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## STOP THE HYPE

You know what I'm sick of? People getting onboard hype bandwagons without even playing the game they are hyped about. Developers basically get a free pass in terms of releasing unfinished content while they put the finishing touches in the form of paid DLC. One thing that also aggravates such behaviour is pre-ordering. In the past, it would've been insane to imagine that people would buy a game before it was even released. But now, thanks to pre-orders, that is a reality. Not to mention the myriad of pre-order-only content locked away so as to basically punish you for not purchasing the game early. If people want to bring video games back to their original glory, then we have to stop allowing developers to get away with incomplete products.

- Shahrukh Ikhtear, Sub-editor, SHOUT.

## THIS WEEK'S HORRORSCOPE

### ARIES

Do you think Harambe was a spy?



### TAURUS

Everything the light touches, is where you should stay away from.



### GEMINI

Do you have a dream? Not for long.



### CANCER

Yes, those extra calories ARE making you fat. Lay off the candy, chubby.



### LEO

Call it what you want; just don't call it "rocket".



### VIRGO

Your love life is as nonexistent as your talent.



### LIBRA

Don't be like Zlatan when you're actually like Sanogo.



### SCORPIO

Phelps might be Aquaman.



### SAGITTARIUS

There are people born in the 2000s who are teenagers now. Let that sink in; and the toilet too.



### CAPRICORN

What's it like to have a restaurant named after your zodiac sign?



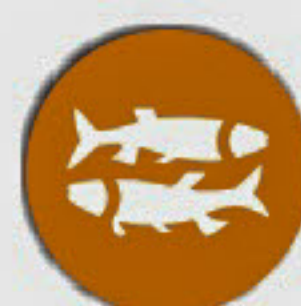
### AQUARIUS

Too much water. 4/10 - IGN



### PISCES

Follow Phelps. He is Aquaman.



## APP REVIEW



# WOOHOO

## at the Press of a Finger

MUSTAFID RAIYAN KHAN

Platform: iOS, Android

The Sims Freeplay brings to your smartphone the magic of being a creator and controlling every aspect of a fictional town with fictional people - as with any Sims game - and which gets addictive right from the get go (if you spend 99% of your time staring at your phone already, be prepared to sacrifice that last 1%)

Soon you'll find yourself spending prolonged periods of time creating new Sims, and buying houses, furniture, decorations, and of course playing with your Sims' hearts, creating love triangles, hexagons, decagons, you name it! Get real artsy while rebuilding homes, creating pools, basements, balconies etc. The game provides a long range of options to fulfill even the

most meticulous of perfectionists. All this purchasing needs Simoleons of course, wherein you send your Sims to work, or better, plant fruits/vegetables for a little Farmville-esque fun.

Micro-managing your Sims' lives, making sure they don't starve or wet themselves and get enough sleep can and did get tiresome. Often times you'll facepalm yourself wondering why a sim is standing in a puddle of his excrement when the toilet is a few feet next to him. The Sims Freeplay however, runs on real time, so all you need to do is check on your Sims from time to time, dish around a few orders, send your Sims to work and voila.

All in all, the game offers a vast variety of things to do, and fun quests to complete. If you're cool with trading real-life time with meaningless time on your phone, this just might be the best way to do it.



## MIXTAPE

### BIG

EMILIA

Big Big World



### BIGGIE SMALLS

Hypnotize



### THE SMITHS

Some Girls Are Bigger Than Others



### STONE TEMPLE PILOTS

Big Empty



### ZERO 7

Look Up



### MARVIN GAYE & TAMMI TERRELL

Ain't No Mountain High Enough