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Hydra - January 10, 2019, 10:30 pm

HF Game Question

As [Omniscient](#) and [Xerotic](#) continue to work hard on the upcoming game for Hack Forums, we've been asked what would be a good name for the game's points. Loot, Bits, Cash, Dollar, etc. Got any other ideas? Submit a suggestion. [>>Source](#)

Site Statistics

Total [\(Click to View\)](#)

Posts: 37,718,547 (-0.12%|-45,040)

Threads: 3,690,467 (-0.33%|-12,124)

Members: 638,188 (+1.26%|+7,943)

Average [\(Click to View\)](#)

Daily Posts: 8,155.3 (-0.29%|-23.34)

Daily Threads: 797.93 (-0.49%|-3.96)

Daily New Members: 137.99 (+1.09%|+1.49)

Posts Per Member: 59.1 (-1.37%|-0.82)

Replies Per Thread: 9.22 (+0.22%|+0.02)

Ban Statistics

Last Weeks Bans [\(Click to View\)](#)

Staff Bans: 0

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Vacation Bans: 0

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Combined Bans: 0

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Forum Counts

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Notable Sections

[Lounge](#) Threads: 232,378 (+0.09%|+218)

[Lounge](#) Posts: 3,778,889 (+0.1%|+3,648)

[RANE](#) Threads: 72,879 (+0.04%|+27)

[RANE](#) Posts: 1,154,546 (+0.04%|+404)

Common

Threads: 561,420 (+0.07%|+413)

Posts: 8,799,934 (+0.08%|+7,189)

Hack

Threads: 733,079 (+0.05%|+395)

Posts: 6,397,782 (+0.07%|+4,304)

Tech

Threads: 219,785 (+0.03%|+70)

Posts: 1,830,313 (+0.03%|+464)

Code

Threads: 176,269 (+0.04%|+73)

Posts: 1,495,215 (+0.03%|+506)

Game

Threads: 469,522 (+0.02%|+81)

Posts: 4,832,344 (+0.01%|+341)

Groups

Threads: 8,438 (+0.08%|+7)

Posts: 360,461 (+0.05%|+176)

Web

Threads: 89,545 (+0.03%|+24)

Posts: 641,837 (+0.02%|+155)

GFX

Threads: 139,700 (+0.02%|+23)

Posts: 1,039,899 (+0.02%|+213)

Market

Threads: 1,134,547 (+0.09%|+968)

Posts: 10,138,552 (+0.12%|+11,717)

Money

Threads: 141,184 (+0.08%|+118)

Posts: 1,763,330 (+0.14%|+2,489)

Groups For Sale [\[\\$2,750 BIN\] Selling Official Group \[Payment Plan Available\]](#)

[Selling Official Group - Influence 3.2k](#)

[Selling Official Group - BIN \\$3,000](#)

Leadership Changes No recent leadership changes!

Group Recruitments [\[Official\] Sui Generis - Graphic Design Recruitment](#)

[\[Official\] Sui Generis - Media Recruitment](#)

[\[Official\] Sui Generis - Literature Recruitment](#)

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[\[Official Group\] Terminal - Recruitment #2 - Loungers](#)

[\[Official Group\] Famous - Buy-Ins | Free Instagram Accounts](#)

[\[Official Group\] Famous - Recruitment - Social Media Enthusiasts](#)

[\[Official Group\] Dawn - Recruitment | SRPP](#)

[HACK YOUR WAY IN // \[Official Group\] > {LEGENDS} < // Recruitment - Special Edition](#)

[\[Official Group\] Genesis - Recruitment - Cryptocurrency Enthusiasts](#)

[\[Official Group\] BrickSquad - Recruitment - Focused on Discussion and Monetization](#)

[Official - Wolf Pack recruitment - The full moon rises, the lonely wolf howls.](#)

Group Threads [Cyber Gentlemen.](#)

[Appraisers | Informational Thread | Official Group](#)

[Influence | Official Group | Informational Thread](#)
[\[The OLDEST ACTIVE Official Group\] > {LEGENDS} < General Information Thread](#)
[\[Official Group\] Samaritans | General Information](#)
[Sui Generis | Informational Thread | Official Group](#)
[Unity Roadmap](#)

*As of the Friday prior to release.

No notable user news reported or found this week. Check back next week!

Entertaining Threads[How well can you see? - webdev77](#)
[How far does "please" and "thank you" go with you? - thechaoskiller](#)
[195 Gigapixel photo - Pyroshow](#)

Contests & Giveaways[T4L3N7 CTF - ftw | Prize: 1000 Bytes - Nick \(Name\)](#)
[\[\\$25\] Regal Giftcard | Contest | REP to Enter - @Pulse](#)
[\[Everyone\] \\$200 Giveaway || 4 WInners! - plum](#)

Hydra - January 11, 2019, 1:16 am

We publish the HF News every week yet we have aged members who don't even know we exist!
Wear any of the signatures listed below to support us and spread the word about HF News, HF Wiki,
and Writers altogether.

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United States Spends the Most on Health Care

According to a study released by Johns Hopkins University, the United States spends far more on health care than other countries on a per capita basis. The study continued to conclude that this sharp increase is directly correlated to increased costs surrounding the industry. From being able to see a doctor to a bottle of pills, we certainly pay a premium in the United States. This is all in light of the country attempting to control healthcare-related spending over the last twenty-five years. The source article delves further into the exact markup Americans face at the doctor's office. I would highly recommend giving it a read if this subject interests you. [>>Source](#)

Citizens Happier Where More is Spent on Infrastructure

This should come as a surprise to nobody. American citizens have been found to be happier in areas that prioritize repairing and developing infrastructure, according to a study from Baylor University. A larger focus on infrastructure has also been correlated to higher levels of education in the surrounding areas, as mentioned in the source article. The author of the paper, Patrick Flavin, Ph.D., remarked that this tends to be one of the least partisan ways to allocate an area's budget. [>>Source](#)

[1 Jan. 2019]

South Korea bans single-use plastic bags from large supermarkets

In a trending effort to help repair the environment, South Korea is the latest country to ban single-use plastic bags in all major supermarkets. All large-scale supermarkets will no longer be permitted to use plastic bags in an effort to "conserve natural resources and manage recyclable waste." The ban will come into effect on Tuesday, 8 January 2019, and was introduced as an add-on to an existing law. Stores that still supply plastic bags were previously banned from providing customers with free plastic bags; however, after this most recent amendment update, the controversial grocery baggage will no longer be provided anywhere. This law comes with one exclusion to be permissible – wet produce such as fish and meat. Alternatives for the barred product consists of cloth and paper bags, where employees will be required to offer customers one of the two.

If a supermarket is caught not abiding by this law, they could face fines of up to 3 million won which is equivalent to \$2,700. South Korea's Ministry of Environment further stated that efforts to curb straw usage and other plastic items will be executed in the future. South Korea is now one of the

dozens to have implemented bans or taxes on single-use plastic bags. Some countries that have strict laws pertaining to single-use plastic bags consist of, Australia, the United Kingdom, France, China, New Zealand, and the Netherlands. "Kenya has perhaps the harshest law: those who violate the ban face four years in prison or a fine up to \$39,000." In 2017, China banned imports of 24 varying types of solid waste, "including types of plastic and unsorted paper." In October 2018, the European Parliament passed a bill to ban a range of "single-use plastics such as straws, cotton buds and cutlery, and to ensure most bottles are recycled to curb ocean pollution." >>[Source](#)

[3 Jan. 2019]

First women to enter India temple in centuries now in hiding as protests rage

Two women entered a temple in the Indian state of Kerala and are now in hiding. This comes as a result of violent protests, leaving at least one person dead. The two women, aged 42 and 44, became the first women to ever access the shrine after Indian's Supreme Court overturned a ban that disallowed women aged 10 to 50 from entering the temple in September on 2018, "ruling it to be discriminatory and arguing that women should be able to pray at the place of their choice." The two women, Bindu Ammini and Kanakadurga, are currently in an unknown location hiding out with relatives. The spokesman went on to state that the two women previous attempted to enter the temple in December but were halted by mobs of angry protesters that blocked their path. The same bunch of protesters appeared again, forcing police to utilize tear gas and a water cannon to separate the protesters.

Police said one protester belonging to Indian's Bharatiya Janata Party died Wednesday night after being struck by a thrown stone by counter protestors. The temple in question is known as the "Sabarimala shrine" which is believed to roughly be 800 years old and thought to be the home of a Hindu god of growth named Lord Ayyappa. The argument for the ban on women to enter the cave explain that women of menstrual age are "impure" and allowing women that fall into the age range would be disrespectful. Roughly 1,300 police officers were deployed amidst the protests to ensure safety to any woman interested in visiting the temple, however the 1,300 were initially not enough to protect these women from the hostility shown by protesters who shared opposing beliefs. "In the wake of Wednesday's visit, priests at the temple moved to "purify" the grounds, leading to the temporary closure of the site." >>[Source](#)

[Extra]

Hasan Minhaj responds to Netflix pulling his comedy show from airing in Saudi Arabia

Hasan Minhaj has recently publicized a statement after Netflix removed an episode of his comedy show from airing in Saudi Arabia. Once the move had gotten around on Twitter, the comedian went to Twitter to express his standing on the occurrence. Minhaj wrote, "Clearly, the best way to stop people from watching something is to ban it, make it trend online, and then leave it up on Youtube." The show was removed from Netflix per request from Saudi Arabia. Saudi Arabia requested that Netflix remove an episode of Patriot Act with Hasan Minhaj because it "allegedly violated the country's cybercrimes law." >>[Source](#)

TOPIC: Did you make a New Year's resolution? If so, what is it?

"I plan on finishing my pilots license and paying off student loans. Thats about it :)"

~[Spaark](#)

"To improve my graphics work & to help infamous grow bigger and better (JK we are the best) on a serious note I'm getting married very soon and Me and my partner are having another child so ill

work harder and better to provide for them every single day. oh yeah and to Get that MC head award <3"

~[Banter.](#)

"Yeah, do less dumb shit"

~Anonymous

TOPIC: Now that it has been confirmed that Hackerforever will be part of the new Crew features, will you be participating? What are your thoughts on Hackerforever?

"Absolutely, definitely puts value on the Crew feature... also great to see new emerging groups as of recent."

~[Spaark](#)

"Heck yes, infamous will be ready for the games to begin! Honestly tho I think this adds a whole new aspect to Hackforums and it will be exciting to see crews competing against each other let the games begin boys!"

~[Banter.](#)

"Curious to see what changes the HF staff are going to make to the game, I tried out the HackerForevee game and it's a decent way to waste time!"

~Anonymous

TOPIC: What are your 2019 predictions for cryptocurrencies?

"Probably no change from end of 2018. No chance a massive media bubble will occur again. It's old news. Unless Amazon starts selling BTC I doubt it will take off again."

~[Spaark](#)

"although I'm not a huge investor in cryptocurrencies I would love to see another coin like Ethereum raise high in price. something to shock the market in a positive way would be nice. then again it could have another major Dip again."

~[Banter.](#)

"I would guess that it Will be a 20-30% Up by Q2"

~Anonymous

Let us know what your opinion is, uncensored. [Begin here.](#)

01001 - January 11, 2019, 1:45 am

Good job team, and glad to see innovative implementations on HF!

Blogger - January 11, 2019, 1:59 am

Not much happening on the forums lately.

Bacardi Cola Lime - January 11, 2019, 2:00 am

Great read along with my coffee and cigarette!!! There has been a couple of leadership changes though and Cameron's group is sold as he stated.

Pyro - January 11, 2019, 3:01 am

My thread found its way here. Thanks iHydra, amazing work as always ? ?

Spaark - January 11, 2019, 3:15 am

Feels good to be included :)

Cheers Business

Roytoy - January 11, 2019, 3:25 am

Nice to see some interviews again! thanks for the news

CyberError - January 12, 2019, 1:43 am

great share as welll ,thanks for doing

Athr - January 13, 2019, 1:46 am

Good read!. Congratulations to Banter. on getting married soon!

• **Enlil Wolf** • - January 13, 2019, 5:00 am

Great read as always ?

TCP - January 13, 2019, 5:22 am

(Jan 10, 2019 11:30 PM)iHydra Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) No notable user news reported or found this week.
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My 1000 posts didn't make to the news ? ?

Legends - January 13, 2019, 8:16 am

Thanks for the catchup! ?

Nick (Name) - January 13, 2019, 9:00 pm

Fucking love the HF news crew! Always making something interesting to read that revolves around our community.

PerfectStorm - January 14, 2019, 6:49 pm

Great write up as always love HF news

iNviZ - January 15, 2019, 8:45 pm

Another great weekly news. These never get old to me.

Pray - January 15, 2019, 8:48 pm

Very well put together as always, thanks for your guys' work.

Duk3 - January 17, 2019, 9:44 pm

Glad to see you're still doing this Hydra. Keep up the good work

Mix - January 18, 2019, 12:10 pm

Yet another great Addison to the HF news line up!