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## Samsung enhances SmartThings with Matter 1.2 compatibility

### Description

Samsung SmartThings is paving the way for smart home platforms by becoming the first major platform to fully support Matter 1.2. This means that manufacturers and developers can now start integrating their compatible devices with the SmartThings platform. Although the SmartThings app won't be updated to support Matter until later this summer, users can look forward to controlling their Matter-compatible devices through SmartThings soon.

In addition to its Matter update, Samsung has also introduced several other enhancements to its smart home platform. These include app design improvements, new device control options, a hub backup feature, shareable routines, and the gamification of its SmartThings Energy feature.

Support for Matter 1.2 in SmartThings opens the door for various appliances to work seamlessly with Samsung's smart home platform. This includes a wide range of devices such as refrigerators, robot vacuums, air purifiers, and more. While Samsung's connected appliances currently work with the SmartThings app, Matter-certified appliances can work with any smart home platform that supports Matter.

As other major platforms like Amazon Alexa, Google Home, and Apple Home have yet to add support for Matter 1.2, Samsung SmartThings is leading the charge in providing a robust smart home experience for users. With these advancements, managing and controlling smart home devices has become easier and more reliable for SmartThings users.

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### Vocabulary List:

1. **Enhancements** /ɪn'haensmənts/ (noun): Improvements or additions that increase value or performance.
2. **Integrating** /ɪntɪg'reɪtɪŋ/ (verb): Combining two or more things to work together effectively.
3. **Seamlessly** /'si:mlɪsli/ (adverb): In a smooth and continuous way without any noticeable interruptions.
4. **Compatible** /kəm'pætɪbəl/ (adjective): Able to exist or work together without conflict.
5. **Robust** /rɒb'ʌst/ (adjective): Strong and healthy; able to withstand or overcome adverse conditions.
6. **Gamification** /'geɪ.ʃn.mi.fi'keɪ.ʃn/ (noun): The application of game-design elements and principles in non-game contexts.

### Comprehension Questions

## Multiple Choice

1. Which smart home platform is the first major platform to fully support Matter 1.2?

- Option: Amazon Alexa
- Option: Google Home
- Option: Apple Home
- Option: Samsung SmartThings

2. What is one of the enhancements introduced by Samsung to its smart home platform alongside the Matter update?

- Option: New device pricing
- Option: Hub downgrade feature
- Option: App design improvements
- Option: Limited device control options

3. Which devices are mentioned as being able to work seamlessly with Samsung's smart home platform with the support of Matter 1.2?

- Option: Smartphones only
- Option: Laptops and PCs
- Option: Refrigerators robot vacuums and air purifiers
- Option: Headphones and speakers

4. Which major platforms have yet to add support for Matter 1.2?

- Option: Samsung SmartThings
- Option: Amazon Alexa and Google Home
- Option: Apple Home and Amazon Alexa
- Option: Google Home and Apple Home

5. What feature is introduced in Samsung SmartThings related to energy management?

- Option: Energy consumption analysis
- Option: Energy-efficient device recommendations
- Option: Shareable routines
- Option: Gamification of SmartThings Energy

6. When will the SmartThings app be updated to fully support Matter according to the information provided?

- Option: By the end of the year
- Option: Later this summer
- Option: Immediate release
- Option: No specific timeframe

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## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Samsung SmartThings 2. App design improvements 3. Refrigerators robot vacuums and air purifiers 4. Amazon Alexa and Google Home 5. Gamification of SmartThings Energy 6. Later this summer

## Vocabulary quizzes

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

1. Which term refers to the different systems on which video games can be played?

- Option: A. Collector's Edition
- Option: B. Platforms
- Option: C. Vintage
- Option: D. Showcase

2. What term is used to describe an updated version of an older video game with enhanced graphics and features?

- Option: A. Anticipation
- Option: B. Infusion
- Option: C. Remaster
- Option: D. Prestigious

3. Which term is associated with the excitement and high expectations before the release of a highly awaited game?

- Option: A. Culminates
- Option: B. Anticipation
- Option: C. Benchmark
- Option: D. Architectural

4. What term describes something that is limited to a specific group or only a few individuals?

- Option: A. Exclusive
- Option: B. Enhancements
- Option: C. Integrating
- Option: D. Revolutionize

5. Which term is used to describe a gaming experience that deeply involves and engrosses the player?



Option: A. Elusive  
Option: B. Immersive  
Option: C. Gamification  
Option: D. Obsolete

6. What term refers to the strategic decisions and choices made outside the main gameplay mechanics?  
Option: A. Robust  
Option: B. Metagame  
Option: C. Intertwined  
Option: D. Revolutionize

7. Which term signifies a favorable chance or occasion that can be utilized for a specific purpose?  
Option: A. Opportunity  
Option: B. Enhancements  
Option: C. Compatible  
Option: D. Intriguing

8. What term describes something that is outdated and no longer in use or relevant?  
Option: A. Revolutionize  
Option: B. Culminate  
Option: C. Elusive  
Option: D. Obsolete

9. Which term is used to describe presenting or displaying something in a way that highlights its features?  
Option: A. Showcasing  
Option: B. Mystical  
Option: C. Enhancements  
Option: D. Infusion

10. What term describes something that is strong sturdy and able to withstand challenges?  
Option: A. Prestigious  
Option: B. Robust  
Option: C. Integrating  
Option: D. Culminate

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

11. The \_\_\_\_\_ video games from the 80s and 90s have a nostalgic charm for many gamers.

12. Winning the national gaming competition was a \_\_\_\_\_ achievement for the young



player.

13. The game developers announced exciting new \_\_\_\_\_ to improve player experience.

14. The tournament will \_\_\_\_\_ in a final showdown between the top two teams.

15. The game update promises an \_\_\_\_\_ of new content including characters and levels.

16. The educational app uses \_\_\_\_\_ to make learning more engaging and interactive.

17. The narrative of the game has multiple storylines that are intricately \_\_\_\_\_.

18. The new gaming console sets a high \_\_\_\_\_ for performance and graphics quality.

19. The game developers aim to \_\_\_\_\_ the industry with their innovative gameplay mechanics.

20. The fantasy game features various creatures and a \_\_\_\_\_ world for players to explore.

**Matching Sentences ( Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

21. The special release of the game with exclusive items like art books and figurines appealed to dedicated fans.

22. The rare in-game item was highly sought after but remained difficult to obtain.

23. The season-long esports tournament in an epic final match between the top teams.

24. The game transitioned between gameplay and cutscenes providing a smooth experience.

25. The game developers ensured that the new expansion pack was fully with the existing game content.

26. The game received critical acclaim for its excellent gameplay and graphics.

27. The open-world game impressed players with its expansive and detailed design.

28. The indie game gained popularity despite its initially release and limited marketing.



29. Earning a spot in the global gaming competition is considered a achievement in the professional gaming community.

30. The regular updates to the game include new features improved graphics and other to keep players engaged.

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. B. Platforms 2. C. Remaster 3. B. Anticipation 4. A. Exclusive 5. B. Immersive 6. B. Metagame 7. A. Opportunity 8. D. Obsolete 9. A. Showcasing 10. B. Robust

**Gap-Fill:** 11. Vintage 12. Prestigious 13. Enhancements 14. Culminate 15. Infusion 16. Gamification 17. Intertwined 18. Benchmark 19. Revolutionize 20. Mystical

**Matching sentence:** 1. Collector's Edition 2. Elusive 3. Culminates 4. Seamlessly 5. Compatible 6. Exceptional 7. Architectural 8. Obscure 9. Prestigious 10. Enhancements

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