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Games, apps and social networking

Fortnite Battle Royale

Fortnite Battle Royale is the free version of Fortnite where up to 100 players compete against each other online to be the last person standing through player vs player (PVP) combat.

It is a shooter game where players are dropped onto an island without a weapon. Players then make their way around the island to find weapons and use them to battle other players and zombie-like characters, as well as building shelters to protect themselves against enemies and deadly storms.



Fortnite is available as an app on iOS devices and will soon be available on Android devices. It is also available on macOS and Windows, as well as PlayStation 4 and Xbox One.

Website URL: <https://www.epicgames.com/fortnite/en-US/home>

Who can access this?

Fortnite is **not recommended for children under 12 years of age**, as prescribed by [PEGI](#), but you do not need to provide your age to be able to play online.

It should be noted however, that these ratings do not take into account the actual content of the game. Players have direct contact with other players and may be exposed to offensive or inappropriate language or unwanted contact through the chat or voice function

How Can I protect my information?

To sign up, you only need to provide a username and email address. As *Fortnite: Battle Royale* is an online multiplayer game, players may interact with a number of different players who are picked at random, through live and mostly unmonitored chat.

While the voice chat is set to “on” by default, it can be turned off through the settings menu:

1. Select the three bars at the top right of the main page
2. Click the cog icon, then select the Audio tab
3. Adjust the voice chat so that it is turned off

NOTE: Voice chat will turn back on by default at the start of each new game, so this will need to be modified through settings every time a new game starts.



How can I report cyberbullying or abuse?

To report a player who is behaving inappropriately, instructions can be found here:

<http://fortnitehelp.epicgames.com/customer/en/portal/articles/2843190-how-do-i-report-bad-player-behavior->

<https://esafety.gov.au/complaints-and-reporting/offensive-and-illegal-content-complaints/report-offensive-or-illegal-content>

Are there ways to spend money?

There is the option to make purchases to access the full game, extensions, or bonus weapons but it is not a requirement to play the game.

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