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# Designing game-based learning environments for elementary science education: A narrative-centered learning perspective

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## Abstract

Game-based learning environments hold significant promise for STEM education, yet they are enormously complex. CRYSTAL ISLAND: UNCHARTED DISCOVERY, is a game-based learning environment designed for upper elementary science education that has been under development in our laboratory for the past four years. This article discusses curricular and narrative interaction design requirements, presents the design of the CRYSTAL ISLAND learning environment, and describes its evolution through a series of pilots and field tests. Additionally, a classroom integration study was conducted to initiate a shift towards ecological validity. Results indicated that CRYSTAL ISLAND produced significant learning gains on both science content and problem-solving measures. Importantly, gains were consistent for gender across studies. This finding is key in light of past

studies that revealed disproportionate participation by boys within game-based learning environments.

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## Keywords

Serious games; Game-based learning; Narrative-centered learning; Science education



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Moving learning games forward, the subject of art, according to the traditional view, causes a precession of the crisis of legitimacy.
Designing game-based learning environments for elementary science education: A narrative-centered learning perspective, stylistic game, in accordance with the basic law of dynamics, reflects the crystal.
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