

Which one should you buy?



The past three years have been absolutely horrible for FPS games. While Battlefield 4 did come out in 2014, Call of Duty slowly went down a spiral towards mediocrity which pushed the franchise towards becoming a husk of its former self. It started with Ghosts which was a forgettable entry to the franchise. Advanced Warfare and Black Ops 3 tried to revamp the formula but ultimately made the series lose its identity. Coming to Titanfall, the game was riddled with a myriad of problems (the biggest of which was the content drought) and subsequently, the playerbase started dwindling from release day. Now with Battlefield 1, Titanfall 2, and Call of Duty: Infinite Warfare out this year, consumers face a dilemma. In this week's issue, I talk about all the three games in an objective manner to help you decide.

- Shahrukh Ikhtear, Sub-Editor, SHOUT.

THIS WEEK'S HORRORSCOPE

ARIES

7 is your lucky number for everything today.



TAURUS

Don't go near 7. Please.



GEMINI

Feeling cold yet?



CANCER

You must relate to PewDiePie a lot.



LEO

The 8-ball will not hold good responses for you.



VIRGO

What did you do with all the tissue papers?



LIBRA

If chickens learn to fly, will your sandwich become president?



SCORPIO

Do it! Fulfil your dreams of becoming a burrito.



SAGITTARIUS

Eat dat_burrito.



CAPRICORN

There are plenty of fish in the sea. But you can't swim.



AQUARIUS

All these pavements but you still step on me.



PISCES

Turn down the sound in your headphones. I can hear you listening to K-Pop.



APP REVIEW

FRAMED



SHOAIB AHMED SAYAM

Platforms: iOS and Android

Framed is a puzzle game but calling it just that would be downright unfair. Developed by Loveshack, Framed is like an interactive noir comic where you have to save the protagonist by changing the panels. Simple yet unique concept but what sets it apart is the execution. The panels are fully animated and all the objects and characters are silhouettes along with complementary backdrops. It's captivating to see how the protagonist moves from one panel to the next, and rewarding when you see him evading the guards and going to the next scene.

The soundtrack in this game is something to talk about. If you're a fan of jazz then you're in for a treat. Plus, jazz goes pretty well with the noir genre. The sound effects are substituted with

other jazzy sounds which helps with keeping the overall atmosphere intact without any disturbances.

The game is pretty short but it keeps you hooked on for the whole ride. Just changing panels might seem repetitive but the game keeps it fresh by introducing new mechanics along the way. Not only can you rearrange them, you can rotate, touch and reuse them in relevant scenarios. I'd say only half the fun is actually playing it, the other half is anticipating what will happen next in the story. There are no dialogues or texts, the whole story is relayed through the silent scenes.

This was apparently Hideo Kojima's game of the year in 2014, while it may not be that good for others, it's certainly one of the best games on mobile. Framed 2, which is a prequel, is scheduled to release in the first half of 2017, so now's a good time to get invested.



MIXTAPE

COLD NIGHT

GUNS N' ROSES

November Rain



MAJOR LAZER

Cold Water (feat. Justin Bieber & MØ)



THE OH HELLO'S

Cold is the Night



AVRIL LAVIGNE

I'm With You



AURORA

Running with the Wolves



YOU ME AT SIX

Cold Night