a "new plot to destroy Manberg" in SAD-ist's animatic "The Fall." For 10 points, name this anarchist antihero of the Dream SMP, an anthropomorphic pig. ANSWER: **Techno**blade [or The **Blade**; accept **Techno**blade never dies!]

<IH. Culture>

3. To prevent its use for nefarious purposes, an innovator of this weapon destroyed the formula of an alloy used by the Isu. A modification to this weapon by Shao Jun allowed it to be wielded on the foot. Hytham tells Eivor he is wielding this weapon incorrectly, to which he responds he "doesn't want to make the same mistake he has" gesturing at a handicap caused by this weapon. By accidentally cutting off his (*) ring finger while using this weapon to kill Eudoros, Bayek began a tradition in which wielders of this weapon historically sacrificed their ring finger. This weapon was modified by Altaïr ("al-tah-EER") Ibn La'Ahad, whose codex provided blueprints for Leonardo da Vinci to upgrade it for Ezio Auditore. For 10 points, name this stealthy weapon wielded by the Assassin's Brotherhood that can be retracted into a gauntlet.

ANSWER: Hidden Blade <EG, Major Publishers (Other)>

4. A season-zero legacy edition of this game takes place during the Cold War and has the tagline "every end has a beginning." In a Lovecraftian spinoff of this game, "Evil Stirs" cards force players to roll sanity dice and reveal a new Ancient One, and this game's regular modes of transportation are replaced with walking and taking the bus, Z-Man published a "Government Shutdown" scenario for this game where event cards are removed from the deck. This game's first expansion added a (*) role which pits one player against all the other players, along with a revised operation expert role. Players can share knowledge in this game by giving another player a city card while they are within the corresponding city in this game. This game can be lost either by running out of player cards or by running out of cubes. For 10 points, name this board game in which players work together to fight an infectious disease.

ANSWER: <u>Pandemic</u> [accept <u>Pandemic: Reign of Cthulhu</u>, accept <u>Pandemic Legacy</u>: Season Zero] <MB, Non-Video Games>

5. Players swarmed this region on November 16th, 2022 when they realized that, because a new class didn't have a loot table for one boss, a coveted drop became far more likely. A three mana card that discovers a spell not in the player's hand features an "Importer" from this region. While playing a race from this region, DoubleAgent refused to pledge to a faction and instead hit max-level by picking flowers for 8,000 hours. A notoriously rare mount drop from this region, the Heavenly Onyx Cloud Serpent, is obtained by killing the (*) Sha of Anger. In Warcraft III: The Frozen Throne, one can play as a brewmaster from this region, Chen Stormstout. An expansion set in this southernmost continent of Azeroth begins on the Wandering Isle, the back of a giant turtle. The 2012 expansion of World of Warcraft is titled for the "Mists of," for 10 points, what Asia-inspired continent populated by a race of black-and-white bears?

ANSWER: <u>Pandaria</u> [accept *Mists of <u>Pandaria</u>*; anti-prompt (ask, "Can you be less specific?") on the <u>Kun-Lai</u> Summit; prompt on the <u>Wandering Isle</u> until read; prompt on <u>Pandaren</u> by asking "What world are they from?;" prompt on <u>Azeroth</u> until read]

<VD, Other>

6. In the Turtle Rock dungeon, a chest containing this item will rise out of the lava after shifting platforms to form a square. It's not a Heart Piece, but this item can be attained as a special reward for defeating eight consecutive bosses in the Thunder Dragon's lightning round. A symbol that first appeared on this item is revealed in a later game to be a rare (*) Crimson Loftwing. The player can avoid paying eighty rupees for this item by finding it in a hidden dungeon in Kakariko Graveyard. When using this item, child Link bends over since it is too big for him to use properly. For 10 points, name this item that first appeared as a usable item in *Ocarina of Time*, was named for the ancestral goddess of the royal family, and is a fireproof way to block attacks.

ANSWER: <u>Hylian shield</u> [accept <u>Hero's shield</u>, prompt on <u>shield</u>] <JF, Major Publishers (Nintendo)>

7. A podcast named after these objects analyzed Super Mario World in their miniseries "Into the Depths" and is subtitled "The Secret Lives of Games." A glitch that allowed the Ball and Chain to break invisible blocks was used to resurrect a player inside a statue and exit the level with one of these objects. The grave of the Empress is located in a place named after these objects, hinting that she is the Ghost. When the player enters a world named for these objects, they "feel strangely at peace." A (*) Hired Hand was used to carry this object and the Scepter into 4-2 by Bananasaurus Rex, who was the first to complete a "solo run" named for these objects. This object must be placed on an altar by the Moai in the Ice Caves to reach a namesake "Child," who must be placed on the Mother Statue to unlock a hidden world. For 10 points, name this object obtained by sacrificing a Mystery Box on a Kali Altar, a vegetable that appears in the *Spelunky* series.

ANSWER: <u>eggplant</u> [accept <u>aubergine</u>] <IH, Indie>

8. In a WWE 2K22 stream, this streamer put anime eyes on their wrestler as face paint, making a truly horrifying spectacle whenever their wrestler opened their actual eyes. A fan animation of this streamer shows them evading the police while trying to buy food and clothes with sand before undergoing a magical girl transformation to start a stream. This streamer told a story about how they once ate a pizza slice soaked in bathwater, inspiring a pizza bath stream. This streamer often calls on their chat to (*) "ban pants," which they argue they never had to wear in their hometown. After coming in more than ten minutes late to their debut stream, this streamer looked around and said "a" into the microphone with high reverb before playing her intro animatic, generating a meme. For 10 points, name this Hololive VTuber from Atlantis who wears a shark hoodie.

ANSWER: Gawr <u>Gura</u> <MB, Culture>

- 9. In a sequel titled for this character subtitled *The Power of Two*, the player teams up with a character who is able to manipulate electrical equipment with his remote. This character's possession of a unique Munny Pouch and a red crystal led one game's main characters to conclude the existence of a town's "alternate" version. This character unknowingly creates their antagonist, The Blot, after making a mess in the sorcerer (*) Yen Sid's workshop. This character wields a paintbrush that can alter the world around them using paint or thinner in a game featuring old cartoon characters like Oswald the Lucky Rabbit titled *Epic* [this character]. After noticing the stars have been going out, this character leaves a letter telling Donald and Goofy to find the wielder of the Keyblade, Sora. For 10 points, name this king from the *Kingdom Hearts* series and iconic Disney mascot. ANSWER: <u>Mickey</u> Mouse [accept King <u>Mickey</u>] <EG, Major Publishers (Other)>
- 10. The first game in this series has the protagonist defeat the fake king Sheltem with the help of Corak. The end of the sixth game in this series introduces science fiction elements in the tomb of Varn where it is revealed that the current state of the world was caused by a war between the ancients and the Kreegans, and was titled The Mandate of Heaven. After (*) Gelu destroys the world by clashing the Sword of Armageddon with the Sword of Frost in one of these games, future installments would take place in the world of Axeoth. The third game in a spinoff of this series makes necromancy, and the users of necromancy, the necropolis faction, overpowered. That spinoff game titled Heroes of [this series] 3 includes the Armageddon's Blade and Shadow of Death expansion packs. For 10 points, name this series of early RPGs named for physical and arcane strength.

 ANSWER: Might and Magic [accept Heroes of Might and Magic or Might and Magic Heroes]

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- 11. In a game's chapter titled for this figure, Rose is attacked by Ludwig after fixing power circuits for Nikola Tesla. The Lagos Unit and First Cohort were formed in response to a discovery on a planet named for this figure. Di Hemler discovered a rare ore called exotics on that planet in a game named for this figure in which corrupted enzymes fouled the planet's atmosphere during a failed terraforming project prior to the game's events. In a game titled for this figure subtitled (*) *Uprising*, the player destroys the Mirror of Truth after defeating Pandora, whose power is absorbed by a doppelgänger of the protagonist born from the mirror. In a game titled for this figure, the player must retrieve three sacred treasures to defeat Medusa and rescue Palutena. For 10 points, name this Greek mythological figure who titles a Nintendo side-scroller about the angel Pit.

 ANSWER: Icarus [accept "The Fall of Icarus" or Kid Icarus] (The game in the lead-in is Close to the Sun)

 <EG, Other>
- 12. This character tells an armored dragon-like boss "flock off, feather face," quoting Dante from *Devil May Cry*. This character meets alternate versions of themself designated beta-0 through beta-4, as well as a version named Dark Eve in the Alphaverse created by the Singularity. Developer Hideki Kamiya's love of folk music inspired the names of this character's four guns, (*) Parsley, Sage, Rosemary, and Thyme, two of which they wield on their feet. Certain boss fights in this character's game play a song sung by their mother Rosa, "Fly Me to the Moon." In their second game, this character is attacked by the demon Gomorrah, who they can summon with the Enochian word *avavago*. After arriving at Isla del Sol and fighting Jeanne with Luka and their younger self, this character's father Balder reveals that they are the Left Eye of the World. For 10 points, name this Umbra Witch who fights Angels by summoning demons with her hair.

ANSWER: <u>Bayonetta</u> [or <u>Cereza</u>] <EG, Major Publishers (Other)>

13. A slow, melancholic track associated with this character is in 12/8 and begins with the ascending notes (read slowly) "dotted quarter notes C, E, G, quarter note B, long C." In a mobile game, this character seeks rare honey and requests that the player bring them Bumbledrops in their namesake "Sweet Harvest" event. After purchasing enough items from this character in one game, they will employ the player and pay them in beans of varying quality. This character will sometimes offer the player (*) "pigeon milk," which refers to the regurgitate that is used to feed offspring. The player must find this gyroid-loving character on an uninhabited island and relay a message from Blathers, after which this character will take up shop in the museum. In some games, K.K. Slider gives Saturday concerts at an establishment owned by this character. For 10 points, name this feathered Animal Crossing character who runs a café called The Roost.

ANSWER: Brewster

<IH, Major Publishers (Nintendo)>

14. In one episode of this show, a contestant seemingly creates balloons from thin air dubbed over with an a capella song about a "Tree Wizard." A contestant in this show is questioned about his lyric "is that a boulder," which he elaborates on by adding "or is it a big rock?" One of this show's hosts performs an "exotic dance" with two slices of bread tied around his head before a contestant eats the bread and a clipping of the host's beard. A plastic-covered (*) "lab" is located in the groundskeeper's cottage at which pre-recorded segments of this show are filmed. Episodes of this show begin with the hosts judging an array of "prizes" the contestants bring in, and contestants are given challenges in envelopes with a red wax seal bearing this show's initials. For 10 points, name this British comedy game show hosted by Greg Davies and Alex Horne.

ANSWER: <u>Taskmaster</u> <EG, Non-Video Games>

15. Dari Ludum runs a human trafficking ring connected to a brothel in this country called The Pink Vice. The player is given two identical reports on the mating habits of waterfowls by a compromised spy for this country. Corman Drex gives the player a note asking them to "help us free [this country] from its shackles" along with a cipher. The player is tasked with poisoning Khaled Istom by a secret organization dedicated to overthrowing this country's government, the (*) Order of the EZIC Star. Jorji Costava is a recurring character who eventually offers to help the player escape from this country to Obristan. Elisa attempts to enter this country to reunite with her lover Sergiu, who gives the player a locket. This country fought the Six-Year War against its neighbor Kolechia, and its motto is "Glory to [this country]!" For 10 points, the player works at a border checkpoint in what fictional communist country of *Papers*, *Please*?

ANSWER: <u>Arstotzka</u> [accept People's Republic of <u>Arstotzka</u>] <IH. Indie>

16. The first appearance of this language in a video game was in a 1996 flight simulator. In another game, this language can be heard specifically from creatures with primate mouths when hovering near cities. While originally considering the use of languages like Navajo, Ukrainian, or Estonian, Claire Curtain decided to use this language for one video game after an improv exercise. In some non-English versions of (*) *Spore*, the Voice in the Tunnel speaks in this language. Katy Perry covered her own "Last Friday Night" in this language in a game that also included numerous other pop songs in this language. In this language, phrases like "sul sul" ("soolsool") and "dag dag" are common ways to say "hi" and "goodbye" while, much to players' amusement, women say "woohoo" when giving birth. For 10 points, name this nonsense language used in Will Wright's *The Sims* franchise as the official language of Sim nation.

ANSWER: <u>Simlish</u> [prompt on language of the <u>Sims</u> or equivalents before "Sims" is read] (SimCopter and Spore are the games clued in the first two lines)

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17. This actor compares people to "cinnamon raisin" while ridiculing a man who wants to leave Chester Heights with "nothing but a bag of bagels." Despite resisting the expectation to stereotype North Dakotans, this actor has no problem with saying "no me gusta pescado grande con muchos dientes" in an Australian accent. After falsely asserting that "leagues are a measurement of distance; (*) fathoms are a measurement of depth," this actor commands the audience to "get in the comments!" This actor analogizes themself to Icarus in a monologue that describes "Daedalus, our little master crafter" who "wanted to see his son fall" before proclaiming "I cannot win!" to Sam Reich ("RYESH"). This actor appears with Josh Ruben and Zac Oyama on the Game Changer episode "Make Some Noise." For 10 points, name this CollegeHumor actor and dungeon master of Dimension 20. ANSWER: Brennan Lee Mulligan

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18. A person who makes these objects lives in a chimney in the Doomed Commercial Area and is named Neha. These objects are used to perform actions in an RPG in which the player has escaped from Essen-Arp and now resides on the space station Erlin's Eye; that game is Citizen Sleeper. The miniboss Pip and Dot spits out orange, pink, and blue versions of these objects. These objects were central to the prompt for the 2022 (*) GMTK Game Jam. Terry Cavanagh created a deckbuilding roguelike whose playable characters are these objects who must fight against Lady Luck. An antagonist who resembles these objects is fought in the stage "All Bets Are Off!" and runs the Devil's Casino, where Cuphead and Mugman gamble away their souls. For 10 points, Disco Elysium's skill checks are determined by rolling what objects?

ANSWER: $\underline{\text{dice}}$ [or $\underline{\text{die}}$; accept specific dice like $\underline{\text{d6}}$ or $\underline{\text{d20}}$] <IH, Other>

19. A "mold computer" in this game runs a Ted Nelson-inspired game set in "a long east/west passage with holes everywhere." Carrington spends most of this game looking for a venue to perform his adaptation of Robert Frost's "The Death of the Hired Man." Installations like "Overdubbed Nam June Paik" are placed in a circular formation in an exhibit by Lula Chamberlain that is explored in this game's first (*) interlude. In this game, the Eugene O'Neill-inspired play *The Entertainment* ends with the player turning around to see a glowing skeleton, one of the Hard Boys. The player creates a poem with lines like "the stars drop away" when prompted to enter a computer password at this game's first location, the gas station Equus Oils. For 10 points, name this magical realist adventure game set in the title Appalachian state that follows Conway's quest to make a delivery to 5 Dogwood Drive.

ANSWER: <u>Kentucky Route Zero</u> <IH, Indie>

20. rapha won the 2020 World Championship for a game in this series a few months after losing his partner. Five bounce pads appear on the lowest platform of a map from this series called The Longest Yard. A bug in this series allows players to break the speed cap by holding left or right while midair. An algorithm implemented in this series shifts the input by one, subtracts it from a hex constant, then performs one iteration of Newton's method. The rocket launcher is less effective against a bloody yeti-like monster called the (*) Shambler from this series. Vector normalization is performed using a fast inverse square root algorithm in the source code for this series' third entry. Nine Inch Nails composed music for this series' first game in which the player shoots Lovecraftian enemies in a maze-like castle. *Team Fortress* was a mod of, for 10 points, what late-90s FPS series by id Software that followed *Doom*?

ANSWER: <u>Quake</u> [accept <u>Quake</u> III: Arena or <u>Quake</u> Champions] <VD, Early Video Games>

Tiebreaker

21. These creatures may hum a segment of the song "Ai no Uta" if at least twenty of each species is gathered in one place. These creatures remind a character of their favorite soup, and were thus named based on a cultivar of carrots from the player's home. A species of these creatures developed a parasitic relationship with one of their predators and are incapable of leaving the caves they are found in. A winged species of these creatures are immune to being (*) crushed, except from the crystal cubes produced by the Plasm Wraith. Candypop Buds can be used to alter the abilities and appearance of these creatures, which are born from organisms called Onions. These creatures, native to the planet PNF-404, are preyed upon by creatures like the Bulborb. For 10 points, name these small plant-animal hybrids that Olimar uses to solve puzzles to fix his rocket.

ANSWER: Pikmin

<EG, Major Publishers (Nintendo)>