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Q1:

Improving the MA Plus Rating with the introduction of the R18 classification for videogames. Q2:

Introducing an R18 rating for videogames. Gaming is a large part of many australians lives, it may seem insignificant to those who dont play like us, but you are censoring and banning our content senselessly because of a faulty system. So the introduction of the R18 classification will allow games in that are directed at an adult audience to be played by adults, the system we have now stops this, we just want to the freedom to play what we want without people telling us if its to bad for us, we are the judges of that when we pick it off the shelf and fork out the cash, dont do it for us, we're not idiots.

Q3:

In a way yes, if an overtly graphic game is being played it makes the person playing act out those graphic scenes. If its very graphic it would have an 18 plus rating and then only adults could buy it, and play it.

Q4:

No, all content should be classified, it gives the buyer an idea of what they are getting, but it shouldnt be censored for wht it is, thats the buyers job to figure out what they want. Q5:

Uhh, yeah, silly question, if the content is extremely violent, then it aimed at an adult viewing, and therefore should be classified with an R18 classification, alternatively, if the content is a documentary on the life spans of sea turtles, then i think it should be classified accordingly. Q6:

yes, but it should be classified, not censored, whatever it is.

Q7:

NO! art is for the viewer, and everyone has their own opinion of whats allowed and not allowed in art, if you restrict certain audiences from art, then you are thrusting your own opinion upon them and FORCING them to adhere to it, you can go ahead and classify it all you want, BUT CENSORING is a no no. Art isnt pornography or lewd, or violent and disgusting, its ART, it has a higher meaning than to entertain people, dont censor these higher purposes in your pursuit to remove the bad things. Q8:

nope, a reader knows what he's getting if he reads the blurb, dont tell them what to think for them. Q9:

yes.

Q10:

classification can only be effective to extents, public performance and viewing is i personally think to difficult to classify and should be ignored, how can you classify the songs a band plays in a pub?

Q11:

Need for classification is the only thing that should be listened to, if a very violent movie is released to the public without classification many a parent wouldnt be happy.

Q12:

Dont go there, thats a domain you cannot control, and dont try to, its a completely public domain controlled by the public, to an extent. leave it that way, theres no harm there.

Q13:

Potential is the word here, and there are multiple programs that can be downloaded by parents to do this job, Dont decide for us and dont mess it up for the rest of us.

Q14:

Im not quite sure whats the problem, porno mags are available only to adults in certain shops and vendors and these shops do not allow minors to buy these products, are you implying young children are gaining access to pornography mags? i find that rather funny.

Q15:

if it has been classified, then show its classifcation

Q16:

To advise, but not control. that is all. WE decide what we want to watch, you recommend what is appropriate for us, but no restrict us from what we want.

Q17:

Not really, because the industry can fool the government with false classification for bigger profits. Q18:

Books are a biggy. Some internet services already to offer classification on their published works, take youtube or newgrounds for example. hell even most porn sites have an over 18 or 21 notice before access

Q19:

depends on the impact of the content, in general independant films are harmless and are directed at a small niche audience who know what they are viewing anyways, this is a similar story for alot of things, including videogames, books and music, as they have their genres and groups inside the broad audience, which defines the content. take for example the action genre in movies is typically violent, so it should always be classified, whereas classical music is a genre which completely harmless, common sense is the judge here, use it wisely. Q20:

In every situation except video games, the lack of R18 rating causes so many problems, if confuses parents on what content their teens are getting, it restricts adults to teen games. its more so creates hassel and annoyance rather than confusion.

Q21:

R18 for videogames. We need this to allow adults to get what they want, to stop children from getting potential R18 works through MA15 plus ratings. And just so we stop the misclassification of games in australia, there is a very large gaming population in Australia, and they range from all ages. dont think its a childish and infantile entertainment, its should be treated as seriously and strongly as any other content, and there is a lack of this seriousness with the non existant R18 rating for games Q22:

As said already, the introduction of the R18 rating for games Q23:

if it makes things easier and more effecient for the public and for the government, go right ahead, but dont cause more problems by fixing something that aint broke.

Q24:

None. Except child pornography, and some animal cruelty stuff, other than that, its fine how it is. Q25:

Prohibition of online content is something that just should be ignored, removal of the bad stuff, such as child pornography is great, go for it. But prohibiting content that YOU deem unacceptable is not ok, we decide, and parents decide for their children, DONT DO THEIR JOBS FOR THEM. its a waste of your time aswell as the rest of us, do something that needs to be done for a large population of us. Q26:

im not educated on how state and territory classifications differ, so i wont comment.

Q27:

None, create a new one. that suits US Q28:

Media content is a very broad area of classification, i think it would be wise to tune this question and make it more definitive before you go asking it.

Q29:

With the introduction of the R18 rating for Videogames, thats all i want, and thats all we need for the time being.

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