

# EXPAND HORIZONS - VOL #2.

## A RECOMMENDATION LIST BY VERTEGRAS

### LUCKBOI

This series is dedicated to finding games that fit the genres that I know these people like, prefer, or have shown interest for. While also, showing where to get them, a brief overview, and how much I think they'd mesh with the games.

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A gamer of real-time, faster gameplay loops, and very little story. Given the lineup of known games that he's played and have preferred to gravitate towards, this is pretty easy.

Known Games:

Shooters:

- Call of Duty
- Valorant
- Titanfall
- Apex Legends
- Overwatch
- Borderlands

Party Games:

- Fortune Street
- Mario Party (series)
- Dokapon Kingdom

Miscellaneous:

- League of Legends
- ARK
- Terraria
- Minecraft

With that assessment of games, we can dissect some stuff that I think would fit in his realm.

## **The Power Shooter.**

There are four series that immediately come to mind that hit the shooter aspect.

1. DOOM - The classic hallway fps that alongside Quake defined the early days of the FPS genre. DOOM (2016) and DOOM Eternal are both amazing titles. (Xbox One, Series S|X, PS4/5, Switch, PC)
  - a. They are also on Game Pass, and will likely never leave it.
  - b. DOOM: The Dark Ages in 2025!

**Mesh With: Very Well.**

2. Remnant - This series takes the third person shooter direction and injects it with a Soulslike experience with a combination of pseudo-classes and a dynamic for playing up to three players. And there's the second one, which just builds off directly off the first. (Series S|X, PS5, PC)
  - a. They're on Game Pass at the moment!

**Mesh With: Very Much.**

3. State of Decay 2 - Zombie survival with a story and friends? (Xbox One, Series S|X, PC)
  - a. State of Decay 1 is a pretty fun title but 2 expands it entirely, with a pretty high amount of content and gameplay loops that makes it fun to do alone or with a gang.
  - b. They just recently revamped a lot to make it have even more quality of life benefits that seem to have resonated with newcomers and veterans of the series.
  - c. On Game Pass forever.
  - d. OH HEY STATE OF DECAAY 3 IN 2025.

**Mesh With: Pretty Well.**

## **Hyper Speed!**

There are three series that immediately come to mind that hit in parallel to his pedestal for Titanfall 2.

1. Neon White - This indie game is literally the embodiment of speed running and knowing the ins and outs of the arsenal the player has with the bite size mission structure. (Xbox Series S|X, Switch, PS4/5, PC)
  - a. It is now out on Game Pass!
  - b. It's an additive game.
  - c. The story doesn't take itself too crazy serious and is the good kind of cheesy.

**Mesh With: Very Well.**

2. Ghostrunner - Action platforming in an insane cyberpunk future aesthetic. It is a stellar experience that could definitely harken directly to that Titanfall 2 gameplay loop. (Xbox One, Series S|X, Switch, PS4/5, PC)
  - a. I have not played Ghostrunner II yet but if it is anything as good as Ghostrunner, I'd wager it will also be stellar. (Ghostrunner II is on Series S|X, PS5, PC)

3. Mirror's Edge - Peak. This game is underrated but it is the best example of parkour games that still holds up to this very day. (Xbox 360, PS3, PC)
  - a. *I don't have anything else to say about this. It's PEAK.*

**Mesh With: Pretty Well.**

### **The Mixed Bag / Honorable Mentions.**

There are a few series that might not be the best, might not fit entirely, or are a little bit harder to access which I think fit here.

1. Final Fantasy 7 Remake\* (PS4/5, PC)
  - a. Taking the beloved "turn-based" JRPG to a more action hack and slash with tons of passion and flare, it's made quite a few non-turn-based gamers to love the world that the original had.
    - i. Remake is out on PS4, 5, & PC but Rebirth at the moment is only on PS5.

**Mesh With: Try the Demo.**

2. Zenless Zone Zero
  - a. A GACHA GAME? A HOYOVERSE GAME? Yes because this game is legit a heater and it, much like Final Fantasy 7 Remake, is not a turn-based game. This is a combo-based action hack & slash that feels like a mix of NieR: Automata, Devil May Cry, and Genshin Impact.
    - i. This game is addictive, full of content already, and it's entirely free.

**Mesh With: Just try it.**

3. Redfall (Xbox S|X, PC)
  - a. A game that is pretty divisive, it has some fun elements and a really good atmosphere but the looter shooter mechanics are weak.
  - b. Might it be better with friends?
    - i. On Game Pass.

**Mesh With: Maybe.**