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Episode 16 – Fun Ways to Build Your English Proficiency – Video Games



Want to add some video games into your test preparation, but don't know where to start? Check out these great games, as discussed in this podcast!

- *Animal Crossing: New Horizons*
- *WarioWare: Get It Together!*
- *NBA 2K22*
- *The Elder Scrolls Online*
- *Firewatch*
- *80 Days*

How can playing video games help strengthen your English?

Video games are not just for entertainment purposes; they can just as easily be used for educational purposes, such as strengthening your English. Several genres, such as RPGs (role-playing games) and adventure games, provide extensive voice acting, onscreen text, and even story choices which can greatly help you learn new words and terms as you play. Many games can also be played as quickly or as slowly as you like, providing you with enough time to absorb new English content. To make the most of your time playing games, you could even consider writing new terms in a vocabulary journal, along with their definitions. Games with voice acting also include optional subtitles to help you read what people are saying, if you choose.