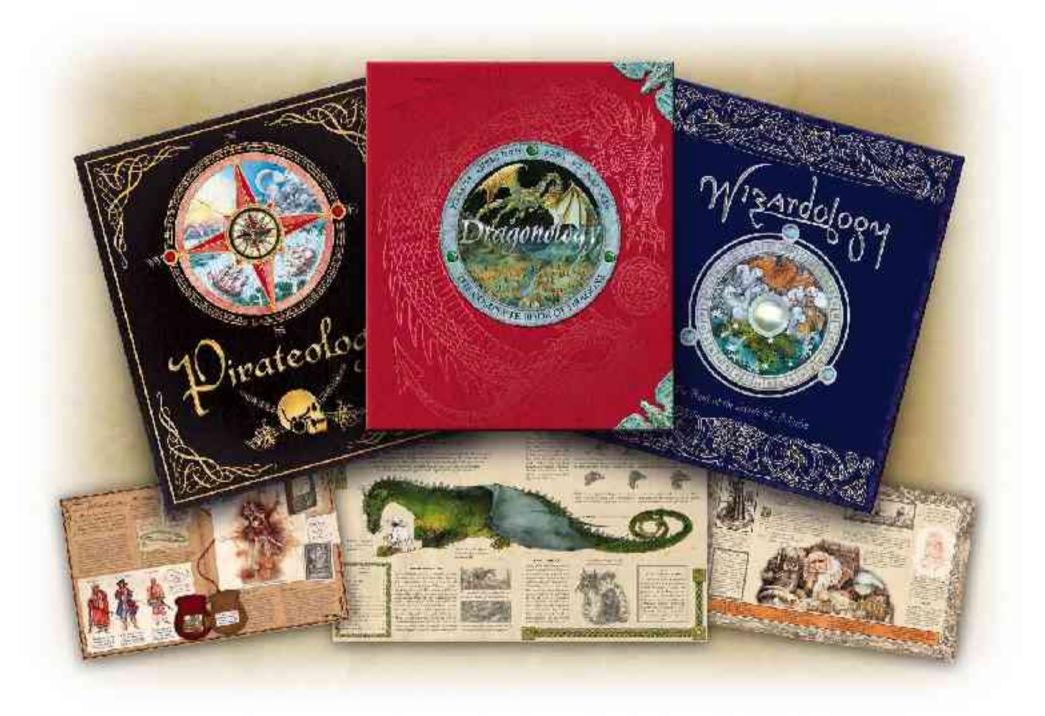
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HOW CAN A DESIGN WIKI SERVE A GAME DEV TEAM?

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2006 - HEAVENLY SWORD



2004 - TFO (UNRELEASED)











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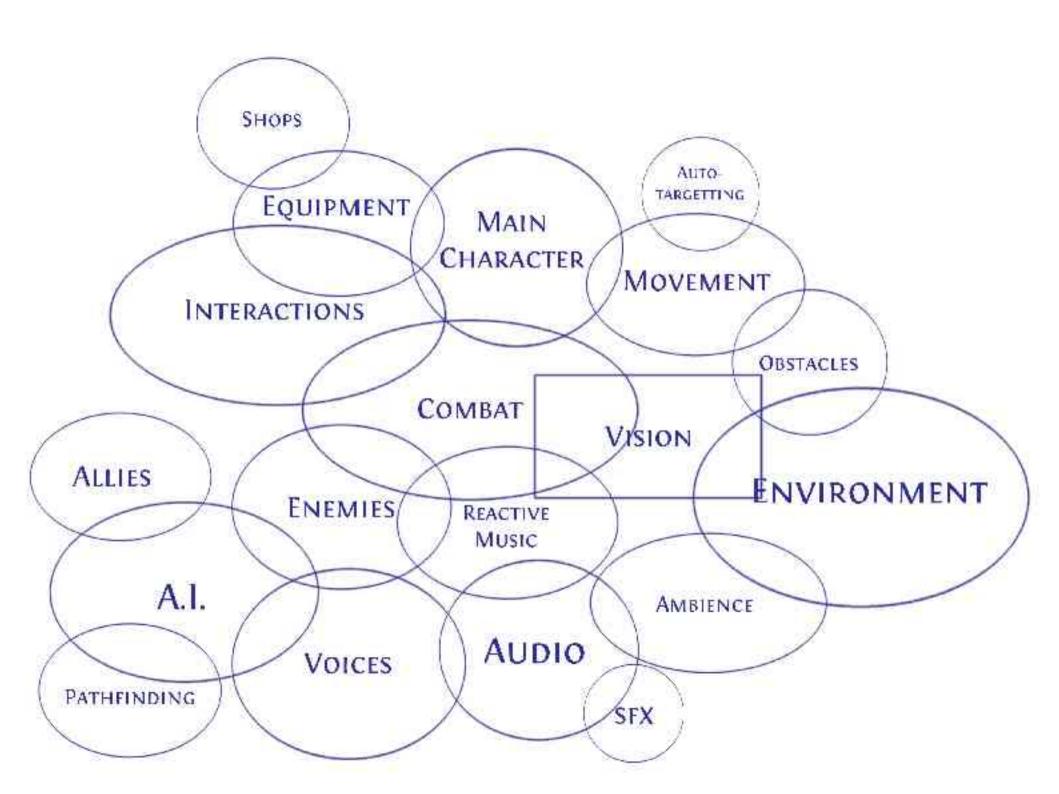
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"Wiki" (/wi ki /) is originally a Hawaiian word for "fast".

- 1. QUICK & EASY SYSTEM FOR ANYBODY TO AUTHOR PAGES IN A SITE
- 2. ANYBODY CAN READ, MAKE CHANGES, AND WRITE COMMENTS
- 3. QUICK & EASY TO LINK RELATED PIECES OF INFO TO ONE ANOTHER
- 4. A SINGLE HUB LINKING OUT TO OTHER RELEVANT FILES AND SITES

STAGE 1 - GDD IS THE DESIGN

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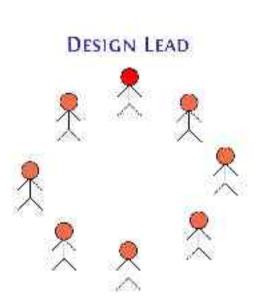
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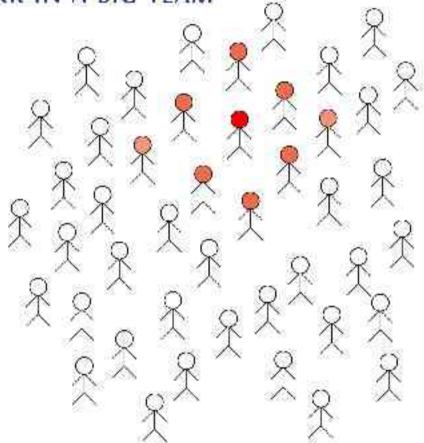
"The design is changing all the time anyway."

"Nobody reads them anyway."

TALKING TO EVERYONE WORKED IN A SMALL TEAM, BUT IT DOESN'T NECESSARILY WORK IN A BIG TEAM



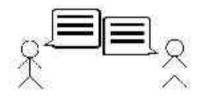
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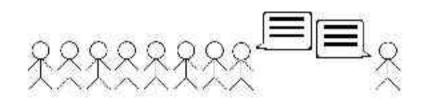


ANSWERING QUESTIONS

SMALL TEAM

BIG TEAM





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STAGE 3 - WHAT NEXT?

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IS IT CURRENT?

THANK YOU