Playtesting Report



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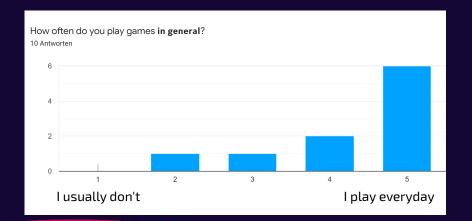
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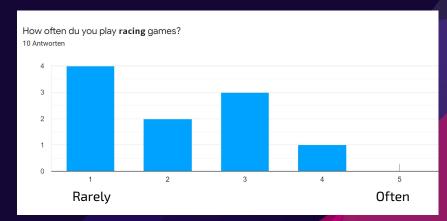
Organization

- Playtest guided by Google Forms Survey
 - Survey starts off with a short summary of the game and installation instructions
 - Task for testers: Play at least one race with the following settings:
 - Spectate Al Racer OFF
 - Al Opponents 7
 - Lap Count 3
 - Once Task Completed: Post-Game Survey for collecting feedback
- Playtesters could optionally join us in a voice or video call during their test

Participants

- Family members and friends
- 10 out of 12 playtesters completed the survey



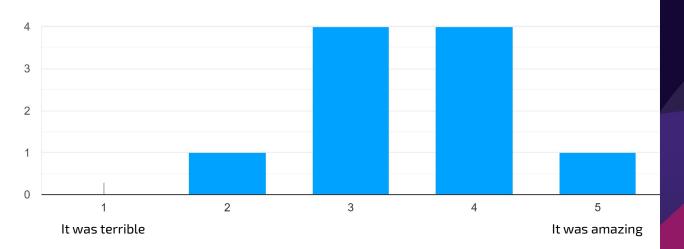


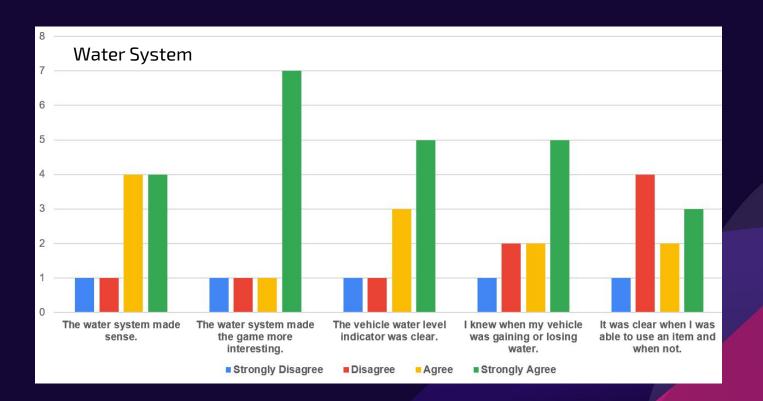
Post-Game Survey

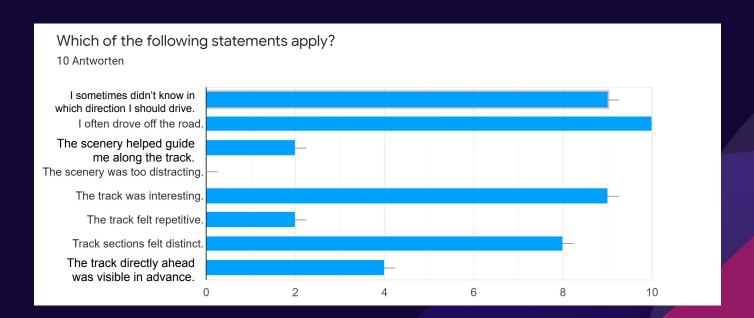
- Split into 7 Sections
 - Personal Information (Gaming habits, play-session length, input device used)
 - Overall impressions
 - Impressions of the Vehicle, Camera
 - Item + Water System Evaluation
 - Al Evaluation
 - Menu Evaluation
 - Race Track Evaluation
- Feedback gathered mostly through likert scales + multiple choice questions
- Each Section allowed for optional free-form feedback

How did you like the game overall?

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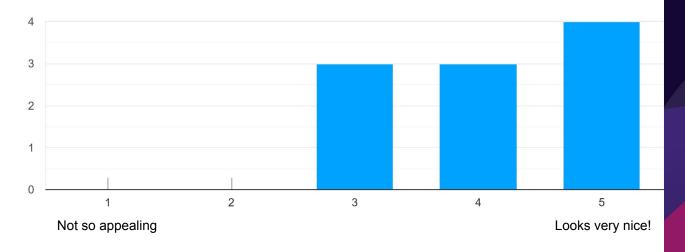






How visually appealing was the game to you?

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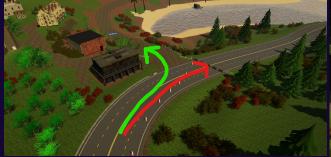
Results - Favorite Elements

- Menu
- Unique Item interactions
- Water mechanics
- Camera System
- Graphics









Results - Criticism

- Difficulty
- Track Readability in some areas
- Water Indicator for Item cost/gain, water usage indicator
- Off-road handling (too slow), Drifting mechanic
- Item/Water balancing





Results - Most Useful Comments

- "The drift is a bit weird for being a toggle. In other fun racer games (...) the drift was always active for as long as I press the drift button. Having to realign my car to be sure to disable drifting somehow always catches me off guard. (...) What I can say is that a bit more optical feedback for as long as the drift is active would be nice!"
- Regarding the race course:
 "Favorite: The Mountain pass, ample water and interesting terrain interaction,
 Least favorite: The Seaside track section, this part of the track is very barren and is in dire need of some eye candy, especially since it is so long"
- "Maybe add arrows at places where it's not super obvious where you need to drive. It's fine
 already when you drive the track again, but it would be good to not have a hard time when first
 driving a track"
- "Awesome game, the in my opinion hardest part, the controls stick it pretty much except the drift on keyboard. Scenery an Ai make the game worth playing more times, and I still need to get in 1st place so I gotta do it. I wish the Items felt a little bit more useful, either through having more often water on the track or/and better item balancing. (I rarely need the shield, because what do i really need to block)"

Planned Changes based on Feedback

- Difficulty settings / Difficulty Progression
- More items, such as "Bullet Bill" equivalent; Item tweaks
- steering assists for novice players
- Option for alternate drift controls, improve drift feedback
- Improve level readability
- Rework water cost/gain bars
- Extend pause menu
- Add music and sound effects

Thank you!