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Xenogears – Any similar storylines out there?

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#2 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321463507) Posted by **WilliamRLBaker (/profile/WilliamRLBaker/)** (28695 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

xenosaga but those 3 games totally blow compared to xenogears other then that there are no games really like xenogears with its weird metaphysical questions, and religious stuff combined with mechs...

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#3 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321463847) Posted by **Threesixtyci (/profile/Threesixtyci/)** (4416 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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> *-- WilliamRLBaker*

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#4 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321463889) Posted by **weltall1028 (/profile/weltall1028/)** (4775 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

I've been searching for a long time for a story that is on the same level with Xenogears, and have been unsuccessful. I really enjoyed the stories in Persona 4, Final Fantasy Tactics, and Xenosaga, but they don't even come close to Xenogears.

The only other 2 games I can think of are ones I haven't played yet, but have heard great things about. Those would be Mass Effect and Heavy Rain.

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#5 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321463898) Posted by **anbu-black-ops (/profile/anbu-black-ops/)** (2380 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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#6 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321464300) Posted by **WilliamRLBaker (/profile/WilliamRLBaker/)** (28695 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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far better that then being like xenosaga games which were for all intents and purposes just interactive movies. I couldn't count how often the action was taken out of my hands in all 3 games to either lead to an ingame cinematic, a bunch of people talking, or a CGI cinematic. Xenogears was the superior game compared to all 3 games, and It makes me sad that the whole xenogears story wasn't completely told in the 8 or so game epic they wanted it to be.

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#7 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321464344) Posted by **MKARB (/profile/MKARB/)** (25 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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#8 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321464581) Posted by **bigboss5ak (/profile/bigboss5ak/)** (2947 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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#9 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321464681) Posted by **weltall1028 (/profile/weltall1028/)** (4775 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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#10 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321465127) Posted by **88mphSlayer (/profile/88mphSlayer/)** (3201 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

Mass Effect series has:

- some metaphysical themes
- big-scale
- some philosophical issues (regarding paragon/renegade choices)
- some psychology (regarding paragon/renegade choices)
- lots of character driven story

mostly the series is action-driven and overall kind of a lightweight on the themes, a lot more time spent on the ME universe than on the larger story

Bioshock isn't an rpg but it does have:

- lots of metaphysical themes
- lots of philosophical issues
- lots of psychological issues

doesn't have the big scale tho, as everything is about the city of Rapture and there's very little time spent with character interactions other than brief appearances of these kind of symbolic thematic characters

overall dunno... maybe Planescape Torment? can't think of many jrpg's like Xenogears, but i never played PT so i dunno

#11 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321465445) Posted by **MKARB (/profile/MKARB/)** (25 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

Does ME pick up at all after you first meet Liara at the dig site? Found it pretty boring up to that point in all honesty, and not really anything at all too different from KOTOR. Somebody inside the Xenogears boards was suggesting that Planescape Torment might even be better than Xenogears so it's definitely piqued my interests, though I'm personally doubtful. I'm definitely getting good vibes from Bioshock though my main concern would be how the storyline is simply presented to you as you play the game rather than seperately through cutscenes, and possibly not being able to fully appreciate the story as it's being told by being too absorbed in the gameplay.

#12 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321466107) Posted by **slvrraven9 (/profile/slvrraven9/)** (9239 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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go head but if youre looking for anything on a relative scale as far as story goes to xenogears, youll be sorely disappointed. all im saying is dont expect the same...

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#14 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321466185) Posted by **slvrraven9 (/profile/slvrraven9/)** (9239 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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you just became one of my best friends!

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#15 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321466565) Posted by **ShuichiChamp24 (/profile/ShuichiChamp24/)** (5014 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

Xenoblade maybe?:P

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#16 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321467170) Posted by **slvrraven9 (/profile/slvrraven9/)** (9239 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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#17 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321467296) Posted by **sleepingzzz (/profile/sleepingzzz/)** (2263 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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Nope, nothing comes close. That's the reason why so many people still pick it as their favorite RPG of all time. I wish Square would do a remake of it with better graphics and perhaps actually finish the 2nd part of it correctly. Instead, all I hear is how everyone wants to re-do ff7 which, I hate with a passion.

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#18 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321467323) Posted by **DevilMightCry (/profile/DevilMightCry/)** (3498 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

No, nothing is like XenoGears. However, Crono Cross was one of my top 5 RPG's of all time as far as story goes.

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#19 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321467497) Posted by **sleepingzzz (/profile/sleepingzzz/)** (2263 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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#20 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321467671) Posted by **slvrraven9 (/profile/slvrraven9/)** (9239 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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i forced myself to finish that game and i never ecen considered picking up the other two. the second one i heard was worse than the first but i heard the third one wasnt bad. anyway i went into xenosaga with that same hope also but yeah, the ultimate weapon being KOS MOS.....not saying i didnt see that coming, i was still pretty disappointed. that game was fail on so many levels.... i hope, GOD i hope that xenoblade brings the series some measure of redemption...

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#21 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321470377) Posted by **jasonharris48 (/profile/jasonharris48/)** (21441 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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Planescape Torment is the only title that comes to mind.

#22 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321476850) Posted by **Melkari (/profile/Melkari/)** (576 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

Generally the people that hated Xenosaga never made it to Episode III, and have literally no idea where the story is heading after playing [part of] Episode I considering it's almost exclusively setup and backstory for what comes after it. It's by no means perfect, nor is it as good as Xenogears, but as far as I'm concerned, it's the second best RPG series storywise out there (Xenogears obviously being the first). Xenogears isn't considered the best because of anything other than the story, because frankly, the gameplay, pacing and especially translation is less than stellar. Honestly though, it doesn't matter in comparison to how outstanding the storyline is, and if you play Xenosaga expecting it to be purely story-driven as well, you likely won't share the extreme hatred that most seem to have for it. Not to mention the music in Episode III and the cutscenes in Episode II (however, the field music in Episode II is beyond terrible) are absolutely outstanding, if you're into that.

You can try the recommendations some others have given here, but stuff like Mass Effect and Bioshock are not even in the same league as the Xeno series. Mass Effect 2's storyline is almost exclusively based on the character's backstories and hardly anything more. Sadly, the most interesting character wasn't even introduced until almost the very end. I kept playing and playing, waiting for something to happen that **wasn't** just another recruitment mission, and then it ended. There's no doubt the presentation is outstanding, but it appears to have blinded the majority of people considering just about everyone here is ready to call it the single greatest story ever conceived in a game.

People will vehemently disagree and bash Xenogears and Xenosaga's storylines as cliched anime melodrama and continually praise modern dialogue-tree/good-evil morality-based Western RPGs to the ends of the Earth, but those people generally aren't even aware of the Jungian/Nietzschean basis or the myriad religious themes present in the Xeno series and only see the surface. No one's going to agree though, and will likely convince you it's not worth it.

However, the Planescape Torment recommendations are valid, though not entirely the same "feeling" as the Xeno series, like it appears you're looking for. It's one of the only games to reach the depth the Xeno series has.

#23 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321478399) Posted by **istreakforfood (/profile/istreakforfood/)** (7781 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

Haven't found another jrpg good as Xenogears.

I was excited when I heard about Xenosaga, but thestory was nowhere near as good as Xenogears.

#24 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321478635) Posted by **nchan (/profile/nchan/)** (1059 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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I watched my brother played Metal Gear Solid 2 once, and the ending is very philosophical. I really like the dialogues.

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#25 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321478864) Posted by **KristoffBrujah (/profile/KristoffBrujah/)** (1860 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

Unfortunately, no, there is nothing like Xenogears. The Xenosaga series was meh, nothing epic like the original.

Doubt we will ever see something like it again. Among games, it is peerless with the exception of Baldur's Gate 2.

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#26 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321478887) Posted by **mojito1988 (/profile/mojito1988/)** (2032 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

Nothing is like Xenogears. Nothing. As far as im concerned nothing even comes close in the stoy department. That game really changed the way I think about what a video game could be. Citan is a god! Best character EVER!

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#27 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321483012) Posted by **weltall1028 (/profile/weltall1028/)** (4775 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

I'm gonna have to check out Planescape Torment, since it has been mentioned by a few Xenogears fans here.

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#28 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321484250) Posted by **MKARB (/profile/MKARB/)** (25 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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#29 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321484299) Posted by **MKARB (/profile/MKARB/)** (25 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

And yeah, definitely going to look into Planescape though could somebody who's played the game say if you'd consider it at all similar to the other Black Isle/Bioware/Obsidian games (namely the ones I've played, being KOTOR, KOTOR 2, Baldur's Gate: Dark Alliance, and Mass Effect).

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#30 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321484951) Posted by **RedruM_I (/profile/RedruM_I/)** (3051 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

Xenogears is my favorite game ever hands down and the story blew me away too. I don't think there's anything like it though, sadly.

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#31 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321485586) Posted by **hakanakumono (/profile/hakanakumono/)** (27455 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

Xenosaga was great, albeit a bit silly in comparison. But I think it's the closest you're going to get. Few JRPGs dare to go as far as Xenogears or Xenosaga, which is unfortunate, because they're exactly what the genre needs. Xenosaga outshined Final Fantasy last gen, and it's a shame there's nothing to take it's place this gen.

Edit: The thing about Xenogears is that it was so ambitious that they weren't actually able to finish it (just Like Xenosaga).

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You should give Baldur's Gate 1,2 a try out especially part 2.

Posted by MKARB (/profile/MKARB/) (25 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

Perhaps, I've been reading about and apparently Dark Alliance was in no way reflective of the main series' quality. I've also been really eager to play a good Western story driven game so the Baldur's Gate games are definitely in consideration. As far as WRPGs seem to go the best, from a storytelling perspective, seem to be the 2 main entry Baldur's Gates, Planescape: Torment, the 2 Icewind Dales, System Shock 1 and 2, Deus Ex and Deus Ex: Invisible War, with the best W-non-RPGs being Bioshock, Bioshock 2, Beyond Good & Evil, The Longest Journey and Dreamfall: The Longest Journey. Would anybody place any of those on par with the likes of Metal Gear Solid and Final Fantasy at all (I've come to accept that there probably isn't anything on par with Xenogears)?

Posted by SovietsUnited (/profile/SovietsUnited/) (2404 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

If you want a story thats well crafted, original from the beginning to the end, full of depth, charismatic moments, tons of dialogues which par the best of books, incredible atmosphere, and, finally, an outstanding resolution, look no further:

Legacy of Kain

No other game matches this masterpiece in terms of storyline.

Posted by KristoffBrujah (/profile/KristoffBrujah/) (1860 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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No, different company entirely. DA isn't meant to have anything to do with the BG series made by BioWare.

Torment's story is better, its character incredible, but it has some flaws. Combat wasn't very good, and it wasn't emphasized very much compared to other WRPG's. If you don't mind reading a long, complex, and meaningful story, Torment is great. As long as you don't mind reading an amount of text comparable to a 300-page book.

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#36 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321492955) Posted by **MKARB (/profile/MKARB/)** (25 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

Better than BG's or Xenogear's? To be honest Xenogears had its fair share of text as well so it shouldn't be too big a problem. Legacy of Kain? Interesting, haven't really heard anything too great about it up until now but I'll definitely look into it. Think I'll play through the Xenosaga and Chrono series first, and then maybe move on to Planescape: Torment.

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#37 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321493080) Posted by **RedruM_I (/profile/RedruM_I/)** (3051 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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A friend of mine is going to lend me Planescape: Torment. According to him it's the only true rpg ever created :P

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#38 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321493352) Posted by **SovietsUnited (/profile/SovietsUnited/)** (2404 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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Absolutely, the game amazes at every each cutscene, just look at the number of script in a cutscene

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vXWh3ohDrHY (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vXWh3ohDrHY)

(Start from 2:24)

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#39 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321510991) Posted by **MKARB (/profile/MKARB/)** (25 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

LoK does look pretty good I have to admit though I doubt it's anywhere near as good Xenogears. Have you played Xenogears out of curiosity (or has anybody who's played Xenogears also played LoK and rate them on comparable levels)? But I have to say it does look like a very well written and intriguing storyline.

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#40 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321511352) Posted by **goblaa (/profile/goblaa/)** (19304 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

If the gaming world is lucky, no. Xenogears and Xenosaga have awful stories. Well, I though Xenosaga's story was. I wans't a fan of Xenogears either, but it was a bit better.

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#41 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321511462) Posted by **Game-fu (/profile/Game-fu/)** (893 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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#42 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321511525) Posted by **jasonharris48 (/profile/jasonharris48/)** (21441 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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You should give the PSP version of Tactics a try if you can. They translation team fixed most of dialogue which made the already great story so much better.

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#43 (/forums/system-wars-314159282/xenogears-any-similar-storylines-out-there-27293468/?page=1#js-message-321511536) Posted by **Game-fu (/profile/Game-fu/)** (893 posts) - 5 years, 7 months ago

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> *-- jasonharris48*

You should give the PSP version of Tactics a try if you can. They translation team fixed most of dialogue which made the already great story so much better.
Now that Peace Walker is out, i'm seriously considering buying one.

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