

Gaming Consoles Overview



Item: Nintendo Wii

Product info: <http://www.nintendo.com/channel/wii>

Price: \$320-420 depending on bundle

Description: Video game console released by Nintendo. A distinguishing feature of the console is its wireless controller, the Wii Remote, which can be used as a handheld pointing device and can detect acceleration in three dimensions. The Wii includes four ports for controllers and two slots for memory cards.

Library Uses: Because of its use of infrared technology and widespread use, library staff should know about it. Many libraries offer after school open sessions, or videogame tournament weekends for various age groups. For more ideas, check out information about Libraries Hosting Gaming Programs at http://www.libsuccess.org/index.php?title=Libraries_Hosting_Gaming_Programs



Item: Sony Playstation 2

Product info:
<http://www.us.playstation.com/PS2>

Price: \$129-\$169 depending on bundle

Description: Video game console released by Sony. Offers DVD & CD audio playback, 2 memory card slots, integrated Ethernet port & modem port, for online play. Over 1,400 games are available in PS2 format.

Library Uses: The PS2 console's relatively low cost makes it a good option for libraries wanting to start a gaming collection. Many libraries offer after school open sessions, or videogame tournament weekends for various age groups. For more ideas, check out information about Libraries Hosting Gaming Programs at http://www.libsuccess.org/index.php?title=Libraries_Hosting_Gaming_Programs

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Item: Sony Playstation 3

Product Info: <http://www.us.playstation.com/PS3/>

Price: \$399-\$499 depending on bundle

Description: High-Definition Multimedia Interface (HDMI) out for 1080p resolution. Built-in Blu-ray player. Up to four USB ports. 3 memory card slots, Integrated Ethernet port & modem port & wireless, for online play. Backwards compatible with previous Playstation games.

Library Uses: Many libraries offer after school open sessions, or videogame tournament weekends for various age groups. For more ideas, check out information about Libraries Hosting Gaming Programs at http://www.libsuccess.org/index.php? title=Libraries_Hosting_Gaming_Programs



Item: Microsoft Xbox 360

Product Info: <http://www.xbox.com/en-US/hardware/?WT.svl=nav>

Price: \$279-\$449, depending on model

Description: Video game console produced by Microsoft, developed in cooperation with IBM, ATI, and SiS. The Xbox 360 is the successor to the Xbox, and competes with Sony's PlayStation 3 and Nintendo's Wii as part of the seventh generation of gaming systems.

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