

WATCHMEN

"ARCHIE ADVENTURES"

an iPhone Arcade Shooter

We play as the ARCHIE vessel carrying the Nite Owl and Rorschach characters inside. We are battling the Giant Nuclear Squid on the New York street where the newsstand is located. We must defeat the Squid and prevent it from capturing the people in the street, even as they protest ARCHIE's presence.



CONTROLS

1. Two fire buttons on bottom left and right. These shoot BULLETS out of Archie toward Squid.
2. iPod TILT will move Archie in a semi-circle around Squid.
3. Special Weapons are the three green buttons. These have a cool-down.
4. Throw People – touch a person and toss them to either side to keep them out of harm's way.

MECHANICS

1. **Squid has two sets of tentacles, large and small, and a heart**
 - a. Large Tentacles
 - i. can reach Archie's path and give it damage. Five hits and player loses.
 - ii. each has suckers that, when shot five times, sever that tentacle at that spot
 - b. Small Tentacles
 - i. can grab people in street and nuke them. Exploding people can damage Archie.
 - ii. Each can be destroyed when shot five times.
 - c. Heart
 - i. Revealed when small tentacles are shot away
 - ii. When hit five times, Squid is defeated

2. Archie moves in a semi-circle, fires bullets and has three special weapons

- a. Bullets – the two “fire” buttons each activate a bullet from Archie. Could map the bullets to left and right sides of the Archie craft as if dual guns
- b. Cloud button – creates a fog around Archie to cloak him. Temporary immunity to Squid weapons. Has cool-down.
- c. Fire button – shoots a stream of fire that does heavy damage to Squid tentacles. Has cool-down.
- d. Screech button – emits a shrill noise that scatters people from street and puts Squid into a frenzy. Has cool-down.

3. City People run in street and shout at Archie as if protesting Watchmen assistance. You try to save them anyway.

- a. If people are in street too long, Giant Squid will nab them with small tentacles.
- b. You may fling people back to either sidewalk by touching and flicking them horizontally.
- c. When people are killed by Giant Squid, their explosions are radioactive and dangerous



4. Owl and Rorschach talk audibly and through abbreviated text bubbles during the battle

- a. Remarks are meant to assist player understanding of goal and situation, as well as evoke character and elements from storyline and setting
- b. Will be fairly frequent, every 5-10 seconds or so, usually alternating between characters.

PLAYER FEEDBACK

1. Damage indicator for Archie.

- a. Use the well-known clock icon where the closer it came to midnight, the closer Armageddon (death) was.
 - i. Start the hand 5 minutes before midnight, advancing 1 each time Archie is hit.

