YouTube Survival Guide

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Programs and Tips to start your very own channel.

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I will update the book accordingly.

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Special Thanks to Older Geeks

This version of this book was made especially for the Older Geek website. If you wish to have this book on your website, please let me know. I will put a special thanks at the end of this book and make this section for you. I don't mind others having this on their site but I want to thank you, which is why I want you to ask. If this version is found anywhere other than Older Geeks, they did not ask. ☺

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How to Survive

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How to make a channel, survive as a channel, and grow.

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What do you need to know?

- You need to be happy with what you are doing…it will show. Want to improve your mood? Try singing outloud to songs you love. This can be very helpful. Feel foolish? It's normal and if perfectly normal to do so…enjoy yourself with song!
- Viewers need to see the video so you need a lot of light…or appropriate to your videos needs (dark and creepy for some videos).
- You need to know what your channel is about.
- The audio can be a killer (good thing) or a channel killer (bad thing). Practice with the equalizer on your equipment. You can also get a high quality microphone. Sound is like food for your ears, and you don't want to feed them garbage…right?
- Don't go out and spend a lot of money just to find out you don't want to make videos.

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What do you need to know? Cont.

- Copyrights, plagiarism, fair rights, open source, free, fees, your audience, uploading, file formats, and being civilized are all extremely important things to know about.
- Copyrights, plagiarism, and fair rights are all about what you can use legally.
- Fair use is a legal doctrine that permits limited use of copyrighted material without acquiring permission from the rights holders. Learn about this, copyrights, and plagiarism early on. The last thing you need is a lawsuit from Disney or an international lawsuit.
- You don't have to master them all right away but they are important.

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What do you need to know? Cont.

- If you don't know what you can use, just use things that you make or record only.
- YouTube is extremely picky about music so copyrighted music will be a constant battle. Music makes videos better, by the way.
- Can't afford it? Open source and free are your best friends here.
- Careful not to waste all of your money getting started because you might never earn anything from YouTube.
- The more you do with it, the more you and your channel can grow.
- All of your channels need at least 4,000 watch hours in the previous 12 months and 1,000 subscribers as of the making of this guide.
- File formats is important. Mp3 (audio), wave (audio), mp4 (video), ogg (audio used by LMMS), avi (video type used in editors but often massive) and many others out there. Knowing these will help.

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What do you need to know? Cont.

- Being civilized or not is a big part of being a YouTuber. "Can I make videos that are completely vulgar?" Yes. Michael "Rage Quit" Jones found his dream job by being a [censor]. "Will I have to worry about being like this?" Yes. Logan Paul lost monetization rights and killed his channel because his video.
- He uploaded a video where he found a dead body in suicide forest and killed his channel and reputation. He is turning his life around but he can't get money from YouTube anymore and his reputation is damaged a lot.
- "Should I be family friendly?" That depends on your channel. Do you want to be family friendly?

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Needs

- “Do I need everything in this book?” No. Getting everything on here, even for a professional, would be a waste of time and money.
- “What are the basic things that I do need?”

- You need a video so either a phone with camera, a camera, a webcam, or a capturing device. Having all of these would be really good.
- You need a microphone, editing software (without being able to edit, your videos will have to be recorded and uploaded as is), keyboard, mouse, and a plan.

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Needs cont.

- "I want to be a gaming channel." Well, you'll need games. "No money… ☹" I'll make a separate page for that soon. ☺
- Above all…Keep at it. Never give up. Having a YouTube channel can have perks later on, even if it is just to see how you've grown.

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More Advice

- "Need Games…I'm Broke."
- Keeps your eyes open and keep looking for ways to get free, make deals with indie devs, or use what you have.
- "How will people find me?"
- Play new games before others, games that have few to no videos on them, follow the hype of bigger YouTubers.
- Following other might make you seem to be a wannabe by others but that doesn't mean you are.
- Haters are common on YouTube so if someone says something really bad…ignore them and DON'T let it get to you. That's why trolls exist. There are people who will be blunt so they are different than trolls…they may not seem like it at first, though.

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Never give up!

Don't quit because you haven't gotten anywhere for a few days, weeks, months, or years unless that's what you really want. Don't quit because of others or because you feel like you're no good…quit because you want to do something else or just have to quit. Don't kill yourself doing it either. Just remember to have fun with it. ☺

PMA (Positive Mental Attitude) --JackSepticEye

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Free Programs

Many YouTube personalities know the value of high quality programs. There are many out there who can't afford high quality programs. Many have given up on YouTube because lack of funds for these programs. Here is a list of programs that you can use that are free or Open Source, which are free.

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Recording Software

For those who need to record straight from their computer for game recording, instructional videos, and even speed art for artist, this list of recording software could be just what you need.

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OBS

OBS (Open Broadcaster Software)

- Versatile
- Powerful
- Recording and Streaming
- Can be used for commercial use
- Many options for your style
- Multiple versions to use
- Used by YouTubers with 20+ million sub
- Can do Facecam and other things at the same time
- https://obsproject.com/

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Your Webcam or Camera

What? Yes, your webcam might just come with free software to use for facecam. My Logitech HD 720p has free software that cuts the time restraints off of using other "Free" softwares. Sometimes a software will allow for only a few minutes of record time. Example, Windows Movie Maker has a way to record facecam but only for an hour.

https://www.logitech.com/en-us

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Win 10 Game Bar

Win 10 Game Bar

This is a free program given to you if you have Windows 10.

I can't say much about this as there was a glitch that required you to occasionally make another account on you computer in order to use this. I'm not sure how long ago this was but it seems that it was fixed. To me, this is great to use but is just a waste if it glitches because I don't want to make multiple accounts to use. It's free and pretty good to use if you can use it. I really enjoy it but I'm not very practiced with it because of that previous glitch.

How to use: Windows button + G (Only on Win 10)

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Bandicam

Bandicam was used by Jacksepticeye for a while and I've tried using it too. It has a free version with a watermark and a paid version. I hear it's good but I haven't purchased it…because I can't afford getting programs like this.

It has a hard version and a soft version that you can download. I've heard many prefer using this software, so there is something to it. Video editor, Bandicut can be purchased in a bundle.

https://www.bandicam.com/

At the time of this guide: $39 for one and $59 for two licenses.

For the bundle: $60 for one, $97 for two.

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Capture Card

A capture card is the preferred method of capturing video because if the game crashes or other malfunctions thwart your recording efforts, this little baby has you covered. The ElGato is shown here. I believe Achievement Hunters use the Blackmagic Capture Cards so you know it is trusted by companies.

https://www.amazon.com/s?k=capture+card&ref=nb_sb_noss_1

Price: from $10 to $7,000

Tip: You get what you pay for but don't break yourself. Purchase what you think is best. There are other good ones out there besides the two mentioned above.

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Audio Recording Software

Frances Densmore recording Blackfoot chief Mountain Chief on a cylinder phonograph for the Bureau of American Ethnology (1916)

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Audacity

Audacity can record audio from your microphone or games. It is so powerful that I don't know all of the ins and outs about this one.

- Free
- Powerful
- Tools to increase quality of audio
- Used by YouTubers with 20+ million sub
- https://www.audacityteam.org/
- Price: FREE!

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AIMP

An audio player with plug-ins, skin editor, and other fun add-ons that just make this software awesome.

AIMP can play many file types, including MP3, Advanced Audio Coding (AAC), Dolby AC-3, Ogg Vorbis, Opus, Speex, Windows Media Audio, Apple Lossless, FLAC, WAV and Audio CDs.

http://www.aimp.ru/

Price: FREE!

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AIMP Awards

With this many awards, who could argue of this software's awesomeness?

Other features:
LastFM Scrobbler
Bookmark and playback queue creation
Multiple playlists, one per tab
CUE Sheet support
Playing media files of up to 250MB directly from RAM
Internet radio stream capturing
Multiuser mode support
Multi-language interface
Hotkeys (configurable local and global hotkeys)
Playlist and Tag editor
Audio library file organizer and search
Alarm clock / Auto shutdown
Support for plug-ins and skins

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AIMP

- **ADVANTAGES OF AIMP:**
- **totally FREE music player**
- **Support for a large number of music formats**
  MP1, MP2, MP3, MPC / MP+, AAC, AC3, Ogg, FLAC,APE, WavPack, Speex, WAV, CDA, WMA, S3M, XM, MOD, IT, MO3, MTM, UMX
- **Great functionality and intuitive interface**
- **18-band EQ and built-in sound effects**
  Reverb, Flanger, Chorus, Pitch, Tempo, Echo, Speed
- **32-bit audio processing**
  to achieve the best quality
- **Usage of multiple playlists at once**
- **Support for functionality enhancement modules**
  You can add new features and expand existing, connect such plugins as Input, Gen, DSP from Winamp
- **Shutting down the computer**
  You can sleep under favorite music, setting the timer to switch off the computer.
- **Online radio**
  Listen and save!
- **Creation of bookmarks and playback queue**
- **Hot keys**
  Set up local and global hotkeys to your taste!
- **Multilingual interface**
- **Multiuser mode**
  Several users are using one computer? That's not a problem.
- **Full Unicode support**
- **File search**
  Search files on all open playlists
- **Flexible program settings**
- **Small size of program distribution**
- **Audio Converter**
  Allows you to convert music from a variety of formats to wma, mp3, wav, ogg
- **Audio Grabber**
  You can convert AudioCD (CDA) in MP3, OGG, WAV or WMA
- **Soung Recorder**
  Allows you to write sound from any audio device in your system and save as mp3, ogg, wav and wma files
- **Tag Editor**
  You can easily edit tags of audio files, rename group of files, sort out by required template or apply tags' values to a group of files.
- **Audio Library**
  Represents the organizer of music files, which allows you to easily sort your music, mark listened audios
- (Copied from their homepage.)

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Video Editing Software

Video editing is the manipulation and arrangement of video shots. Video editing is used to structure and present all video information, including films and television shows, video advertisements and video essays.
(--Wikipedia 2019)
A vision mixer pictured to the right.

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Types of Editing

Once the province of expensive machines called video editors, video editing software is now available for personal computers and workstations. Video editing includes cutting segments (trimming), re-sequencing clips, and adding transitions and other Special Effects.[1]

Linear video editing, using video tape and is edited in a very linear way. Several video clips from different tapes are recorded to one single tape in the order that they will appear.

Non-linear editing system (NLE), This is edited on computers with specialised software. These are non destructive to the video being edited and use programs such as Adobe Premiere Pro, Final Cut Pro and Avid.

Offline editing is the process in which raw footage is copied from an original source, without affecting the original film stock or video tape. Once the editing has been completely edited, the original media is then re-assembled in the online editing stage.

Online editing is the process of reassembling the edit to full resolution video after an offline edit has been performed and is done in the final stage of a video production.

Vision mixing, when working within live television and video production environments. A vision mixer is used to cut live feed coming from several cameras in real time.

(--Wikipedia 2019)

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Windows Movie Maker

Windows Movie Maker was part of the Windows Live Essentials collection. Windows doesn't offer this as a download anymore. It is possible that it still exists out there on the internet for those who want it to archive for fun.

Site: No longer active. ☹

Price: …it was free.

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Avidemux

Avidemux is a simple video editor and encoder that supports many file types. Want to learn some basics? This program might be just for you.

http://fixounet.free.fr/avidemux/

Price: FREE!

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Avidemux

Using Avidemux

- Quickstart
- User interface
- Main window - Qt version Main UI version
- Cutting
- Project files, custom scripts
- Joblist
- Command line usage
- Multiple audio tracks
- Video filters
- Audio filters
- Multithreading (multiprocessing)
- Preferences in Avidemux
- Enabling Hardware decoding

Advanced

- Using AVSProxy & VSProxy, to read AviSynth and VapourSynth scripts
- Scripting and batch processing with Tinypy

Howto

- Save only audio
- Save only video
- Create video from still image and from audio file

Tutorials & guides

- Deinterlacing video
- Presets – how to store codec settings etc.
- Guide to encoding types
- Encoding animation with Xvid
- Editing MPEG capture (DVB or IVTV)
- x264 encoding guide (H.264/AVC)
- Cut TS sample

Out of dates / Do not use

- Writing your own filter (Avidemux 2.4)
- Fixing MPEG files with ProjectX
- Cutting MPEG files
- EcmaScript Scripting tutorial
- EcmaScript Batch processing
- Converting to DVD
- DVD/MPEG to AVI
- Standalone MPEG-4 players

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Blender

Sections

User Interface

An introduction to Blender's window system, widgets and tools.

Editors

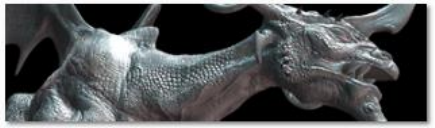
Overview of the editors describing the interface and functionality of each one.

Data System

Blender's data management of scene data and the structure of blend-files.

Modeling

The various supported geometry types, modeling tools, and modifiers.



Painting & Sculpting

The 3D texture painting and sculpting modes.

Rigging

Overview of armatures, pose mode and constraints.

Animation

Keyframe animation, graph interpolation, drivers, and shape keys.

Physics

Physics simulations, particle systems and dynamic paint.

Render

Render engines (Internal, Cycles), shading, post-processing, and Freestyle (NPR).

Compositing

Post-processing with the Compositor.

Game Engine

Blender's Game engine, including scripting, logic and physics.

User Preferences

Blender's settings.

Advanced

Python scripting, how to write add-ons and a reference for command-line arguments.

Troubleshooting

Compatibility errors related to other software (graphics drivers, Python), how to write a bug report and recover data.

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Bandicut

Bandicam…oops, I meant Bandicut. This is made by the Bandicam creators.

It has a simplicity to it that makes it easy to use. I use more complex systems so maybe that's the reason for it being easy. It can be purchased in a bundle with bandicam.

https://www.bandicam.com/bandicut-video-cutter/

Price: $29 for one, $44 for two licenses.

For the bundle: $60 for one, $97 for two.

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OpenShot

OpenShot has many features such as: cross-platform, unlimited tracks (needed for face-cam and such), title editor, video editor (I would hope, lol), trim & slice, video effects, 3-D animations, in 70+ languages, animations & keyframes (very nice), audio waveforms (great for syncing), slow motion & time effects, and has a simple user interface. What more would you want? Oh yeah, FREE!

https://www.openshot.org/

Price: FREE!

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OpenShot

Our **Features**

Cross-Platform

OpenShot is a cross-platform video editor, with support for Linux, Mac, and Windows. Get started and download our installer today.

Trim & Slice

Quickly trim down your videos, and find those perfect moments. OpenShot has many easy ways to cut your video.

Animation & Keyframes

Using our powerful animation framework, you can fade, slide, bounce, and animate anything in your video project.

Unlimited Tracks

Add as many layers as you need for watermarks, background videos, audio tracks, and more.

Video Effects

Using our video effects engine, remove the background from your video, invert the colors, adjust brightness, and more.

Audio Waveforms

Visualize your audio files as waveforms, and even output the waveforms as part of your video.

Title Editor

Adding titles to your video has never been easier. Use one of our templates, or make your own.

3D Animations

Render beautiful 3D animated titles and effects, such as snow, lens flares, or flying text.

Slow Motion & Time Effects

Control the power of time, reversing, slowing down, and speeding up video. Use a preset or animate the playback speed and direction.

Edit Video

Drag and drop video, audio, or images from your file manager into OpenShot. It's that easy to get started video editing.

70+ Languages

OpenShot is available in many different languages, and can be translated online with LaunchPad.

Simple User Interface

We have designed OpenShot to be the easiest and friendliest video editing software ever! Give it a try and see for yourself.

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Photo Editors for Thumbnails and More

General Grant at City Point is a composite of three different photographs.

"The practice began not long after the creation of the first photograph (1825) by Joseph Nicéphore Niépce who developed heliography and made the first photographic print from a photoengraved printing plate." –Wikipedia 2019
Not trusting what you see since the early 1800s.

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Gimp

- Gimp (GNU Image Manipulation Program) is a powerful photo editor (not as much as Photoshop to my knowledge) and is open source. It can be modded and mods do exist to make it more powerful. Works with raster images but could be modded for vector graphics.
- Thumbnails
- Animations
- Much more
- https://www.gimp.org/
- Price: FREE!

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Inkscape

- Inkscape is great for making vector images. Vector images, unlike raster images, are drawn by math…don't worry, you don't have to do math to use this program. Vector images look high quality no matter how close you zoom. Raster images get blurrier the closer you zoom.
- Making mangas/comics
- Thumbnails
- Infographics
- Etc.
- https://inkscape.org/en/
- Price: FREE!

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Blender

- What can't you do with Blender? You can:
- Edit videos, create and edit code, make games, animations (2-D & 3-D), create 2-d & 3-D images, edit pictures, create height maps, has great synergy with other programs (like Unity), and so on.
- Downside? Steep learning curve, but there's many videos on YouTube, guides, and a strong community. Get it free on Steam for their guides as well.

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Blender

Blender is powerful and can do many things.

- There are many guides on how to use this so check'em out.
- https://wiki.blender.org/wiki/Main_Page
- https://steamcommunity.com/search/groups/?text=Blender
- https://docs.blender.org/
- (Note: Very tough learning curve. If you can master it, you can do almost anything based around multimedia.)
- https://www.blender.org/
- https://store.steampowered.com/app/365670/Blender/
- Price: FREE!

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Unity

- Make video games for free? Sure, why not. Unity is fantastic for making games, animations for videos, and so on.
- Unity has a bad rep for being a poor choice for making video games but that's because so many people have made poor games with it. What can it really do? See next page for some pictures of good Unity games.
- https://unity3d.com/
- Price: FREE! …until you earn so much on your creations <$100,000 a year.

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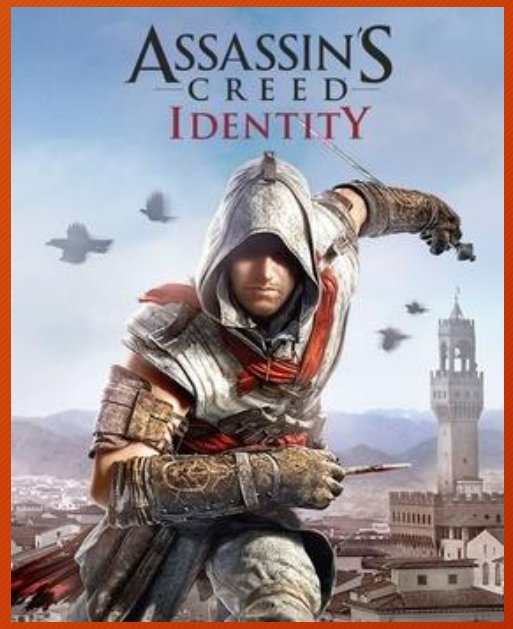
Unity Games



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Notes for Unity

- Check the links for more information.
- https://store.unity.com/
- Unity's store is great, huge, and you can sell your own stuff there.
- Continued on next page

- Taken from: https://unity3d.com/unity/faq

Does Unity take royalties?

Unity is royalty free. We don't charge on a per title basis or require a revenue share model.

Do I own the content I create with my subscription?

Yes, you fully own the content you create with a Unity subscription, also if you stop subscribing to Unity.

Do you have a specially-priced license for students or educators?

For students: Discounted Unity Pro licenses are available with proof of academic status for students in North America, UK and Europe through our partner, Studica. For all other countries, please contact your local Unity office for details.

For educators and academic institutions: Unity makes heavily-reduced licenses available to post-secondary institutions who want to integrate Unity into their curricula. See more information here.

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FOR HOBBYISTS

Plus

~$25 per month with 1 year, prepaid
Or $35 paid monthly

For hobbyists who want to accelerate their learning & development

Get Plus

Learn more >

Show benefits

Financial eligibility:
I or my company generate annual revenue or funds raised of $200k or less

FOR BEGINNERS

Personal

Available to use if your revenue or funding (raised or self-funded) does not exceed $100K per year.

Try Personal

Learn more >

Show info

Financial eligibility:
I or my company generate annual revenues or raised funds less than $100k

FOR TEAMS AND FREELANCERS

Pro Best value

$125 per month

Includes direct, priority access to Unity experts, advisors and services for advanced support

Go Pro

Learn more >

Show benefits

Over $1,200 in added value included

Financial eligibility:
No limits on revenue or funding

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Unreal

- Unreal is well known for being a great game engine. They changed their policy recently to allow for free made games at a price per sell.
- https://www.unrealengine.com/
- Price: Free, but "When you ship a game or application, you pay a 5% royalty on gross revenue after the first $3,000 per product, per quarter."

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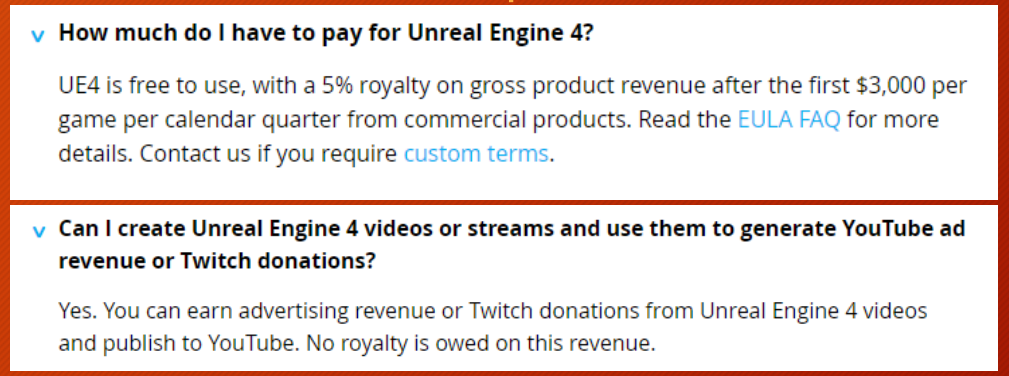
Unreal Engine 4 Games

Deus Ex

Bioshock

Notes for Unreal

- Check the link for more information.
- Taken from: https://www.unrealengine.com/en-US/faq



How much do I have to pay for Unreal Engine 4?

UE4 is free to use, with a 5% royalty on gross product revenue after the first $3,000 per game per calendar quarter from commercial products. Read the EULA FAQ for more details. Contact us if you require custom terms.

Can I create Unreal Engine 4 videos or streams and use them to generate YouTube ad revenue or Twitch donations?

Yes. You can earn advertising revenue or Twitch donations from Unreal Engine 4 videos and publish to YouTube. No royalty is owed on this revenue.

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Krita

- Krita is a fantasic art program for making:
- Comics/Manga
- Textures
- So much more.
- https://krita.org/en/
- Price: FREE!

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Music Creation Software

A painting on an ancient Greek vase depicts a music lesson (c. 510 BC). – Wikipedia 2019

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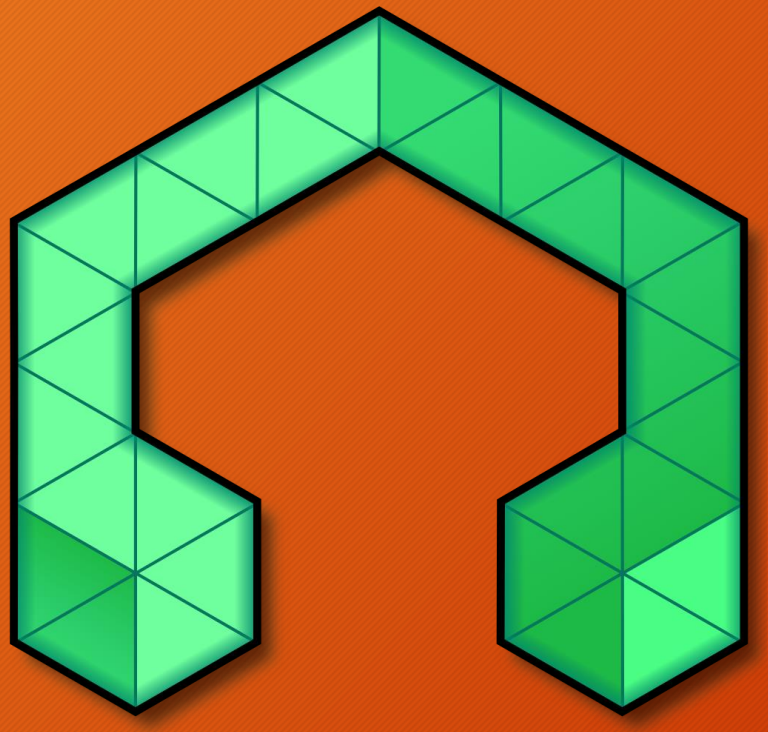
LMMS



- LMMS (Linux MultiMedia Studio) is an interesting and great music creation software.
- Make music for YouTube, games, etc.
- Open Source
- NOT JUST FOR LINUX! :D
- You can add your own sounds (requires a way to convert to .ogg files. (VLC media can do this)
- https://lmms.io/
- Price: FREE!

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Drums Anywhere

- A newer program that can turn your table, wall, desk, etc. into a drum set. Wow!
- Add your own drum sounds
- Wow your friends (well, this wows me)
- Use anywhere (not your brother, sister, cousins, or any family…sorry)
- Use real drumsticks or whatever works for you.

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Drum Anywhere Notes

Buy DrumsAnywhere Online Now!
Sale: 50% Off (until 28 September)

Buy DrumsAnywhere Lite:

~~$50~~ $24.99

Click to Buy Now!

Lite Version Features:

4 Drum Pads
3 Percussion Sound Libraries
NO User Sounds
NO MIDI Support

Buy DrumsAnywhere PRO:

~~$120~~ $59.99

Click to Buy Now!

PRO Version Features:

8 Drum Pads
9 Percussion Sound Libraries
Lets you Use Your Own Sounds
MIDI is Fully Supported

I haven't tried this before but, being a drummer without any drums, I would love this program. If I ever get this program, I plan to make some great solos and riffs on my table for you. ☺
This is 28 September of 2018.

http://drumsanywhere.com/

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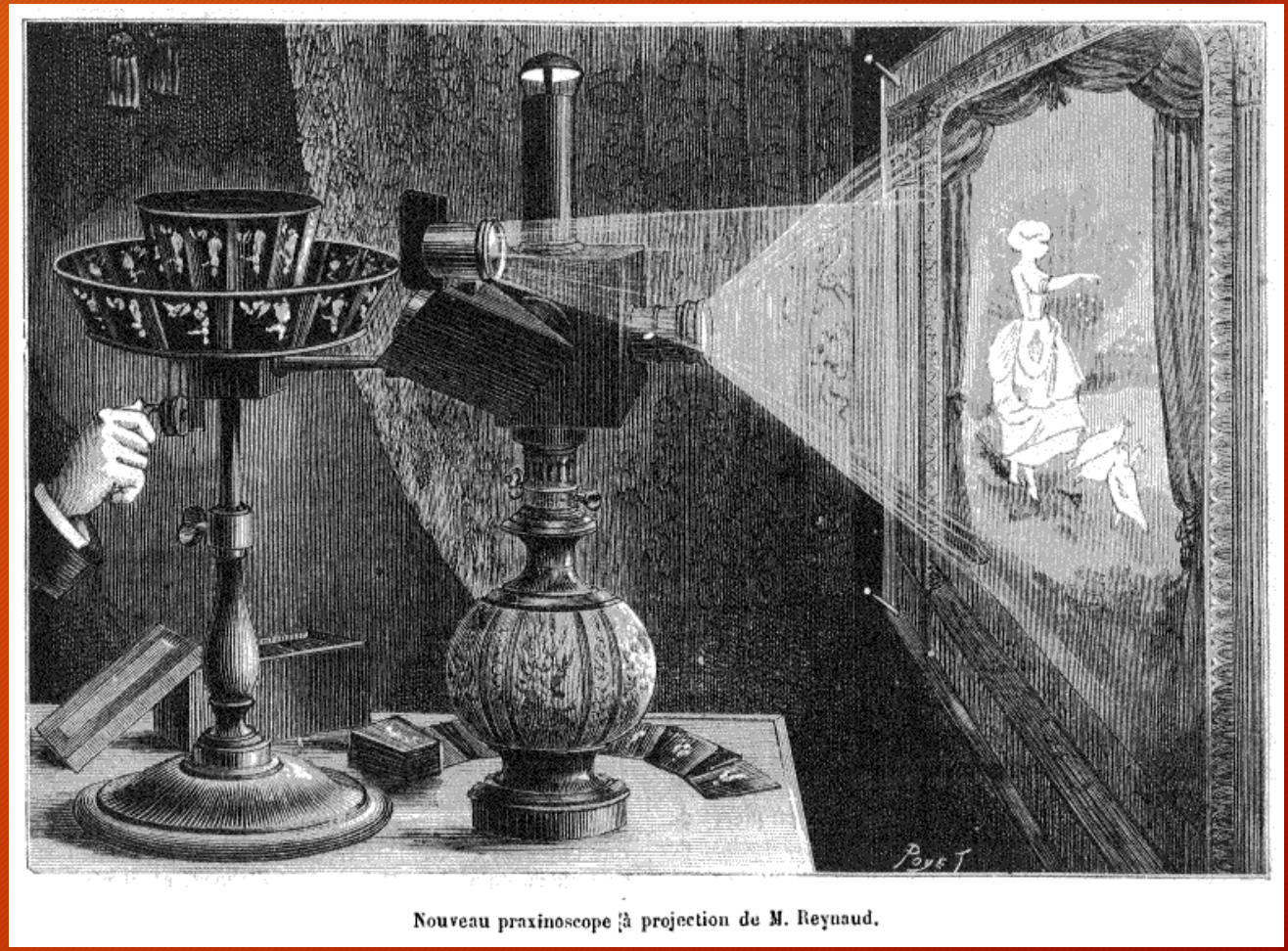
Animation Software

A projecting praxinoscope, 1882, here shown superimposing an animated figure on a separately projected background scene



Nouveau praxinoscope à projection de M. Reynaud.

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Open Toonz

- Open Toonz is a great animation program that is open source and is a fantastic choice for beginners.
- Plastic tool (turning flat images into animated images)
- Skeleton tool (much like plastic tool)
- Tweening (not growing from kid to teen…this is animation generated between to animation cells. Saves a lot of time)
- https://opentoonz.github.io/e/
- Price: FREE!

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Source Filmmaker (SFM)

- Make 3-D animations, just like Valve…seriously, this is a free to use program that Valve has used for their games and you can animate too.
- "This is a bucket."
- https://store.steampowered.com/app/1840/Source_Filmmaker/
- Price: FREE!

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Daz 3D

- Daz is a great 3-D animation program that is free, has some free assets, and is beautiful to look at.
- Occasional freebies
- Make YouTube animations
- https://www.daz3d.com/
- Price: FREE!

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Old Fashion Ways to Make Animations

Stop Motion

Claymation

Frames

Sprite Sheets

Machinima

- Stop motion, like Tim Burton's *Nightmare Before Christmas*, is a fun way to make an animation.
- Claymation is like stop motion…with clay.
- Frames is having a few drawing that make a moving image.
- Sprite Sheets are used to make 2-D animations in game.
- Machinima is often known as making an animation using a video game and/or engine.

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Misc. Programs

The world's first telephone invented by Antonio Meucci in 1849.[3]

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Discord

- Talk or chat with friends while you play online games.
- Chat with developers.
- Easy to use.
- Free to use.
- This app has picked up speed with the game developers and other companies.
- https://discordapp.com/
- Price: FREE!

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Skype

- Talk with friends.
- Video call friends.
- THE FUTURE IS NOW!
- Call a friend's cell or home phone (you'll have to buy minutes for this)
- Free…besides purchasing for pc to phone and such.
- https://www.skype.com/en/
- Price: FREE! Unless you are using a cellphone with this app.

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Facebook

- Yes, Facebook. You can:
- Chat
- Call or video call
- Host movies (Why not host one of your videos on here and chat with your fans live?)
- Stream
- And more.
- https://www.facebook.com
- Price: FREE!

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Twitter

- Twitter is a great place to talk to fans, make friends, and get in touch easily with developers and companies.
- Upload art (videos, thumbnails, etc)
- Announce changes
- Advertise
- https://twitter.com/
- Price: FREE!

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Twitch App

- Twitch can offer live streaming that you can upload to YouTube.
- Download mods for games, like Minecraft (if that's your thing).
- Watch and learn from others.
- Earn a partnership and gain monetization on your streams.
- And more.
- https://www.twitch.tv/
- https://app.twitch.tv/
- Price: FREE!

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Apache Open Office (Microsoft Office Alternative)

- Need Microsoft Office and broke? Apache Open Office seems to have a lot to offer. It has a similar setup to Microsoft Office, and where it is open source there may be mods coming…cool.
- http://www.openoffice.org/download/index.html
- Price: FREE!

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Notepad++

Know how to code?

- Make animations
- Create programs/apps
- Learn how with this program
- Do whatever coders do
- This program is a coders dream when it comes to its functionality
- https://notepad-plus-plus.org/

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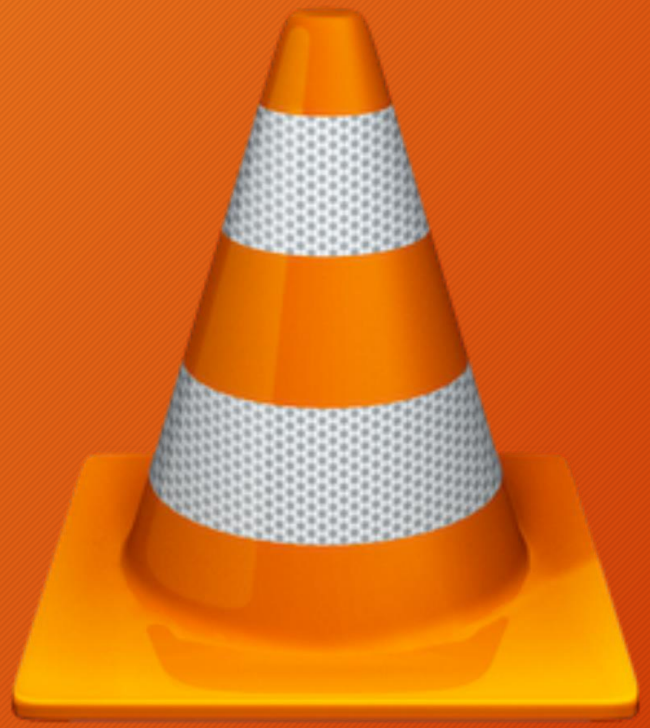
VLC Media Player



- Play movies
- DVDs
- CD
- Convert media files (like .ogg for LMMS)
- Stream from YouTube and more
- And more.
- https://www.videolan.org/

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Antivirus

I can't stress the importance of having an antivirus, protection from malware, phishing, ransomware, worms, and the many things that will harm/destroy your computer. I've used Webroot (logo left), Norton, AVG, and many others. Do NOT use a computer without protection. Viruses and such can be found on pictures, videos, audio, and anything you can download. Not all caught viruses are viruses but always check to see before opening. Firewall is a must.

YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED!

Just looking out for you.

https://www.webroot.com/us/en

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Free Games? Yay!

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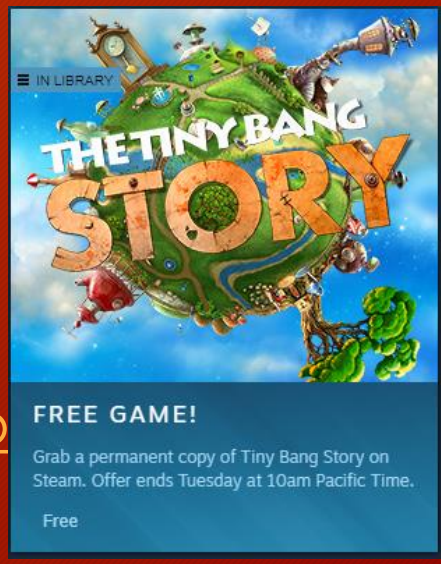
List of Sites for Free Games

These are some places for free games, winnable games, and earnable games.

- Humble Bundle will offer games at a great discount as well as feebies.
- https://www.humblebundle.com/
- Indie DB will often have giveaways for many great games.
- https://www.indiedb.com
- Gamejolt is great for freebies.
- https://gamejolt.com/
- Ask devs. Sometimes an indie dev will give you free keys to play their games. Ask nicely. ;)
- Indie gala has giveaways for tickets (many are free) and golden flash give-a-way. Usually once a day for a short time.
- https://www.indiegala.com
- Steam has a promotion of a free to get game every so often. Claim then (limited time) and keep.
- https://store.steampowered.com/
- Older Geeks have numerous game for free.
- http://www.oldergeeks.com/



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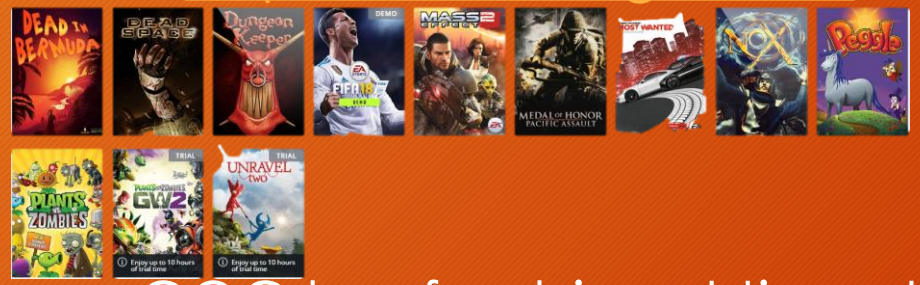
- Origin, though not as popular as Steam, will have free games at times.
- https://www.origin.com



GOG has freebies at times too.

- https://www.gog.com
- Galaxy is much like Steam.
- https://www.gog.com/galaxy

- Epic Bundle has a list of freebies that occur at times from other sites
- https://www.epicbundle.com/article-category/for-free
- Grab the Games has giveaways that's nice.
- http://www.grabthegames.com/giveaways-winners.html
- You can get super cheap to freebies at Itch.
- https://itch.io/
- https://itch.io/sales

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Even More FREE?!

- Epic Games is trying their hand at competing with Steam and offers developers better offers than Steam.
- https://www.epicgames.com/store/en-US/
- Free so far: Fortnite, Subnautica, Super Meat Boy, Jackbox Party Pack, What Remains of Edith Finch, and Axiom Verge.

- DrPetter's homepage has some free games and free programs that you could check out.
- http://www.drpetter.se/projects.html

- More to come when found.
- :D

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What is your channel about?

- Gaming is popular so gaming is watched often…YouTube is oversaturated with gaming content so you might never get discovered… then again, you could hit it big. Get a hook (something that makes you special and stands out from the rest) and run with it. Experimentation is why Pewdiepie is where he is now.
- How to: cook, clean, DIY, train monkeys, or whatever you need for this is up to you. You'll need the correct supplies and passion.
- Music? You'll need your instrument/s and knowledge of audio alteration wouldn't hurt.
- Find a current hobby, passion, something you're good at, or just do some comedy routines; whatever works best for you.

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Paid Programs

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FaceRig

- Play a game with an avatar (will use some memory and can create lag)
- Want a better Vlog? Facerig
- Follows your face, mouth, eyes, hands (with Leap Motion™ and/or Intel® RealSense™), and is just fun
- Many characters to choose from
- Many to buy and free ones too
- Make your own…if you know how (there's instructions to learn how)
- https://store.steampowered.com/app/274920/FaceRig/
- Price: $14.95, Pro-Upgrade $64.99 (if you earn so much off of their product), and $0.99 to $4.99 for DLC content

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7 Days to Die

- Want to build houses or create your own town? This is more realistic than Minecraft and is often referred to as adult Minecraft.

WARNING:

NOT FOR KIDS

- It is slower than Minecraft for digging if you use creative. Plus, more realistic physics make it more challenging to build
- Interesting fact: Don't want to survive against zombies? Turn them off.
- https://store.steampowered.com/app/251570/7_Days_to_Die/
- Price: $24.99, two pack for $39.99

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Nimble Writer

- Keep track of stories, story notes, and more
- Keep a journal
- Write while keeping out distractions
- Write character notes
- And more
- https://store.steampowered.com/app/348200/Nimble_Writer/
- Price: $9.99

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Fuse Character Creator

- Character creation
- Free
- Create animations (knowledge of a different program or…)
- Unlimited free Auto-Rigs and Animations through the Mixamo service (activated Adobe ID required).
- https://store.steampowered.com/app/257400/Fuse/
- Price: FREE!

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Manga Maker ComiPo!

- A Manga Maker
- Limited resources but they add more
- Can give you great ideas for characters
- Many great items and settings
- Import your own things (Very important for personalizing your own manga how you want and makes up for their limitations)
- Many DLCs to choose from
- https://store.steampowered.com/app/262490/Manga_Maker_Comipo/
- Price: $49.99 with $188.90 of DLC

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Rytmik Lite Chiptune Synthesizer

- Create chiptunes
- Use your creations in games, etc.
- Connect to cloud and listen to others works
- And just have fun

Important notes next page which is copied straight from the user agreement…important

https://store.steampowered.com/app/432330/Rytmik_Lite_Chiptune_Synthesizer/

Price: $5.99 basic, $11.99 upgrade to Ultimate

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"CINEMAX agrees that all rights, title and interest in the user-generated content, excluding the pre-existing material, shall belong to you. By creating user-generated content and uploading it to Rytmik Cloud you automatically grant CINEMAX, for a full term of copyright, a worldwide, irrevocable, transferable, non-exclusive, no-charge and royalty-free, unlimited right and license to use, reproduce, modify, adapt, publish, perform, play, distribute, sub-license, create derivative works of and otherwise exploit in any way known, including commercial exploitation, this user-generated content."

This states that your creations are yours. Fair warning, if you want to keep your music soley to yourself for personal and monetary gain, do NOT upload it to their cloud. If you keep it off of their cloud, which you do have the option to do so, then it is yours. If you upload it to their cloud then they can do with it as they please. If you look past this or just don't care then I recommend this software.

Please Note: this user agreement might be a bit dated.

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Project Musagi

musagi

- Okay, I honestly just stumbled upon someone's review on Rytmik and they mention this. I have little knowledge on it but I will find out more about it. In the meantime, here's the link. It looks like it has more to offer than Rytmik but without the flash. See for yourself.
- http://www.drpetter.se/project_musagi.html
- Price: FREE!

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Photoshop Elements

- Photoshop is a paid version of Gimp and well worth the price of elements for serious YouTubers. It's great for:
- Thumbnails
- Art
- Photo manipulation
- Animations
- Photo restoration
- Much more
- This is my preferred program for pictures
- Note: if you want both PS and Premier, get the bundle for a lower price.
- Price: $69.99 or $99.99 regular price
- Price with Premier: $99.99 or $149.99 regular price

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Premier Elements

- Much like Photoshop Elements, this is a power, versatile, and very much needed to for editing videos.
- Green screen (video merge)
- Many layers for face cam, extra tracks, etc.
- This is my preferred program editing
- https://www.adobe.com/
- Price: $69.99 or $99.99 regular price
- Price with Premier: $99.99 or $149.99 regular price

Fun Fact: Jacksepticeye used to use Sony Vegas Pro but switched to Premier for its rendering speed. He still uses this to my knowledge. SVP did good for him for years.

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Fraps

- Records raw videos
- Has an FPS counter
- Can take snapshots in game
- Great to use

Important notes:

- It isn't free
- For recording raw videos only, which means non-encoded and huge files.
- OBS=2 gb while Fraps=40+ gb
- Aero enable recording
- If you can use OBS then save space…go OBS instead
- I haven't used newer Fraps so things maybe different
- Fraps can record 30 s. free but at $37, you could get unlimited without the watermark.
- http://fraps.com/
  Price: $37

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Microsoft Office

- I highly recommend getting Office for Word (for stories, scripts, etc.), Excel (keeping track of finances or an alternate to Word), and PowerPoint (for much the same). Organization is important for YouTube and this can help. Can't afford Office? There's another slide with an alternative.
- https://products.office.com/en-us/
- Price: $99.99 a year for home, $69.99 a year Office 365, or $149.99 one time purchase for Office Home & Student for only Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. The $149.99 is what I recommend. Annual fees suck eggs and should be outlawed…in my opinion.

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Minecraft

- Pixel art
- Locations for stories
- Stress relief
- Creative thought
- Fun
- Build your world and let others visit
- Voxel art
- And more
- https://minecraft.net/en-us/
- Price: $26.95 for Java (PC), $19.99-$61.67 Xbox 1 (Depends on where you purchase and what version. Some versions have Minecoins that offer up DLC), and the pricing system is really convoluted at this point.

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Other Things?

What else do I need?

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Some Other Tools

- Keyboard, mouse, headphones (to prevent feedback), webcam with microphone or both separate, an Xbox/USB gamepad (for gaming channels). Good brands: Logitech (cheaper) Razer, and Alienware will last longer.
- Use a mirror and talk to yourself to practice expressions and speech
- A multi-tool with knife to open up new products (be careful, please)
- Cellphone for calls, recording videos on the go, taking audio notes, and anything else
- Comfy seat
- Lamps, lights, or something people can see you for recording face cam

https://www.logitech.com/en-us
http://www.razer.com/
https://www.dell.com/en-us/gaming/alienware

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Other Information

- Stream on Twitch, transfer streams to YouTube, partner both, two birds…one stone.
- Twitter Seems to have the best synergy with YouTube while Facebook works well, too.
- I haven't done everything with YouTube so my advice may stink. lol
- Don't take yourself seriously all of the time.
- Be yourself.
- Be respectful.
- Collaborations (collabs) work well at times.
- Shout out competitions can help.
- Make other YouTube friends. (Jack, Mark, Bob, & Wade are fantastic together)

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A little about me, Special Thanks, Etc.

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If anyone has any advice on programs to use or anything that might be useful to this guide, please let me know. I might put you in this book with your advice. Thanks so much. ☺

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This book was written by:

Character art work by me. :P
Art inspired by Baby Duka, wanted poster art and his game, *Urban Pirate*, by Baby Duka…as well as the nickname.

- My Channel:
- https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6AsPYEw5H1m8oBePI7_arg
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- My Email (this is my professional account so please, no spam. Thanks):
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- https://www.deviantart.com/obieldenook
- Updates for my book on my website. Either check there to see what's coming up or wait for published versions at their respective download sites. ☺

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A Special Shout Out To

- Vidas "Mr. Timore" Salavejus

- http://www.vidasgames.com

- Older Geeks

- http://www.oldergeeks.com

Randy and Deanna

- Their site has V. OG.1.00+ of this book.

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- PlayWitStyle

- https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6A10Lv5Whm3056m9PRvg7A

- Baby Duka

- https://www.youtube.com/user/babydukaofficial

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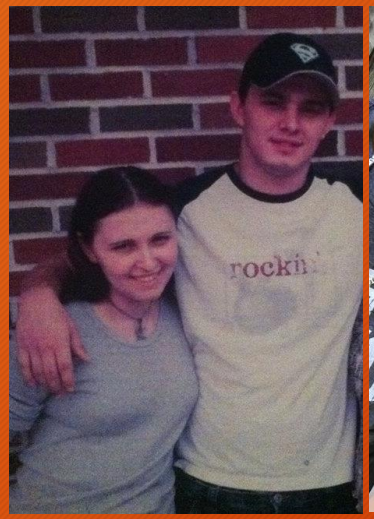
- Psycho "Attitude" Kasumi

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCD2iYoGeXZlb5il2XAoEYQ

- Pam, Colton "Kaos", & Heather. <3 you all.



- SynthaRoboto

I'm working on a story to honor my Sisters, Pam and Heather, and to honor my fallen brother, Kaos.

My loving yet wild Aunt Loretta (I mean that in a good way) and my cousin, Buddy. Lot's of Love. ☺

Pamali
NOW LIVE ON KICK STARTER
INDONESIAN FOLKLORE HORROR

http://pamali.story.co.id/index.html

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