

# *Educative Videogames*



Videogames are the passion of many children, teenagers and of some adults too. But there are a lot of people who are against videogames, but in our opinion they are wrong.

The shooting games help with the coordination eye-hand (that is useful in sports, too) help with strategy and with learning English; sandbox games (games which are funny and also very useful) help to stimulate your creativity; mystery games help in reasoning with their puzzles.

In conclusion, videogames have so many advantages and especially you enjoy and have fun!



Tomb Raider (mystery game)



## Minecraft

In Minecraft there is a unique function: Minecraft Education Edition. The Education Edition is a game-based learning platform that offers educators a transformative way to engage students using Minecraft and develop their passion for learning. In this function teachers can use the objects and items of Minecraft to teach their students, without the danger that they can destroy everything. For example, if a teacher wants to teach the square, he/she can use the blocks to build it and can teach in this way.

Another example is the use of redstone (it is a material you can use to create electronic circuits) that is useful to help logical reasoning and thinking.

Minecraft Vanilla (the normal version) is also very educative. Indeed you can build cities, temples, you can go in mines, explore new biomes, you can “craft” (build) a lot of objects and new blocks, you can use maps and compasses to orientate, you can trade with the villagers, you can farm and breed animals. Although they seem many, these are only a few of the things you can do in Minecraft!

Minecraft is also useful for helping autistic children, because it helps them understanding how to build a house, skyscraper and it helps to have creative ideas!

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