



**We are living our lives...**

**...abound with so much information**



# **Shin Megami Tensei: Persona 4**

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# Persona 4

ATLUS

アトラス  
ゲームソフト

Shin Megami



# Persona 4



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**“Turn Based JRPG with Visual Novel Elements”**



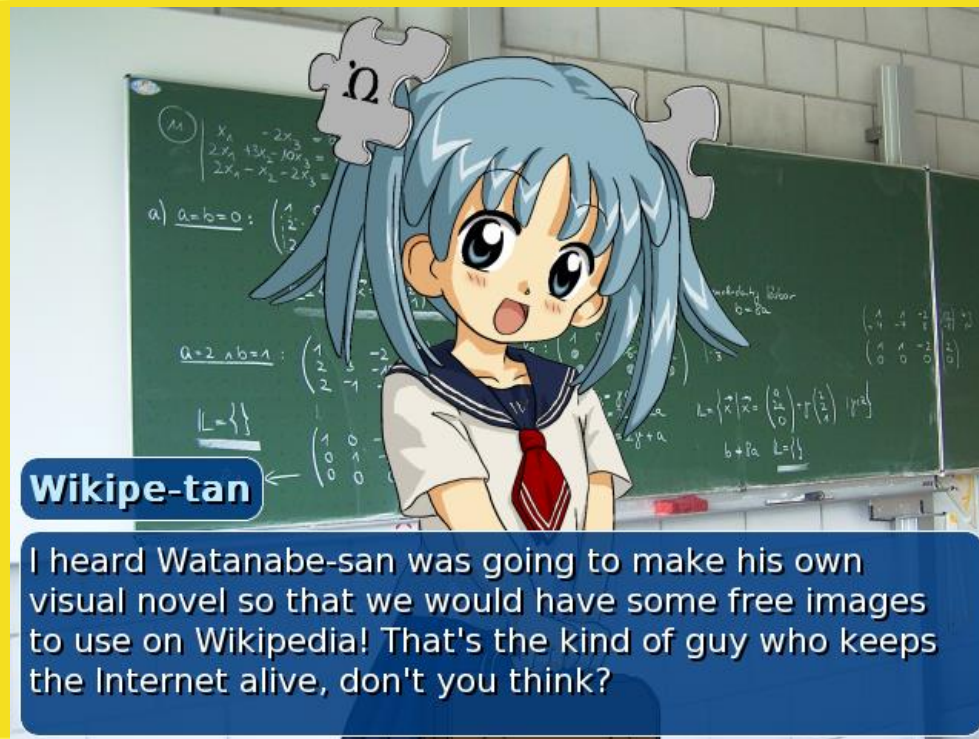
# JRPGs



カスタムダイアログボックス



# Visual Novels



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# Persona 4?

マヨカカ  
レスビ





# Meaningful Choices

Court Record

[ Gladly! ]

But of course!

I'll get it for you!



# Spoiler Alert?

**KYKISKE7** Where will you save?

**DATA 8** 1 / 12 (THU)  
Central Shopping District : After School  
PLV86 Eren Jaeger  
NORMAL PLAY TIME 85 hr 53 m

**DATA 9** 1 / 26 (THU)  
Yasogami High : After School  
PLV89 Eren Jaeger  
NORMAL PLAY TIME 90 hr 20 m

**DATA 10** 1 / 29 (SUN)  
Dojima Residence : Daytime  
PLV89 Eren Jaeger  
NORMAL PLAY TIME 90 hr 45 m

**DATA 11** 1 / 18 (WED)  
Entrance : After School  
PLV89 Eren Jaeger  
NORMAL PLAY TIME 88 hr 46 m

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⊗OK ⊙Back



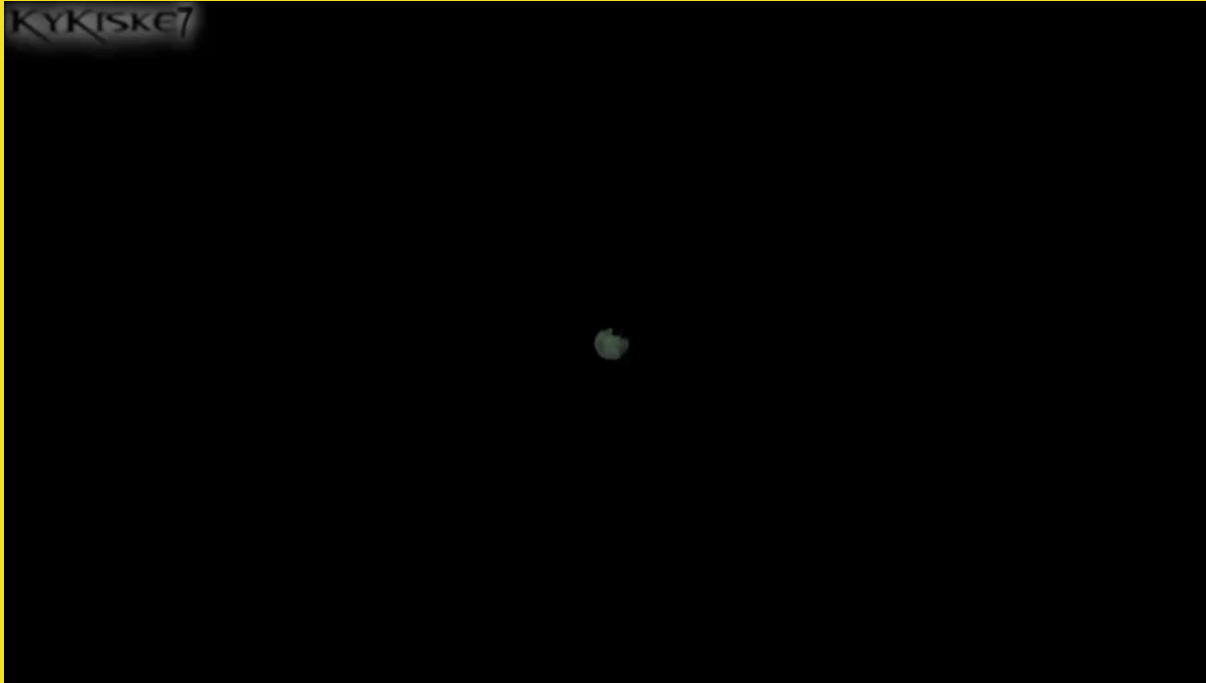
# Welcome to Inaba



カカマシ  
カマシカ  
カマシカ  
カマシカ



# Your year as a Japanese teenager



# A body has been discovered!

KYKISKE7

メモカカ  
レスレ



# Plot...

plot plot plot plot plot  
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# Welcome to the TV world



マヨカカ  
レスレゼ



**“We do stuff like, ‘Persona!’ with our Personas and beat the crap outta Shadows...”**





# Character development

**Yay!**



# Social Issues

**Yay!**



# But wait, there's more!



スライダ  
マヨカ  
ベビ



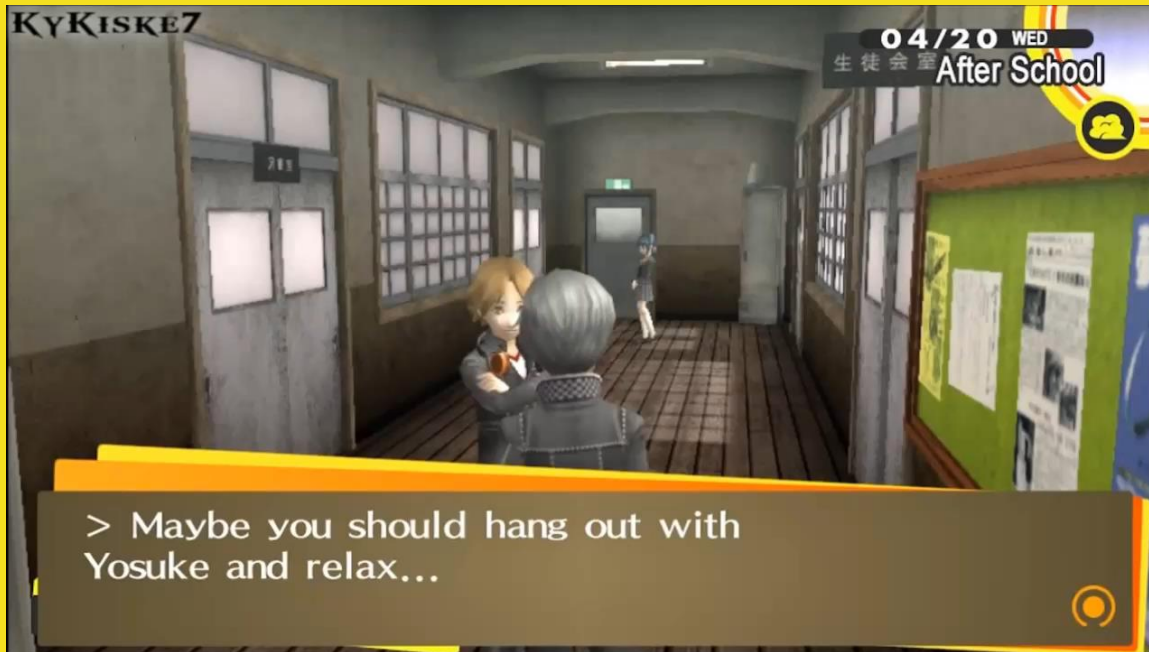
# The rest of the year?



アニメネットワーク



# School life



マヨカカ  
レシビ

# The urban fantasy



スレベ  
ママカカ

# Let's critique!



# Gameplay

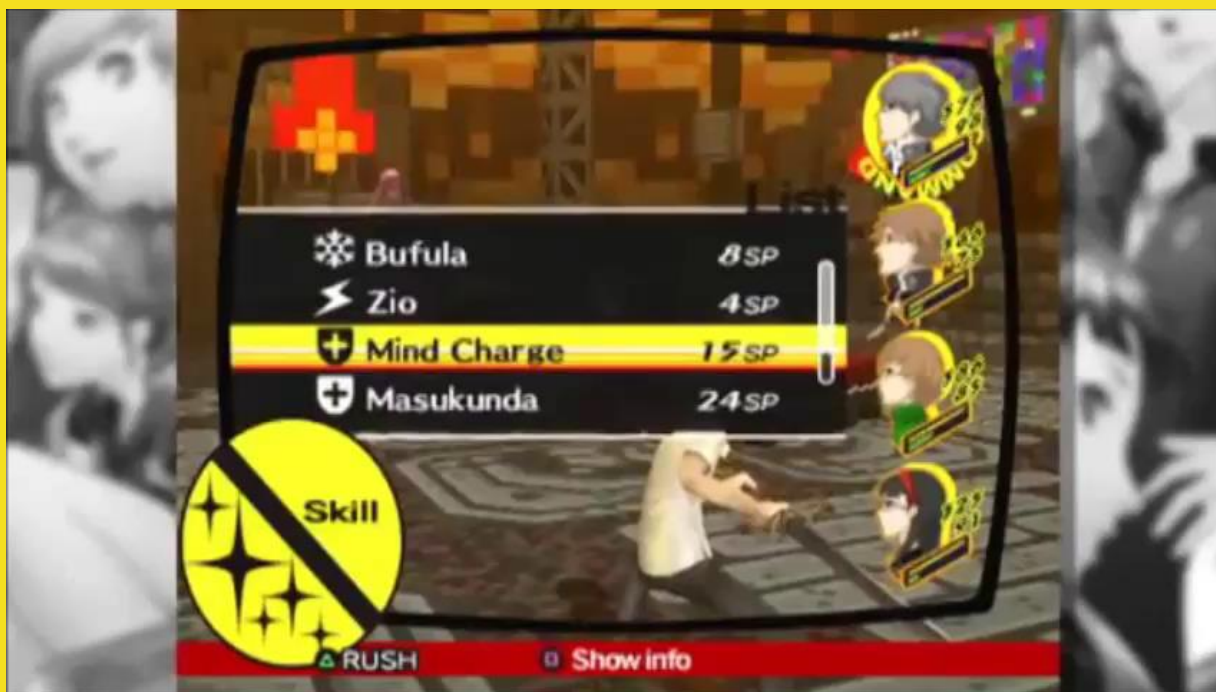


カカオマシス





# Battle strategy



# Gameplay Flaws?



スライム  
マヨカ  
ベビ

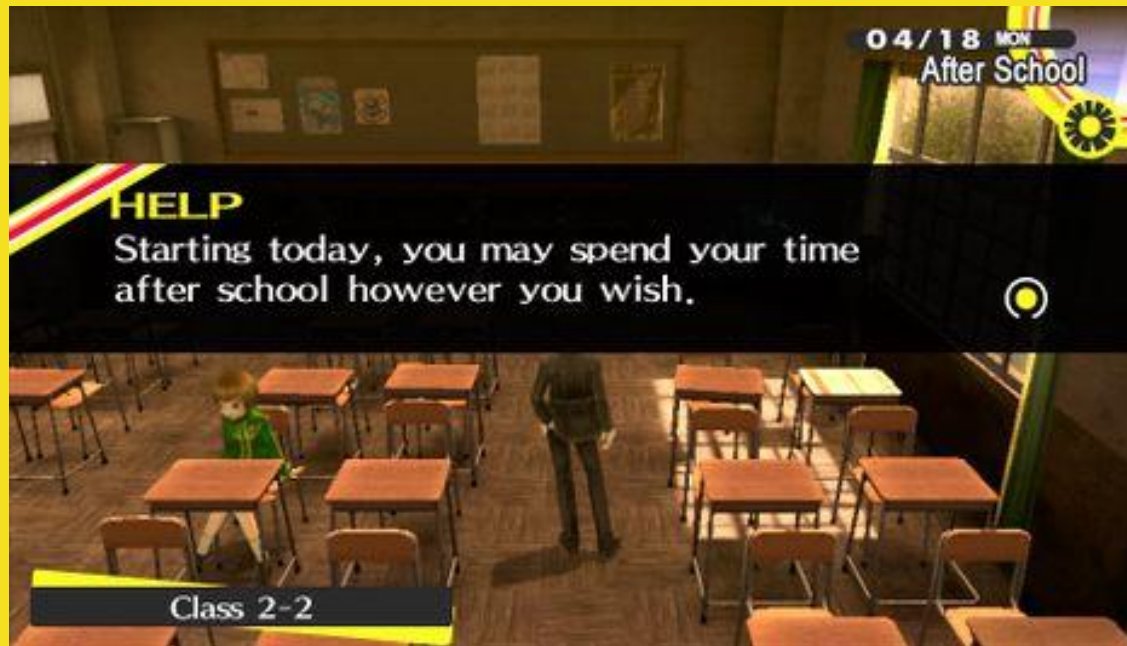


# Story/Characters



アトラス  
ゲーム  
スタジオ

# Story/Characters



カカヨリ  
カカヨリ  
カカヨリ



# Music



# Music

## Persona 4 Original Soundtrack - Shoji Meguro



52 SONGS

2:09:13

2008

GAME



Shuffle album



**Juiciness**

**JUICY.**



**Should you play Persona 4?**

**YES**







# So, which Persona game should I play first? [1/2]

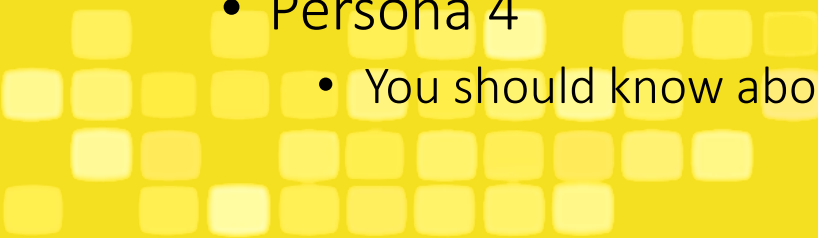


- Revelations: Persona
  - Generally considered the worst in the series.
- Persona 2: Innocent Sin
  - Highly regarded, but considered more “hardcore” compared to the newer titles. Very similar to typical Shin Megami Tensei games. You negotiate with demons to recruit them and such, but there are no social links or any of the new features
- Persona 2: Eternal Punishment
  - The direct sequel to Innocent Sin, no reason to play it first

# So, which Persona game should I play first? [2/2]



- Persona 3
  - The start of the new era of Persona, with social links and living out a year and all that jazz. Persona 3 is highly regarded, and it has a much darker story than Persona 4, but it's also very grindy, with only one giant dungeon to explore. Some people prefer Persona 3 to Persona 4, but I don't.
- Persona 4
  - You should know about this one by now!



# Which version should I play?

- Persona 1/2
  - Originally PS1 games, the PSP remakes are universally considered the definitive version
- Persona 3
  - No reason to play the original. FES for the PS2 has several enhancements as well as an additional 30 hour story (which a lot of people don't like, unfortunately). Portable for the PSP has several gameplay enhancements (such as the ability to control your party, which you couldn't in the PS2 versions), but instead of walking around a 3D world, you're just a cursor. So sad.



# Which version should I play?

- Persona 4
  - Persona 4 Golden is the definitive version with several gameplay enhancements and additions to the story. Only problem is, it's a PS Vita exclusive, and I know a grand total of three people who own a Vita. Personally, I think it's worth ~\$75 for a PS TV and \$20 for Persona to play Golden, but I know I have no hope of convincing anyone of that. The original PS2 version is also available on PSN for the PS3.



# [SPOILER-FREE] How do I get the True Ending?



- Persona 3
  - It is incredibly straight-forward and impossible to lock yourself out of it. Good luck
- Persona 4
  - It is much less straight-forward, but still impossible to lock out of it. See the next page if you're stuck.
- Persona 4 Golden
  - Same as Persona 4, but you'll be locked out of the new Golden Ending if you don't... <next page>

# Golden Ending

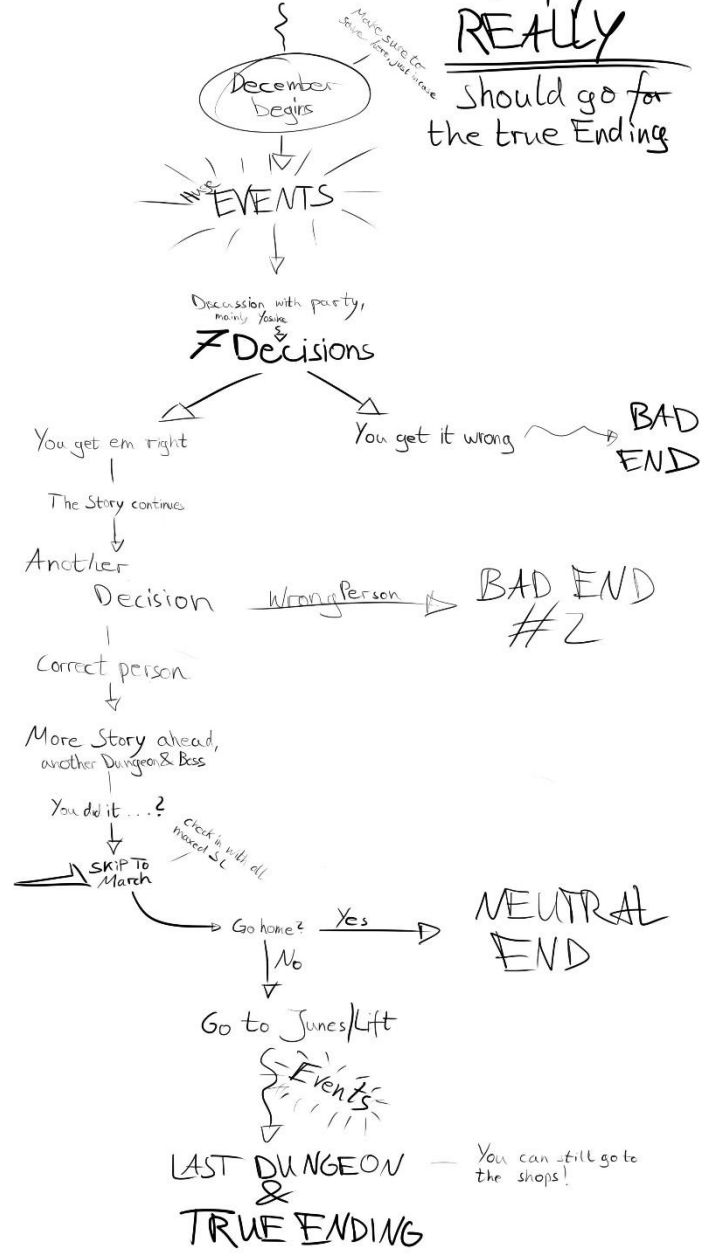
...max the Aeon social link. Shouldn't be hard to do at all.

As for the rest of the steps to get the True Ending, the following slide is from some dude on Reddit, it's beautifully spoiler-free (although it doesn't mention the Golden stuff)



# The F4G ENDING Guide

Yes, you REALLY should go for the true Ending



スレマヨカカ  
ビビ





# Unfinished slides follow :D

- Yay!



# What's a Purse Owner?



- **Digital Devil Story**
- **Megami Tensei**
- **Shin Megami Tensei**
- **Revelations: Persona**
- **Persona 2**
- **Persona 3**
- **Shin Megami Tensei Persona 3**
- **Shin Megami Tensei Persona 4**
  - **Persona 4 Golden**
  - **Persona 4 Arena**
    - **Persona 4 Arena Ultimax**
  - **Persona Q**



# Persona 4

- **Developed by Atlus**
- **Released for the PS-freaking-2 in 200-freaking-8**



# Persona 4



- **Turn Based JRPG with Visual Novel Elements**
  - **JRPGS = Lots of text**
  - **Visual Novels = Lots of text**
  - **Persona 4 = Metric shitloaf of text?**



# Meaningful choices

- **Choices you make in dialogue have meaningful impact**
- **It's a dating sim!**



# Welcome to Inaba

- **You've moved to Inaba**
- **Congratiulation**



# School Life

- **Social link social link social link  
social link social link**





# TV life

- **Persona persona persona  
persona persona persona  
persona persona persona**



# Personas?

- **<Freud was right?>**



# Shadow shelves



# How super cerial is it?

- **100% Genocide Jack**



# Critique

- **Gameplay 8/10**
- **Story 8/9**
- **Teddie 8/8**
  - **Gr8 b8 m8**



# Should u buy a persona?

- **yes**



# Who is best grill?



マヨナカ  
レスレゼ

# Such character development, very wow





マヨナカ  
テレビ



# Persona 5

- **Releasing on the PS-freaking-3 in 20-freaking-15 (hopefully)**

