

Astrid Entertainment: Blending Linear Entertainment and Gaming

Description

Three years ago, Sharon Tal Yguado, a former Amazon and Fox executive, started Astrid Entertainment, a game studio. They are working on a new game for teenagers, focusing on a positive experience that is exciting and creative. The game combines RPG elements with a sandbox approach, allowing players to shape the world. They spent the first year building the game and recently finished a demo. The game is not about violence but about empowering players to shape the future. It is a multiplayer adventure where players can invite friends and family to join them. The team is diverse, with talent from different industries, and they work well together. Astrid is based in Los Angeles but has team members in the UK. They are growing and plan to start production soon. Yguado hopes to see more unique games in the future.

Vocabulary List:

- Entertainment /,εn.tə'teɪn.mənt/ (noun): The action of providing or being provided with amusement or enjoyment.
- 2. **Empowering** /ɪmˈpaʊərɪŋ/ (verb): Giving someone the authority or power to do something.
- 3. **Diverse** /daɪ'vɜːrs/ (adjective): Showing a great deal of variety; very different.
- 4. **Production** /prəˈdʌk.ʃən/ (noun): The process of creating or manufacturing goods for sale.
- 5. **Sandbox** /'sænd.bɒks/ (noun): A feature or program that allows users to interactively shape or manipulate a game environment.
- 6. **Multiplayer** /'mʌl.tiˌpleɪ.ər/ (adjective): A type of game or software that can be played by multiple players at the same time.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. Who founded Astrid Entertainment?

Option: Sharon Tal Yguado Option: Mark Zuckerberg

Option: Elon Musk Option: Jeff Bezos



2. What is the focus of the new game being developed by Astrid Entertainment?

Option: Violence and gore

Option: Empowering players to shape the future

Option: Monetary gain

Option: Political propaganda

3. Where is Astrid Entertainment based?

Option: New York Option: London Option: Los Angeles

Option: Tokyo

4. What type of game elements does Astrid's new game combine?

Option: Simulation and strategy Option: Puzzle and adventure Option: RPG and sandbox Option: Action and sports

5. What is the team composition like at Astrid Entertainment?

Option: Comprised solely of former Amazon employees

Option: Limited to one industry background

Option: Diverse with talent from different industries

Option: Mainly teenagers

6. What is the primary theme of Astrid's new game for teenagers?

Option: Destruction and chaos

Option: Friendship and collaboration Option: Competition and rivalry Option: Exploration and discovery

True-False

- 7. The game being developed by Astrid Entertainment focuses on violence.
- 8. Astrid Entertainment is a solo venture by Sharon Tal Yguado.
- 9. The new game from Astrid Entertainment allows players to invite others to join them in multiplayer.



10. Astrid Entertainment has team members only from the US
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- 11. Sharon Tal Yguado has a background in both Amazon and Fox.
- 12. Astrid Entertainment recently finished developing a puzzle game for toddlers.

Gap-Fill

13. Sharon Tal Yguado, a former Amazon and Fox executive, founded Astrid Entertainment	
years ago.	
14. Astrid Entertainment is focused on creating a game	e that is exciting and
15. Astrid Entertainment is based in Los Angeles but ha	as team members in
16. Sharon Tal Yguado hopes to see more	games in the future.
17. The team at Astrid Entertainment is	, with talent from different industries.
18 Astrid Entertainment spent the	huilding the game before finishing a demo

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Sharon Tal Yguado 2. Empowering players to shape the future 3. Los Angeles 4. RPG and sandbox 5. Diverse with talent from different industries 6. Friendship and collaboration

True-False: 7. False 8. False 9. True 10. False 11. True 12. False

Gap-Fill: 13. three 14. creative 15. the UK 16. unique 17. diverse 18. first

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What is a tribute?



Option: A form of payment for services

Option: A gift given in appreciation or recognition

Option: An official document

Option: A type of musical instrument

2. What does the term "experience" refer to?

Option: A feeling of sadness

Option: A journey or event that impacts a person

Option: A type of flower

Option: A mathematical equation

3. What is streaming primarily used for?

Option: Fishing

Option: Broadcasting content over the internet in real-time

Option: Cooking food quickly Option: Water transportation

NEWS.COM 4. Which industry commonly uses animation techniques?

Option: Construction Option: Healthcare Option: Entertainment Option: Agriculture

5. What does the term "empowering" signify?

Option: Promoting environmental conservation Option: Giving power or authority to someone

Option: Exploring outer space Option: Creating new recipes

6. What is commonly associated with the term "investment"?

Option: Financial assets purchased with the hope of generating income or appreciation

Option: Investigative journalism Option: Cooking techniques Option: Vehicle maintenance

7. What does the term "traditional" imply?

Option: Modern and innovative practices

Option: Following customs passed down through generations

Option: Professional sports Option: Structural engineering

8. Which field involves activities related to the creation of goods or services?

Option: Fashion



Option: Chemistry
Option: Quality control
Option: Manufacturing

9. What are headliners in the entertainment industry?

Option: Medical professionals specializing in neurological disorders Option: Prominent performers or acts featured at the top of a show

Option: Top-ranking executives in technology companies

Option: Leaders in ocean exploration

10. What does "victory" typically represent?

Option: Winning a competition or overcoming an obstacle

Option: Scientific breakthroughs

Option: Financial losses

Option: A specific type of food dish

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. The	of new technology is essential for progress.	
12. A	is a special event that recognizes an important occasion.	
13. The strongest	in the competition will advance to the final round.	
14. The outcome of the match v	was with no clear winner until the last minute.	
15. The conference aimed to promote perspectives on global issues.		
16. Children can play creatively in a environment.		
17 is	a significant source of revenue in many countries.	
18. The Minister of Foreign	attended the diplomatic meeting.	
19. The	is responsible for overseeing the making of a film or show.	
20. Skydiving is an	adventure sport that many people enjoy.	
Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)		
21. Artists showcase their talent on stage or in front of an audience.		



- 22. Being able to make decisions without outside influence or control.
- 23. An organization or group typically related to a particular trade or craft.
- 24. The knowledge or skills acquired through practical involvement in events or activities.
- 25. Activities that provide amusement or enjoyment for an audience.
- 26. Competing or contending for a particular prize or goal.
- 27. Having characteristics of lively and engaging motion often in films or cartoons.
- 28. An action or event designed to recognize and mark a significant moment.
- 29. A person or team competing for a position of superiority in a challenge or competition.
- 30. The activity of visiting new places for leisure relaxation or exploration.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. A gift given in appreciation or recognition 2. A journey or event that impacts a person 3. Broadcasting content over the internet in real-time 4. Entertainment 5. Giving power or authority to someone 6. Financial assets purchased with the hope of generating income or appreciation 7. Following customs passed down through generations 8. Manufacturing 9. Prominent performers or acts featured at the top of a show 10. Winning a competition or overcoming an obstacle

Gap-Fill: 11. development 12. celebration 13. contender 14. unpredictable 15. diverse 16. sandbox 17. Tourism 18. affairs 19. producer 20. exciting

Matching sentence: 1. performing 2. independent 3. guild 4. experience 5. entertainment 6. vying 7. animated 8. celebration 9. contender 10. tourism

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