
Freshly Squeezed Game Review

First and Goal!

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Product: Speedback™
Author: Skyworks Interactive, Inc.
www.skyworks.com/iphone
Requirements: iPhone, iPod Touch
Price: \$0.99 (Limited Time Sale Price)
Test Rig: iPhone 3G/16GB

The Super Bowl has come and gone. Now, I do have baseball beginning - my favorite sport. But what if I crave a little pigskin from time to time?



“Think YOU have what it takes to make first-string? Are you Pro-material? Could you be a Hall of Fame running back? Then suit up and hit the grid-iron with SPEEDBACK™.”

Now, you know from past reviews how much that I like Skyworks products. Will the string stay intact?

THE JUICE

You are the running back. But you have no blockers or front line to punch a hole for you. You



have to find daylight by yourself. To accomplish, you have three tools at your disposal.

First, you can pick from five different directions to run in. Of course, you change direction whenever you choose to avoid being tackled. Second, you can stiff arm your opponent. And finally, and prob-

ably the most fun, you can spin out of a tackle.

There are two modes of play, Classic Game and 2 Minute Drill. And you can either keep your scores to yourself or challenge others around the globe.

THE PULP

I have to be honest with you and say that over-time I launched Speedback™ for review, I wasn't all that excited or interested.

But somehow, as with all their other games, Skyworks somehow manage to sink its hooks into you. I also find myself saying, “You can do much better than that!” with each play. And so the addiction begins.



THE RIND

Nada.

SUMMARY

In the future, it would be neat if they could set up the game so that you could play against a friend who operates the defensive player. (Although I can't beat the ones in the app!) I've come to believe the secret in Skyworks' games is that they lock you into playing against your own scores. You become your own opponent.

And even though this isn't my favorite game of theirs (still can't beat Arcade Hoops), I find myself going back to it. At this special price there is no reason that Speedback™ shouldn't be in your gaming arsenal.

If I only could combine the spin with a stiff arm, I know that I could be a contender!

RATING : 7 of 10

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