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Terraria Game Review:

Before you start you have to choose a difficulty. There are a total of nine different difficulties, four for your character and four for your world. The 9th is a secret world difficulty called legendary.

Once you've chosen the difficulty next you chose either corruption or crimson, they each have their own bosses and enemies.

Finally once you've started your world you will have spawned with the guild NPC, unless you choose a challenge and picked legendary mode, which replaces the guild with the demolition's and the water with lava.

NPC's (non-playable characters) are a big part of the game and are used for many different things; there are a total of 26 NPC's in the game. When you start the game and spawn in the guild, it will spawn immediately unless in legendary mode. The guild does not sell anything but can show you what you can craft with items. Other NPC's will sell you items some of which will be very useful or some have special features. There are 18 in pre-hard mode and 8 hard mode. There are also pets that can be bought from the zoologist and traveling merchant.

There are two modes in Terraria pre-hard mode and hard mode; these differ when you start every world in pre-hard mode and when you get to hard mode new enemies spawn as well as ores and bosses to fight.

Bosses are very tough depending on how you fight and what you use. Now when fighting a boss, potions are definitely recommended. Next you'll need an arena, the first or second boss, the Eye of Cthulhu. I recommend using minecart tracks in a pyramid structure and using a bow but you need to fight it fast because it can only be fought during the night. But for most bosses the platform arena is mostly used. To build this you need a lot of platforms, campfires, heart lanterns. and always no matter what, healing potions.

There are a total of 33 bosses in Terraria, 8 pre hard mode 14 event bosses, and finally 11 hard mode bosses.



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Now hard mode to unlock you must defeat the final boss of pre-hard mode: the wall of flesh! Now to summon this monstrosity you need the guild to be alive then a demon will spawn eventually which has a voodoo doll of the guild. When thrown into lava in he will instantly kill the guild and spawn the wall of flesh.

There are different classes in Terraria, there are four in total. Some people like to use multiple but it really depends on what you choose. The four classes are summoner, melee, ranged, and magic. Each have different armor and weapons and there are technically no restrictions.

Finally the last and most important part is the loot. There are four different kinds of loot, four types in total: weapons, armor, accessories, and items/loot. Armor is very important; it provides lots of protection and sometimes unique abilities. There is different armor for different classes. Weapons are definitely important because of the damage that you need to do. There are different weapons for different classes, like armor. A big part of the game is the loot/items and every mob drops some no matter what. You don't have to defeat mobs to get all your loot though. Try going on an exploration in the caves you might find some ores for new loot or a heart crystal, which is very important. Make sure to pick it up and it will increase max health. Bosses drop special loot, only they drop depending on your difficulty; you get a loot bag and trophy for your triumph over the boss. Accessories are very important, some more rare than others, and some super common. You equip these either under your armor or under the equipment tab. Above your armor is where you equip your grapple hook, mount minecart, and pets. Bosses drop accessories mobs can drop them they can be fished, bought, or even found in the chest, but they help a lot.

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