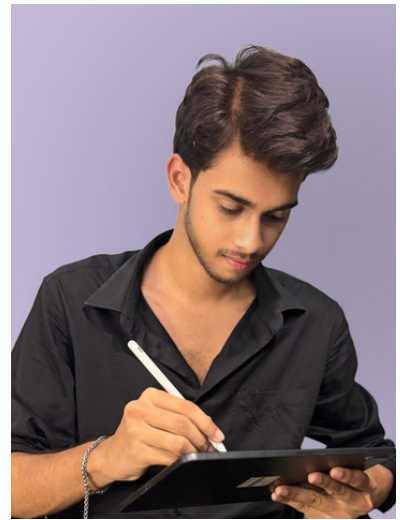


Shirsh Kaundilya

Game Designer



PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Game Designer with hands-on experience creating card, mobile, and PC games from concept to launch. Designed and balanced a 65-card educational game playtested with 50+ children and sold 100+ copies, and led the design of a 50+ level Steam puzzle-platformer. Skilled in mechanics design, playtesting, and narrative systems, with proven ability to lead cross-functional teams and deliver market-ready projects.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Ekalaivan Studio | 2024 – Present

Lead Game Designer

- Directed design of 2 projects, including a market-ready mobile game on Play Store and a retail card game.
- Led 4 interns, managing design documentation, mechanics iteration, and playtesting pipelines.
- Authored complete GDDs, ensuring smooth communication between designers, developers, and artists.
- Ran structured playtesting with 50+ players, refining mechanics and tutorial systems to improve retention.

Unfocus Studios | 2024 – Present

Screen Writer

- Developed narrative structures, dialogues, and cinematic scripts for upcoming interactive projects.
- Partnered with directors to refine pacing, character arcs, and emotional beats, ensuring cohesive storytelling.
- Applied storytelling techniques from film to games, enhancing immersion and narrative flow.

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TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Game Engines:** Unreal Engine (Blueprints), Unity (C#)
- Design & Art Tools:** Maya, Photoshop, Figma
- Development & Workflow:** Google Docs, Notion, Paper Prototype.
- Platforms:** PC (Steam), Mobile (Android), Physical (Card/Board Games)

SOFT SKILLS

- Creative Problem-Solving
- Team Leadership & Mentorship
- Cross-Disciplinary Collaboration
- Communication & Storytelling

PROJECTS

GAMES:

Eat Aur B Eaten (Card Game, 2025)

- Designed and balanced an educational family card game by gamifying Class 7 NCERT curriculum.
- Iterated rules and mechanics through 3–4 months of playtesting with 50+ schoolchildren.
- Sold 100+ copies to families, validating both educational and entertainment appeal.

Carrom Break (Playstore, 2025)

- Hyper-casual striker game; iterated 3–4 mechanics (power-ups, control schemes, tutorial flow).
- Collaborated with developers to simplify controls and optimize onboarding for casual audiences.

Stack Ü (Itch.io/Play Store, 2025)

- Oversaw art style, platform speed balancing, and player jump mechanics.
- Ran internal playtests, refining UI/UX and gameplay pacing ahead of public release.

Horo (College Project, Solo, PC, 2025)

- Built 3 playable levels in 2 days, demonstrating rapid prototyping skills.
- Showcased project to full college audience.

FILMS:

Samurai vs Ninja (Unreal Cutscene)

Solo Project, Wrote and Planned cinematic sequence, handling scripting, camera setup, and lighting,

The Trip (Short Film)

Scripted anti-drug awareness film, recognized by MP Police and screened publicly.

Vidhwansh (Feature Film, In Development)

Serving as writer and screenwriter, contributing to narrative structure and dialogues

ACHIEVEMENTS & RECOGNITION

- Designed, tested, and sold 100+ copies of an original educational card game (Eat Aur B Eaten).
- Delivered a market-ready mobile game (Carrom Break) with a small cross-functional team..
- College Board Game Design Winner.
- Designed 50+ levels for PC/Steam puzzle-platformer (Contrasted).
- Recognition by MP Police for short film (The Trip).
- Playtested games with 100+ players across card, mobile, and PC platforms.

VOLUNTEERING

- College Film making Head | 2025-2026 (Managing team of 50+ students)

ACADEMIC HISTORY

Artemisia College of Arts and Design | 2023 – 2027

Bachelor of Design in Game Design