Subject: Video games
Posted by colinhester on Fri, 26 Mar 2010 04:52:22 GMT
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Looking to install a video game system in my Armada for the kids. What's the best monitor to use? I'm adding a couple of power inverters (2x400w), so I can run AC. Really want something around 19" (or less) wide-screen. More than likely I'll use a Wii (480i). Currently has component cable but can easily switch to composite. Looks like a set with a tuner is going to be the easier route - no upscaling and can directly plug video into TV with a single RCA.

Amazon has a pretty nice one that I'm leaning towards.
http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B0028QDO0M/ref=s9_simh_gw_p23_t1?pf_rd_m=ATVPDKIKX0DER&pf_rd_s=center-2&pf_rd_r=1ZF0524Z7BE5T5FWE55T&pf_rd_t=101&pf_rd_p=470938631&pf_rd_i=507846

This set also has enough inputs that it can handle another source from the DVD player that's already installed and drives 3 monitor (1 drop-down and 2 on headrests)

Does this seem like a reasonable approach or am I missing something?.....C

Subject: Re: Video games
Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 26 Mar 2010 07:24:35 GMT
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Sounds reasonable to me. With the DC/AC converter, it makes this pretty similar to the decisions you'd make for setting up a small home system. It's important that the devices you connect be able to work on converter power, which isn't a sine wave but rougher, so check that. You'll probably be OK. And like you've probably already found, for video signal connections, component is better than composite. Where you're running from a digital source (DVD), HDMI may be a good option as long as the signal run isn't too long.

Subject: Re: Video games
Posted by Lancelot on Wed, 31 Mar 2010 02:15:04 GMT
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That would be great but I would suggest that you buy your kids hand-held game consoles instead having a 19" monitor installed in your vehicle for gaming. For me, A vehicle is for transportation and we can play after we arrive to our destination.

Subject: Re: Video games

Posted by cuzido on Mon, 11 Oct 2010 14:19:16 GMT
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Actually, I disagree with you Lancelot. I know for long trips and such having a setup like that would make the trip a whole lot easier. You shouldn't have to hear "are we there yet?" or "I am so bored". In my case I believe it would keep down the bickering some too.

Subject: Re: Video games
Posted by MusicDiva on Fri, 07 Jan 2011 16:53:02 GMT
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Having games in the car for kids is a wonderful idea. I have heard of people watching movies in the car, which I find pretty neat, but never playing games. That's pretty cool. As long as the driver's not distracted, I think it should be fine