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nelchaar
Member
(03-02-2014, 02:50 AM)
Quote

#101

Why does this matter? I don't recall any video game characters that are Muslim either.

Morrigan Stark
Arrogant Smirk
(03-02-2014, 02:55 AM)
Quote

#102

> Originally Posted by **Juliet's 8½ Spirits**
> I'm going to need something a bit more concrete than that, afaik there was nothing in the game that even remotely implied that he was jewish.

Joel is a Hebrew name? But yeah that's pretty thin. Then again "Ornstein"... ;) If Naughty Dog says he is, even just through a funny holiday e-card, that's good enough for me. Word of God and all that.

Darkmakaimura
When keeping it nerdy goes very, very wrong.
(03-02-2014, 03:01 AM)
Quote

#103

> Originally Posted by **Morrigan Targaryen**
> Joel is a Hebrew name? But yeah that's pretty thin. Then again "Ornstein"... ;) If Naughty Dog says he is, even just through a funny holiday e-card, that's good enough for me. Word of God and all that.

Maybe he pretends to be Jewish for the 'homeboys who want a member of the tribe'. :P

DiipuSurotu
Blind
(03-02-2014, 03:03 AM)
Quote

#104

> Originally Posted by **nelchaar**
> Why does this matter? I don't recall any video game characters that are Muslim either.

Prince of Persia, Assassin's Creed, Front Mission 2, etc.

ShinobiFist
Banned
(03-02-2014, 03:04 AM)
Quote

#105

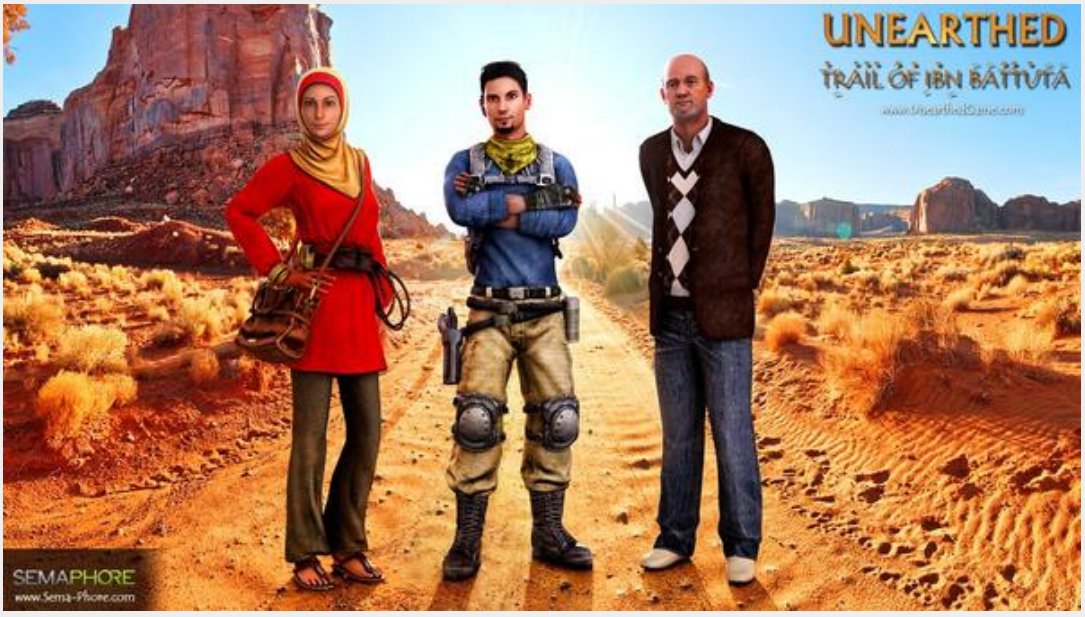
So...Because your last name ends with "stein" that makes you Jewish automatically??? You guys need to check yourself.

Darkmakaimura
When keeping it nerdy goes very, very wrong.
(03-02-2014, 03:05 AM)
Quote

#106

> Originally Posted by **DiipuSurotu**
> Prince of Persia, Assassin's Creed, Front Mission 2, etc.

Not to mention....



Vulcano's assistant
Member
(03-02-2014, 03:06 AM)
Quote

#107

> Originally Posted by **DiipuSurotu**
> Prince of Persia, Assassin's Creed, Front Mission 2, etc.

I suppose the classic Prince of Persia is, but isn't the 2000's reboot set in Babylonian times or something like that? I remember climbing the tower of Babel.

DryvBy
Member
(03-02-2014, 03:10 AM)
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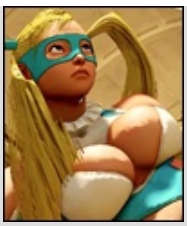
#108

The Jewish robot from Machinarium? Do Jewish robots count?

Filth
Member
(03-02-2014, 03:10 AM)
Quote

#109

Sonic the hedgehog



tokyostomp
Banned
(03-02-2014, 03:11 AM)
Quote

#110

> Originally Posted by **nelchaar**
> Why does this matter? I don't recall any video game characters that are Muslim either.

Muhammad Ali in the Fight Night series!

Necromanti
Member
(03-02-2014, 03:14 AM)
Quote

#111

> Originally Posted by **Toxi**
> His name does come from real life Jewish composer **Leo** Ornstein. Pretty clever.

I've noticed that a lot of people immediately rendered Ornstein as "Orn-steen" phonetically, rather than "Orn-stine" (the latter being how the developers thought of it). Which makes me wonder if that's predominantly a Jewish-American influence to use that pronunciation over the more German one (since last names tend to be said different in English). I've always been curious about that.

Ratrat
Member
(03-02-2014, 03:16 AM)
Quote

#112

Bible games.

Joeki11a
Banned
(03-02-2014, 03:25 AM)
Quote

#113

El Shaddid or whatever it was called was the most religious games I ever seen

MagnaderAlpha
Member
(03-02-2014, 03:36 AM)
Quote

#114

What about Joachim Mizrahi from Xenosaga?

Currygan
at last, for christ's sake
(03-02-2014, 03:38 AM)
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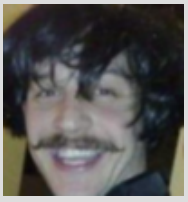
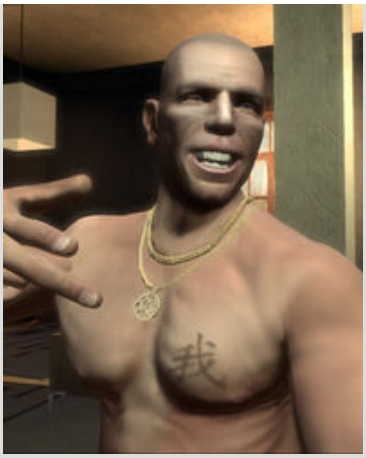


#115

Brucie Kibbutz



Shale from DOA, since he's a golem

Dr Isaac Kleiner

also, BJ Blazkowicz might be Jewish

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Jarate
Member
(03-02-2014, 03:47 AM)
Quote

#116

do you mean religiously jewish or someone whos ancestry is jewish

any game where the religion is not explocitly stated, one can assume that any character is jewish, just like any character who doesnt outright say hes straight could be gay

ethinic wise, it's fairly hard to tell a middle eastern jewish person from a caicasian, or another middle eastern.

Meier
Zune defence force
(03-02-2014, 04:01 AM)
Quote

#117

I think it's rare for any overt religion to be shown in games. It's not often that characters are identified as Christian, etc. Shintoism and monk-related religion is probably more common than anything.

MagnaderAlpha
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:01 AM)
Quote

#118

> Originally Posted by **ShinobiFist**
> So...Because your last name ends with "stein" that makes you Jewish automatically??? You guys need to check yourself.

Interesting you brought this up. I remember doing a paper regarding Nazi war crimes and the Nuremberg Trials years ago for one of my classes. Reading on the names off of a lot of Nazi criminals and officers, from what people think sounds "Jewish", a lot of their surnames aren't that much different. Hans Frank was a German lawyer for the Nazis; Anne Frank was a Jewish girl immortalized by her infamous diary. Wilhelm Keitel was a senior military leader for the Nazis during WWII; Harvey Keitel is an actor of Jewish descent. Alfred Rosenberg, an influential member of the Nazi party(helping shape the racist and horrible idealogy of the Nazi's beliefs), happens to share a surname that many would, without a doubt, consider as being "Jewish sounding"(like Werner, Hofmann, Meissner, Schreiber, Kaufmann, Kramer, Meyer, Schafer, Winkler,... which all happen to be the surnames of some Nazi officers too). Really, name alone isn't proof.

Even without the who Nazi thing, Oz creator Frank Baum... not Jewish.

ButchCat
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:03 AM)
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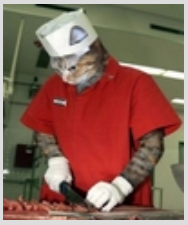

#119

Andrew Ryan was a former Jew.

maxcriden
Junior Member
(03-02-2014, 04:09 AM)
Quote

#120

I was raised Jewish, and I've named plenty of characters after myself in games like Harvest Moon and Zelda. Does that count?

ochaworldorder
Junior Member
(03-02-2014, 04:13 AM)
Quote

#121

Hershel Layton?

Devilinthiscity

Member
(03-02-2014, 04:14 AM)
Quote

#122

Ken Rosenburg, the lawyer from GTA: Vice City.

Emperor Bohe
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:15 AM)
Quote

#123

ZiZ
that ain't rice
it's bits of Semtex
(03-02-2014, 04:17 AM)
Quote

#124

> Originally Posted by **bernardobri**
> Source?

I don't remember where I read it, but the wikipedia page seems to mention it.

Dennis
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:20 AM)
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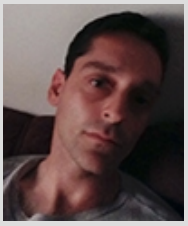

#125

> Originally Posted by **Zaro**
>
>

I love Pikajew

maxcriden
Junior Member
(03-02-2014, 04:24 AM)
Quote

#126

> Originally Posted by **ochaworldorder**
>
> Hershel Layton?

I've wondered this, but--I don't think he is Jewish, actually. I haven't played the most recent games, though, so I'm not sure if this is ever confirmed one way or the other.

Zoggy
Junior Member
(03-02-2014, 04:25 AM)
Quote

#127

maybe i'm just weird and irrational but i don't feel comfortable when people refer to jewish people as "jews"

calling or referring to someone as a "jew" seems derogorative and pejorative. seems like a like a slur, (but i know its probably not).

Whimsical Phil
Ninja School will help you
(03-02-2014, 04:27 AM)
Quote

#128

> Originally Posted by **Juliet's 8½ Spirits**
>
> I'm going to need something a bit more concrete than that, afaik there was nothing in the game that even remotely implied that he was jewish.

Official Naughty Dog artwork isn't concrete enough for you?

What do you need? Joel to shout out l'chaim every time you craft a med kit?

Oh, and...

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Silky
Banned
(03-02-2014, 04:28 AM)
Quote

#129

> Originally Posted by **Currygan**
> also, BJ Blazkowicz might be Jewish
>
>

BJ's from Poland.

Poland is a predominantly Catholic region if I recall.

Pretty sure he's not Jewish.

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People. Get this through your head; if their last name in a video game sounds like a stereotypical jewish last name, they are probably not jewish. Otacon isn't jewish. Meryl isn't jewish.

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Vulcano's assistant
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:33 AM)
Quote

#130

> Originally Posted by **Silky**
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> Poland is a predominantly Catholic region if I recall.
>
> Pretty sure he's not Jewish.
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> --
>
> People. Get this through your head; if their last name in a video game sounds like a stereotypical jewish last name, they are probably not jewish. Otacon isn't jewish. Meryl isn't jewish.

Now it is. But isn't this Wolfenstein game also during WWII?

goomba
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:34 AM)
Quote

#131

special forces

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qualitydisc
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:39 AM)
Quote

#132

> Originally Posted by **Spiffy_1st**
> Is Wario a jew or is that a joke? His music in Mario Strikers is pretty jewishy.

Pretty sure Jewish representation in Japanese games is pretty much nil. Historically the two cultures have not had much contact and there isn't much of an awareness among average Japanese people about what it means to be Jewish.

I traveled Japan and South Korea with a guy who was pretty strictly orthodox and it was a nightmare for him to try to eat kosher the whole time.

> Originally Posted by **iddqd**
> Who gives a shit.
> I'm glad these kind of things are mostly not in games and if, only as art director clunk.
>
> And I doubt that the Freeman is a member of ANY religion.
>
> But hey, if it adds to your believe of being chosen and exceptional, go ahead and claim whoever.

Sweet account suicide bro

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nded
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:40 AM)
Quote

#133

> Originally Posted by **Silky**
> BJ's from Poland.
>
> Poland is a predominantly Catholic region if I recall.
>
> Pretty sure he's not Jewish.

There had been a considerable Jewish population in Poland for almost a thousand years before Nazi Germany's influence started to drive them away. Blazkowicz being Jewish or of Jewish descent is not

entirely implausible.

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Silky
Banned
(03-02-2014, 04:40 AM)
Quote

#134

> Originally Posted by **Vulcano's assistant**
> Now it is. But isn't this Wolfenstein game also during WWII?

In WWII I believe Protestant and Catholic were still the dominant religion in Poland while Judaism took up around 10 percent. Recorded 3 million jewish citizens in a population of around ~30 million

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FStop7
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:43 AM)
Quote

#135

Commander Moshe Shepard saved the universe, but he still observes Shabbat.

Vulcano's assistant
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:45 AM)
Quote

#136

> Originally Posted by **Silky**
> In WWII I believe Protestant and Catholic were still the dominant religion in Poland while Judaism took up around 10 percent.

Well, but he is a grown man in the game. In the media the stereotypical shtetl of the early 20th century is usually set set in Poland or Russia. This game is another piece of media. It may be a stereotype, but when one thinks Ashkenazi, Poland is among the first things to come to mind because of how it has been represented in film, etc.

Summoner
Member
(03-02-2014, 05:04 AM)
Quote

#137

Rugal Bernstein - The King of Fighters

a Master Ninja
for whom the Bell trolls
(03-02-2014, 05:14 AM)

Quote

#138

Originally Posted by **dante81**

Johnny Klebitz from GTA IV TLAD

Best Jewish protagonist by default?

Darkmakaimura
When keeping it nerdy goes very, very wrong.
(03-02-2014, 05:18 AM)

#139

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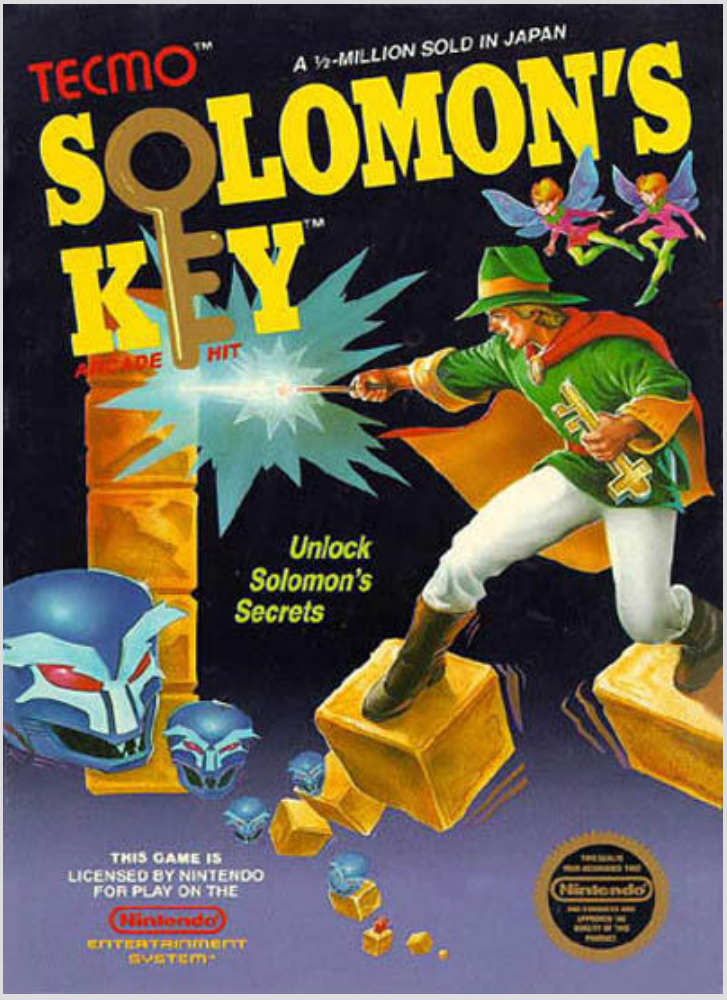
Probably going out on a limb with this one, but....



Plus, the name Dana in Hebrew means "arbiter" or "God is my judge."

Silky

#140

Banned
(03-02-2014, 05:26 AM)
Quote

> Originally Posted by **Summoner**
>
>
>
> Rugal Bernstein - The King of Fighters

Not Jewish. He's from Japanese descent on his mother's side, I believe. Dad's german.

Vulcano's assistant
Member
(03-02-2014, 05:29 AM)
Quote

#141

> Originally Posted by **a Master Ninja**
>
> Best Jewish protagonist by default?

They also have one of the few Latino protagonist (there are considerably more side characters) from a defined nation and not generic Hispanic origin there are, in Ballad of Gay Tony

RustyNails
with arms wide open / under the sunlight / welcome to this place / i'll show you *everythaaaang*
(03-02-2014, 05:30 AM)
Quote

#142

> Originally Posted by **DiipuSurotu**
>
> Prince of Persia, Assassin's Creed, Front Mission 2, etc.

Also Farida Malik from Deus Ex

kartu
Banned
(03-02-2014, 05:30 AM)
Quote

#143

Out of 7 billion people on this planet, only about, what, 20 million are Jews?
Why should there be many Jewish people in games?

Cabal
Member
(03-02-2014, 05:36 AM)
Quote

#144

> Originally Posted by **kartu**
> Out of 7 billion people on this planet, only about, what, 20 million are Jews?
> Why should there be many Jewish people in games?

Yes, why would any minority group representation in a form of media that emphasizes role playing?
Totally seeing your point here.

rosaceadude2112
Member
(03-02-2014, 05:38 AM)
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#145

spiderman

Silky
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(03-02-2014, 05:41 AM)
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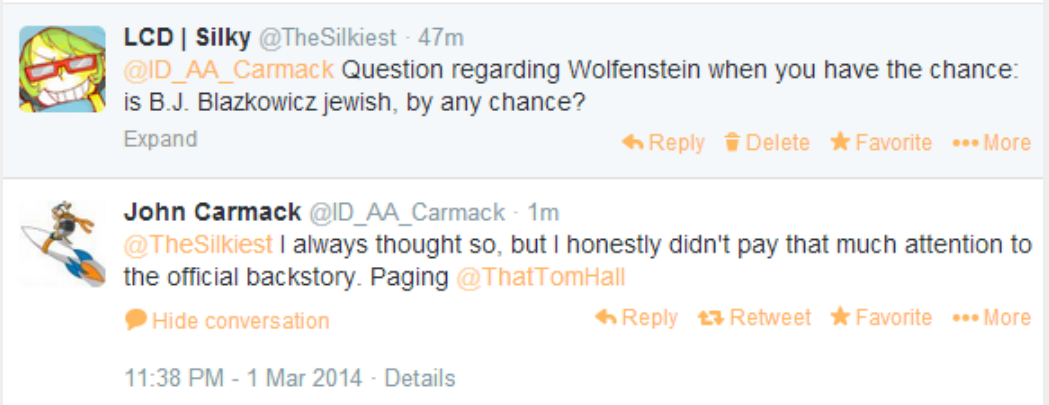
#146

On B.J.



sooo B.J. might actually be Jewish! Neat.

Rafterman
Banned

#147

(03-02-2014, 05:47 AM)
Quote

> Originally Posted by **Whimsical Phil**
> Official Naughty Dog artwork isn't concrete enough for you?
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> What do you need? Joel to shout out l'chaim every time you craft a med kit?

It's a happy holidays card, for all you know they picked a character at random to be more inclusive. That sweater could have easily ended up on any of the other people on the card. Calling that "concrete" evidence is a stretch at best.

Currygan
at last, for christ's sake
(03-02-2014, 05:50 AM)
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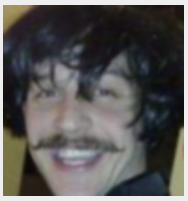

#148

> Originally Posted by **Silky**
> On B.J.
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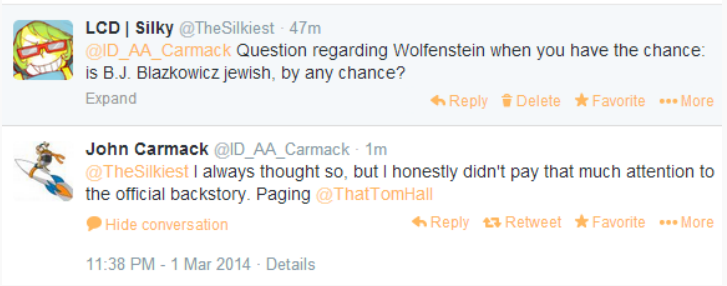
> 
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> sooo B.J. might actually be Jewish! Neat.

never doubt the Currygan, son

haha, jk. But I always thought there was a chance

Punchy4486
Member
(03-02-2014, 06:13 AM)
Quote

#149

> Originally Posted by **Vulcano's assistant**
> They also have one of the few Latino protagonist (there are considerably more side characters) from a defined nation and not generic Hispanic origin there are, in Ballad of Gay Tony

It's surprising, given the amount of (arguably justified) shit they get, but games like GTA and Gears of War are much more multicultural and full of people from different walks of life than the majority of video games.

twinturbo2
butthurt Heat fan
(03-02-2014, 06:39 AM)
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> Originally Posted by **Suburban_Nooblet**
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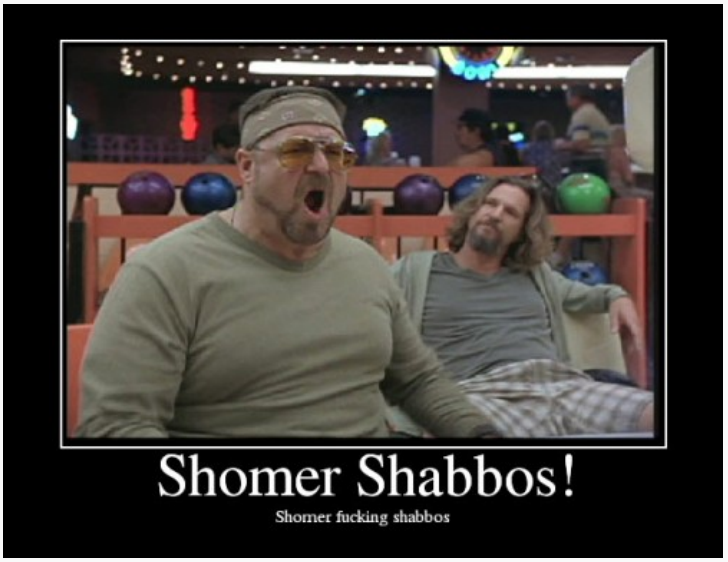
> 
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AM I THE ONLY ONE WHO GIVES A SHIT ABOUT THE RULES???

Dusk Golem #151
A 21st Century Rockefeller
(03-02-2014, 06:48 AM)
Quote

I don't think a lot of actual religions have been expressed in games yet.

Morrigan Stark #152
Arrogant Smirk
(03-02-2014, 07:18 AM)
Quote

> Originally Posted by **Zoggy**
> calling or referring to someone as a "jew" seems derogorative and pejorative. seems like a like a slur, (but i know its probably not).

If you associate "Jew" with "slur", you might be racist...

Silky #153
Banned
(03-02-2014, 08:02 AM)
Quote

B.J's jewish

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lordchompy #154
Member
(03-02-2014, 08:04 AM)
Quote

This debate falls squarely into the "why is ethnicity X not represented" camp of video game critiques. For example, South Asians make up over 16.5% of the world's population, according to Wikipedia, but how many games feature a South Asian protagonist? Is that fair in any way?

I think the answer is video games usually include characters of different ethnicity and race to broaden a game's appeal to a target audience, not to make a statement about what it means to be of a certain race or ethnicity.

How many games even mention a character is white, black, or otherwise at any point in the story line? Grand Theft Auto, Assassin's Creed Liberation, the Walking Dead? Way too few.

Adding Jewish, or any other ethnic characters without exploring their background amounts to nothing but tokenism and selective marketing. At the moment most publishers are content in changing a character's skin tone to satisfy calls for diversity and not much else.

Morrigan Stark #155
Arrogant Smirk
(03-02-2014, 08:06 AM)
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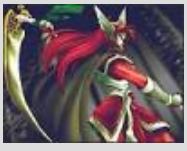

> Originally Posted by **Silky**
> B.J's half-jewish

I'm not sure about half. From my understanding, if the mother is Jewish, you are Jewish. Matrilineal descent and all that.

Last edited by Morrigan Stark; 03-02-2014 at 08:09 AM.

TheGoddamn #156
Member
(03-02-2014, 08:08 AM)
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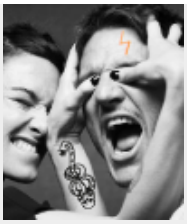
"Moai-inspired" is the official word.



TheFLYINGManga_Ka
Member
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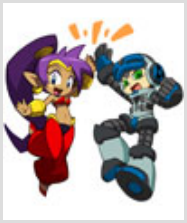

#157

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Kurtofan
Member
(03-02-2014, 08:16 AM)
Quote

#158

> Originally Posted by **TheGoddamn**
> "Moai-inspired" is the official word.

It is Moai inspired.

qualitydisc
Member
(03-02-2014, 08:35 AM)
Quote

#159

To slightly contradict my earlier post, "Sephiroth" is a name taken from Jewish mysticism as might be "Tifa" (speculative).

> "Tifa" may also be derived from the Tiferet, the sixth Sefira in the Tree of Life symbolizing love, beauty and self-sacrifice. This would tie up with the larger theme Final Fantasy VII has with Jewish mysticism. http://finalfantasy.wikia.com/wiki/Tifa_Lockhart

Currygan
at last, for christ's sake
(03-02-2014, 02:06 PM)

#160

Quote

> Originally Posted by **Zoggy**
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it's not a slur: Sholom Aleichem, Spielberg, Golda Meir, Mel Brooks, my granps say it themselves, among others

Jimmyfenix
Member
(03-02-2014, 02:12 PM)

#161

Quote

> Originally Posted by **nelchaar**
> Why does this matter? I don't recall any video game characters that are Muslim either.

My main man Yusuf Amir.

beast786
Member
(03-02-2014, 02:14 PM)
Quote

#162

Jews are less than 0.2% of world population. Even in US it's only 2%. Seems they are proportional represented.

RavenholmDX
Member
(03-02-2014, 02:15 PM)
Quote

#163

> Originally Posted by **tokyostomp**
> Allegedly
>
> BJ Blazkowicz
>
>

Could just be Polish?

ShinobiFist
Banned
(03-02-2014, 02:19 PM)
Quote

#164

> Originally Posted by **Silky**
> Not Jewish. He's from Japanese descent on his mother's side, I believe. Dad's german.

Exactly. Some people have this assumption that if a last name ends with "Stein" or "Berg" that they're Jewish. When that's not the case. Even associating "Judaism" as a race is also iffy. I only seen that heavily implied in this country a lot to non practitioners of the faith.

jacobeid
Member
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> Exactly. Some people have this assumption that if a last name ends with "Stein" or "Berg" that they're Jewish. When that's not the case. Even associating "Judaism" as a race is also iffy. I only seen that heavily implied in this country a lot to non practitioners of the faith.

My last name ends in Berg. I'm Jewish lol.

I don't see why we really need any specific religion for our characters unless it actually drives the narrative forward. If it were absolutely crucial for the story, I'd be happy with any religion (or non-religion) represented. Dun really care.

> Originally Posted by **Morrigan Targaryen**

> I'm not sure about half. From my understanding, if the mother is Jewish, you are Jewish. Matrilineal descent and all that.

This man speaks the truth. B.J. is a full member of the tribe.

KHlover
Member
(03-02-2014, 02:42 PM)
Quote

#166

Douchebag from South Park: Stick of Truth :P (If you want him to)

GYNGA
Member
(03-02-2014, 03:05 PM)
Quote

#167

Garrett from Thief

Last edited by GYNGA; 03-02-2014 at 03:09 PM.

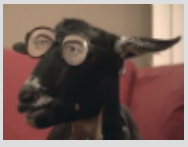
Kinyou
Member
(03-02-2014, 03:11 PM)
Quote

#168

I'm glad that most characters don't express their religion.

I don't want to see the Master Chief praying in a church, mosque, synagogue etc.

Pilgor
Member
(03-02-2014, 03:15 PM)
Quote



#169

> Originally Posted by **Silky**
> B.J's half-jewish
>
>
>

His mother is Jewish, so he is full Jewish.

It seems you're not happy having any jewish characters in video games.

Byakuya769
Santa is Black
Jesus is too
I'll be goddamned
If I buy a WiiU
(03-02-2014, 03:24 PM)
Quote

#170

> Originally Posted by **iddqd**
> Who gives a shit.
> I'm glad these kind of things are mostly not in games and if, only as art director clunk.
>
> And I doubt that the Freeman is a member of ANY religion.
>
> But hey, if it adds to your believe of being chosen and exceptional, go ahead and claim whoever.

... You got what was coming. What the hell?

Derpcrawler
Banned
(03-02-2014, 03:38 PM)
Quote

#171

I don't get why people mix jews and judaism. You can be a jew and be atheist or any other religion and vice versa, you can be a non-jew and convert to judaism, like Britney Spears.

My grandmother on my mother side is polish jew. But my mother is christian and I am an atheist.

Silky
Banned
(03-02-2014, 04:00 PM)
Quote

#172

> Originally Posted by **Pilgor**
> His mother is Jewish, so he is full Jewish.
>
> It seems you're not happy having any jewish characters in video games.

Where'd you get that assumption from? I'm all for diversity in video game design/characteristics.

It's just...again. There are some instances, like B.J, where they could have a last name that fits the 'trope', and there are others, like Rugal and Meryl, that can have a last name that fits the trope and NOT be jewish.

Come the fuck on. It's common fucking sense. Don't jump the gun, unless you know for a fact. There wasn't anything documented on B.J, but I knew that Carmack was usually open to any question regarding his work. I asked, he linked me to the writer, and he answered. See how fucking /fluid/ that was? The big 'mystery' regarding his religion was answered.

Last edited by Silky; 03-02-2014 at 04:19 PM.

Dictator93
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:02 PM)
Quote

#173

> Originally Posted by **Pilgor**
> **His mother is Jewish, so he is full Jewish.**
>
> It seems you're not happy having any jewish characters in video games.

No.
Someone's parent being raised a certain religion or historical ethnic backrground... does not make the child that background/ethnicity etc.... That is the same racist/prejudicial one drop ideology the racist American South and Naziism advocated.

Last edited by Dictator93; 03-02-2014 at 04:05 PM.

Dictator93
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:05 PM)
Quote

#174

> Originally Posted by **W!CKED**
> If your father is Jewish but your mother is not, then you're not a Jew.

Sure, if you are an advocate of the Nuremberg racial purity laws or Jim Crow.

Classifying someone to an ethnic type or "racial" type due to their 1 or more of their parents... is the reasoning used by the oppressors from those "groups."

Last edited by Dictator93; 03-02-2014 at 04:08 PM.

Haunted
fucking pineapples.
they're useless!
(03-02-2014, 04:08 PM)
Quote

#175

Seth Bernstein from Dark Souls.

RustyNails
with arms wide open / under the sunlight / welcome to this place / i'll show you *everythaaaang*
(03-02-2014, 04:10 PM)

#176

Quote

> Originally Posted by **Derpcrawler**
> I don't get why people mix jews and judaism. You can be a jew and be atheist or any other religion and vice versa, you can be a non-jew and convert to judaism, like Britney Spears.
>
> My grandmother on my mother side is polish jew. But my mother is christian and I am an atheist.

I was under the impression that you cannot actually convert to judaism?

Xater
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:10 PM)

#177

Quote

> Originally Posted by **MagnaderAlpha**
> Interesting you brought this up. I remember doing a paper regarding Nazi war crimes and the Nuremberg Trials years ago for one of my classes. Reading on the names off of a lot of Nazi criminals and officers, from what people think sounds "Jewish", a lot of their surnames aren't that much different. Hans Frank was a German lawyer for the Nazis; Anne Frank was a Jewish girl immortalized by her infamous diary. Wilhelm Keitel was a senior military leader for the Nazis during WWII; Harvey Keitel is an actor of Jewish descent. Alfred Rosenberg, an influential member of the Nazi party(helping shape the racist and horrible idealogy of the Nazi's beliefs), happens to share a surname that many would, without a doubt, consider as being "Jewish sounding"(like Werner, Hofmann, Meissner, Schreiber, Kaufmann, Kramer, Meyer, Schafer, Winkler,... which all happen to be the surnames of some Nazi officers too). Really, name alone isn't proof.
>
> Even without the who Nazi thing, Oz creator Frank Baum... not Jewish.

All those supposed "Jewish" names that TV/Film etc. writers come up with just sound German. So if you have a German sounding name outside or Germany you are Jewish, that's apparently what media has taught people.

Dictator93
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:11 PM)

#178

Quote

> Originally Posted by **W!CKED**
> No, this is defined by the religion. If one of the parents is not Jewish, the rule is that the child takes the status of the mother. If the mother is Jewish, so is her child, and if she is not Jewish, neither is her child considered Jewish.

So if I do not consider myself a jew, and one of my parents just happened to be raised jewish (my mother), I have never been indoctrinated into any of the rights or sacraficial BS whatever... then I am a jew?

Just because an old 3000 year old book and the modern ethnic understanding says so?

Even though the person does not necessarily identify with it, at all?

This smells like crypto-ethnic BS to just typify people.

This is not my case btw, but just a point of showing that a person is... what they identify as. Not what some overblown ancient classification says, or what some psuedo scientific ideology says.

Silky
Banned
(03-02-2014, 04:16 PM)
Quote

#179

> Originally Posted by **W!CKED**
> No, this is defined by the religion. If one of the parents is not Jewish, the rule is that the child takes the status of the mother. If the mother is Jewish, so is her child, and if she is not Jewish, neither is her child considered Jewish.

Now see I didn't actually know that. Appreciate the clarification.

vagabondarts
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:19 PM)
Quote

#180

What about the one tall support character from resident evil revelations? He was awesome too

From the plane wreckage level. Great character.

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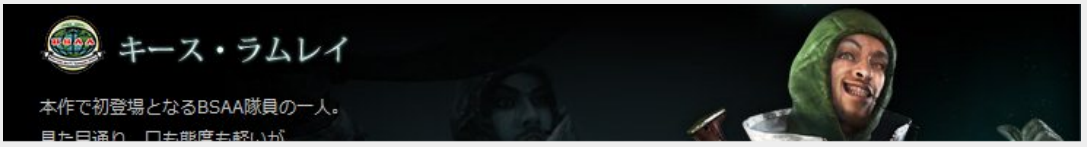

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Dictator93
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:19 PM)
Quote

#181

> Originally Posted by **W!CKED**
> http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Who_is_a_Jew%3F

Using this line of logic, you can identify someone as a jew, who does not consider themselves a jew. How does that make anysense?

Check your logic before linking some article please. Just because it is written, does not mean it is applicable or makes sense.

I could link an article saying that the Koran identifies atheists as kafir and are able to be killed. Would an atheist say that about his or herself?

or that a sunni is a true muslim and a shiite is not. An organized echlisiarrical dogma is not an arguing point. It is just dogma. It does not dictate our self classification.

Kinyou
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:24 PM)
Quote

#182

> Originally Posted by **Dictator93**
> Sure, if you are an advocate of the Nuremberg racial purity laws or Jim Crow.

> Classifying someone to an ethnic type or "racial" type due to their 1 or more of their parents... is the reasoning used by the oppressors from those "groups."

It's reasoning used by the jewish people themselves. Nothing to do with oppression or Nazis

Vulcano's assistant
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:27 PM)
Quote

#183

> Originally Posted by **Silky**
> B.J's jewish
>
>
> **Tom Hall** @ThatTomHall · 24m
> @ID_AA_Carmack @TheSilkiest @ThatTomHall That's been suggested. My intent was: his mother was Jewish, tried to hide that, unsuccessfully.
> View conversation Reply Retweet Favorited More

Nice research

Wasp
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:28 PM)
Quote

#184

I always thought Jews are a race or an ethnicity as well as a religion.

Dictator93
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:28 PM)
Quote

#185

> Originally Posted by **Kinyou**
> It's reasoning used by the **jewish people** themselves. Nothing to do with oppression or Nazis

> Originally Posted by **W!CKED**
> It's all in the article:
>
> In general, **Orthodox Judaism** considers individuals born of Jewish mothers to be Jewish, even if they convert to another religion.[31] Reform Judaism views Jews who convert to another religion as non-Jews. For example "...anyone who claims that Jesus is their savior is no longer a Jew..." [Contemporary American Reform Responsa, #68] etc.

By people who call themselves jews in the dogmatic tradition selse (othodox). Not all jews follow that religious dogma and classification. Not all people raised by a jewish parent or two consider themselves jews.
You guys are arguing that monolitich orthodox dogma should dictate how we name and classify HUMAN BEINGS. You see no problem with that?

If you argue from the point of a dogma, such as this who is a jew not as a jew thing, you allow all sorts of convoluted and backwards classifications/rationale.

Is then the objective reality that a jewish woman who is menstruating, is actually impure and dirty and should be separated by men? It is in the torah, and orthodx jews may follow it, so therefore it is correct and right?!

No. Arguing from the grounds of dogma is not reasonable.

Last edited by Dictator93; 03-02-2014 at 04:34 PM.

pooptacular
Junior Member

#186

How come all the villains in max Payne 3 had all Jewish last names like Becker and Bachmeyer

(03-02-2014, 04:32 PM)
Quote

even though them dudes are in Brazil? I loled at that shit.

inm8num2
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:32 PM)
Quote

#187

> Originally Posted by **Filth**
> Sonic the hedgehog

> Originally Posted by **GYNGA**
> Garrett from Thief

I see what you did! :p

ShinobiFist
Banned
(03-02-2014, 04:32 PM)
Quote

#188

> Originally Posted by **Wasp**
> I always thought Jews are a race or an ethnicity as well as a religion.

No. Is like saying every Israeli is Jewish. When that's not the case.

Alcoholikaust
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:33 PM)
Quote

#189

I would like more Jewish characters. preferably alcoholic Jewish males.

basically myself. haha

Dictator93
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:33 PM)
Quote

#190

> Originally Posted by **pooptacular**
> How come all the villains in max Payne 3 had all Jewish last names like Becker and Bachmeyer even though them dudes are in Brazil? I loled at that shit.

Those are german last names. Last name /= heritage and self-identifcation

ShinobiFist
Banned
(03-02-2014, 04:37 PM)
Quote

#191

> Originally Posted by **Dictator93**
> Those are german last names. Last name /= heritage and self-identifcation

Exactly. A lot of famous Germans have that last name. I only notice this connection in the states when names have "berg" or "stein" in it for example. I mentioned this already, but is kind of annoying and also understand the confusion due to media.

Dictator93
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:38 PM)
Quote

#192

> Originally Posted by **W!CKED**
> The definition of "race" is very, very vague. For example **Nietzsche used it in a non-**

> **biological sense like "people"**. The Nazis used it in a biological sense to create pseudo-scientific arguments for their ideology of resentment.
>
> **Religion is philosophy.** Whether you embrace the metaphysical phenomenons is up to you.

Religion is dogmatic, it is an organisation. Faith is reflective metaphysics.

Also, although Neitzsche denied the biological foundations from natural selection on Races (which modern sceince has also denied), he was for a hierarchy of races from a cultural dominance perspective. They are both separating negative connotations of race.

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obonicus
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:38 PM)
Quote

#193

> Originally Posted by **Wasp**
> I always thought Jews are a race or an ethnicity as well as a religion.

There are several different ethnicities that are associated with the Jewish faith. What most people associate as 'jewish' (especially in the US) are Ashkenazi. They're by far the most populous.

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giapel
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:39 PM)
Quote

#194

Jews are very prominently represented in movies and TV, even disproportionately so to the actual population. Video games... Not so much. But then again I can't think of many christian videogame characters.

LordBaztion
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:42 PM)
Quote

#195

El Shaddai is full of jewish characters

FiggyCal
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:52 PM)
Quote

#196

> Originally Posted by **Juliet's 8½ Spirits**
> I'm going to need something a bit more concrete than that, afaik there was nothing in the game that even remotely implied that he was jewish.
>
> Ornstein was a really nice catch, didn't even think twice about the name

:/ Why would there need to be? Couldn't we assume that 20 % of all characters in videogames are Jewish. Call of Duty soldiers as far as we know could all worship on the sabath.

Morrigan Stark
Arrogant Smirk
(03-02-2014, 04:56 PM)
Quote

#197

> Originally Posted by **jacobeid**
> This man speaks the truth. B.J. is a full member of the tribe.

lol. I'm a woman but thanks :P

> Originally Posted by **Dictator93**
> Sure, if you are an advocate of the Nuremberg racial purity laws or Jim Crow.
>
> Classifying someone to an ethnic type or "racial" type due to their 1 or more of their parents... is the reasoning used by the oppressors from those "groups."

Fucking wow. Jews are the new nazis. Who knew?

SuperAngelo64
Member

#198

Has nobody mentioned Vincent?

(03-02-2014, 04:57 PM)

Quote

"Brooks" is a pretty common Ashkenazi jewish surname. He even has the jew fro going on.

Dictator93
Member
(03-02-2014, 04:58 PM)

#199

Quote

> Originally Posted by **W!CKED**
>
> **Nietsches master-slave genealogy is very, very, very hard to understand since the vocabulary he used in the 19th century got either poisoned by radical politcal movements or does not have the same moralic meaning you think it has.**
>
> Rule of thumb: **Master morality is always free of resentment. Slave morality always originates in resentment.** The rise of the 3rd Reich is a perfect example for slave morality.
>
> Nietzsche said that Religion is to the uneducated man what philosophy is to the educated man. He said that religion is necessary.

1. If you study Germanistik, you can come to understand the terms and why they are used. It is not too hard. Even then, reading Nietzsche so literally is a problem. The man pretty obviously had multiple ironic intentions in regards to his own work and the historical works of others.

2. If you take Neitzsche's understanding of Slave and Master as the only one. I find Hegel and Marx more enlightening in regards to Herr and Knecht stuff. They rely a lot less on Deep Hermeuntical guesses.

> Originally Posted by **Morrigan Targaryen**
>
> Fucking wow. **Jews are the new nazis.** Who knew?

No, jews are not nazis. You are twisting my words and intentions. Rather, Monolithic understandings of

faith and ethnicity advanced by certain people in this thread **are fascist**.

Last edited by Dictator93; 03-02-2014 at 05:03 PM.

Palette Swap
Member
(03-02-2014, 05:02 PM)
Quote

#**200**

Dragon Quest series: Goldman. They're a golem, with a Jewish last name.

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