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NIYATI SHIRTHADI

PROFILE

FEATURE DESIGN | ECONOMY | NARRATIVE | LEVEL DESIGN | PROTOTYPING

GAME DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

- Specialises in leveraging design research methodologies and data-driven insights to craft compelling and sustainable game systems that have proven to optimise Lifetime Value and maximise revenue potentials.
- Have worked in multiple agile environments with various team sizes on Live Games.

SKILLS

- High Proficiency in Spreadsheets, Adobe Suites and Figma.
- Extensive experience in Unity, Unreal Engine, Godot, SVN and GitHub.

WORK EXPERIENCE

GAME DESIGNER II

Electronic Arts
Real Racing 3
2024

- Improved New Player retention and engagement through a revamped FTUE flow.
- Designed Quests and Events that strike a balance between player expectations and internal KPI targets. Ensured a consistent 5-10% increase in projected revenue for events.
- Implemented multiple process interventions to reduce design effort in the content timeline while maintaining quality.
- Streamlined narrative processes and common NPC arcs in the game to refresh quest narratives.

GAME DESIGNER I

Electronic Arts
The Sims Mobile
2023-24

- Designed live content packages to improve player immersion and ensure they meet projected revenue targets
- Designed multiple live store packages that improved revenue by upwards of 10% in MTX sales.
- Implemented multiple content loops for the various game events to ensure continued content updates with minimal effort.

ASSOCIATE GAME DESIGNER

Playsimple Games

☑ Word Trip/Crossword Jam
2023

- Designed and implemented a social "clubs" feature aimed at retaining long term players. The feature boosted the LTV by 5% at first release
- Designed a gacha system based event to introduce cosmetic sinks into the game. This was later ported into other games.
- Ported multiple features like collection mechanic based "letter hunt" event, end game content loops, and piggy bank features across games by successfully adapting the feature to the different game ecosystems.
- Formalised a process to gauge player sentiment and feedback into informing design directions for the

JUNIOR GAME DESIGNER

Playsimple Games

✓ Crossword Jam/Word Trip
2021-22

- Improved multiple economy systems including existing piggy bank mechanic and store screen bringing in a combined 10-15% increase in LTV.
- Designed long term and scalable level difficulty curves that enable high player engagement while reducing constant team interventions.

GAME DESIGN INTERN

Playsimple Games Word Trip/Crossword Jam 2020

- Reworked the onboarding experience based on player data and improved Early Game Engagement and retention resulting in a 5-10% increase in LTV
- Designed over 1000+ puzzle levels.

VISUAL DESIGN LEAD

Alter Marketing Management 2017

- Member of the founding team of a digital marketing startup, responsible for all visual assets, logo design and illustration.
- Built up and led a team of visual designers and ensured design processes were created and maintained across 15+ clients.

EDUCATION

National Institute of Design, Bengaluru 2018-2020