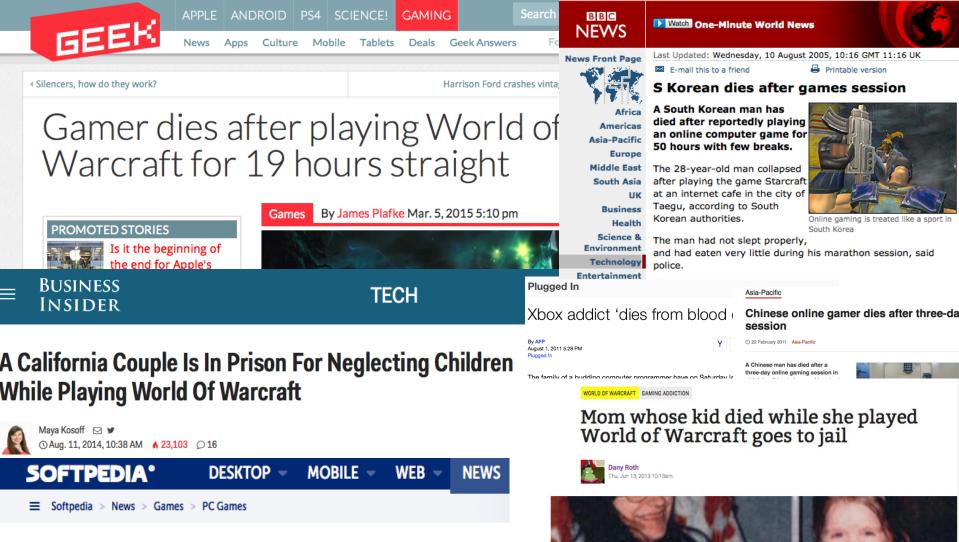
Excessive Internet Use

Lukas Blinka

BIG MEDIA EFFECTS

- Direct and causal relationship between media use and effect (on attitudes, moods, behaviours,...)
- Technological determinism

 Internet, computer games, Facebook, smartphones,... make us addicted



Two Fanatic World of Warcraft Gamers Have Died Because Of WoW

Are there more to come?

The recent deaths of two net gamers have once again raised the issue of the impact o addiction on the online gaming community, and the health risks involved.

SMALL MEDIA EFFECTS

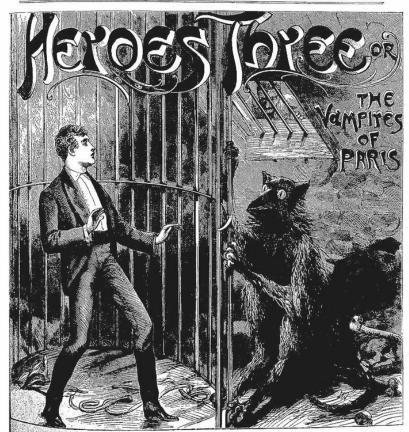
Media panic, it tend to diminish over time

 We tend to be blind on media that has become common ...this discovery of yours will create forgetfulness in the learners' souls, because they will not use their memories; they will trust to the external written characters and not remember of themselves. The specific which you have discovered is an aid not to memory, but to reminiscence, and you give your disciples not truth, but only the semblance of truth; they will be hearers of many things and will have learned nothing; they will appear to be omniscient and will generally know nothing; they will be tiresome company, having the show of wisdom without the reality.



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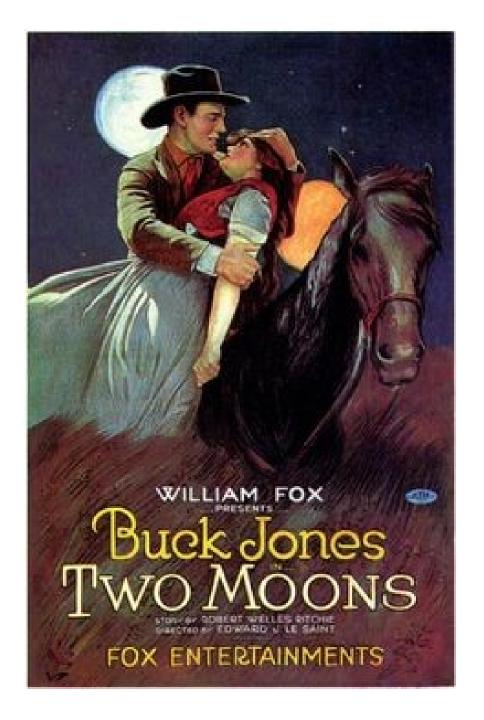
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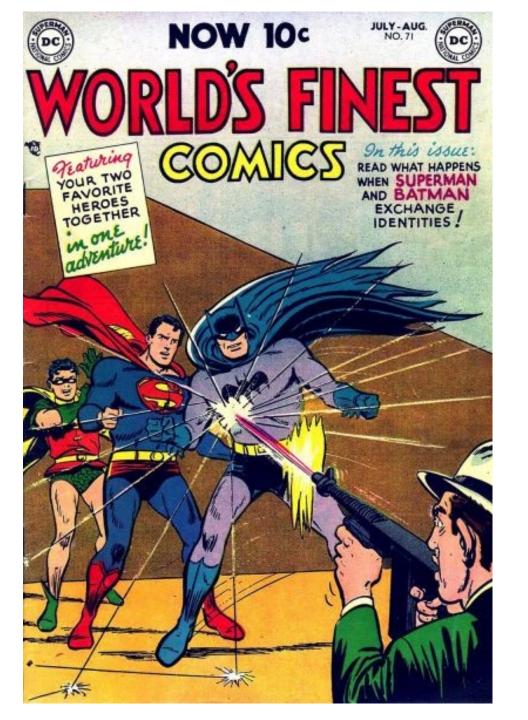


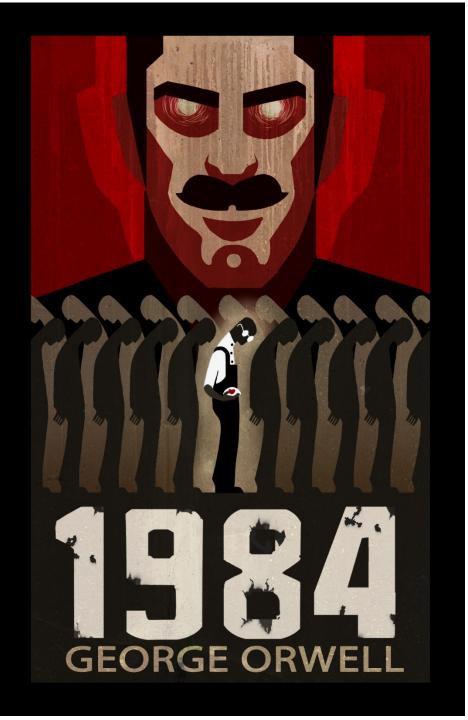
"HAY DO. TOU THINK OF MY PET?" SAID A VOICE. "I BROUGHT HIM FROM AN AFRICAN SWAMP TO TAME YOU."

Nos 1 and 2 of "Jack Harkaway and His Sons' Adventures in Greece." Ready on Tuesday, April 4th. Price One Halfpenny.















Neil Postman

Amusing Ourselves to Death

Public Discourse in the Age of Show Business



"This comes along at exactly the right moment... We must confront the challenge of his prophetic vision." —Jonathan Kozol

Fresh Ideas for Enjoying Family Time

What To Do After You Turn Off The I

by the author of DIET FOR A SMALL PLANET

Frances Moore Lappé and Family

DAVID BURKE

JEAN LOTUS

Read this book

switch off and have more fun

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Television, Children, and the Family

HOW MUCH ARE THEY ONLINE?

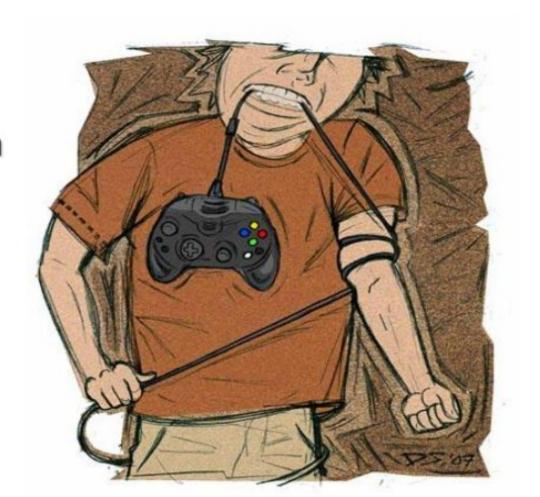
- 80% at least 1 hour a day
- 40% at least 2 hours a day
- 18% at least 3 hours a day
- 8% at least 4 hours a day
- 4% more than 5 hours a day



ADDICTION COMPONENTS

(Griffiths, 1995; 1996; 2005; 2009)

- Salience
- Mood modification
- Tolerance
- Withdrawal
- Conflict
- Relapse



Normal Cocaine Obese

DIAGNOSTIC MAN MAN MENTAL

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Internet Gaming Disorder

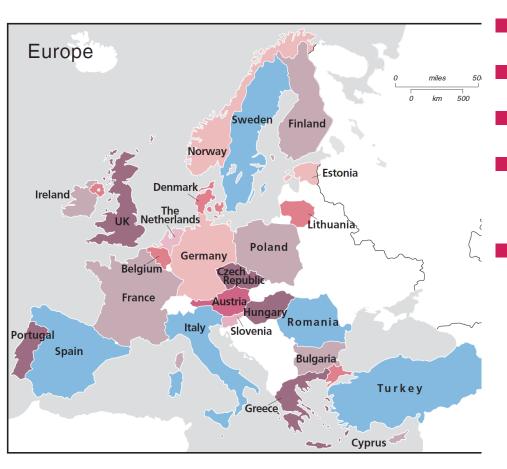
Proposed Criteria

Persistent and recurrent use of the Internet to engage in games, often with other players, leading to clinically significant impairment or distress as indicated by five (or more) of the following in a 12-month period:

- Preoccupation with Internet games. (The individual thinks about previous gaming activity or anticipates playing the next game; Internet gaming becomes the dominant activity in daily life).
 - Note: This disorder is distinct from Internet gambling, which is included under gambling disorder.
- Withdrawal symptoms when Internet gaming is taken away. (These symptoms are typically described as irritability, anxiety, or sadness, but there are no physical signs of pharmacological withdrawal.)
- Tolerance—the need to spend increasing amounts of time engaged in Internet games.
- Unsuccessful attempts to control the participation in Internet games.
- Loss of interests in previous hobbies and entertainment as a result of, and with the exception of, Internet games.
- Continued excessive use of Internet games despite knowledge of psychosocial problems.
- Has deceived family members, therapists, or others regarding the amount of Internet gaming.
- Use of Internet games to escape or relieve a negative mood (e.g., feelings of helplessness, guilt, anxiety).
- Has jeopardized or lost a significant relationship, job, or educational or career opportunity because of participation in Internet games.

AMERICAN PSYCH

EU KIDS ONLINE II: Surveying 'Europe'



- Random stratified sample
- 1000 9-16 year olds per country
- Interviews at home, face-to-face
 - Self-completion for sensitive questions
 - Data from child paired with a parent

EXCESSIVE INTERNET USE SCALE

Salience	I have gone without eating and sleeping because of the internet
Withdrawal symptoms	I have felt bothered when I cannot be on the internet
Tolerance	I have caught myself surfing when I am not really interested
Relapse	I have tried unsuccessfully to spend less time on the internet
Conflict	I have spent less time than I should with either family, friends or doing schoolwork

because of time I spend on the internet

EU ADOLESCENTS

3% missed sleep, dinner,...

12% felt irritated when they could be online

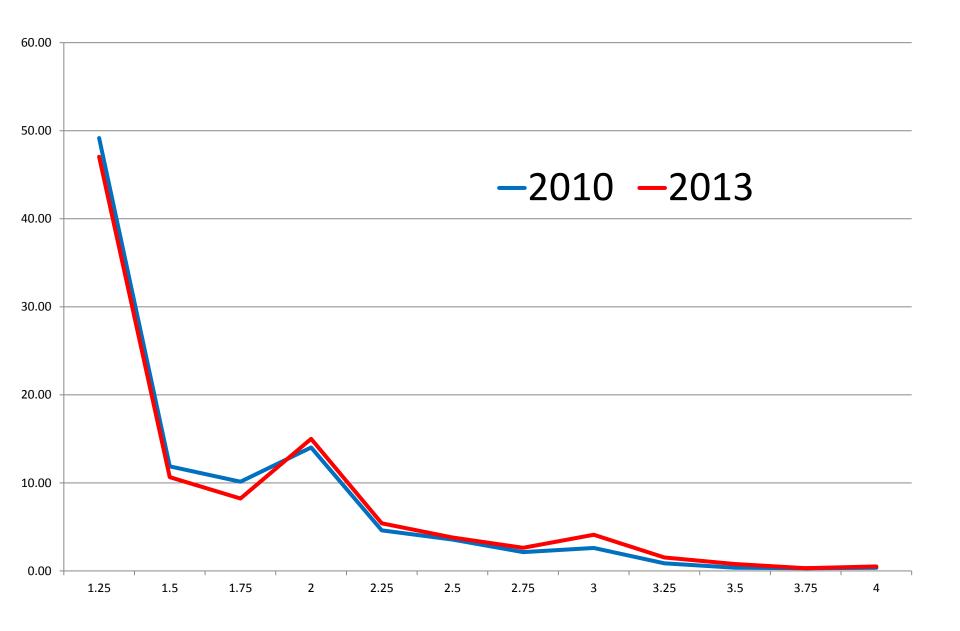
17% stay online even if its boring

12% acknowledge they are neglecting school, friends or family because of the internet

13% have tried to lower time or activities online but failed

HOW MANY "ADDICTED" ARE THERE?

1%



"NORMAL" VS "AT RISK" & "EXCESSIVE"

- Have more emotional difficulties
- Have more self-control and attentional difficulties
- Have more frequent conduct problems
- Their parents are using the internet slightly less
- At risks:
- Have more online activities and higher digital literacy
- Spend slightly more time online
- Excessive users:
- Play computer games very frequently

 No effect in variables like gender, age, family type, frequent use of FaceBook

AT RISK VS EXCESSIVE

Playing more online games and spending time in virtual worlds

Have more self-control and attentional difficulties







