Guidance on GTA VI



What does GTA 6 contain, and why is it rated 18?

GTA 6 has been classified PEGI 18, meaning its content is considered suitable for adults only.

PEGI ratings are based on established criteria and assessed by trained classification professionals. They help families make informed decisions about the games young people access.

Reported content in GTA 6 includes:

- **Graphic violence: Realistic violence, blood, injury and criminal activity.**
- **Sexual content: Nudity, sexual activity and adult sexual themes.**
- **Drugs and alcohol: Depictions of illegal drug use and alcohol consumption.**
- **Strong language: Frequent swearing and offensive language.**
- **In-game purchases: Opportunities to spend additional real money on optional content.**

This is not an exhaustive list of the game's content. For more details of the games contents after release on 19th November, check the Pegi website.

Remember: An age rating relates to the suitability of a game's content, not its difficulty or how much time someone might spend playing.

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Parental Controls on games consoles

Setting time limits on gaming consoles

Both PlayStation and Xbox offer parental controls that allow you to manage when and how long your child can play.



PlayStation 5

1. Open Settings > Family and Parental Controls > Family Management.
2. Select your child's account.
3. Choose Playtime Settings.
4. Set daily limits and permitted gaming hours.

You can choose whether your child receives a notification or is logged out when their time ends.



Xbox Series X/S

1. Visit family.microsoft.com or open the Microsoft Family Safety app.
2. Sign in to your family account and select your child.
3. Open the screen-time settings for Xbox.
4. Set daily time allowances and permitted gaming hours.

These controls require an appropriately configured child account within your family group.

Top tip: Agree on gaming boundaries together, focusing on positive habits as well as limits. Encourage young people to make time for the things that help them thrive, such as getting enough sleep, spending time with friends, enjoying other hobbies and keeping up with schoolwork.

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Online purchasing advice

Protecting against unauthorised purchases

Gaming storefronts, such as the PlayStation Store and Microsoft Store, allow players to purchase games, downloadable content and virtual currency.

We recommend avoiding saving debit or credit card details to accounts accessible to children.

To check your payment methods:

- **PlayStation: Go to Settings > Users and Accounts > Account > Payment and Subscriptions > Payment Methods.**
- **Xbox: Sign in at account.microsoft.com/billing/payments to review and remove saved cards.**

You can also enable purchase approval settings, require passwords for purchases and set spending limits on child accounts.

Removing saved cards helps reduce the risk of unexpected spending, but remember to check other linked accounts and payment methods too.



Remember: Some games use virtual currencies, which can make it harder for young people to recognise how much real money they're spending. Encourage them to check the actual cost before making purchases

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Tips for positive discussion

Having open, honest conversations about gaming

Gaming can be a positive part of young people's lives, offering enjoyment, social connection, creativity and relaxation.

Positive, judgement free conversations can help you to gain a better understanding of your childs gaming habits.

Conversation starters:

- **"What is it about GTA 6 that people are so excited about?"**
- **"What do you enjoy most about the games you play?"**
- **"Have you ever come across anything in a game that made you uncomfortable?"**
- **"How do you know when you've had enough gaming?"**
- **"What do you think would be a fair way for us to agree on gaming boundaries?"**

- **Be curious: Ask your child to explain or show you the games they enjoy.**
- **Listen without judgement: Avoid dismissing gaming as a waste of time.**
- **Explain your concerns: Discuss why certain content or gaming habits might be unsuitable.**
- **Agree on boundaries: Involve your child in decisions about healthy gaming habits, while maintaining age-appropriate limits.**
- **Make gaming an ongoing conversation, rather than a one-off warning.**

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