

Wednesday morning (Tuesday night)
2-15-2006
1:20a.m.

- They said I came for some “prime time gaming”
- The lights are on for a change- once it gets to a certain point in the night the lights need to come on to help stay awake.
- The room is shockingly clean today
- They said they cleaned before it got any further into the semester, so that they could have a clean room at least one point in the semester.
- Most of the cleaning was done by Subject Two
- Subject Two is again playing with Subject One down the hall
- After the very first game I witness Subject One and Subject Two break straight into another without the usual Subject One invading the room
- Subject Seven (kid down the hall) stops by and just watches the gaming for a little while-Subject Seven plays a few sports games, but that’s about it
- Subject Three again is constantly coaching Subject Two as he clicks away on his Sim computer game
- I ask Subject Three what the point of his game is, all he seems to do is randomly click places, he says he’s building a city. I decided to maintain my focus on the video gaming
- Subject Two in typical gamer position- I have a feeling this will be something I can always count on
- Subject Two and Subject One communicating through the duct taped headset
- Subject Three gets into bed- just to hang out- not going to sleep for at least a few more hours, he never does
- This game finishes and Subject One bursts into the room telling Subject Two he needs to focus
- He says me being there is distracting him and tells him he better not be messing around on AIM (instant messenger) He needs to concentrate on this game
- Subject Two says he really hasn’t gamed too much today, maybe about an hour earlier in the day at most, and he’d been gaming for an hour at this point
- He comments on how time just flies for them

By 2:15 I’m ready for bed and calling it quits while Subject Two and Subject One just continue to start another game and Subject Three is moving from spot to spot in the room, visiting other people’s rooms, etc.

Surprised- It’s hard for me to be surprised at this point anymore... I have only taken a few fieldnotes, but I have been around the site even more than those times I’m taking notes. I supposed I was surprised to only see Subject One barge in the room once throughout the time I was there.

Intrigued- I guess I should mention that I was also surprised and intrigued by the technology. By this point I have an understanding about most of it, but have yet to mention it. The internet hook up allows them to play with and against other real human beings, and choose their partners. This is how Subject Two and Subject One are always playing

together, and when they “trash talk” in the headset they are doing so to actual people, that may be down the hall of the dorm, or could be across the country.

Disturbed- How much they have been gaming today, and how it's 2 in the morning and they still aren't done, and I'm sure since tomorrow is Wednesday Subject One has at least another hour or two ahead of him. It is crazy how much time they spend gaming, and to think of other activities that time could be invested in.