

ReadyTechGo

Making Technology Simple

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OUR MISSION

MAKING A DIFFERENCE.

To empower Older Adults and Individuals with the confidence and skills to embrace modern technology, enabling them to remain independent and connected in a digitally driven world.

OUR SERVICES

FACE TO FACE TRAINING \$90 PER HOUR

LESSON PACKS AVAILABLE:

3 LESSONS \$255 5 LESSONS \$420 10 LESSONS \$830

PREMIUM WORKSHOPS

\$50 PER SESSION Hands on and interactive group workshops 6 to 8 participants Materials supplied

ONLINE GAMING FOR **SENIORS**

AGENDA

- WHAT IS ONLINE GAMING?
- BROWSER BASED GAMES
- MOBILE DEVICES
- CONSOLES
- LETS PLAY!
- Q&A

WHAT IS ONLINE GAMING?

"An online game is a video game that is either partially or primarily played through the Internet or any other computer network available" - Wikipedia

Online games are using:

- Desktop & Laptop computers
- Smartphones
- Tablets
- Gaming Consoles
- Set top boxes
- Smart TV's

Games can be played on:

- Web browsers
- Dedicated applications

Many games require a membership or payment to play.

Mobile devices are largest gaming platform in the world, followed by consoles and PC games.

Apple is the largest online game retailer.

FREEMIUM GAMES - A WARNING

Freemium games:

- Are free to play but require payment for access to upgrades, extra levels and fast progression through the game
- Highly addictive
- Shown to cause financial harm
- Social disconnection from family and friends
- Psychological distress

Freemium games are often innocuous and cute. They are free to play but trap the gamer in a cycle of busywork and frustration in order to progress.

Games are often very simple and have basic mechanics. Some games use online interaction with other players to reinforce a sense of community and as such cement a players need to play the game.

Freemium games are dangerous and can cause harms similar to gambling. Beware!

BROWSER BASED GAMES

Many basic online games can be played in your web browser on your desktop or laptop computer. Many of these games can also be played with other people in real time.

There are very simple online games such as:

- Bingo
- Scattegories
- Pictionary

through to more involved puzzle and action based games like:

- Runescape
- Powerline
- Browser Quest

Some games will require a second device such as a smartphone or tablet to play:

• Kahoot!

MOBILE GAMES

The vast majority of online games are played on mobile devices.

Smartphones, tablets and mobile gaming consoles take the lions share of the online gaming market.

These games have their online components built into the game or the registration process.

Games range from simple games such as:

- QuizUp
- Words with Friends
- Trivia Crack

through to action games such as:

- NBA22
- Call of Duty mobile
- Clash of Clans

CONSOLES & PCS

Outside of mobile devices, consoles and PC's have the next largest share of the gaming pie. Revenues amount to billions of dollars each year.

You can play games on:

- PlayStation 4, PlayStation 5
- XBox One, XBox Series X/S
- Nintendo Switch
- Windows gaming systems such as Alienware

Again, there is a wide variety of games available - these can range from simple quizzes through to platform games, shooting games, fighting games, adventure and quest games.

Games on consoles are usually purchased in full either online or via a retail store.

Some games are in the freemium mould, however most games on these platforms require payment.

DEMOS & LETS PLAY

Lets try some games!

Firstly, some demo's of games on iPad/iPhone

Then lets play a game in your web browser!

Free Bingo Cards https://myfreebingocards.com/virtual-bingo

Scattergories https://scattergoriesonline.net/

Q & A