

Round 99 - Time Lies

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Multimedia: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Y502BAduc>

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Music

- [MkVaff - Dark Waters - Sonic the Hedgehog 2 \(OC ReMix\)](#)
- [Neon X - Underground City - Super Mario World \(OC ReMix\)](#)
- [Ben Oz - Simon's Epic Symphonic Quest - Castlevania II \(OC ReMix\)](#)

Topics

- Activision-Blizzard..._sigh_...
 - Microsoft to acquire Activision-Blizzard (...) for \$68.7 billion; Kotick to stay on until _after_ the deal is done
(<https://arstechnica.com/gaming/2022/01/microsoft-set-to-purchase-activision-blizzard-in-68-7-billion-deal/>)
 - Good news - Raven Software QA team forms a union!
(<https://arstechnica.com/gaming/2022/01/members-of-activisions-raven-software-qa-team-form-a-union/>)
- Sony to acquire Bungie (which no longer holds *Halo* rights) for \$3.6 billion
(<https://arstechnica.com/gaming/2022/01/sony-to-acquire-bungie-destiny-series-for-3-6-billion/>)
- Fan modder releases remastered Warcraft III campaign files - camera angles, remixed maps, etc
(<https://arstechnica.com/gaming/2022/01/warcraft-iii-fan-picks-up-what-blizzard-dropped-remasters-part-of-campaign/>)
- State attorneys general take Epic's side in their appeal of Apple ruling
(<https://arstechnica.com/tech-policy/2022/01/epic-gets-35-attorneys-general-to-support-its-apple-app-store-appeal/>)
- Clones are always around us; *Unpacking* gets cloned weeks after release, reaches top of iOS AppStore before being pulled (<https://www.engadget.com/unpacking-clone-app-store-170357464.html>)

Personal gaming

- Unsighted (now complete)
- Cogmind (in progress)
- Giga Wing (Arcade, SBC, Feb)
- G-Darius (Arcade, SBC, Dec-Feb)
- Soukyuu Gou-rentai (Arcade, SBC, Jan-Mar)
- Sun longplay: Dead Cells
- Started async AP multiworld - 10 games, 62 worlds, 10 players, 9,229 items

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Music

- [*The Chicken's Tale* by XPRTNovice from *The Legend of Zelda: A Link to the Past* \(OC ReMix\)](#)
- [*A Glitch Hop's World* by Spad3s from *Deltarune* \(OC ReMix\)](#)
- [*Where Hot and Cold Collide* by Nostalvania from *Super Mario Galaxy* \(OC ReMix\)](#)

Topics

- Critically-acclaimed *Chrono Cross* is getting *The Radical Dreamers Edition* remaster on Nintendo Switch, releasing on 7 April 2022 with graphics improvements, a new score, and similar quality of life improvements as recent JRPG re-releases
- *Mario Kart 8 Deluxe* receiving 48 new tracks between 18 March 2022 and the end of 2023 with the upcoming *Booster Course Pass*, available either through the Nintendo Switch Online + Expansion Pass subscription or a one-time purchase of \$24.99
- *Splatoon 3: Salmon Run Next Wave* releasing this summer
- *Kirby and the Forgotten Land* releasing on 25 March, including Kirby sucking up cars, cones, and more, and the ability to evolve/level up copy abilities throughout the game
- NO NEW NEWS ON BOTW 2 >:(
- *Final Fantasy VI: Pixel Remaster* releases on Steam and mobile on Wednesday 23 February???!!!!!!?!?!?

Personal gaming

- *Final Fantasy V: Pixel Remaster*
- *Wii Sports Resort*
- *The Legend of Zelda: A Link to the Past* randomizer

Ad-hoc design - <https://letsmakeagame.net/game-idea-generator/>

TITLE: *Keyboard Warrior*
SETTING(S): Text based, rhythm, no one can see you, medieval, battle of wits
PLAYERS: 1
INPUT METHOD: Keyboard;
GRAPHIC STYLE: Terminal, fixed width fonts
AUDIO STYLE: Metronomes
POV: Text-based; directional exploration
STORY / HOOK: You were thrown into a dungeon; use your wits to escape and battle your rival to regain the honor of your pillaged village
INVENTORY: Spells collected as you go along
MECHANICS: Uncover spells by solving riddles / puzzles; type spells in "to the beat" / rhythm (metronome?); breaking rhythm or mistyping spell = bad stuff or unexpected effects
OBJECTIVE: Challenge your rival to a spell-battle; keep you rhythm while spitting out hot fire to the beat...while channeling mystic powers and/or a dragon...by typing