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Subject: Which should I get? (Vid Card)

Posted by [spreegem](#) on Sun, 19 Oct 2003 15:31:30 GMT

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Posted by [z310](#) on Sun, 19 Oct 2003 15:52:25 GMT

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ummm i like ATI

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Posted by [spreegem](#) on Sun, 19 Oct 2003 15:54:27 GMT

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I also like ATI But will it Run Halo?

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Posted by [C4miner](#) on Sun, 19 Oct 2003 15:55:00 GMT

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I'd go with the ATI Radeon. GeForce 3 are old cards. I have an ATI 8500 and it works well with the rest of my computer. I manage about 60 fps in a 26 player Renegade game.

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I have a Radon 7800 64meg and it runs the Halo demo (your's is better)

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I just changed the vid card to a different ATI one, take a look, If I switch to a different vid card, I will modify my first post, so check it often.

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Posted by [z310](#) on Sun, 19 Oct 2003 16:02:08 GMT

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I think the first 1 \*(newer isntr always better)  
yano knows alot bout computers if he posts trust his  
opinion

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Posted by [spreegem](#) on Sun, 19 Oct 2003 16:05:22 GMT

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Ok then the first one it is, also the second has no votes at all, I always check the rating of things before I buy themm, BTW I couldn't find an ATI Radeon 7800 at <http://www.newegg.com> ANd what do you mean"(your's is better)"

My current card is better than yours? My current card is an ATI Rage 128 pro

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Posted by [z310](#) on Sun, 19 Oct 2003 16:22:07 GMT

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<http://www.tigerdirect.com/applications/SearchTools/item-details.asp?EdpNo=639310&Sku=A177-3005&CatId=1088>

that one, sorry it was the 7500

i like tigerdirect better easier to find items

<http://www.tigerdirect.com/applications/SearchTools/item-details.asp?EdpNo=587444&Sku=C261-6043&CatId=1088>

This ones better (i think) its less than \$100 cuz its on rebate

and i mean -yours is better- both of them (Just look at mine)

Heres a picture of the 1 i thinks better

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Posted by [spreegem](#) on Sun, 19 Oct 2003 16:25:52 GMT

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Ohhhh you meant the video cards I picked out to buy ok I got ya now. Well, my dad said I should wait untill after christmas to buy a video card because the prices of things always go down after christmas, and also he said he'll give me \$26 to help buy my vid card with, so now my price is \$126 for a video card BTW my current video card is the worst one on <http://www.newegg.com> LOL! it's only \$26 I've had my current video card since, I dunno LOL!

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Posted by [z310](#) on Sun, 19 Oct 2003 16:28:12 GMT

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Posted by [Cypher \[PCNC\]](#) on Sun, 19 Oct 2003 17:04:07 GMT

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Hmmm.... I saw a GFFX5200 for less than 100\$, shipment included, last week.

Why waste money, currently, on third generation GPUs when the 5th gen is already at a low price

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(the lower end of the 5th gen).

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Posted by [gendres](#) on Sun, 19 Oct 2003 17:47:32 GMT  
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I've had bad past experiences with nVidia, so I would go with any ATi over geforce

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Posted by [DarkDemin](#) on Sun, 19 Oct 2003 19:42:17 GMT  
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Make sure you update the Drivers when you buy an ATI because if you dont the walls will fuck up on halo...

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Posted by [z310](#) on Sun, 19 Oct 2003 21:16:20 GMT  
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Well that explains it...

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I have settled my mind on this one only \$118

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I like that one

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Posted by [DrasticDR](#) on Mon, 20 Oct 2003 15:04:56 GMT  
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Buy the Radeon 9600 Pro.

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Subject: Which should I get? (Vid Card)  
Posted by [spreegem](#) on Sat, 25 Oct 2003 01:17:01 GMT  
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Posted by [Blazer](#) on Sat, 25 Oct 2003 01:24:47 GMT  
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I hope you have an AGP 8X Mainboard

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Y Do I need one of those? I can't find anything about my Motherboard other than that it's an ASUS.

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Posted by [Yano](#) on Sat, 25 Oct 2003 01:55:25 GMT  
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I'm sure any of those cards will be ok for Halo. Halo runs just fine on my GeForce2 mx400, hard to believe.

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Posted by [spreegem](#) on Sat, 25 Oct 2003 02:08:22 GMT  
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About how many FPS should I be getting in Renegade with the graphics card I got though is what I'm wondering, Yes it is running Halo Just Fine.

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Posted by [spreegem](#) on Sun, 26 Oct 2003 15:07:09 GMT  
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Kabump

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Posted by [gendres](#) on Sun, 26 Oct 2003 15:21:33 GMT  
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a very good one, I have a Radeon 9000 with 64mb and i get 60 FPS constantly

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That's what I'm getting, in battle I'm getting low 40s high 30s

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Posted by [abakshi](#) on Fri, 31 Oct 2003 08:58:51 GMT

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Well - how much do you want to spend? And what will you use the card for?

Because for under \$80, I'd say go for a Radeon 8500 (if necessary 8500LE, which was a slightly slower 8500, now also sold as 9100). Prior to ATI's R300 line (9700 Pro), the 8500 was the company's top dog. It's still pretty decent - definitely more than fine for Renegade, and yes, it'll play Halo pretty well.

In Renegade, my AIW Radeon 8500DV (in my P4 2.2 system - see sig) runs between 55-60 FPS consistent at 1280x1024 with full trilinear.

The Radeon 9000 was released as a budget card, after the 8500 - it was a modified 8500 but crippled because of its having half the memory pipelines. As a result, the 8500 outperforms the 9000 in almost all apps. Recently, with the launch of the 9600 and 9800, ATI also shipped the Radeon 9200, which is a slightly faster version of the 9000, with AGP 8x. It's not much faster at all, and is outperformed by the 8500.

BTW, AGP 8x, as well as the pathetic trend of having 256MB of video RAM in lower to mid-end cards, is a complete gimmick. As long as your motherboard has AGP 4x, you're fine as far as AGP is concerned - 8x won't bring much of an improvement.

But if you're willing to spend \$130, jump for the Radeon 9600 Pro. It's an amazing deal considering what you're getting. The 9600 Pro is a DX9 card and will be able to play future games pretty well (e.g. Half-Life 2, etc.). Although nVidia's GeForce FX series are all DX9 cards, nVidia really screwed up with the DX9 shaders, with the result that their cards are so slow in apps like HL2 that in many cases the ATI Radeon 9600 Pro (which you can get for \$130) outperforms nVidia's GeForce FX5900 Ultra, which can be up to \$500.

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Posted by [spreegem](#) on Sat, 01 Nov 2003 20:05:05 GMT

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If you read a the posts, then you would know I already have the 9600 pro, and as i asked before, About how many FPS should I be getting with it? and what is an AGP motherboard?

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Posted by [DrasticDR](#) on Sat, 01 Nov 2003 20:20:47 GMT

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You need to tell me the rest of your specs before I can give an estimate. Also, an AGP motherboard is a motherboard with an Advanced Graphics Port.

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