

Restart program and problematic gaming

among help seeking adults
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Contents



- What is Restart?
- How does it work?
- Who seek help for their gaming?
- Why?
- The importance of intrinsic motivation

Restart program process









	Name	Themes
1	My Gaming History and What Playing Means to Me	Motivation to change, what should change, personal function of playing
2	How I Play Now and What Is Important	Personal values and how current gaming behavior aligns with them, habit formation, ABC-model
3	How Others See Me and What Next	Prosocial and asocial effects of one's gaming behavior. Pros and cons of change.
4	Setting a Goal	SMART goals, planning for change, cognitive defusion

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The Workbook Contents



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5	All thougts cannot be trusted	Cognitive defusion, recognising automatic harmful thinking patterns, practicing acceptance
6	Making Choices: When and How	Automatic behavior patterns, point of choice, observing self, acceptance
7	Time and Priorities	Personal values and how time is spent, avoidance of experience, gratitude
8	The Road Traveled So Far	Evaluation of change, setting a 3 month goal

Goals for Change





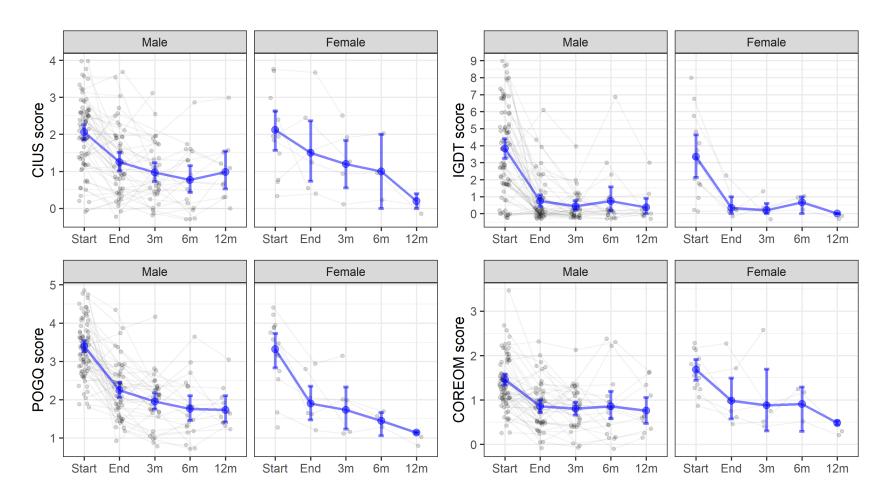
Game Over



Restart

It works!

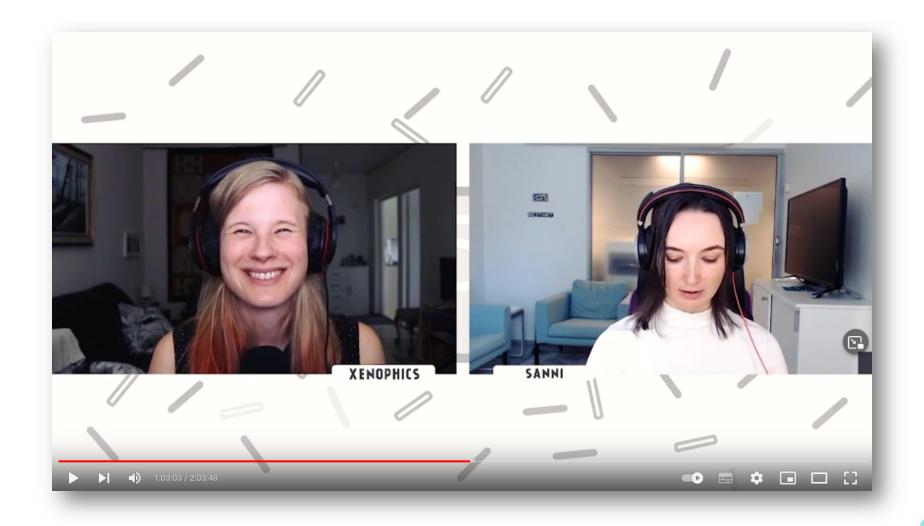




Analysis by Jussi Palomäki

How we found applicants





Restart applicants (n=129)





29 mean age,

50 % 18-29 50 % 30-51



85 % male



54 % in a relationship



Platform

83 % PC

63 % mobile

18 % console



Avrg. 9 years of problematic gaming (N = 89)

Problematic games (n=105)



Game title	1st	2nd	3rd	Mentions	Weighted score
League of Legends	9	3	2	14	35
World of Warcraft	11	1	1	13	36
CS:GO	8	3	2	13	32
Gambling	10	1	1	12	33
Call of Duty (all titles)	4	4	2	10	22
Dota 2	6	2	1	9	23
Runescape	4	2	0	6	16
Guild Wars 2	3	1	2	6	13
Path of Exile	2	3	1	6	13
Overwatch	3	2	0	5	13

Mention three games that have caused you most problems in the last twelve months.

In order from the most problematic.





Of the time you spend gaming, what is the percentage of problematic gaming?

Mean 56 %

Median 66 %

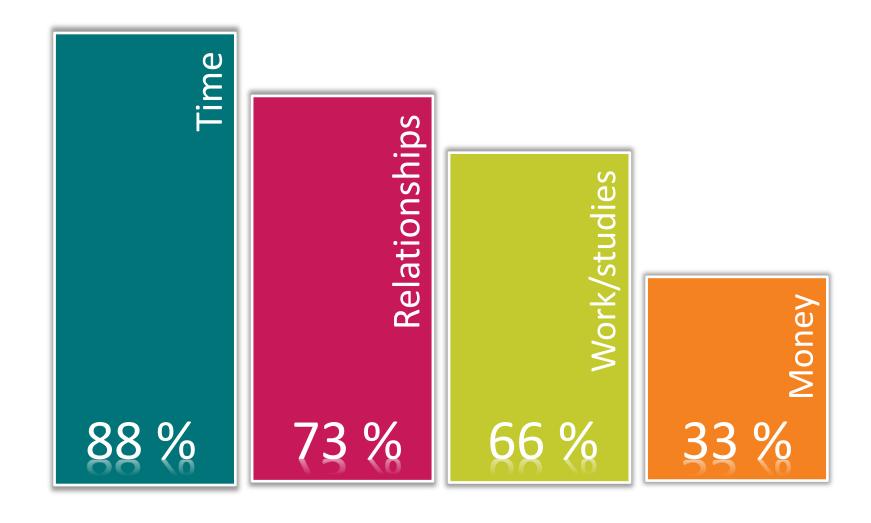
Mode 50 %

Range 0-100

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Where do the problems occur?

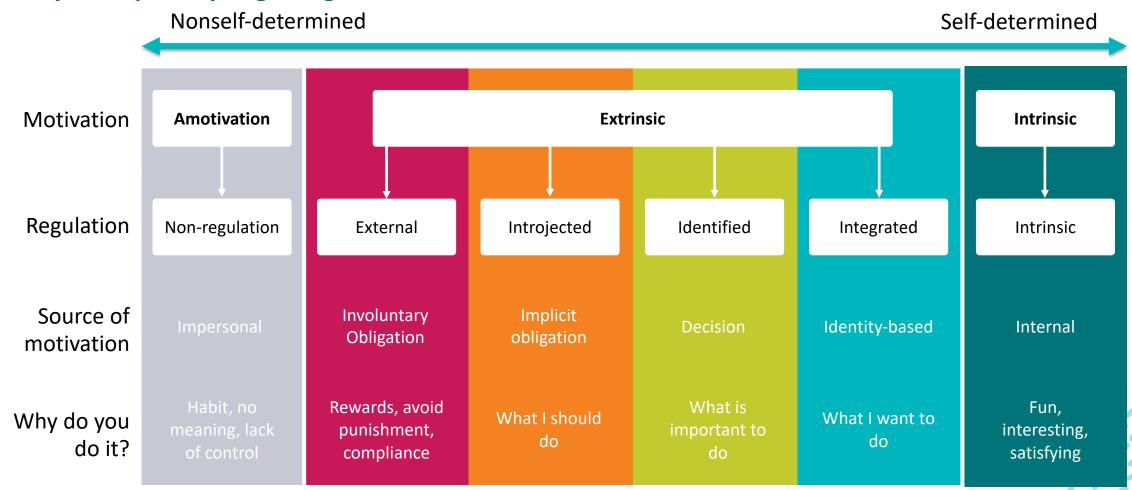




From "play less" to "play better"



Quality over quantity of gaming



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