## Booting Up and Shutting Down Checklists



## **Booting Up Checklist**

After you complete the Safety Check, follow this checklist to turn on your consoles.

- First: Press the Power button on the console. Wait for the console to load to the Account Selection screen.
- Second: Using the controller, select the Account or User you wish to use. Wait for the Home screen to load.
- Third: Place the game disc or cartridge into the console, if applicable. (If you are playing a downloaded game, skip to the next step.)
- Fourth: Using the controller, navigate to the game tile you wish to play and select it. Once the game loads, you're ready to play!



## **Shutting Down Checklist**

Follow this checklist to safely shut down your consoles at the end of an activity.

- Exit out of the game and back to the Home screen. Be sure to save your progress first!
- Close the game entirely. This often requires selecting a "Quit Game" option on the Home screen.
- If you were playing a physical game, eject the disc or cartridge using the on-screen menu, or push the Eject button on the front or top of the console.
- Navigate to the power options setting on the Home screen. Select "Shut Down." (Note: Many consoles allow you to put them in sleep mode. This isn't recommended because unexpected power outages can cause damage, even when using a surge protector.)
- Wait for the system to shut down completely and all the console lights to turn off.
- Be sure controllers and other accessories that were plugged into the console to charge are plugged into external chargers instead. The console will not charge devices when it is fully powered off.

**Note:** Improper shutdowns can damage the console's hard drive! So, NEVER simply push the Power button to turn off a console. Improper shutdowns can cause damage to the console's hard drive, so this is an important checklist to follow.