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Subject: Re: Building my own PC

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Asus gets a bit of flack, but I think that's simply because they sell the most boards, and so with the sheer numbers of sales, comes a proportionate amount of problems.

That Asus board is good, but keep in mind that it won't do SLI, if you ever decide you want to use nVidia in the future. Also, you might want to see if you can find a board with USB 3.0 and SATA 6G, and go with one of those if the cost isn't that much higher.

I'm thinking that it might be a better bet to go with a 5850 instead of a 5870, because for your purposes, a 5870 will likely be overkill, and the 5850 will save you some coin.

This review here, with gaming benchmarks will give you an idea on how the 5850 stands:

<http://www.hardwarecanucks.com/forum/hardware-canucks-reviews/24095-xfx-radeon-hd-5850-1gb-gddr5-review.html>

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