

ABSTRACT

I INSIST THAT THIS IS REASONABLE: NOTES FROM A LIFE IN GAMING

In a world populated by orcs, superheroes, time travelers, ogres, and any number of varieties of elf, it's easy to lose track of what is and is not ridiculous. In *I Insist That This Is Reasonable*, J. Nicholas Geist follows his progress through some of the best years in gaming, and some of the most difficult years in his life. With an eye for the poignant as well as the absurd, Geist looks at his life, game by game, as he moves through one of the most difficult quests available to the average gamer: learning to talk to girls.

From *Super Mario Brothers* to *World of Warcraft*, from *The Sims* to *Rock Band*, from a junior high crush to a five-year relationship, Geist turns a critical, introspective, and often hilarious eye on his experiences—and the experiences of a generation.

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