

Japan Game Awards 2020 Games of the Year Division Award Part II

**The Grand Award goes to  
Animal Crossing: New Horizons  
(Nintendo Co., Ltd.)**



Computer Entertainment Supplier's Association (CESA)

Japan Game Awards 2020 (JGA2020), organized by Computer Entertainment Supplier's Association (CESA; Chairman: Hideki Hayakawa), has selected the winners of the Award for Excellence and the Grand Award in the Games of the Year Division of the Japan Game Awards 2020, which is for appropriate products representing this year. **Animal Crossing: New Horizons (Nintendo Co., Ltd)** has received the most prestigious Grand Award as the best game.

Titles released from April 2019 to the end of March 2020 in Japan are eligible for the Japan Game Awards 2020. The following are the Games of the Year Division Award winners of the Japan Game Awards 2020.

**Japan Game Awards 2020 Games of the Year Division Award Winners**

(The Global Awards, Best Sales Award, and Special Award winners announced on the previous day)

(Alphabetical order within each award)

Awards	Title	Company	Platform
<b>Grand Award</b>	<b>Animal Crossing: New Horizons</b>	Nintendo Co., Ltd.	Nintendo Switch
Award for excellence	13 Sentinels: Aegis Rim	ATLUS. CO., LTD.	PS4
	Animal Crossing: New Horizons	Nintendo Co., Ltd.	Nintendo Switch
	DEATH STRANDING	Sony Interactive Entertainment	PS4 / PC
	Fire Emblem™: Three Houses	Nintendo Co., Ltd.	Nintendo Switch
	Monster Hunter World: Iceborne	Capcom Co., Ltd.	PS4 / Xbox One / PC
	Nioh 2	KOEI TECMO GAMES CO., LTD.	PS4
	PERSONA5 THE ROYAL	ATLUS CO.,LTD.	PS4
	Pokémon Sword and Pokémon Shield	The Pokémon Company	Nintendo Switch
	Ring Fit Adventure	Nintendo Co., Lt	Nintendo Switch
	Yakuza: Like a Dragon	Sega Co., Ltd.	PS4
Special Award	DRAGON QUEST WALK	SQUARE ENIX CO., LTD.	iOS / Android OS
Best Sales Award	Pokémon Sword and Pokémon Shield	The Pokémon Company	Nintendo Switch
Global Award Japanese Product	Pokémon Sword and Pokémon Shield	The Pokémon Company	Nintendo Switch
Global Award Foreign Product	Call of Duty: Modern Warfare	ACTIVISION / Infinity Ward	PS4 / Xbox One / PC

[Abbreviations of platform] PS4: PlayStation®4 / PC: Windows®

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# Grand Award Animal Crossing: New Horizons



The latest offering in the Animal Crossing series.

Because we were forced to stay home due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a slow-life experience in this game in which you can do everything freely became a comfort to people all over the world.

Communication with close friends through the game and interaction with other players in events went beyond the bounds of a single game,

and the game showed the power of entertainment from Japan, acquiring overwhelming support from many users of all ages, from children to senior citizens, in general voting, and won both the Award for Excellence and the Grand Award with unanimity.



Also, “Animal Crossing Development team” has received the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry Award of the Japan Game Awards, which is for an individual or organization that has made a great contribution to the growth and development of the Japanese computer entertainment software industry.

\* We already announced the winner of the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry Award on the previous day (26th).  
For details, see the Japan Game Awards official website.

## ■ More titles earned their Awards for Excellence!

### Ring Fit Adventure



A fitness adventure game that players play using their whole bodies.

## PERSONA5 THE ROYAL



A renewed version of PERSONA5, which is a very popular role-playing game, with a lot of additional elements.

## Pokémon Sword and Pokémon Shield



The latest offering in the Pokémon series in which players can experience adventures in a large stage called the Galar region.

## 13 Sentinels: Aegis Rim



An epic sci-fi adventure game in which 13 boys and girls become the operators of robots called Sentinels and fight against the fate of an unavoidable destruction beyond time from their respective standpoints.

## DEATH STRANDING



A game set in America divided by a mysterious phenomenon known as the "Death Stranding".

## Fire Emblem™: Three Houses



The latest offering in the Fire Emblem™ series, a monumental role-playing simulation game series.

## Monster Hunter World: Iceborne



An extra-large expansion of モンスターハンター：ワールド eagerly awaited by fans.

## Yakuza: Like a Dragon



The latest offering in the Yakuza series newly created as a role-playing game.

## Nioh 2



A sequel to Nioh, an action role-playing game set in a dark fantasy version of the Sengoku period in Japan.

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- Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry Award
  - Global Award Japanese Product
  - Global Award Foreign Product
    - Best Sales Award
    - Special Award
- Game Designers Award

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- TOKYO GAME SHOW2020 official website:  
<https://tgs.cesa.or.jp/>
- TOKYO GAME SHOW2020 official timetable:  
<https://tgs-online.eventos.tokyo/web/portal/309/event/1214>