

High Concept Document

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An ink-based character awakens into a magical library. Explore the world of books by using the power of ink! Redirect the flow of power to get anywhere you want to go.

Features

- Different colors of ink provide a variety of powers.
- Levels are based on redirecting the flow of ink. Get the power to where you need it.
- Puzzle-based bosses. Use the powers provided by ink to defeat bosses in interesting ways.
- Split yourself into multiple pieces to solve complex puzzles.
- Use the ink powers to reach secret areas and unlock new abilities

Player Motivation

The player's primary motivation is to defeat the bosses inhabiting individual levels. The player is rewarded with new intrinsic abilities after completing a certain number of levels. These new abilities allow access to new locations in the overworld as well as new levels.

Genre

Adventure game with elements of Platforming.

Target Audience

Lighthearted Action/Adventure players and anyone interested in unique gameplay concepts. Similar audience to Braid or the Legend of Zelda series.

Competition

This game introduces a new gameplay concept. As such, there is not any direct competition. Competition in the genre might include indepenent platformers such as Braid.

Unique Selling Points

- Color-based powers provide the potential for many interesting combinations
- Controlling multiple pieces of a character allows for complex puzzles
- Books provide a platform for visually and interactively distinct levels
- Unique boss fights challenge the player to think in new ways

Target Hardware

The primary platform would be the PC. But the simple control scheme makes it easily adaptable to current generation consoles, especially the Wii.

Design Goals

Unique The core concept offers the chance for completely unique puzzles. Level design should take full advantage of this.

Simple Features are not included if they do not significantly contribute to gameplay. Casual as well as Traditional gamers should be able to enjoy this game.

Mystical The story conveys a mysterious feeling. Secrets abound, and reward the player both with game bonuses, and with bits of the wizard's mysterious background.