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CP-6 Write a short list of 5-10 most influential games considering and explaining their significant features in terms of target player, interaction, gameplay, story, etc.

Answer: The following games are highly influential

Tetris-It is mainly targeted for all ages as it contains minimum cartoon, violence, fantasy and rare use of language. Tetris game has some specific game pieces called as Tetriminos and they are geometrical in shape and each contains 4 square blocks. Tetriminos falls down randomly in some rectangular matrix. The main goal is to rearrange these Tetriminos by moving sideways and rotating by 90 degree. When a horizontal line of 10 blocks is created without gaps then the line is disappeared and when certain lines are removed, game enters into a new level.

Wolfenstein 3D-It is mainly targeted for matures as it contains some violence, blood and killing people and at times use improper language. Not suitable for small children. There are total 9 levels. Each level is fulfilled by getting it to the elevator. The player has to fight with various enemies and guards by shooting them and simultaneously they have to maintain their health and ammunition. If the health is zero, one of the lives are lost. During completing the different levels, player can collect various treasures around and can gain some points in the game. There are some secret walls in which the player have to push the walls to collect treasures. There are different bosses in each level and the player has to kill the boss in order to reach the next level.

GTA Vice City-It targets to ages having more than 17 years because it may contain some violence, blood and shooting people. So it not applicable to small children. The players can steal the different vehicles like motorbikes, cars, boats etc. by doing robberies and shooting and thereby creating chaos all around the surrounding environment. So by doing these activities, the police also runs behind the players and tries to catch them by shooting the tyres of player's vehicle or by vandalising the vehicles, shooting the players etc. The player can also buy the properties and can earn the money by completing some different missions. Huge amount to players are received when they perform some tricky stunts from their vehicles. There are some side missions that are optional like pizza deliveries, using a police vehicle to kill criminals.

Need For Speed-It is mainly targeted to everyone as there is a thrill and adventurous rides across the streets. The player drives and controls the car in different races. There are different racing modes like training, checkpoint races, tournament races etc. The ultimate goal is to win the race. The main feature of this game is that we can play in multiplayer mode in a single screen like split screen. If the player does not drives the car properly then the car crashes or can suffer some serious mechanical damage. The player can drift the car at the turning of the curves and can make some points to unlock another level. The interaction can be done in various ways that is with other players playing online and discussing about how to chase the cops running behind them.

Super Mario Bros-It mainly targets young teens though it can be played by everyone for entertainment. There are 8 different worlds in this game and one of the world takes place underwater. Game contains 2 brothers named Mario being the main player and younger brother Luigi which comes in second player. The main objective is to go through mushroom kingdom, facing some challenges during the journey and reaching the flag pole at the end of the each stage. Mario can jump to the highest of the pole to gain some coins. In between the stages there are some bricks having question mark (?), so if we hit from below we can get special powers. For example, if the brick contains red mushroom then Mario can become bigger in size. Mario attacks the enemies by jumping on the top. The only obstacle to Mario is that he can lose his life if he is failed to jump on top of the enemy though he can ignore. There is also a power for Mario to kill enemies by throwing fireballs. There are some secret areas to collect coins and bonuses for boosting up the score. Each final stage takes place in a castle.