

Computers! What is the best one? Actually, they just keep getting better and better. (Usually). Sometimes there are cockups, some are pretty big, some I acted like they were big but in fact were nonsensical, and sometimes things are beautifully simple. Intro over! Let's go!

NES

The NES may not have had the best graphics in the world, but what it lacked in art, it made up for in exceptional statistics. A wrestling game for the computer had fighters weighing more than 300 lbs and who were well over 6 foot tall. Mind blown, especially at the age of 6 when I was very small. And Mario was so cool. Today, releasing a game that could be beaten in exactly 4 minutes, 54 seconds and 798 milliseconds would be absolute madness, but at the time no one even mentioned it.

Sega Mega Drive

Road Rash was an awesome game I only ever saw round my friend's house, making me want it even more. Yep, I wanted to beat up policemen whilst riding a motorbike. Not a cool thing to say without an explanation, but as I said, just a game. I wouldn't say three almost identical forms of the game were necessary, especially as the third game was said to be worse than the second, but again, made sense.

Neo-Geo

Arcade quality games for the home?? I didn't even hear about it until recently, perhaps because of expert parental secrecy and misinformation. Also, Neo-Geo is a strange name. Neo means new which is fair enough, but Google says 'geo' means 'soil'. Maybe that's why the company didn't do as well as it could. It could be worse though, it could have been called 'New Mud'.

SNES

Why did Super Mario Kart have a map of the track and cars that took up half the screen? An eighth at most would suffice. As I've not played the game, it SHOULD'N'T matter too much to me, showing how strong and irrational my feelings are. You can only imagine my feelings about things that matter, which is one reason people avoid me. Personally I think Street Racer is a better game, and the way the PS1 version was basically identical shows there were few things that could have been improved on! :O

Sega Mega CD

My understanding is this Mega Drive add on was expensive and not as good as the SNES. A bit of a cockup there. I don't mean to sound arrogant, but SURELY it was doomed from the start. In comparison, I wouldn't claim that I was working on the best electronica album and just go 'woo' all the time. I know my music is bad, and if Sega were musicians, they'd think it was great. I guess it's no wonder Sega messed up with the Saturn, too. Apparently, many people didn't get the games they wanted and expected. Of course you have to give people what they want. Again, comparisons can be made to my music.

Sega Saturn

Would you believe I wanted a Saturn instead of a PlayStation as a child, but was talked out of it by my more rational brother? By rational I mean he had for his preferences for a reason, whereas I didn't. I'm not sure where my winging it attitude came from. I guess when I was an infant I must have picked something totally awesome at random and it's stuck with me to this day. Wonder what it was...

PlayStation

The first game I played for the PS1 was a game called 'The Need For Speed'. I spent a lot of time crashing my car on purpose to see what would happen to it. Thank God THAT'S not a trend that has followed me throughout my life. I deliberately crashed countless cars in Destruction Derby 1 and 2, potentially sowing the seeds for a later road rage catastrophe, but again I've been ok to date.

Nintendo 64

Goldeneye is another game that is super popular with speed runners. It will surely be infuriating for James Bond if he ever finds out his epic adventures could actually be cut into a thousandth of the time with some practice. A very disappointing film, too, if not total rubbish. Mario 64 is also a fave for speeders. Oh, if the plumber only realised it could just take 1 hour and 37 minutes to collect all the stars in his world. Maybe then he'd stop calling himself Super Mario, but regular Mario instead. Bring him down to Earth. Now that I think of it, stealing stars sounds like a very bad idea to me. Won't they like, burn you a bit? And aliens might need them. Super Mario's Dumb and Selfish Short Trip is better than Mario 64, I think.

Dreamcast

Another failed console from Sega. Why did it fail? I don't know. It didn't cost more than everything else whilst being worse than the competition which is absolutely awful business practice. Actually, it was fairly cheap. A mystery. At least the company saw sense and reduced the price over time. Perhaps those responsible for the Sega CD argued the case to make it more expensive than its more advanced rivals. Can't go wrong.

Playstation 2

The most successful console of all time! Over 155 million were sold worldwide? That's almost three PlayStation 2s for everyone in England! A country full of freaks who don't know how to spend their money. Do you want to have a computer in three rooms, is that what it is? Then just move the thing. A country full of lazy people, too. Oh, yeah. People in England don't all own three PS2s. At least I don't think so, maybe they do, the internet didn't say. But I'm sure they don't, it would be common knowledge. The stuff of legends. Let's move on, my apologies.

Nintendo GameCube

Not quite a cube, but close enough for most. I'm just saying, if the company can't even get their name right, what else have they done wrong? At least they got the Nintendo part right, or they could have got into some very serious trouble. All an employee had to do was think the word 'PlayStation' when meaning to write 'Nintendo', and just like that, the company is doomed by legal bills and persistent accusations of stupidity.

Xbox

Ah, black mixed with green, my favourite combination. It's cheating if anything, a very lazy way of getting sales. Personally, I'd buy the thing just to look at. Mesmerising. And don't boxes usually have lids? To put games into the computer, you open a tray, you don't lift anything, I've checked on Youtube. Yep, someone has a video of putting games into the thing. It's surprisingly popular! If the uploader ever had doubts about the worth of his efforts, he can rest assured they were indeed very much appreciated.

Xbox 360

Why is it called '360'? Is it the 360th model? Maybe the company responsible tried to outdo the Sega CD and make HUNDREDS more pointless versions with next to no improvements? Actually, I think the name was partly chosen because it sounded cool. Therefore, it has little meaning. In comparison, how would you feel if your parents picked your name for no real reason? It's no better than someone naming you 'foffdjj5333mddss5' or whatever, which has happened.

PlayStation 3

Wikipedia points out the the PS3 followed the PS2. A no brainer right? Well, it would be if Xbox didn't go from Xbox to Xbox 360 to Xbox One. Playing video games should be a pleasurable experience. You shouldn't feel confused out of your mind to the point you have to be reminded that 3 follows 2.

Wii

Did the Wii really make people fitter? All you had to do was lift your arm with the controller in your hand to move things on the screen. When I was 17 or so, my attitude was that if I cycled a mile or two a day, I could eat whatever I wanted and then I got fat. But lifting your arms? My hypothesis is the Wii actually made people more unhealthy.

PlayStation 4

Remember: The PS4 followed the PS3. Don't let Xbox get the best of you.

Xbox One

Of course the Xbox One followed the 360. Why wouldn't it? And of course the Xbox Series X had to follow the One. We're naming things after letters now? Great, let's make things even more confusing. If you really want to do that, at least start with A.

'Simon, why are you so annoyed? It's just a name...' Ok. Then how would you react if you're really 30, but next year you will be 27, the year after that, you will be 42, and the year after that, you'll be B?

Nintendo Switch

Another name that could do with more clarity. Before researching the product, if someone said to me 'Do want a Nintendo Switch?', I'd probably say 'No.' If they said 'Would you like the latest Nintendo console?' on the other hand? Sure. Why not. And well done to the company for staying around for so long! Though if they failed you could make a great play on words: Non-tendo. :O

Playstation 5

I've never really played a PS5, but when I do, I'm sure I'll be very impressed. So much so, I'd give it a high five, just because I think it would be a neat thing to do. As long as people don't see. Then it would be like 'Oh no, Simon just high-fived a Playstation.' Very embarrassing. That's all I have to say really, as I'm not 100% sure what a PS5 is. Most people wouldn't dream about writing a summary of something they didn't know anything about, but I'm not most people. A flaw in 99.999% of real world situations, but thankfully I have my site.

Ok! To conclude, I was harsh on Xboxes. I guess it's not so bad remembering 360 follows the first console and One follows 360, it's not like you have to remember TOO much. You actually have to remember far more in nursery school making me feel somewhat foolish. But in a way, nursery school was better, in that you got a limited supply of free biscuits and orange juice. Not so, today. :(Bye!