

PlayStation App for iOS



Product Portfolio

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Business Model Canvas

Key Partners



- Apple (App Store distribution)
- Game developers and publishers (PlayStation Store content)
- Cloud service providers (data storage and security)
- Payment processors (digital transactions)

Key Activities



- Mobile app development and updates
- Integration with PlayStation Network and consoles
- Bug fixes and performance optimization
- Push notifications and in-app messaging
- Digital transaction processing for the PlayStation Store
- Customer support and troubleshooting

Key Resources



- PlayStation Network infrastructure
- Mobile app development team
- Cloud servers for data storage and transactions
- Security and authentication systems
- Payment processing systems for PlayStation Store

Value Propositions



- Seamless remote access to PlayStation features
- Instant messaging, party chat, and friend activity tracking
- PlayStation Store access for browsing and purchases
- Remote game downloads and storage management
- Real-time game notifications, updates, and promotions

Customer Relationships



- Seamless console integration
- Reliable performance & bug fixes
- Frequent app updates & new features
- Personalized engagement
- Community & social interaction
- Customer support & troubleshooting

Channels



- Apple App Store
- PlayStation website
- In-App Notifications
- Email & Push Notifications
- PlayStation Console Interface
- Customer Support & Forums
- Social Media (Twitter, YouTube, etc.)

Customer Segments



- PlayStation console owners (PS4 & PS5)
- Gamers who want instant access to features (impatient players)
- Social gamers who prioritize connectivity
- Gamers who stay updated on industry news
- PlayStation Store shoppers
- Competitive gamers

Cost Structure

- Mobile app development and maintenance
- Cloud hosting and infrastructure
- Security and compliance measures
- Customer support operations
- Marketing and promotional campaigns



Revenue Streams

- PlayStation Store purchases (games, DLCs, add-ons)
- Increased engagement leading to PlayStation Plus subscriptions
- In-app promotions and exclusive deals
- Cross-platform purchases and microtransactions






Value Proposition Canvas

Value Proposition Canvas:

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Iteration: 1




- Remote Play functionality to control and stream games from the PlayStation console
- PlayStation Store integration for browsing, purchasing, and downloading games/content
- Social features like messaging, parties, and activity feeds to connect with friends
- Push notifications for news, updates, and exclusive deals
- Remote download and update management for games and apps
- Personalized game recommendations based on user preferences
- Secure login and payment options for safe transactions
- Exclusive app rewards, early access, or bonus content
- Troubleshooting guides and support for remote console management

- Remote console control for ultimate convenience and flexibility
- One-touch access to the PlayStation Store for quick purchases and downloads.
- Integrated social features like chat, parties, and activity sharing for a connected gaming experience
- Personalized notifications and news updates tailored to user preferences
- Remote download and update management to save time and keep games ready to play
- AI-driven game recommendations to help users discover new favorites
- Secure and seamless login/purchase process for peace of mind.
- Exclusive app rewards, early access, or bonuses for added value
- Emotional delight through a sleek, user-friendly design and smooth performance.

Gain creators

Pain relievers

- Reliable remote connection to the console for seamless control and management
- Fast and intuitive navigation in the PlayStation Store for easy browsing and purchasing
- Robust social features like chat, parties, and activity feeds to stay connected with friends
- Customizable notifications to ensure users never miss important news or updates.
- Remote download and update management to save time and effort.
- Personalized recommendations to help users discover new games they'll love
- Secure login and purchase options to eliminate fears of security risks
- Streamlined troubleshooting tools or guides for resolving console issues remotely
- Exclusive app-only rewards or early access to content for added delight



- Seamless remote access to control and manage their PlayStation console from anywhere
- Easy and quick browsing, purchasing, and downloading from the PlayStation Store on the go
- Effortless connection with friends through chats, parties, and shared gaming activities
- Timely and relevant notifications about PlayStation news, updates, and exclusive deals
- Ability to start downloads, updates, or gameplay remotely to save time
- Personalized game recommendations based on their preferences and play history.
- Enhanced social features like sharing gameplay clips or achievements directly from the app.
- Peace of mind with secure remote access and purchase options.

Gains

- Unexpected delights like exclusive app-only rewards or early access to content

Pains

- No way to remotely control or manage their PlayStation console
- Unable to browse or purchase games from the PlayStation Store without being near the console
- Difficulty staying connected with friends or coordinating gaming sessions while away from the console
- Missing out on important PlayStation news, updates, or exclusive deals due to lack of mobile access
- Inability to troubleshoot or resolve console issues remotely
- Fear of missing out on time-limited deals or game releases
- No personalized recommendations or content discovery tools outside the console

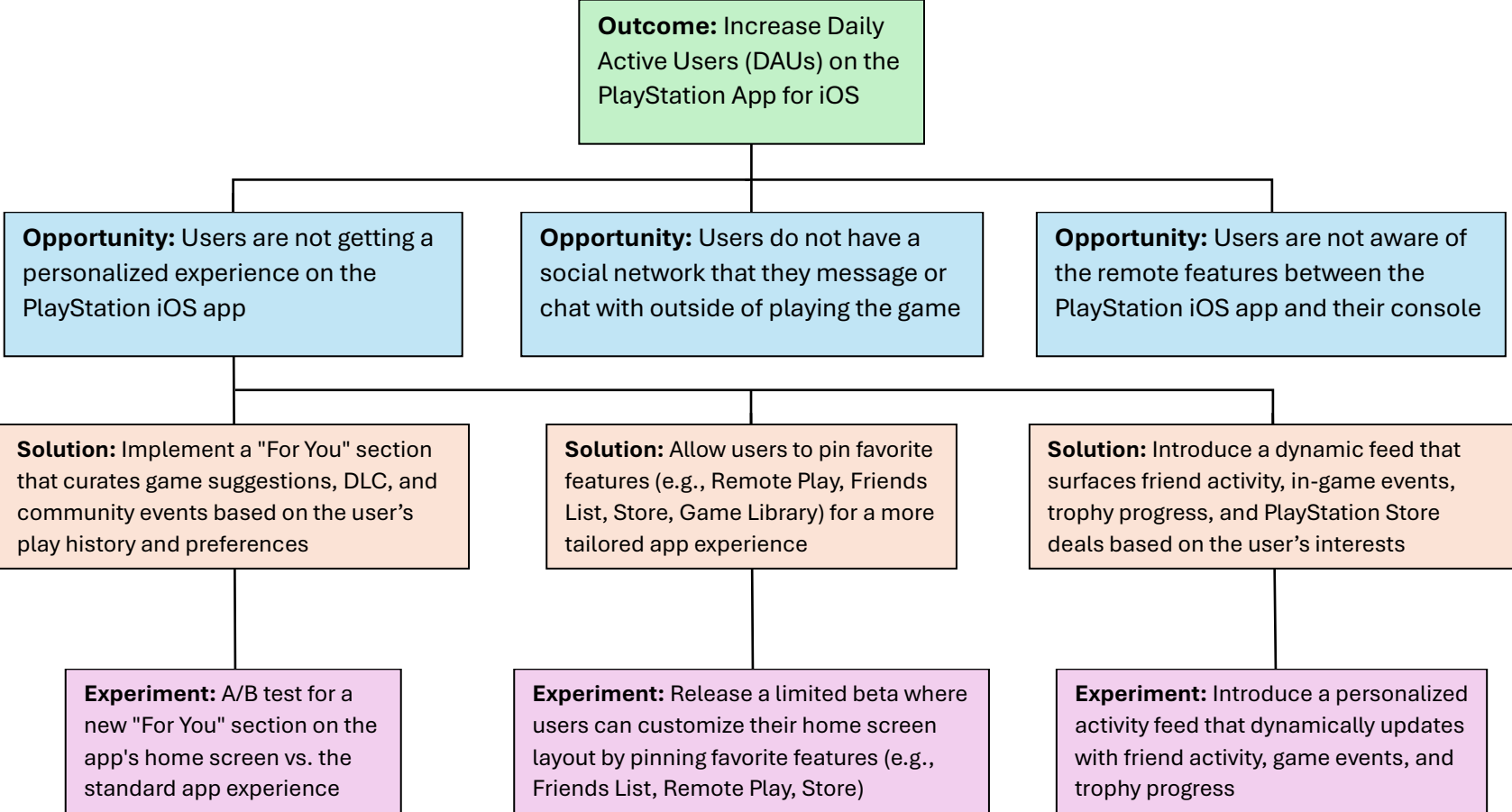
Job-to-be-done

- Remotely manage and control their PlayStation console
- Browse, purchase, and download games/content from the PlayStation Store on the go
- Stay connected with friends and the gaming community
- Stay informed about the latest PlayStation news, updates, and exclusive deals
- Troubleshoot or resolve console issues remotely



Opportunity Solution Tree





PlayStation App for iOS – Opportunity Solution Tree





Product Vision

The Product Vision Board

<p>Vision What is your purpose for creating the product? Create a more engaging and personalized PlayStation iOS app, making it a daily hub for gaming, community, and content</p> <p>Which positive change should it bring about? Deliver a tailored PlayStation experience, integrating personalized recommendations, customizable features, and dynamic social feeds to keep users engaged beyond just console gaming</p>			
 <h2>Target Group</h2> <p>Which market or market segment does the product address?</p> <p>Who are the target customers and users?</p> <p>Market Segment: Console owners who use mobile apps for gaming-related activities, including content discovery, social engagement, and remote access</p> <p>Target Customers & Users:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engaged Gamers – Players who frequently use their PlayStation and want a seamless way to stay connected to their gaming experience Social Players – Users who prioritize multiplayer gaming, community events, and staying updated on friends' activities Casual Users – Players who may not game daily but want easy access to PlayStation features like the store, news, and updates 	 <h2>Needs</h2> <p>What problem does the product solve?</p> <p>Which benefit does it provide?</p> <p>Problem: The PlayStation iOS app lacks personalization and engagement, making it less compelling for daily use</p> <p>Benefit: Delivers a customized and interactive experience, keeping users connected to their games, friends, and PlayStation content anytime, anywhere</p>	 <h2>Product</h2> <p>What product is it?</p> <p>What makes it stand out?</p> <p>Is it feasible to develop the product?</p> <p>What it is: A personalized and interactive PlayStation iOS app designed to enhance daily engagement</p> <p>What makes it stand out: AI-driven recommendations, customizable features, and a dynamic feed that keeps users connected to their PlayStation experience</p> <p>Feasibility: Yes—leverages existing PlayStation infrastructure, user data, and mobile development capabilities to implement personalization and customization features</p>	 <h2>Business Goals</h2> <p>How is the product going to benefit the company?</p> <p>What are the business goals?</p> <p>Benefit to the Company: Increases Daily Active Users (DAUs), strengthens user retention, and boosts PlayStation Store engagement and revenue.</p> <p>Business Goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grow DAUs by making the app a go-to hub for PlayStation users. Increase in-app purchases by surfacing personalized game and DLC recommendations Enhance user retention through customized features and social engagement



Product Requirements

PlayStation iOS App PRD

TL;DR

The PlayStation iOS App is designed to be an essential part of the PlayStation ecosystem, enhancing user engagement and retention. It provides seamless access to gaming features like Remote Play and personalized recommendations for games and DLC. The target audience includes casual, social, and hardcore gamers, enabling them to stay connected with the PlayStation community anytime, anywhere.

Goals

Business Goals

1. Increase Daily Active Users (DAUs) by integrating the app into the PlayStation ecosystem.
2. Boost transactions through personalized recommendations.
3. Enhance user retention via social and remote play features.
4. Create seamless experiences across platforms to strengthen the ecosystem.
5. Drive PlayStation Plus adoption with exclusive app benefits.

User Goals

1. Stay connected to PlayStation away from the console.
2. Access key features like Remote Play and Friends List.
3. Receive personalized content recommendations.
4. Track gaming progress.
5. Engage socially.
6. Get timely updates.

Non-Goals

1. The app will not replace the console entirely.
 2. Advanced settings will remain console-based.
 3. Multi-device streaming like PlayStation Now will not be included.
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User Stories

Casual Gamer (Tina, 28, busy professional)

- As Tina, I want to see game deals and play remotely so I can game during downtime.
- As Tina, I need quick game recommendations so I can discover new games.

Social Gamer (Jake, 22, college student)

- As Jake, I want to track friends' activities so I can organize game nights.
- As Jake, I want to share achievements on social media so I can engage with friends.

Hardcore Gamer (Chris, 35, dedicated PlayStation fan)

- As Chris, I want to track trophies and progress so I stay competitive.
 - As Chris, I want customizable controls on Remote Play so I have a seamless experience.
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Jobs to Be Done Stories

1. Personalized "For You" Section: When I open the PlayStation iOS app, I want to see personalized game, DLC, and event recommendations based on my play history, so I can quickly find content relevant to me without searching manually.
2. Customizable Home Screen: When I use the PlayStation iOS app, I want to pin my favorite features (e.g., Remote Play, Store, Friends List, Library), so I can access them easily without navigating through multiple menus.
3. Dynamic Activity Feed: When I check the PlayStation iOS app, I want to see real-time updates on my friends' gaming activity, in-game events, and PlayStation Store deals, so I stay engaged with my gaming community even when away from my console.
4. Enhanced Remote Play Controls: When I play remotely on my phone or tablet, I want customizable on-screen controls and controller compatibility settings, so I can have a smoother and more tailored gaming experience.
5. Game Progress & Trophy Tracking: When I check my profile on the PlayStation iOS app, I want to see my progress in ongoing games and my trophy milestones, so I can stay motivated to complete achievements even when not on my console.
6. Smart Notifications & Reminders: When there's a game update, a sale, or a scheduled gaming session, I want relevant notifications from the PlayStation iOS app and my console, so I don't miss out on important gaming moments.
7. Seamless Social Sharing: When I achieve something cool in a game on my console, I want an easy way to share screenshots, trophies, and clips directly through the PlayStation iOS app, so I can celebrate and engage with my gaming circle without needing to be at my console.
8. In-App Cloud Saves & Load States: When switching between my console and the PlayStation iOS app, I want quick access to my saved games and recent activity, so I can continue my gaming experience seamlessly across devices.
9. AI-Powered Game Assistance: When I'm stuck on a level or need tips while playing on my console, I want AI-powered game assistance in the PlayStation iOS app to provide personalized hints and strategies, so I can improve my gameplay without searching online.
10. Integrated PlayStation Store Experience: When I browse the PlayStation Store on the iOS app or my console, I want personalized deals, DLC suggestions, and a smoother checkout experience, so I can easily find and purchase content that matches my interests.

Functional Requirements

1. Personalized 'For You' section with recommendations.
 2. Customizable home screen.
 3. Dynamic activity feed.
 4. Enhanced Remote Play with controls.
 5. Game progress tracking.
 6. Smart notifications.
 7. Social sharing abilities.
 8. Cloud saves & load states.
 9. AI-powered game assistance.
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User Experience

Entry Point & First-Time User Experience

- Users discover the app via the PlayStation network or app store.
- Onboarding includes a walkthrough of all key features.

Core Experience

- Users access a personalized home screen with quick links to remote play, game library, etc.
- The activity feed shows updates from friends and community events.

Advanced Features & Edge Cases

- Power users access customizable controls for enhanced Remote Play.
- Error states are handled with user-friendly messages.

UI/UX Highlights

- Emphasis on user-friendly navigation and accessibility.
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Narrative

Tina, a busy professional, often misses out on gaming. The PlayStation iOS app keeps her in the loop with personalized game and DLC recommendations. On the way to work, she checks out PlayStation deals and finds a new game, ready to play during downtime. Her social circle is buzzing with activity, and game nights are just a click away, thanks to app notifications. A seamless blend of console and mobile keeps gamers like Tina deeply engaged. The app enriches user lives while bolstering PlayStation's engagement.

Success Metrics

User-Centric Metrics

1. Increase in DAUs by 20% within six months.
2. Improve user satisfaction scores by 10%.

Business Metrics

1. Boost in-app purchase revenue by 15%.
2. Increase in PlayStation Plus subscriptions linked to app features by 10%.

Technical Metrics

1. Ensure 99.9% app uptime.
 2. Achieve a response time below 2 seconds for key interactions.
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Technical Considerations

Technical Needs

- Integration with PlayStation network APIs for game data and user profiles.

Integration Points

- CRM for user personalization, third-party analytics for tracking.

Data Storage & Privacy

- Compliance with GDPR for user data protection.

Scalability & Performance

- Ability to handle millions of users globally.

Potential Challenges

- Network latency in Remote Play, handling cross-platform continuity.
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Milestones & Sequencing

Project Estimate

- Medium: 2–4 weeks

Team Size & Composition

- Medium Team: 3–5 people
 - Roles: Product Manager, Engineers, Designer

Phase 1 (3 weeks)

- Key Deliverables: Basic app framework with Remote Play integration.
- Dependencies: Access to PlayStation network APIs.



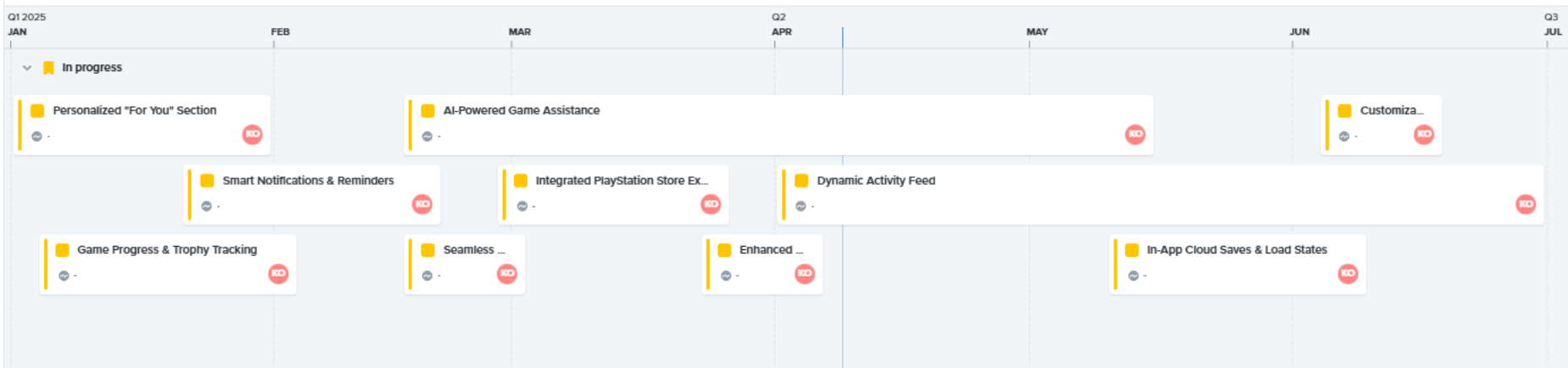
Feature Prioritization

Title	Effort	Job Story
Personalized "For You" Section	Medium	When I open the PlayStation iOS app, I want to see personalized game, DLC, and event recommendations based on my play history, so I can quickly find content relevant to me without searching manually.
Customizable Home Screen	Small	When I use the PlayStation iOS app, I want to pin my favorite features (e.g., Remote Play, Store, Friends List, Library), so I can access them easily without navigating through multiple menus.
Dynamic Activity Feed	Large	When I check the PlayStation iOS app, I want to see real-time updates on my friends' gaming activity, in-game events, and PlayStation Store deals, so I stay engaged with my gaming community even when away from my console.
Enhanced Remote Play Controls	Small	When I play remotely on my phone or tablet, I want customizable on-screen controls and controller compatibility settings, so I can have a smoother and more tailored gaming experience.
Game Progress & Trophy Tracking	Medium	When I check my profile on the PlayStation iOS app, I want to see my progress in ongoing games and my trophy milestones, so I can stay motivated to complete achievements even when not on my console.
Smart Notifications & Reminders	Medium	When there's a game update, a sale, or a scheduled gaming session, I want relevant notifications from the PlayStation iOS app and my console, so I don't miss out on important gaming moments.
Seamless Social Sharing	Small	When I achieve something cool in a game on my console, I want an easy way to share screenshots, trophies, and clips directly through the PlayStation iOS app, so I can celebrate and engage with my gaming circle without needing to be at my console.
In-App Cloud Saves & Load States	Medium	When switching between my console and the PlayStation iOS app, I want quick access to my saved games and recent activity, so I can continue my gaming experience seamlessly across devices.
AI-Powered Game Assistance	Large	When I'm stuck on a level or need tips while playing on my console, I want AI-powered game assistance in the PlayStation iOS app to provide personalized hints and strategies, so I can improve my gameplay without searching online.
Integrated PlayStation Store Experience	Medium	When I browse the PlayStation Store on the iOS app or my console, I want personalized deals, DLC suggestions, and a smoother checkout experience, so I can easily find and purchase content that matches my interests.

Feature Title	Reach (users/month)	Impact (0.5-3)	Confidence (%)	Effort (Story Points)	RICE Score
Personalized "For You" Section	60,000,000	2.5 (Medium-High)	90%	8 (Medium)	16,875,000
Customizable Home Screen	9,000,000	1.5 (Medium-Low)	85%	3 (Small)	3,825,000
Dynamic Activity Feed	30,000,000	2 (Medium)	85%	21 (Large)	2,428,571
Enhanced Remote Play Controls	3,000,000	1 (Low)	75%	3 (Small)	750,000
Game Progress & Trophy Tracking	12,000,000	1.5 (Medium-Low)	80%	8 (Medium)	1,800,000
Smart Notifications & Reminders	24,000,000	1 (Low)	75%	8 (Medium)	2,250,000
Seamless Social Sharing	6,000,000	1 (Low)	85%	3 (Small)	1,700,000
In-App Cloud Saves & Load States	1,800,000	2 (Medium)	80%	8 (Medium)	360,000
AI-Powered Game Assistance	36,000,000	3 (High)	80%	21 (Large)	4,114,286
Integrated PlayStation Store Experience	20,000,000	1 (Low)	85%	8 (Medium)	2,125,000



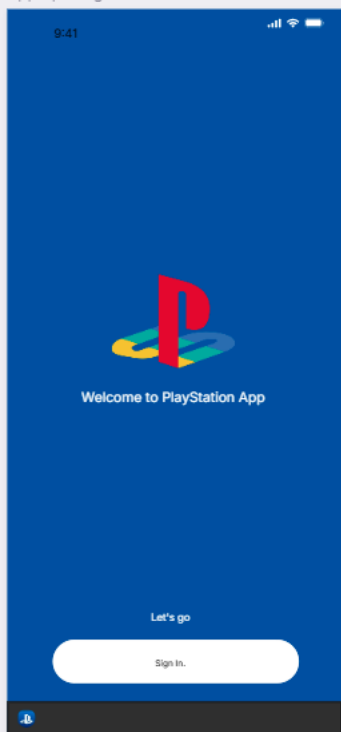
Product Roadmap



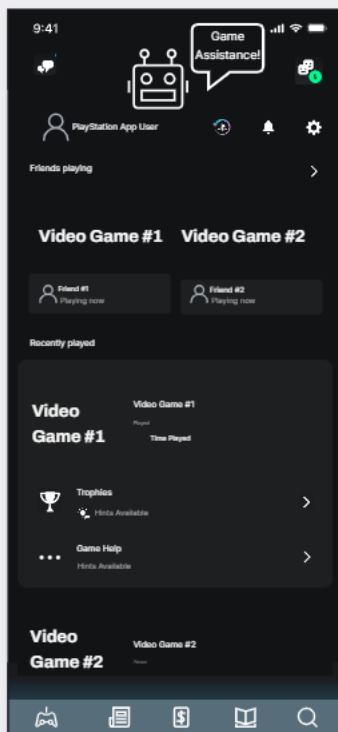


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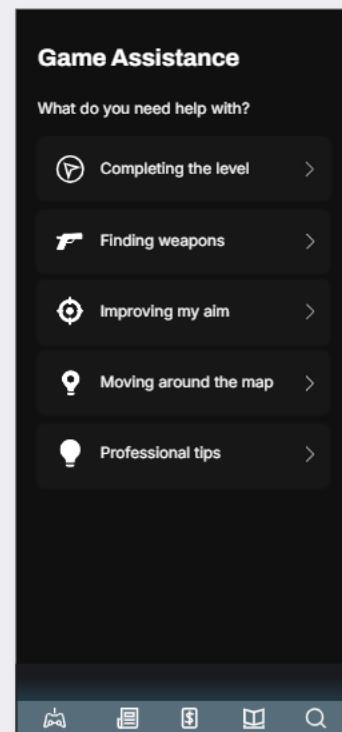
App Opening Screen



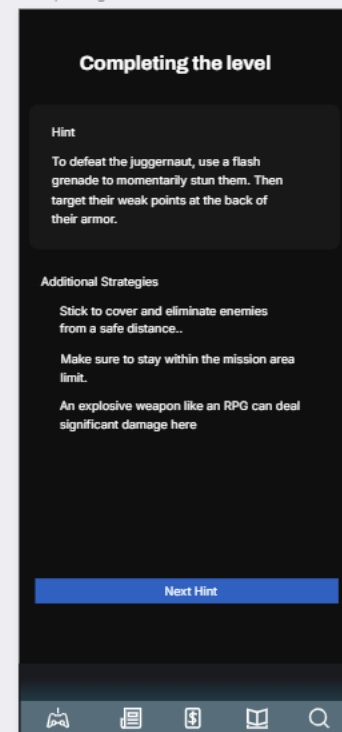
Home Screen



Game Assistance



Completing The Level





Product Metrics

PlayStation App for iOS North Star Metric: Daily Active Users (DAUs)

Category: Attention

Why DAUs is a Strong North Star Metric:

Daily Active Users is an ideal North Star Metric for the PlayStation iOS App because it directly aligns with the app's core goal: becoming an essential part of the PlayStation ecosystem and keeping users connected to their gaming life away from the console. The app is not designed to replace the console but to extend the PlayStation experience across devices, increasing stickiness and user touchpoints.

Higher DAUs indicate that users are consistently finding value in checking their progress, engaging socially, making purchases, and utilizing features like Remote Play or personalized recommendations. As engagement increases, so too does the opportunity to drive in-app purchases, PlayStation Plus subscriptions, and ecosystem-wide retention, all of which are central business goals.

Supporting Metrics that Drive DAUs:

1. **Session Length & Frequency** – Measures how long and how often users return, which reflects app usefulness and habit formation.
2. **Remote Play Usage** – Tracks adoption of one of the app's most distinctive features, supporting deep engagement.
3. **Personalized Recommendation Click-through Rates** – Gauges how effective the “For You” section is at keeping users engaged with new games and DLC.
4. **Social Interaction Events (e.g. sharing, messaging, checking friend activity)** – Indicates community engagement and sticky social behavior.
5. **Push Notification Engagement Rate** – Reflects the effectiveness of smart alerts in drawing users back into the app.
6. **PlayStation Plus Conversions via App** – Shows the app's role in monetization and broader subscription ecosystem participation.

Conclusion:

Focusing on DAUs as the North Star keeps the team centered on delivering daily value, driving both user satisfaction and business outcomes. The supporting metrics act as levers the team can optimize to meaningfully grow DAUs, making this a strong and actionable metric.



Amazon Memo

1. Introduction

The PlayStation App for iOS was originally designed as a convenient way for users to interact with their PlayStation console while away from it. Core features such as messaging, game library access, downloads, and Remote Play have given users utility, but not habit. Despite a massive install base, the app has not become an integrated part of users' daily gaming lives. This gap reflects a deeper issue: the experience is generic, reactive, and largely disconnected from the personalization and contextual intelligence that define the best mobile products today.

At a time when mobile-first platforms are leveraging AI to deliver relevance and real-time utility, the PlayStation App remains underpowered in how it supports users beyond basic tasks. It does not anticipate needs, evolve with player behavior, or offer meaningful gameplay assistance. This memo proposes a shift in product strategy: to elevate the app from a companion tool to a personalized gaming assistant. Through a focused investment in AI-powered features, ranging from tailored content feeds to in-game support, we can create a sticky, adaptive experience that keeps users engaged, increases store monetization, and supports gameplay in ways no other console app currently does.

2. Goals

- **Increase Engagement:** Increase Daily Active Users on the PlayStation iOS App by 20% from 5M as of March 2025 to 6M by March 31, 2026.
- **Drive Monetization:** Increase app-based PlayStation Store transactions by 15% from 1.3M monthly purchases as of March 2025 to 1.5M by March 31, 2026.
- **Improve Gameplay Support and Utility:** Increase feature usage frequency by 25% from 4.0 to 5.0 weekly interactions per active user by March 31, 2026.

3. Tenets

- **Strategic Personalization:** Personalization is not a feature; it is a strategy. Offering each user a static experience, regardless of their game history or social ties, is fundamentally misaligned with our opportunity and user expectations.
- **Data Activation:** Data without action has no value. PlayStation already captures rich behavioral and transactional data; activating this data through personalization is an efficient and high-leverage use of existing resources.
- **Contextual Support:** Delivering timely, in-the-moment support during gameplay can enhance user satisfaction and deepen the role of the app as a functional gaming assistant.

4. State of the Business

The PlayStation App currently serves over 150 million users globally but sees limited daily engagement. Most users interact with the app a few times per month, typically to respond to notifications, start downloads, or check friend statuses. Usage metrics suggest that sessions are brief and focused on transactional tasks. While Remote Play and messaging are appreciated features, they have not driven habitual use. User interviews and app analytics both highlight a gap in personalized value and real-time utility, especially in providing help during gameplay.

In contrast, leading mobile platforms increasingly rely on AI to deliver relevance, responsiveness, and moment-based value. In the gaming space, PlayStation has an opportunity to go beyond utility and deliver a truly adaptive

mobile experience. Without this shift, we risk falling behind user expectations and competitors offering more intelligent, integrated support.

5. Lessons Learned

Incremental updates to the interface and content have failed to drive meaningful changes in user behavior. Past additions such as curated banners and simplified navigation offered minor convenience but did not address the deeper need for a personalized experience. Our testing of static promotional placements yielded low engagement, and users still reported that the app felt generic.

Furthermore, we have under-leveraged one of our biggest opportunities: gameplay support. Players regularly search for walkthroughs, tips, or help when stuck in a game, but currently leave the PlayStation ecosystem to do so. Internal surveys show demand for a tool that meets this need within the app. These lessons point to the need for intelligent personalization and contextual support to create an app experience that users actively rely on.

6. Strategic Priorities

- 1. Increase Engagement by increasing Daily Active Users on the PlayStation iOS App by 20% from 5M as of March 2025 to 6M by March 31, 2026.**

Introducing a Personalized “For You” Section

This feature delivers a dynamic home screen module that uses AI to recommend content based on individual user behavior, such as play history, achievements, and community activity. The section will refresh regularly with personalized suggestions, timely promotions, and in-app events, all designed to increase relevance and frequency of use. A/B testing will ensure optimization of click-through rates and retention.

- 2. Drive Monetization by increasing app-based PlayStation Store transactions by 15% from 1.3M monthly purchases as of March 2025 to 1.5M by March 31, 2026.**

Monetization Through Personalized Content Discovery

By surfacing customized DLC recommendations, targeted discounts, and purchase reminders, the For You section will serve as a personalized storefront. These recommendations will be informed by user purchase history and wish list activity. Timely nudges and curated bundles will drive higher conversion rates and improve the average revenue per user.

- 3. Improve Gameplay Support and Utility by increasing feature usage frequency by 25% from 4.0 to 5.0 weekly interactions per active user by March 31, 2026.**

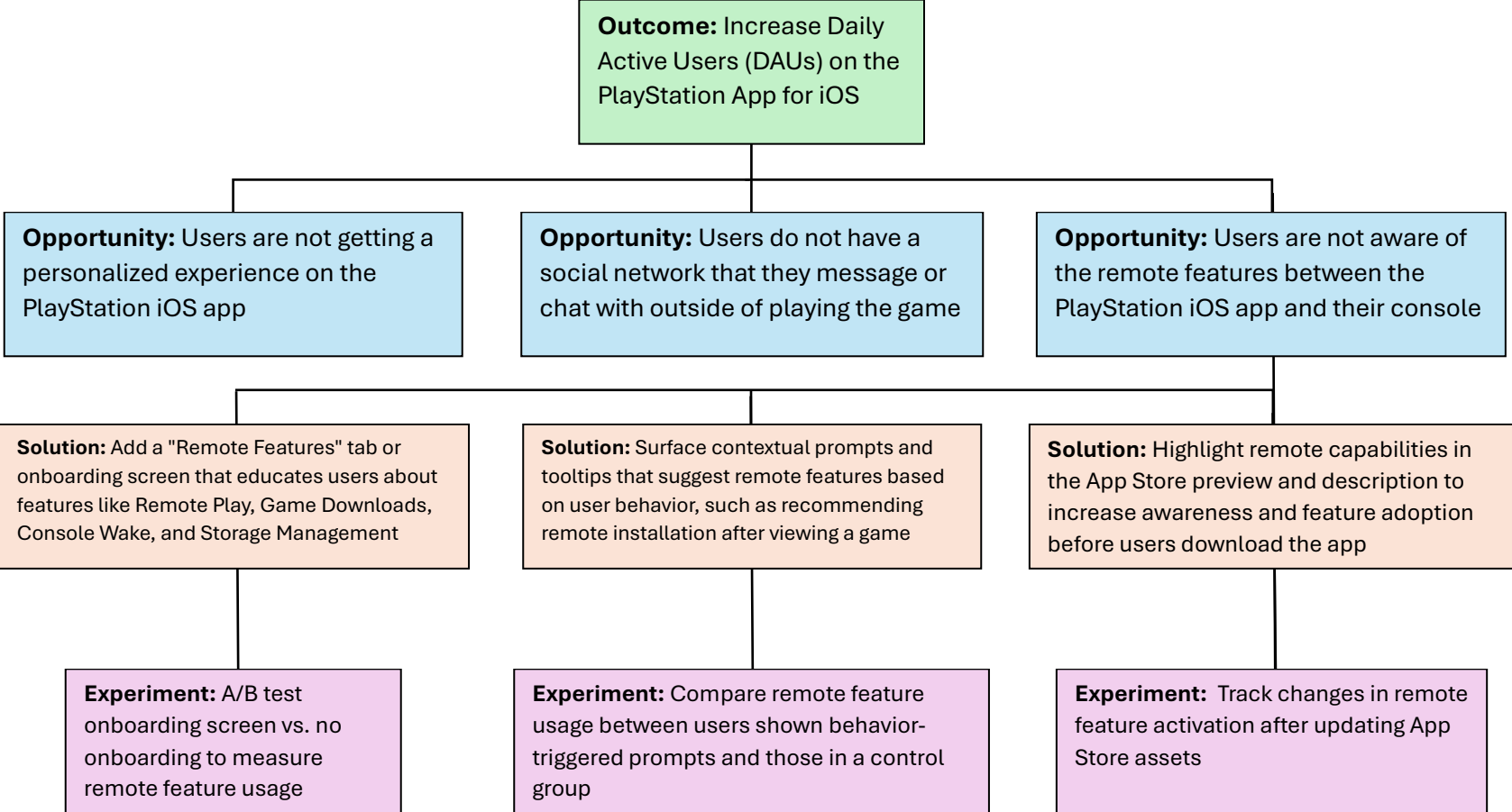
Introducing AI-Powered Game Assistance

This feature offers personalized in-game help through the PlayStation iOS App while the user plays on console. When a user is stuck, the app will provide contextual hints, level tips, and boss strategies based on game progress and trophy history. Powered by an AI model trained on community guides and gameplay data, this assistant keeps users within the PlayStation ecosystem while solving real problems in real time, making the app a high-utility companion.



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PlayStation App for iOS – Opportunity Solution Tree



Customer Letter to the CEO of PlayStation – March 2026

Dear PlayStation Team,

I just wanted to take a moment to say thank you. As someone who games often but doesn't always have hours to spare, the new PlayStation iOS app has honestly become one of my most-used tools, on or off the console.

What used to be a basic companion app is now something I rely on before, during, and even after my gaming sessions. The addition of AI-powered game assistance has made the biggest difference. A few weeks ago, I was stuck on a level in Call of Duty. Instead of endlessly searching forums or watching spoiler-filled YouTube videos, I opened the app, tapped "Game Help," and got exactly what I needed: a step-by-step strategy for my situation. Not generic tips, actual, context-aware suggestions based on how I play. It's like having a coach in my pocket.

But it's not just that. The remote features have gotten so much more intuitive too. I now routinely download games, manage storage, and even wake my PS5 from wherever I am. These were technically available before, but I barely used them. The difference now is the app actually guides me. Smart prompts show up at the right moment, like when I browse a game, I'm asked if I want to install it remotely. Those little nudges go a long way.

I also appreciated how the onboarding experience walked me through everything when the update first launched. It helped me discover features I didn't even realize I had access to. And when a friend recently downloaded the app for the first time, the App Store preview actually showed off what the app could do. It's clear. It's compelling. It made him an instant daily user.

Altogether, these improvements have fundamentally changed how I experience PlayStation. I'm playing more, getting stuck less, and wasting far less time managing downloads or settings. Everything feels one step ahead, like the app is helping me play, not just stay connected.

Thank you for building something that actually understands how and why I game. It's made my experience smoother, smarter, and way more personal.

Sincerely,

A Loyal PlayStation Fan

