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## Stellar Blade Developer Discusses Hero Design and Sony Support

### Description

Shift Up has revealed a new game called Stellar Blade: Blood Rain. The head of Shift Up, Hyung-Tae Kim, spoke to Korean media about the game. He shared ideas about a new character named Evie. She is a younger and shorter hero, replacing another character named Eve.

Evie has a strong fighting style. Kim wants her to look cool and stylish. Some people in the West say Evie looks too young. This is important because the first game had characters designed to be more sexualised, or overly attractive.

Shift Up thinks Evie's small size makes her fighting style even more interesting. The game is still being developed. Changes may happen to Evie's design, as the original character also changed before the first game's release.

Shift Up plans to publish the game by itself. They want it on many gaming systems. Kim thanked Sony for their support, but said self-publishing is faster. The game has been in development for one year, and it may take longer before it is ready to play.

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### Vocabulary List:

1. **revealed** //rɪ'vi:lɪd// (verb): made something known that was secret before
2. **sexualised** //'sɛkʃuəl,laɪzɪd// (adjective): made to look mainly about sexual attraction
3. **publish** //'pʌblɪʃ// (verb): make and sell or release for the public
4. **developed** //dɪ'veləpt// (verb): made or built over time; not finished yet
5. **design** //dɪ'zaɪn// (noun): the way something looks or is planned
6. **support** //sə'pɔ:t// (noun): help or assistance given by other people

## Comprehension Questions

### Multiple Choice

1. What is the name of the new game revealed by Shift Up?

Option: Stellar Blade: Blood Rain

Option: Eve's Journey



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- Option: Fighting Shadows
  - Option: Hero's Quest

2. Who is the head of Shift Up?

- Option: Koh Kwan
- Option: Hyung-Tae Kim
- Option: Jin Lee
- Option: Mark Wang

3. What is the name of the character replacing Eve?

- Option: Evie
- Option: Ava
- Option: Lia
- Option: Mira

4. What aspect of Evie's design was remarked upon by some people in the West?

- Option: Her color scheme
- Option: Her height
- Option: Her fighting style
- Option: Her age appearance

5. How long has the game been in development?

- Option: 6 months
- Option: 1 year
- Option: 2 years
- Option: 3 years

6. What does Shift Up plan to do regarding the publishing of the game?

- Option: Partner with Sony
- Option: Self-publish
- Option: Outsource to a publisher
- Option: Hold a public vote

### True-False

7. Evie is described as being younger and taller than Eve.

8. Shift Up thinks that Evie's small size makes her fighting style less interesting.



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9. The characters in the first game were designed to be more sexualized.
  10. Hyung-Tae Kim thanked Microsoft for their support.
  11. Changes may happen to Evie's design before the game's release.
  12. The game will only be available on one gaming system.

### Gap-Fill

13. The new character in the game is named Evie and she is \_\_\_\_\_ shorter than the previous character.
14. Some people in the West say Evie looks too \_\_\_\_\_ to be a hero.
15. Shift Up plans to release the game on \_\_\_\_\_ gaming systems.
16. Kim stated that self-publishing is \_\_\_\_\_ than relying on a publisher.
17. The game has been in development for \_\_\_\_\_ year now.
18. Evie's design might change before the \_\_\_\_\_ of the game.

### Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Stellar Blade: Blood Rain 2. Hyung-Tae Kim 3. Evie 4. Her age appearance 5. 1 year 6. Self-publish

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

**Gap-Fill:** 13. also 14. young 15. many 16. faster 17. one 18. release

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