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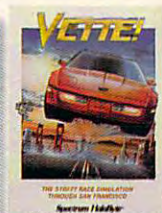
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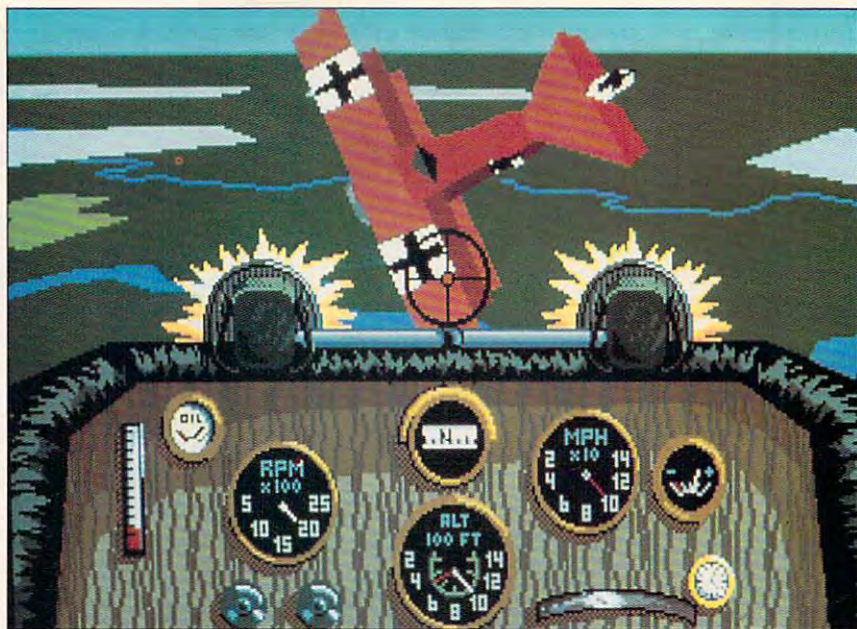
Well, that's one explanation for the phenomenon of three major game publishers coming up with the same answer to the question *What next?* Another explanation, of course, is that they didn't ask *What's next?* at all but instead asked *What's left?* Planes, ships, tanks, and helicopters from World War II on up have been pretty well covered. So it seemed like a good time to revisit World War I air combat, when the fighting was up close and personal. What's even more amazing is that three companies could start from the same place and end up with games as different as *Blue Max* (Three-Sixty), *Knights of the Sky* (MicroProse), and *Red Baron* (Dynamix).

The first to reach the marketplace was *Blue Max*. This program sports one of the slickest introduction sequences I've seen, consisting of digitized photos and animated sequences. It's a pleasure to watch. But as stated in the documentation, this is not a true simulation—it's really more of a simulation/arcade hybrid. It would've been nice to put that on the box as well. *Blue Max* has the features found in most simulations, including multiple outside views, several choices of planes to fly, a VCR function, and a campaign mode. But the flight characteristics of the game are so far removed from reality that *Blue Max* takes on a pure arcade game feel when the planes are in the air.

However, *Blue Max* offers several things not found in either of the other two simulations. First is a split-screen two-player mode that allows two players to dogfight head-to-head on the same computer or fly as a team in a two-player campaign. While this is not as much fun as a modem option, letting two people play on the same machine is a real plus. Since this game is not very hard to learn, you should have no trouble finding opponents or wingmen. The main problem with this mode is that it's very awkward when both players have to use separate sides of the keyboard and when one gets the joystick and the other the mouse; inevitably they're unevenly matched.

The other unique feature found in *Blue Max* is a strategy game mode. This combines simulation with board game; players take turns moving planes on a hex system playing board. While this may not have wide appeal, it will be enjoyable for serious board gamers.

The next to make it into the fray



*Knights of the Sky* takes out another enemy ace.



Make films of your dogfights with *Red Baron*.

was *Knights of the Sky* by MicroProse. As expected, this one lives up to the high standards of a MicroProse simulation. With 20 planes and a realistic flight model, *Knights of the Sky* is much more complete and realistic than *Blue Max*. A well-designed flight training mode with multiple difficulty levels helps get the new player off to an easy start. Learning to handle these low-tech aircraft and navigating by looking out of the cockpit takes a little getting used to, but soon enough you'll be ready for more of a challenge. The Dogfight option will provide you with plenty of challenges.

Choose a famous German ace as an opponent, and test your skills in close combat. But as much fun as the

Dogfight option is, this game really shines in the World War I campaign mode. Of the three World War I sims, this game has the best campaign option. Your goal is to become the top ace of the war—the Ace of Aces—and to do that, you've got to stay busy in the air. News reports between missions on how the other great aces are doing add continuity and purpose to your campaign. If another ace has a big lead on you, follow the news to find out where he is, and go after him!

Ground-attack missions are assigned, as are the expected air-combat missions. Dropping a bomb by hand out of the cockpit requires a whole new set of skills when you're used to the smart weapons of the jet age.

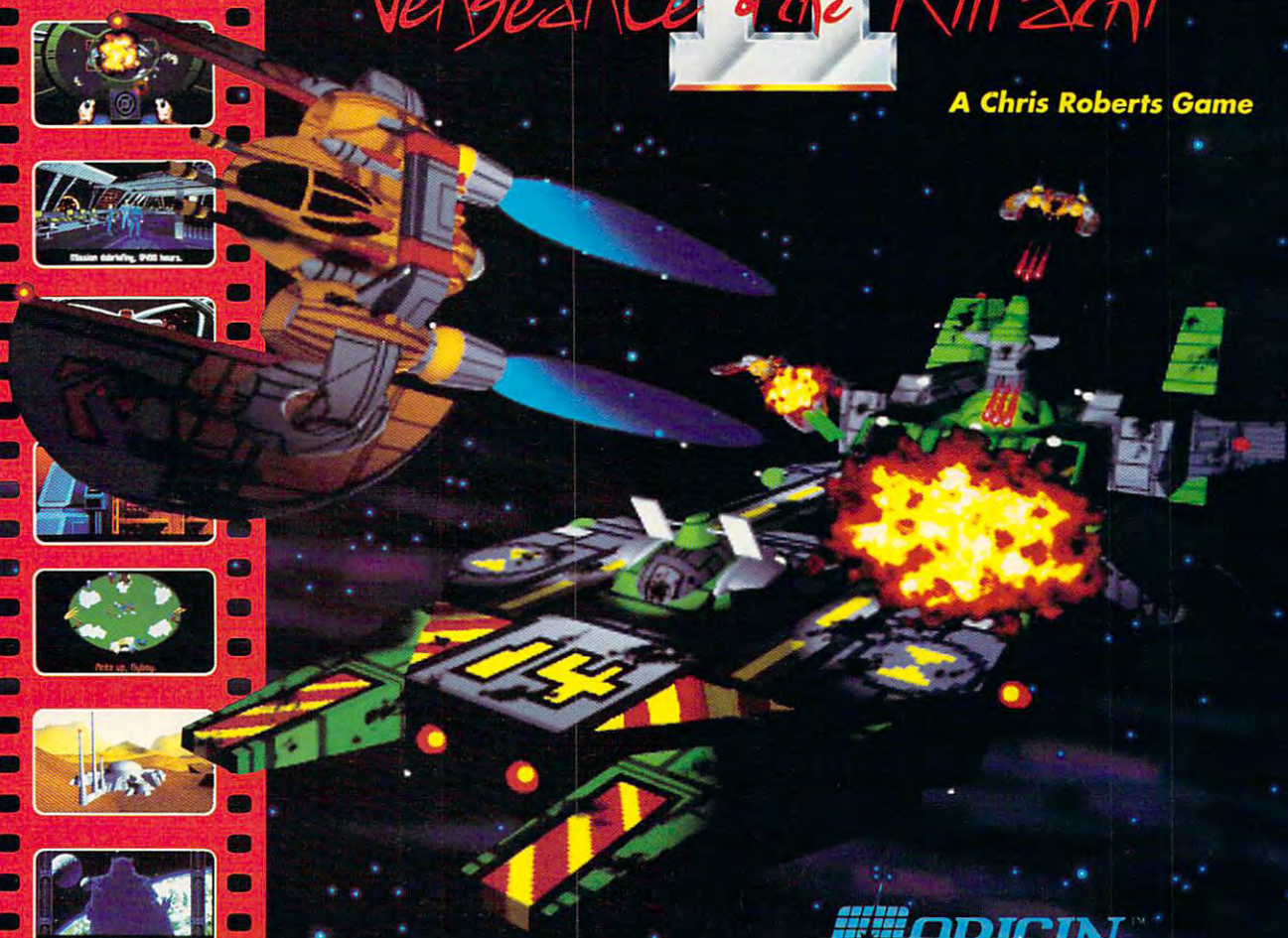
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Another very interesting feature is the unexpected side action that can occur during missions. On your way home from battle, it's not unusual to spot a group of German aircraft about to pounce on a friendly observation balloon. Your gallantry would certainly be questioned if you didn't step in to lend a hand!

The VGA graphics and sound support are strong, and as if that weren't enough, they're topped off with a head-to-head-play modem option that saves you from connection headaches. Competing against a real live human adds a whole new level of enjoyment to the game.

*Knights* is not without its share of problems, however. Most notable is the fact that a single shot can kill you or your enemy. Such a clamor was raised over this feature that MicroProse has made an update available. The update not only takes care of this problem by adding degrees of damage, but it also includes some improvements to the already outstanding campaign mode. With the upgrade there will be even more action around you and friendly aircraft that may come to your aid. The upgrade is available directly from MicroProse, or it can be downloaded from either CompuServe or GEnie online services.

*Red Baron*, by Dynamix, was the last to arrive on the scene, but it was well worth the wait. *Red Baron* makes full use of 256-color VGA in both the user interface screens and the flying action. The interface uses numerous digitized photos and a very polished point-and-click system for making menu choices.

This game allows the player to fly any one of 28 aircraft and to fly for either side. The flight characteristics of each plane are very accurately portrayed, and each plane even sounds different. Strapping into a Fokker D.VII late in the war is a big change from flying the early Fokker E.III Eindecker and is certainly likely to boost your number of kills.

Since this is up-close combat, the level of detail shown is very important. *Red Baron* certainly leads the pack in this category. You should have little difficulty in identifying the other aircraft in the sky around you.

As in *Knights of the Sky*, you can choose to dogfight with the famous aces of the day. But here you have many more options. If British ace William Bishop is constantly ripping you up, put him in an old Airco D.H.2 and see how well he does. Flying against these famous aces is a real treat, since they're programmed to respond in the flying style of the real pilot. The artificial intelligence of the enemy pilots is the best I've seen in

## Features Chart

Feature	Blue Max	Knights of the Sky	Red Baron
VGA 256 color	yes	yes	yes
Play both sides	yes	no	yes
Copy protection	none	manual-based	none
Number of planes	8	20	28
VCR recorder	yes	no	yes
Instant replay	no	yes	no
Historical missions	no	no	yes
Campaign mode	yes	yes	yes
Modem option	no	yes	no
Ground attacks	no	yes	no
Balloon busting	yes	yes	yes
Famous aces	no	yes	yes
External views	yes	yes	yes
Medals/promotions	yes	yes	yes
Rudder controls	no	yes	yes
Variable-detail level	yes	yes	yes
Mouse support	yes	yes	yes
Multiplane squads	yes	no	yes
Customize aircraft	no	no	yes
Board-game mode	yes	no	no
Damage accumulation	yes	only in upgrade	yes
Start near action	no	no	yes
Quit without landing	no	no	yes

any air-combat simulator. The bad guys do much more than just fly around in circles—they can put some real moves on you.

A campaign mode is also included and is well done. Because of the repetitiveness of some of the missions, *Red Baron* isn't as much fun as *Knights of the Sky*, but at the same time, it's probably more realistic. In *Knights*, you can frequently get eight or nine kills in a single mission, whereas in *Red Baron* you feel lucky if you get one or two kills and make it back alive.

*Red Baron* sets a new standard for VCR-type mission recorders. You can record the entire mission and save it for playback later. And the playback is really slick. You can switch to an infinite variety of internal and external views, and a full range of editing features makes it possible to play movie director and put together a very entertaining "film" of your favorite encounters. These can also be shared with others. A number of great *Red Baron* movies are available for downloading on many of the online services.

*Red Baron* does have a few shortcomings. One is the lack of a modem option for head-to-head play. Another is the inability to land anywhere other than an aerodrome. Although the incremental damage feature and the ability to be wounded rather than be killed outright are great options, it would be nice to be able to set the plane down in an open field when in trouble rather than being forced to crash-land somewhere.

Counting its graphics, attention

to detail, historical accuracy, sound quality, and mission recorder, *Red Baron* comes out on top in this three-way dogfight. But the upgraded version of *Knights of the Sky* may be the better choice for those interested in head-to-head modem play.

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# 64/128 VIEW

T O M N E T S E L

In the recent Readership Survey, I asked you how you use your computers. Personal home finances, games, education, and word processing are the big four computing activities among Gazette readers. Programming and using databases and other application programs for home or office also are popular.

Some of you went into detail about how your 64 or 128 plays an important part in your daily activities. One reader in Maine had quite a list: letters, labels, budget on a spreadsheet, stamp inventory, household inventory, name-and-address databases, family newsletter, games, family tree, greeting cards, horoscopes, bio-rhythms, amortization schedules, and Christmas name tags with a graphic clue as to the contents of the package. "With all this and more, who needs an Amiga?" he asked.

A reader from Kansas City, Missouri, who's employed by a large greeting card company uses three 128s and nine disk drives at home to support his work at the office. *GEOS* handles about 99 percent of his chores.

We received surveys from all across the country, Mexico, and Canada, plus a good number from Australia and New Zealand. A subscriber in Sweden had trouble finding software for his 128 until he discovered *Gazette* and started buying items by mail. He uses his computer to keep track of the addresses of friends and relatives and members of his radio club. He says his 128 is also useful for creating party and fox-hunting invitations.

A good many use the 64 for interesting and unusual applications. One Canadian reader uses his to pick lottery numbers, although he didn't say if it helped select *winning* numbers. Another reader has two 64s at work connected to a magnetic-strip reader that controls the electronic locks on two doors. These security-conscious computers have been on the job 24 hours a day since 1985.

If you put your 64 or 128 to an unusual use, why not tell us about it? Describe your application in 500

words or less and send it to me on disk (Commodore ASCII) or printed double-spaced. I'll print the more interesting items in this column or in a separate article. Be sure to include your name, address, and telephone number, preferably one where you can be reached during the day. Send them to Gazette Editor, COMPUTE Publications, 324 West Wendover Avenue, Suite 200, Greensboro, North Carolina 27408.

In the survey, I also asked you what you'd like to see in *Gazette* in the way of articles and programs. Your suggestions covered everything from more beginner material to more advanced programming information. Some wanted more games, while others asked for anything but games. Requests covered the software spectrum.

Games are popular, but many of you want more application software. You want programs that will make your life simpler, tackle some job around the home or office, or control appliances. There were many requests for programs that you could use with hobbies, such as amateur radio, photography, or baseball cards.

In June we published *CoilCalc*, a CAD program for designing coils for electronic circuits. We liked *CoilCalc* but felt it would appeal only to ham radio operators. I would appreciate your comments on this type of program. Should we publish similar niche applications or stick to programs with more universal appeal?

*GEOS* is another area of strong interest. Since many of you asked for *GEOS*-related programs and articles, I'm seeking qualified writers and programmers to supply material. Several *GEOS* columns are already in the works and should be ready soon.

Here's your chance, programmers. Games, *GEOS* programs, and application software for the 64—and especially the 128—are in big demand. Send your programs, with instructions printed out and saved on disk, to Gazette Submissions Reviewer at the above address. We want to purchase and publish your programs. □

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# NEWS & NOTES

## What's New on Q-Link?

Interactive game players and casino fans have something new to check out on Quantum-Link. *Puzzler* is a word game for two to four players. Contestants spin a slot machine and guess the letters in a puzzle that appears on the tile board. Correct guesses cause the corresponding tiles to turn, revealing their location. The object of the game is to solve the puzzle before your opponents do and to earn as many points as possible in the process.

Players appear as animated contestants behind podiums. Online and offline character editors are available for Q-Link members to design and animate their own contestants. They can also create and submit their own puzzles for inclusion in the game's database.

*Puzzler*, *Puzzle Editor*, and *Contestant Editor* can all be downloaded from the Backstage *Puzzler* support area in Just for Fun. Other information and instructions can be found there, also.

Q-Link has also added enhancements to its four popular casino games. These new tools give the casino staff the opportunity to change the stakes in *Blackjack*, *Poker*, *Bingo*, and *Slots*. In addition, they have two new options in *Bingo*—the new Cover All game, where the entire card must be covered, or the standard Straight Line play.

In order to make distinctions between the kinds of games being played and the amount of Q-Chips needed to register or ante, check the color of the background screen or the dealer's hand. Various screen colors identify the different games and amounts. Check with Q-Link for complete details.

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Unlike ordinary golfing manuals and instructional videos that try to teach you how to build a perfect swing—someone else's swing—*Personal Pro* is designed for the average golfer. It reviews the mistakes of each round and offers instant advice on how to correct them. Handicapping disks will also be available.



## Hummingbird

*Hummingbird* by Robert Woodall of Rural Hall, North Carolina, is this disk's Picture of the Month.

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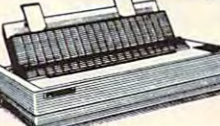
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Children can color each picture again and again. They can also print banners, as well as posters and calendars, of their favorite turtle scenes.

## Bible Study

SOGWAP Software (115 Bellmont Road, Decatur, Indiana 46733) is now shipping *Bible Search* version 3.1 (\$79.95) for the 64 and 128. *Bible Search* is designed for general Bible study and in-depth Bible research. Its versatile search option can find any word or verse in the Bible in five seconds or less using a 1541. No hard disk or additional RAM is required for this fast performance.

*Bible Search* comes on seven double-sided disks with both 64 and 128 programs. Nearly 4.5 megabytes of Old and New Testament ASCII text has been compressed and indexed for use.

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*Bible Search* is available in either the Authorized King James Version or the New International Version. It includes programs for the 64 and 128, a user's guide, and a disk storage case.

## Trouble with a Capital B

UBI SOFT and Electronic Arts (1820 Gateway Drive, San Mateo, California 94404) have released *B.A.T.*, which stands for the Bureau of Astral Trouble-shooters. You become one of the bureau's agents as you try to save the planet Selenia's only city, Terrapolis, from extinction.

Vrangor, a top scientist, and Mergio, a small-time crook, have announced their intention to set off bacterial bombs all over the city. This ultimatum leaves the government only ten days to evacuate the city and draw up a deed of ownership in Vrangor's name. Selenia contains vital energy matter that makes space travel possible. It's up to you to try to foil Vrangor's evil plans.

In this game, which comes on two double-sided disks, you can visit more than 1100 different locations, including discos, gunsmiths, restaurants, arcades, and parks. You can also program a computer implanted in your arm to understand extraterrestrial languages or to warn you when enemy robots approach. Create your own character or select one ready to go into action. You can also pilot the DRAG, a genuine flight simulator, across the planet's desert.

## New Distributor

The *DMBBS* bulletin board program for the 64 or 128, formerly owned and distributed by ARTISoft, is now owned and distributed by A & C Enterprises, P.O. Box 71, Beachwood, New Jersey 08722-0071; (908) 349-9187 (voice), (908) 341-0945 (BBS).

## How McFly Times

You won't need a DeLorean to take Marty McFly and Doc back and forth through time in this game. With a little help from Konami (900 Deerfield Parkway, Buffalo Grove, Illinois 60089), all you'll need is *Back to the Future II* (\$29.95) and your 64.

Go back to 2015 to help save Marty and Jennifer's kids from themselves, the police, bully Biff and his gang of hoodlums, and Griff—Biff's evil grandson. You'll have lots of "items o' energy," "products o' points," and momentum boosters like plutonium, beverage cans, and your trusty tennies.

Featuring authentic re-creations of scenes and items from the film, *Back to the Future II* is really five games in one with each level—such as Jennifer's House of Fate and the Chase of a Lifetime—depicting a new chapter in the story.

Levels 1, 3, and 5 include arcade action where you'll need your hovercraft to fend off Biff's band of thugs. Levels 2 and 4 are logic puzzles that test your memory and ability to anticipate events. If you've seen the movie, you're one step ahead.

## In Orbit

Edgeworth Software (44 Bower Street, Bedford MK40 3RE, England) has announced *E.S. Realorbit* (\$7), a gravitational orbit simulator. Use your thruster jets to steer a spacecraft through a star's gravitational field. Try to achieve circular and elliptical orbits; then maneuver through a double star system. You can trace orbits and select jet power, star mass, distance between binary stars, and colors with this entertaining and educational simulator.

Edgeworth Software has recently left the U.S. and opened shop in England. Simon Edgeworth assures his 64/128 customers that all his products are still available and will remain compatible with U.S. computers. He accepts U.S. funds, either check or money order, and will ship all orders by airmail at no extra charge.

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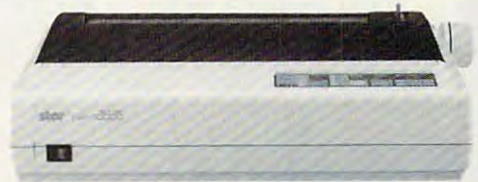
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Adventure games make up almost a third of the game releases for all computers. Arcade/action games make up another third, and the remaining third is divided between sports and simulations. These percentages apply to 64 software as well. Let's take a look at the interesting adventure-game segment of the industry and see what's happening.

Because of their complexity and the demands they can make on players, adventure games are not for everyone. Still, there are some recent games that deserve mention. *B.A.T.* from UBI Soft, *Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure* from Capstone, and *The Keys to Maramon* from Mindcraft are all fun games that cover a broad range of subject matter and difficulty levels. True adventure fans will want to check out several SSI releases and the latest from Origin, *Ultima VI*.

### Save the City

*B.A.T.* stands for Bureau of Astral Troubleshooters, of which you are a member. Your job is to save the city Terrapolis on the planet Selenia from destruction at the hand of Vrangor, a mad scientist, and his crooked sidekick, Merigo. This evil duo plans to detonate nucturobiogenic bombs within ten days unless the city and all its assets are turned over to them.



Visit more than 1000 locations in *B.A.T.* and interact with seven species.

The game has a futuristic setting and an unusual interface that actually works well. *B.A.T.* is played with a point-and-click interface that uses menus and icons. In addition, items found in the game can be examined by clicking on them. Indeed, only by examining everything you see on the screen will you be able to play *B.A.T.* successfully. The game is huge. The game box claims 1100 rooms, and from what I've seen, this figure could be accurate. This variety keeps *B.A.T.* interesting for hours.

The first thing you do in *B.A.T.* is create your character. As is not the case in a lot of other games, your alter ego in *B.A.T.* is extremely well developed.

It takes a while to set up your character, but the time spent will surely result in a better representation of yourself. In addition to all of the standard adventure-game options that can be brought up in the menus, you also have access to B.O.B., a bidirectional organic bioputer that connects to your arm. B.O.B. lets you translate languages and examine your statistics and health. You program B.O.B. with a rudimentary language that will inform you of various conditions and enable it to perform other functions.

The graphics in *B.A.T.* are pretty good for the 64. And even after you've managed to defeat Vrangor, you can still have fun exploring the city.

### Adventure Calls

*Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure* is primarily a movie tie-in, but the game is still worthwhile because of its random elements and the different skill levels allowed. In this game, you control the title characters as they attempt to collect "historical dudes" from the past for a school project. Different skill levels determine how many people you must collect. As you gather these historical characters, you return them to the San Dimas Mall. When you've gotten your quota, you take them to school.

You control Bill and Ted from a three-dimensional side view, using a telephone booth and circuits of time to travel throughout history. Some of the destinations involve completing arcade sequences. Others only require the use of a correct object to attract one of the "historical dudes." The quicker you reach your goal, the more points you earn.

I'll be honest. The graphics in *B & T* leave a lot to be desired. The 64 can handle better. Music and other sound are almost nonexistent. The game does not look appealing, yet gameplay is addictive. I found myself wanting to play *B & T* again at a higher difficulty level to see how quickly I could finish the game. Because each game of *B & T* is different, it's worthwhile playing again and again. A typical game doesn't take very long. *B & T* is a great diversion, if you don't mind graphics that look like they were poorly ported from the IBM version.

### Rampaging Monsters

Mindcraft has a different way of thinking about adventure games. Its games take almost no effort to play yet have a lot to make them interesting. In fact, much about *The Keys to Maramon* is not evident on the surface. The manual is brief and explains only the basics. The rest of the game is left for you to discover. You can almost play *Keys* without reading the

instructions at all, but it's still wise to go through them.

*Keys* puts you in the role of an adventurer who must save the town of Maramon from the monsters that rampage every night after dark. The game takes place in town and in the dungeons beneath. It requires a quick hand and well-balanced character to confront the monsters.

The game takes place in pseudo realtime. You have 12 hours to kill all of the monsters each night, or a building will be damaged. If they do too much damage to the town, the game's over. Budgeting your time is important, so don't think too long while the clock is ticking.



*Champions of Krynn* cuts unnecessary violence from many of its scenarios.

*Keys* is a fast-paced game. You have potions and herbs to increase speed, strength, dexterity, armor, and life points. As the nights wear on, you'll need these aids to help you clear the town. Character interaction in the game is limited to conversation, but most people you encounter will offer valuable information. This moves the plot along.

You move your character around from an overhead view of the town and dungeons. Movement is quick and smooth. The graphics are nice, and you can easily identify each object and monster. After a couple of nights pass, you will know the town well enough to put away the map in the manual. *Keys* is not very difficult and can be played rather quickly. Exploring Maramon and discovering new things makes *Keys* enjoyable.

### Advanced Dungeons & Dragons

One company that still supports the 64 is Strategic Simulations, Incorporated, more popularly known as SSI. With over ten years in the business and a large library of titles, SSI has journeyed through time with Commodore computers. In the past two years, SSI has produced a number of fine role-playing adventure games for the 64, most of which have been in its Advanced Dungeons & Dragons line of

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games. Using different-colored boxes to represent different types of AD & D adventures, SSI has a good variety of adventures.

The gold boxes contain large role-playing epics. Avoid two early games, *Pool of Radiance* and *Curse of the Azure Bonds*, unless you like an inordinate amount of combat. Two later games, *Champions of Krynn* and *Secret of the Silver Blades*, eliminate unnecessary combat and significantly improve the interface.

The two silver-box products are action games, with less role-playing elements and more arcade elements. Both are good, but *Dragons of Flame* is a big improvement over *Heroes of the Lance*.

*War of the Lance* in the green box is a war game in the fantasy world, so don't be deceived. The white-box game, *Hillsfar*, combines arcade and role-playing elements in a game with low difficulty and high fun factors.



SSI's *War of the Lance* is a war game set in the world of fantasy.

Finally, SSI's latest AD & D game is *Dragon Strike*, a dragon flight simulator in the Dragonlance gaming world. It's more arcade game than anything else; don't let the word *simulator* throw you. If AD & D games aren't your bag, try some of the older SSI titles, like *Phantasia*, *Wizard's Crown*, and the *Questron* series.

### Lord British

Origin has also been a strong supporter of the 64. Almost all of its past games have been converted from IBM versions or developed on the 64.

Given the amount of time and resources required to develop adventures on the scale of Origin's *Ultima* series, it came as a surprise to me when Origin announced *Ultima VI* for the 64 before it released the Amiga version.

The *Ultima* series is one of the most popular adventure game series, and much of the credit for that success is due to the creativity and imagination of chief designer Richard "Lord British" Garriott. Each game in the se-

ries has far surpassed the previous one in most areas, including size, plot, interface, and graphics. *Ultima VI* is no different in this regard. As far as 64 adventures go, *Ultima VI* is at the top. This game can take months to explore, and all the time you're getting your money's worth. That's value.

### Through a Moon Gate

In *Ultima VI*, your character must stop the spread of gargoyles that have slipped through a moon gate into the realm of Britannia. That's the basic plot, but more unfolds as you enter the game. Britannia is about as large as it was in *Ultima V*, but this time, instead of playing the game on two scales, you play it entirely from an overhead view of the characters and their surroundings.

The graphics are smooth, and it feels more natural to move around in one scale than it does in previous *Ultima* games that only show the individual characters in towns, dungeons, and other buildings. The past games jump to a map view of the game whenever the party travels into the wilderness. Because you can't see far ahead in *Ultima VI*, the cloth map comes in handy.

In addition to the overhead viewpoint, the objects and other graphics in *Ultima VI* are very nice. You can't distinguish objects in your inventory as well as you can larger objects in rooms, but this is no problem since you can examine objects effortlessly.

The interface in *Ultima VI* is an improvement over that in earlier episodes. Unlike the IBM version, which employs icons for all of the game commands, the 64 version requires keystrokes for commands. However, the number of commands has been reduced by the addition of a Use command, which replaces many others.

To use an object, just hit the U key and move the crosshairs to select an object from your inventory or one next to your character. This is the way to open doors, move levers, throw switches, and equip your character with weapons, armor, and other items necessary to survival and success.

### Old Friends Return

Accompanying you in *Ultima VI* are characters from past games, namely Shamino, Iolo, and Dupre. Lord British starts you on your quest and can be consulted at any time for information. Object manipulation is easily accomplished from an inventory screen that readily identifies which object your character is carrying and which ones are nearby. It is best to distribute supplies to each character so no one is weighed down and you don't have to keep switching objects.

When the time comes, it's easy to fight in *Ultima VI*. Just choose a combat option and use the cursor to select a monster. Each monster has its own representative theme.

*Ultima VI* is a game chock full of characters, objects, locations, and dungeons. Characters follow a certain daily pattern. Some game objects are hidden behind paintings, under plants or crates. Discovering new things is what *Ultima VI* is all about.

You may never finish the game because of its size and scope, but designer Garriott doesn't care. (He'll give you a synopsis of this game in the manual of his next one.) Garriott believes it's more important for you to enjoy yourself exploring a rich world full of adventure. He's confident that there is much that you can do and gives you lots of room for discovery and pleasure.



SSI's *Curse of the Azure Bonds* is a role-playing epic filled with combat.

*Ultima VI* meets Garriott's criteria, and the game may be the largest adventure for the 64. It definitely is the most ambitious. Disk swapping is kept to a minimum in order to decrease the frustration factor. Sounds are appropriately scattered throughout the game, and the music is infectious. What results is a graphically rich world, full of places to go and things to see, where you can escape for minutes or hours. Plus, if you act now, you can probably still get the Special Edition of the game, celebrating the tenth anniversary of *Ultima*. This version is signed by the author and box artist. It contains an audio cassette of the history of *Ultima* narrated by Garriott and a higher-quality gemstone than that found in regular versions.

As you can see, adventure gaming for the 64 is alive and well. These are just a few of the many games out there. *Ultima VI* is my favorite, but the others are all fun and can be completed in a reasonable amount of time. In any case, if you're looking for a quest, try an adventure game. They're better than they were just a year ago. Happy questing! □



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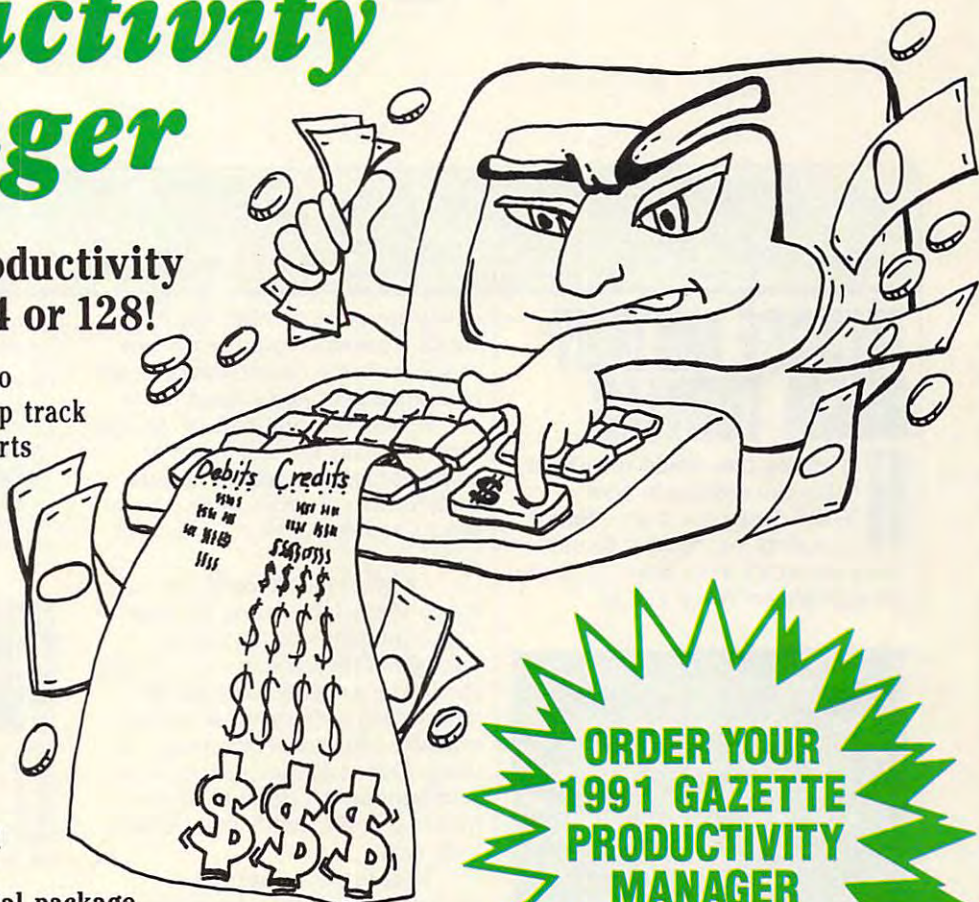
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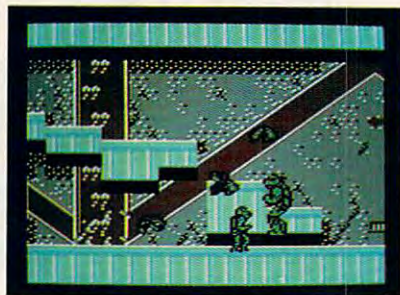


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### TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES

**H**ey, dudes, how would you like to battle evil enemies in New York's dangerous sewers? Sure it's a dirty job, but that doesn't mean you won't enjoy playing Ultra's *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles*.



Based on the famous movies, TV show, and comic books, this action-packed arcade game will give you hours of enjoyment. Raphael, Michelangelo, Leonardo, and Donatello are ready for your control. As the game begins, you must help these four pizza-loving turtles rescue their beloved friend, April O'Neil, who was abducted by the evil villain Shredder. You must rescue April, destroy Shredder, and take his life transformer gun to win.

Along the streets and sewers of New York, you guide the turtles to where April may be held hostage. You control their every move. Many evil creatures lurk about, so be prepared to fight. Mousers, Roller Cars, Foot Clan Soldiers, and many more foes are waiting to capture your reptilian warriors. Some enemies are easily destroyed, while others are not.

Strategy is important. Each of the four turtles has unique skills and weapons. Thus, one turtle may be better able to handle a particular enemy

or situation than another. For example, Leonardo would be the best choice for battles in the sewers, since he's expert at using a Katana Blade.

Besides the multitude of enemies, there are many useful items to be found during your quest. These include various weapons, rope, a party wagon, and best of all... awesome pizza!

An information screen can be accessed at any time during the game. This important screen will help you throughout the game, and you should check it on a regular basis. Turtle information includes those who are available and what weapons they are using. There's also a map that shows your position. Messages from your friends give you useful hints on what to do next.

Your turtles must make it through six levels of combat without being captured. Each level has different phases to complete before you can move on to the next level. Looking at playability from this standpoint, the game can be rather difficult. Joystick movements for combat and travel throughout the game are, however, generally basic and simple. In this respect, I find the game easy to play.

After reading the short manual that comes with the game, you'll quickly be on your way to action and adventure. The manual is easy to understand and provides you with the necessary information. It tells you about the game controls, displays sample screens, lists the useful items to be found, and describes each enemy you will combat.

The sound and graphics are good. Most characters and items in the game are displayed clearly on the screen, and the background music is entertaining as well.

While it does not get high marks for plot originality, this arcade game is fun to play and provides many hours of entertainment. So, dudes, if you're up for some radical ninja action, just

slip *Turtles* into your 64, grab your joystick, and go to town!

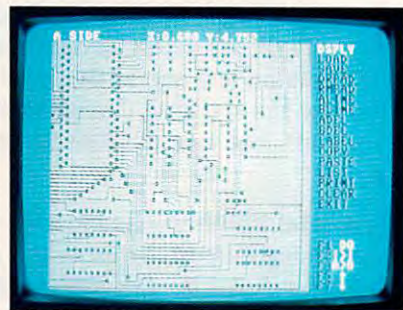
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former vending business. For this reason, I expected to have no problem with *PCB-64*, but I wasn't too sure about people who lack those skills. What I found is that the program is easy for anybody to use, regardless of level of experience. *PCB-64* is best suited for hobbyists and circuit-board designers who want to get a head start on a project at home without having to use the company computer.

The package contains two main parts: the Layout Editor and the Artwork Editor. The former contains the tools and options to create your printed circuit board. The latter lets you add text, tweak the pad, trace sizes, and optimize the sizes of all components. Both programs are very simple to learn. You almost don't have to use the concisely written manual. With each program, you see a portion of the circuit board in the viewing screen and a list of commands along the right side of the screen. Select these commands with the keyboard and draw with the mouse or joystick.

A circuit board consists of pads (terminal points), traces (wires), and components (integrated circuit chips, resistors, and so on). The purpose of *PCB layout* is to design the board to accommodate the most electronic

components in the smallest space possible. You could almost make a game out of *PCB layout*, with the object being optimization of space using a certain number of components.

*PCB-64* lets you design two-sided circuit boards that can be as large as 8.8 x 6.4 inches. An important feature of *PCB-64* is that it allows you to scale the board to meet the specifications of many types and brands of printers. With a paint program interface that gives you pads and traces to define a board, the program is complete.

The other big feature of *PCB-64* is a list that the program generates upon request of all of the labels associated with components and their coordinates on the screen. Although *PCB-64* is not a program many people would use, it's a great little niche product. It lives up to its claims and will more than meet the specifications of someone who needs a low-cost circuit-board editor.

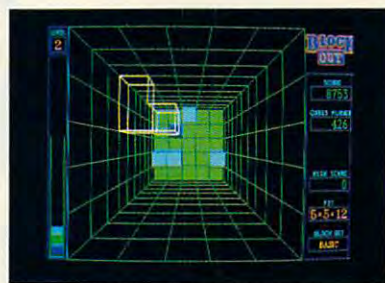
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For a perplexing challenge that exercises the brain instead of joystick reflexes, try *Blockout*. I highly recommend it to those of you who are looking for something more than just another shoot-'em-up.



**Block Out will tax your hand-eye coordination. (IBM version pictured.)**

This game has a lot to offer—and it's not another *Tetris* clone. By taking the *Tetris* concept and making it three-dimensional, *Blockout* expands the old concept and takes it the next logical step.

As in *Tetris*, the object of the game is to drop irregularly shaped pieces into a pit. If you manage to fill



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a level across the pit, that level vanishes, and you win bonus points.

Sounds simple, huh? It's not. Simplicity disappears as you advance and the game picks up speed. Pieces that used to float into the pit like feathers begin to drop like stones. I was quite happy reaching level 5, the pinnacle of my *Blockout* career.

*Blockout's* graphics are relatively simple but more than adequate for gameplay. The blocks themselves are 3-D, starting out as rotatable wire-frame objects that solidify into colored layers as they reach the bottom of the pit. Your goal is to fill a layer so that it can be removed. If the shapes pile up and reach the top of the pit, you lose.

*Blockout* expands on the *Tetris* concept by offering you a selection of three sets of blocks. The sets range in shape from the simple to the complex. Some of the predefined games are described as Flat Fun (flat blocks), 3-D Mania (3-D blocks), and Out of Con-

trol (abnormal blocks). You can create a pit of your own dimensions and make a custom game. Any of the three block sets (Flat, Basic, or Extended) can be used in your custom pit.

Parameters for rotation speed and sound can be customized. Practice mode lets you play *Blockout* without having the pieces fall into the pit, thus giving you time to get used to the keyboard controls. Demo mode lets your computer show you how to play. Help is available to display the game's controls.

*Blockout* keeps track of your score. The ten high scores for each kind of pit (dimensions and block set) are saved to disk. The game's playability is good, but a little less keyboard control would've been nice. While this isn't a great handicap, using a joystick to control the game would've made it easier to play. As it stands, the joystick is used only for the program's menus, and some of the menu options are not even available

to the keyboard user.

One thing I can say about *Blockout* is that if you don't own it, get it. It's a most perplexing puzzle that will be a favorite for years to come. So toss out those boring shoot-'em-ups and head for the computer store. Pick this one up—you won't regret it!

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basketball court for fast action.

This program's excellent graphics and sound effects make you feel like you're right there on the court. You hear the clock ticking away and the referee blowing his whistle. You can see your teammates' positions as well as the opposing team's players on the court as they pass the ball. Cheerleaders appear at halftime to root for you. Best of all, you can see your points mounting on the scoreboard each time the ball passes through the hoop.

*Double Dribble* is a game for one or two players. However, for two players, you'll need a second joystick. Playing against the computer is quite challenging, since the computer can match your every move. As the game begins, use the joystick to select such options as the number of players, the amount of time for each of the four quarters, and the NBA team that you want to represent during the game. You also have the option of selecting one of three levels of difficulty. If you find that you want to change any of these settings during a game, you can do so with a touch of the f3 key.

Your joystick controls all aspects of the game, and you can move across the court in eight directions. By putting your player in the path of the

player with the ball and pressing the fire button, you can steal the ball from your opponent. The joystick also lets you pass the ball to another player of your choice with the press of the fire button. To take a shot, just aim the joystick toward the hoop and press the fire button. It's that easy.

There are several types of shots that you can take. These include foul shots, three-pointers, jump shots, set shots, as well as three types of slam dunks. A closeup of these slam dunks appears in detail as a team scores. *Double Dribble* also follows the same rules and regulations as pro-style basketball. Your blocking or charging will give an opposing team member a chance at the free throw line.

Overall, I found this game to be quite challenging and entertaining. I didn't play like Michael Jordan or Larry Bird, but I did manage to score a few points. So if you love basketball, give *Double Dribble* a shot!

CHRIS STAWASZ

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## QUESTIONS FROM OUR READERS

### Missing Sections

From looking at the advertisers index in the February 1991 issue of *COMPUTE*, a reader would get the idea that there are both Amiga and Gazette sections in each issue, but there aren't. Why the discrepancy, and how often will a section turn up missing?

TODD MOORE  
PIEDMONT, MO

*This was explained last year in "64/128 View" (October 1990), but since there still seems to be some confusion, we'll repeat it. After General Media purchased the four magazines we produced at COMPUTE! Publications, the four were merged into one basic COMPUTE magazine. There are different versions, however.*

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### From SpeedScript to Amiga

I have been using *SpeedScript 64* for a number of years, and I have written a large number of files that I'd like to

keep. I also own an Amiga 1000, and I would like to transfer these files to the Amiga. Unfortunately, the terminal program I have for the 64 doesn't seem to be able to transfer the *SpeedScript* files. What do you recommend?

MICHAEL W. BELL  
ROCKFORD, IL

*The problem of converting Commodore-specific text files to true ASCII (American Standard Code for Information Interchange) is a recurring one. The reason for making the conversion usually involves transferring files from one brand of computer to another. The 64 and 128 derive their character set from a time when ASCII wasn't the de facto standard it is today, and the big players took no pride in being compatible. Consequently, the 8-bit Commodores confuse upper- and lowercase, neglect common characters such as the brace and underscore, and even assign some odd character codes to the characters that they do have. The remedy is to run a program that converts Commodore character codes—commonly called PETSCII after the original Commodore PET—into true ASCII.*

*There are several such programs available, and usually they read from and write to sequential files. But *SpeedScript* adds a little more complexity to the situation by using its own special codes for formatting, handling text itself in an atypical fashion, and writing program files instead of sequential files. *SpeedScript* does offer two ways around this problem. It will write PETSCII sequential files if you print the file to the disk by pressing Shift-Control-P and then D (for disk) at the prompt. If you press Control-£ and then the A key on the first line of your document and then print it to disk, the file will be saved as a true ASCII file and will be easy to upload.*

### Screen Dumps and Errors

I have a 64 and a Cardco Card B interface. The Cardco manual has a screen-dump program, but it doesn't seem to work. Is there a screen dump available

from any vendor? I need one for my BASIC programs.

Also, I have a Blue Chip (BCD 5.25) disk drive that gives erroneous characters when I add a spreadsheet or game scores. I have several spreadsheets that will not work. I would appreciate hearing from other people who may have similar problems with their Blue Chip drives.

DENNIS LONG  
MANASSAS, VA

*Cartridges, such as the Soft Group's Super Cartridge Explode V.5 and LMS's Super Snapshot V5, offer screen dumps and many more features. CMD's JiffyDOS also has a screen-dump option. Advertisements for these products can be found in recent issues of this magazine. If you have back issues of Gazette, check for a type-in program called PrintScreen (December 1987). It also offered a customizer program for different printers. There was also a program called HiRes Screen Dump (October 1984) for 1525 or compatible printers.*

*We have never heard of a disk drive's being responsible for erroneous characters in spreadsheets or game scores. Are you certain you've entered the formulas correctly? If any other readers have experienced similar problems, we'll be happy to pass their information on to you.*

### Nifty Jiffy

I was pleased to see Art Hunkins's favorable review of Creative Micro Design's JiffyDOS 6.0 in the December 1990 issue. It's a terrific system, but I have to take issue with him on several points.

First, his apparent horror at the idea of replacing soldered-in ROM chips. What's the big deal? I did it twice in old 64s. No sweat. Just use common sense and a good soldering tool to pull the ROMs, a low-watt iron to solder the new sockets, and gentleness when inserting the new chips. It's nothing that an experienced amateur or technician couldn't do in ten minutes. That's all it took me, and I'm no



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whiz kid.

Second, save-with-replace routine. That command works fine in my machine. All I do is have the revised program in memory, hit f1 for the directory, cursor to the filename, insert three spaces between the open quotes and the filename, type @0:, hit f6, and then hit Return. It's quite convenient.

Third, validate and format speeds. They definitely are improved on my 1541.

I do have some minor bones to pick with CMD. I wish it had retained the function-key RUN and LIST commands as in previous versions and relegated TLIST and LOAD ML to program-mode commands.

Otherwise, all's great, and kudos to *COMPUTE* for the new design.

RICHARD VAN FRANK  
MONTCLAIR, NJ

*Once you have some experience with a soldering iron, removing ROM chips and soldering in new ones without damaging anything may not be such a difficult task. But it's not the place for a beginner to start. If you have a newer 64 with chips that slide in and out of their sockets, installing the JiffyDOS replacements is a snap. CMD recommends you check to see which type you have before ordering JiffyDOS.*

## Reader-to-Reader Help

I am desperate and don't know where to turn next. I am looking for a 36-pin plug so I can print documents in Epson mode for my SR 2000 Dual Interface printer. I have a 64 and a 1541 disk drive. Does anyone know where I can purchase this plug?

BOB CHALFANT  
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The information about my modem was recently destroyed, so I wrote a letter to the company requesting a copy. My letter was returned, since the company apparently has gone out of business. Can anyone help me find an instruction manual for a Westridge Communications modem, model MFJ-1237?

GARY LEE REYNOLDS  
15 DANIEL ST.  
UNIONTOWN, PA 15401

## Blasts from the Past

I read in one of your magazines that you could order a back issue of *COMPUTE*, but I was wondering if it's possible to order a full year's worth. Also, is it possible to get back issues of the disks?

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## Final Help

This is in reply to David Richards' Final Cartridge III question in the February 1991 issue about the Help and Replace commands. There is a slight difference in the way the commands act in 64s with different ROM versions, but all commands work. Enter PRINT PEEK(65408) to see which version you have. I have computers with versions 0 and 3.

Help is useful in debugging BASIC. It lists the last executed line. Just enter HELP after pressing Stop or after an error occurs.

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# FEEDBACK

It's nice when you can't see an error message onscreen.

Replace is my favorite command. It changes BASIC commands, numbers, or anything in quotes, excluding commas and quotation marks. For example, if you were to enter REPLACE "FOR J", "FOR K", it would change J to K in FOR-NEXT loops.

BRIAN KISSINGER  
EVANSVILLE, IN

## Software Resource

Here's a hint for your readers who want to find certain software for the 64, Amiga, Plus/4, VIC 20, or PET. It will also help you find the names and addresses of companies that produce that software. It's a book called *Software Information for Commodore Computers by Menu*. It can be found at public libraries. It's up to date and extensive.

JOHN REALING  
SPOKANE, WA

*You're right, John. We use it quite often. Menu, which is a division of Black Box, sold this 400-page directory to Commodore, which is now distributing it. If you would like to purchase a copy, write to Commodore—The Menu, Attention Customer Support, 1200 Wilson Drive, West Chester, Pennsylvania 19380. The cost is \$12.95 plus \$3.00 for shipping and handling.*

## Mangled Memory

I am working on a game program that uses redefined characters on the 64. The program also uses three-dimensional arrays. I have a problem with the screen elements turning to garbage after it runs for a while. A few reverse characters can be identified, but that's it. Can you help? Is it a problem with memory?

AL FREEMAN  
MIAMI, FL

*It sounds like you are experiencing a memory conflict. You've put new character shapes used in your game into a certain block of memory. As the program runs and uses different variables, BASIC stores these variables in the same memory where the character shapes are stored. This causes the individual character shapes to turn to garbage. Reverse character shapes are in the second half of the character set, so they are the last ones to be garbled.*

*The Video Interface Chip (VIC-II) handles all the video-related chores, including the display of character shapes. This chip can access only 16K of memory at a time. The default video bank is 0 (from location 0 to 16383), which means the screen, custom character shapes, and sprites must all reside in that same 16K block. Since a complete character set uses 2048 bytes, it's common to use the 2K at the top of the video bank for that purpose. This puts the custom characters at 14338-16383.*

*A 64's BASIC is built into a continuous section of memory. The 64 uses locations 0-1023 for its own purposes, and screen memory and sprite pointers occupy 1024-2047. The first byte available for BASIC is 2048. Read Only Memory (ROM) starts at 40960. So under normal circumstances BASIC controls the 38,911 bytes of the memory from 2048 to 40959.*

*What about the custom characters that are stored at 14336-16383? They are in the middle of the block of memory BASIC expects to use as its own. This is where the problem arises with your custom characters turning to garbage when your program runs. BASIC expects to use this area for its own purposes. As it uses more and more variables, memory fills up, and before long your character shapes have been overwritten by BASIC.*

*There are a couple of things you can do to get around this problem. Move the characters to another location, or move BASIC. Moving the character sets requires moving the video banks, which also means you have to move the screen and the HIBASE pointer at 648. If you do this, then you have to either disable the Restore key or avoid pressing Run/Stop-Restore. Most programmers find it easier to move BASIC to another location. To transfer the start of BASIC from 2048 to 16384 (which is just past the end of your character set), enter the following lines in direct mode before you load your program:*

**POKE 43,1:POKE 44,64: POKE  
16384,0: NEW**

## An ST Magazine?

First of all, I want to say that I'm not precisely happy with your decision to

integrate Gazette into COMPUTE. Of course, I understand your decision, since there are fewer 64 owners; that means fewer subscribers. But I think you're going to lose more subscribers with this decision. Time will tell. Anyway, I'll probably renew my subscription, since I don't know of any good Commodore-only magazine other than yours.

The main purpose of this letter is not to complain, however. I've just bought an Atari 520 ST (I'll keep my good old 128), and I was wondering if you publish any ST-specific magazines or books.

JOSE LUIS REGUEIRO  
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

*As 8-bit Commodore users upgrade to other systems, they also make changes in the computer magazines that they buy. It's true that Gazette doesn't have as many subscribers as it did when interest in the 64 was at its peak, but a more significant problem is the shrinking number of advertisers. For most publications to remain healthy, they must have advertisers as well as subscribers. Look at a Gazette from a few years ago and then look at this issue. Compare the number of ads for Commodore-related products.*

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# PROGRAMMER'S PAGE

R A N D Y T H O M P S O N

This month "Programmer's Page" presents 128 programming tips—that is, programming tips for the Commodore 128 (not 128 tips). Got it? Good!

## Taking It with You

Like to move to 64 mode without losing the current BASIC program? It's easy. Simply enter the following commands:

```
POKE 43,1
POKE 44,28
```

These POKE statements tell the 64 portion of your computer that the current BASIC program may be found in memory at 7169 (\$1C01), the default location in 128 mode.

HENNING VAHLENKAMP  
MATAWAN, NJ

## Timely Program Saves

This utility programs one of your computer's function keys so that it saves the current BASIC program to disk. To keep successive saves separate, the elapsed time is added to the end of the program's filename.

When you run this utility, you are asked to enter a filename and a function-key number. As an example, enter MYPROGRAM, 5 (the 5 specifies the f5 key). Answer *Yes* at the RESET CLOCK prompt. Next, load the program you want to edit, make your changes, and then press f5. If 20 minutes and 32 seconds have elapsed, your program will be saved to disk using the filename MYPROGRAM 002032. Now let's say you make additional changes which take exactly 5 minutes. When you press f5, the program is saved with the filename MYPROGRAM 002532.

```
10 C$=CHR$(34):BL$=""
20 INPUT "PROGRAM NAME,
   FUNCTION-KEY
   NUMBER";P$,K
30 P$=LEFT$(P$+BL$,10)
40 PRINT "RESET CLOCK?"
50 GET K$:IF K$<>"Y" AND
   K$<>"N" GOTO 50
```

```
60 IF K$="Y" THEN
   TIS="000000"
70 KEY K, "DSAVE"+C$+P$+
   C$+TIS+CHR$(13)
```

In addition to providing a way to differentiate between multiple versions of the same program, this utility also allows you to see how much time you spend between programming sessions.

JAMES A. SWIFT  
ORLANDO, FL



## In Focus

To increase the readability of the 128's 80-column screen, try entering the following POKES:

```
POKE 54784,9
POKE 54785,232
```

This smooths out the vertical appearance of the 128's slightly grainy 80-column character set.

JESSE SIEHLER  
CUMBERLAND, MD

## Undocumented Info

Although it's not mentioned in the 128 System Guide, you can use CTRL-S instead of the Scroll Lock key to pause screen scrolling. Press any other key to continue scrolling. Another undocumented keyboard tip is the ESC ESC sequence. Hitting the Escape key twice provides an alternative to the traditional ESC O sequence for canceling quote mode.

If you have a 128D or 128 with a ROM upgrade, enter the following instructions.

```
BANK15:FOR L=25589 TO
25611:PRINT CHR$(
PEEK(L));:NEXT
```

It reveals a secret message.

HENNING VAHLENKAMP  
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## Double-Spaced Listings

With the 128's expanded memory, programs can reach enormous lengths. Large BASIC listings can become quite a headache to debug, too. The following function-key definition can help out. After executing the code below, pressing the f7 key prints a double-spaced program listing to the screen.

```
KEY 7, "OPEN128,3:
CMD128:LIST:CLOSE128:
A"+CHR$(13)
```

Note the *A* at the end of the function-key string. This forces a syntax error which resets the computer's text output to normal, single-spaced printing. Without this *A*, strange side effects occur. If you'd like the option to list a specific range of program lines, use these function-key definitions:

```
KEY 7, "OPEN128,3:
CMD128:LIST"
KEY 8, ":CLOSE128:
A"+CHR$(13)
```

To use these keys, press f7, enter the line-number range you want to list (or don't enter anything if you want to list the entire program), and then press f8.

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# MACHINE LANGUAGE

J I M B U T T E R F I E L D

**P**rogramming hi-res graphics on the Commodore 64 or 128 (in 40-column mode) has always been a mystery to newcomers. The most confusing thing about the Commodore hi-res screen is the fact that it isn't laid out the way you might expect. The eighth pixel on the top row of the screen appears next to the ninth, but they are actually eight bytes apart. As you might expect, plotting points on a screen like this can involve some pretty complicated math.

This month's column should make it crystal clear. Given X (0-319) pixels from the left of the screen, and Y (0-199) pixels from the top, the calculation goes as follows. Divide X and Y by 8 (keeping the remainders XR and YR). The quotients represent the row (0-39) and column (0-24) of the character cell in which the pixel is located. Multiply the Y quotient by 40 and add the X quotient; that gives the character cell number. Multiply this result by 8 to get the byte number for the start of the graphics cell memory; add YR to get the actual byte. The resulting number, from 0 to 7999, determines the byte within graphic memory. Add the graphics base to get the actual address. The XR value will tell us which of the eight bits will be involved.

It sounds complex, but it can be worked out neatly in machine language. Multiplying and dividing by 8 is just a matter of three shifts, left or right. Dividing by a value such as 8, the remainder is even easier: The AND function will extract it for us. Looking more closely, we see that a division by 8 is followed by a multiplication by 8; that provides another shortcut.

In fact, multiplying by 40 seems to be the hardest part, and that's just multiplying by 5 and then by 8.

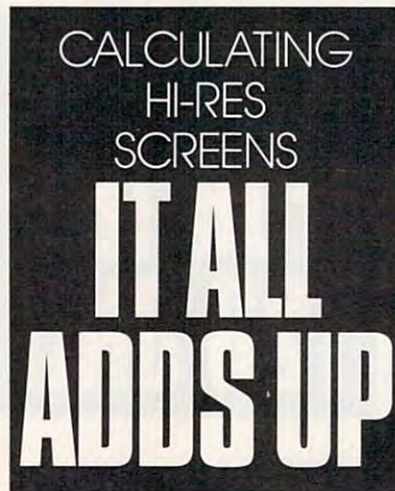
Assuming that the graphics base is at address \$2000, and that the user will POKE values of X into addresses 78 (high byte, \$4E) and 79 (low, \$4F), and POKE Y into address 80 (\$50).

033C A5 50 LDA \$50

033E 29 07 AND #\$07  
0340 85 52 STA \$52

Note that the EOR command will produce the equivalent of  $\text{INT}(Y/8)*8$  in a single instruction. We'll do this again later for X.

0342 45 50 EOR \$50  
0344 85 FC STA \$FC  
0346 A2 00 LDX #\$00  
0348 86 FD STX \$FD



We'll multiply by 4 and add the original value to get the effect of multiplying by 5. We're arriving at the equivalent of  $\text{INT}(Y/8)*40$ .

034A 06 FC ASL \$FC  
034C 26 FD ROL \$FD  
034E 06 FC ASL \$FC  
0350 26 FD ROL \$FD

The earlier value is still in A, so we may add immediately. Can you see why we may be sure that the carry flag is clear?

0352 65 FC ADC \$FC  
0354 90 02 BCC \$0358  
0356 E6 FD INC \$FD

The calculated value is in the A register (low) and address \$FD (high). Next you want to multiply by 8, so

continue to use A. A loop is possible, but straight code is easy.

0358 0A ASL  
0359 26 FD ROL \$FD  
035B 0A ASL  
035C 26 FD ROL \$FD  
035E 0A ASL  
035F 26 FD ROL \$FD  
0361 85 FC STA \$FC

Time to work on X.

0363 A5 4F LDA \$4F  
0365 29 07 AND #\$07  
0367 85 51 STA \$51  
0369 45 4F EOR \$4F

The three low bits of the A register must be 0. We want to add the value in A to the value in \$FC and \$FD, and then add the Y remainder that we stored long ago in address \$52. These values have no bits in common, so we can combine them and save a step using the ORA instruction.

036B 05 52 ORA \$52  
036D 65 FC ADC \$FC  
036F 85 FC STA \$FC

Video base address is assumed as \$2000.

0371 A5 4E LDA \$4E  
0373 09 20 ORA #\$20  
0375 65 FD ADC \$FD  
0377 85 FD STA \$FD  
0379 60 RTS

In the above coding, the carry flag has been doing exactly the right thing every time. A happy occurrence.

Address FC/FD contains the address of the byte for manipulation. You'll need this bit-lookup table.

037A 80 40 20 10 08 04 02 01

Finally, this calling routine will calculate the location and set the pixel.

0382 20 3C 03 JSR \$033C  
0385 A6 51 LDX \$51



# MACHINE LANGUAGE

```
0387 A0 00 LDY #000
0389 B1 FC LDA ($FC),Y
038B 1D 80 03 ORA $037A,X
038E 91 FC STA ($FC),Y
0390 60 RTS
```

POKE 78,X-high (0 or 1); POKE 79,X-low; POKE 80,Y and then SYS 898 (that's address \$382), and the pixel will be plotted. Although the above might seem like a lot of code, it's surprising how much good math you can pack into a relatively brief machine language program.

The following BASIC program may seem slow, but that's the fault of BASIC, not the ML code. Note that address 8192 (hex 2000) is within the activity area of the BASIC language; a larger program using this kind of code would need to look carefully so that the screen would not collide with BASIC.

```
100 DATA 165,80,41,7,133,82
110 DATA 69,80,133,252,162,0
120 DATA 134,253,6,252,38,253
```

```
130 DATA 6,252,38,253,101,252
140 DATA 144,2,230,253,10,38
150 DATA 253,10,38,253,10,38
160 DATA 253,133,252,165,79,41
170 DATA 7,133,81,69,79,5,82
180 DATA 101,252,133,252,165
190 DATA 78,9,32,101,253,133
200 DATA 253,96,128,64,32,16,8
210 DATA 4,2,1,32,60,3,166,81
220 DATA 160,0,177,252,29,122
230 DATA 3,145,252,96
300 FOR J=828 TO 912
310 READ X:T=T+X
320 POKE J,X
330 NEXT J
340 IF T<>9391 THEN STOP
400 REM SWITCH IN HI-RES
410 POKE 53272,24
420 POKE 53265,59
450 REM CLEAR COLOR
460 FOR J=1024 TO 2047
470 POKE J,118:NEXT
480 REM CLEAR CHARACTER
490 FOR J=8192 TO 16383
500 POKE J,0:NEXT
510 FOR X=30 TO 200
520 Y=20:GOSUB 900
530 Y=X-10:GOSUB 900
540 Y=X-9:GOSUB 900
550 NEXT X
790 FOR J=1024 TO 2047
800 POKE J,32:NEXT
```

```
810 REM SWITCH OUT HI-RES
820 POKE 53272,20
830 POKE 53265,27
840 END
900 POKE 78,X/256
910 POKE 79,(X AND 255)
920 POKE 80,Y:SYS 898
930 RETURN
```

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# BEGINNER BASIC

L A R R Y C O T T O N

**A**lthough we studied this not long ago, we'll continue our BASIC math with a review of the somewhat arcane, but nevertheless quite useful, trigonometric functions sine, cosine, and tangent (or SIN, COS, and TAN, as they are used in BASIC). But first a brief course in trigonometry.

Triangles are the reasons trig exists. Without those ubiquitous three-sided figures, SIN, COS, and TAN probably would never have been invented. In the good old days, you had two methods for finding various sides and angles in triangles: trigonometry tables in books and a slide rule. Thanks to calculators and computers, trig functions are now a mere keypress away and more accurate than either the slide rule or tables. SIN, COS, and TAN can handle most triangulation problems you'd want to solve. Yes, there are more trig functions, but most of them can be derived from these basic three functions.

To use trig to discover unknown sides or angles, the triangle must be a right triangle—that is, one angle must equal 90 degrees. (In this column, *triangle* means "right triangle.")

You must also know at least two

other things about it: the length of one side and the size of one angle, or the length of two sides. However, knowing all the angles is not sufficient to calculate the sides. Possibly the most common triangle is a 45-45-90 (so called because of its angles); both its short sides are the same length.

The next most common is a 30-60-90. The length of its shortest side is always half the length of its longest. Notice that the sum of a triangle's angles is always 180 degrees; if you know two angles, just subtract their sum from 180 to find the third angle. By knowing the lengths of any two sides of a triangle, you can find the length of the third side by using squares and square roots (see last month's column). Here's an example:

```
10 PRINT"[CLR][DN]IF YOU DON'T
    KNOW A SIDE,"
20 PRINT"JUST PRESS RETURN."
   :PRINT
30 INPUT"LONGEST SIDE";SL
40 INPUT"SHORTEST SIDE";SS
50 INPUT"SECOND LONGEST
    SIDE";SM
60 IFSL=0THENUS=SQR(SS^2+SM^2)
70 IFSM=0THENUS=SQR(SL^2-SS^2)
80 IFSS=0THENUS=SQR(SL^2-SM^2)
```

100 PRINT:PRINT"UNKNOWN SIDE IS"US

When running this program, just press Return to denote the side you're trying to find. For instance, if you press Return at the first prompt, the value of the longest side will be 0. Then, after you enter the values of the two other sides, line 60 will execute. It detects that SL (the longest side) is 0, or unknown, and calculates its value.

We're using the Pythagorean theorem, which says that the square of the longest side of a triangle is the sum of the squares of the other two sides. Look at line 60. US (the unknown side) is calculated by taking the square root of the sum of the squares of the other two sides. Remember that math inside parentheses is done first. Therefore, SS (the shortest side) is squared first; then SM (the next longest side) is squared before those two numbers are added. The square root of that number is taken, giving the length of the longest side.

Line 70 or 80 is used if the longest side and one of the shorter sides are known. The longest side is squared first; then the known short side is squared. The latter result is

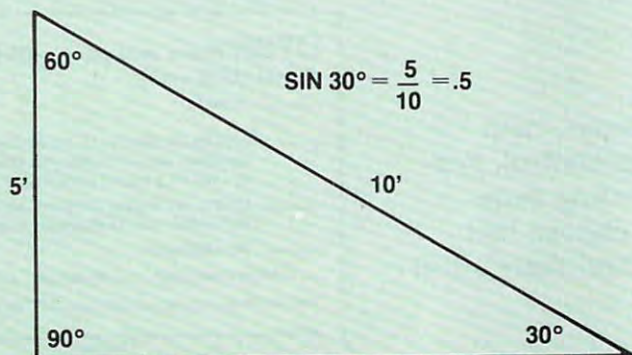


Figure 1

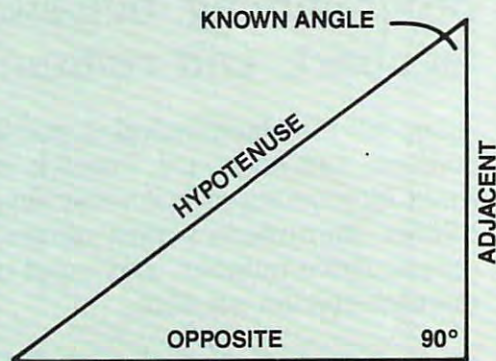


Figure 2



# BEGINNER BASIC

subtracted from the former, and the square root of that result is taken to get the answer. One of the IF-THENS will always be true if two legal values are entered. Even though three questions are always presented, only two positive values can be entered. Line 100 always prints the answer.

Try entering 5 for the longest side and 3 for the shortest. The second longest side will be 4. Another whole-number triangle is one whose sides are 5-12-13. In other words, if you just press Return at the first prompt and then enter 5 and 12, the answer will be 13. If you enter 13, skip the next, and enter 12 for the second longest side, the answer is 5.0000001, which should be exactly 5.

The reason for the very slight mathematical error is that the computer converts every decimal number you enter to a binary number, does the calculations in binary math, and then converts the binary answer back to decimal form. Some accuracy is

lost in this conversion process.

SIN is simply a ratio of the lengths of two sides of a triangle. In a 30-60-90 triangle, if the shortest side is 5 feet, the longest will be 10 feet. The ratio of the two sides is 5:10, which can be written 5/10 or .5. The shortest side will be opposite the 30-degree angle. The SIN of 30 degrees is .5. The SIN of any angle is the ratio of the side opposite the angle to the longest side. (See figure 1.)

To find this value using the computer, try entering the following in the immediate mode.

**PRINT SIN(30)**

Surprisingly, the computer spits out -.988031623. What gives?

The computer calculates trigonometric functions in radians. There are pi (about 3.14) radians in 180 degrees; one degree equals about .017 radian. Therefore, in order to calculate SIN in degrees we must type the following:

**PRINT SIN(30\*π/180)**

This will yield the correct answer, .5.

The side opposite the known angle is called, appropriately, the opposite side. The side next to the known angle is called the adjacent side, and the long side is the hypotenuse. (See figure 2.) As an example, if you know one angle and its opposite side, you can calculate everything else.

```
10 INPUT"[CLR][DN]SHORT SIDE";SS
20 INPUT"[DN]ANGLE OPPOSITE
   SHORT SIDE";KA
30 SL=SS/SIN(KA*π/180)
40 AN=180-90-KA
50 SM=SQR(SL↑2-SS↑2)
60 PRINT:PRINT"LONG SIDE IS"SL
70 PRINT:PRINT"NEXT LONGEST SIDE
   IS"SM
80 PRINT:PRINT"SHORT SIDE IS"SS
90 PRINT:PRINT"ANGLES ARE 90,"KA",
   AND"AN
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# D'IVERSIONS

F R E D D ' I G N A Z I O

**A**bout a year ago I wrote a column announcing the Design-a-Robot Contest. Shortly after that piece appeared, COMPUTE! Publications went through major changes, and the Design-a-Robot Contest had to be postponed. Recently we've had resurgence of interest in this contest, so we've decided to run it again.

When I was a little kid, the only robots I saw were on TV and in the movies. Back then there were no real robots, only robots of fantasy and science fiction—robots like Robbie, Tobby, Klaatu, and Gog. That didn't stop me from trying to build a robot of my own. I scavenged parts from old bicycles, washing machines, photocopiers, and toasters. I once even used a bedpan as a robot's body. During school I daydreamed about building a robot of my own—a man Friday, a servant, a buddy, a friend.

When I grew up, I learned that while I was dreaming up make-believe robots, real robots were being built in the U.S., Europe, and Japan. The real robots looked like long skinny sea monsters with pliers for jaws. They were called *robot arms* and were bolted to factory floors. They painted cars, welded, and lifted heavy objects.

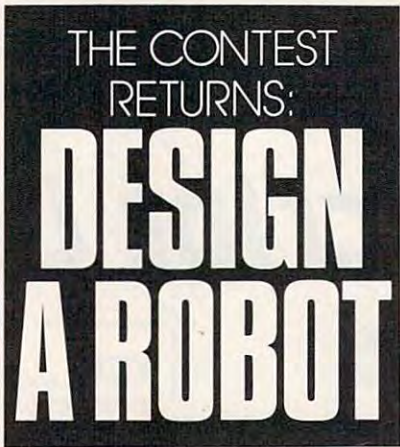
NASA built other robots and launched them into outer space. In space or on earth, robots journeyed where humans could not go—into the poisonous atmosphere of Venus, the crushing gravitational pressure of Jupiter, and the cores of nuclear reactors. They became a sort of human *telepresence* that could explore the universe and take risks we humans dared not take.

Robots began doing jobs that were dull, dirty, or dangerous. Robots never got sick, didn't take coffee breaks, had an infinite attention span, and could work three shifts without dropping. Bosses liked them because they never talked back, didn't go on strike, and didn't belong to a union.

All these outer space, undersea, and factory robots were neat, but they weren't what I really wanted. I wanted a robot like C3PO, R2D2, or Vincent

in Walt Disney's *The Black Hole*.

For a while, in the early 1980s, it looked as if I would get my wish. As personal computers grew in popularity, a new field of personal robotics emerged. An International Personal Robotics Congress was held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, in April 1984. The following two years personal robots were everywhere. Every week new robots came to my house so I could review them for *COMPUTE!'s Gazette* or for the TV program I was on, "The New Tech Times." When the show's TV crew arrived, I would plug the robots into my Commodore 64, turn them on, and let them roam the house.



For one of the TV shows I had 27 robots (monkeys, turtles, and robo-balls) all running at the same time.

I was in seventh heaven. My childhood dreams had (almost) come true. But then the bottom fell out in the personal robotics business. No new robots came to stay. I was sad. I missed the whir and buzz of the little motors, the tire tracks across my scrambled eggs, and the occasional wandering robot who ended up stuck in the bathtub, wedged under the toilet, or lost among the galoshes in the back of the closet. I missed their chipper voices, their songs (like "Old MacDonald Had a Robot"), and their clever remarks when they encountered the broom or the cat. "Hi!"

they'd say, "Are you a human being?"

I can't wait around any longer. If the robot revolution isn't going to happen on its own, I'll make it happen with the Design-a-Robot contest.

Entering the contest is easy. All you have to do is invent a new personal robot on paper. It can be completely original or a combination of all the robots you've seen, dreamed about, or imagined. Draw a picture of the robot, label all of its interesting parts, and describe what each part does. Show me how the robot relates to your computer. Does the computer control the robot? Does it program the robot? If so, how? How are the signals and commands transmitted and received? What kind of programming language should the robot use? Can you invent commands of your own?

Along with the robot's diagram I would like a short description of what robots mean to you. Reach down into your heart. What would you do if you had a robot just like the robot you've designed? Be specific. Be imaginative. Be wild. Send me your creations.

All entries must be received by August 30, 1991, and winners will be selected by October 15. The first-place winner will receive a model robot valued at \$200; five runners-up will each receive a smaller robot valued at \$30.

Please send me your contest entry (pictures, labels, description, and so on) to Design-a-Robot Contest, COMPUTE! Publications, 324 West Wendover Avenue, Suite 200, Greensboro, North Carolina 27408. Be sure to include your name, address, and telephone number. Winners must consent to have their robots featured in a future "D'iversions" column without additional compensation. The odds of winning a prize will be determined by the number and quality of entries. The decision of the judges will be final, and COMPUTE! Publications cannot be held responsible for entries misdirected in the mail. Entries become the property of COMPUTE! Publications and cannot be returned. Employees of COMPUTE! Publications are not eligible. □



# PROGRAMS

S I M O N E D G E W O R T H

In ancient times humans regarded Jupiter as the ruler of the sky. Recently, interest in the giant planet has rocketed due to the wealth of new information discovered by the Voyager spaceships. This program displays the 16 major moons and their orbits around Jupiter.

The program consists of two modules: JUP.BAS and JUP.ML. The first is written in BASIC. To avoid typing errors, use *The Automatic Proofreader* to type it in; see "Typing Aids" elsewhere in this section. When you've finished typing it in, be sure to save a copy of the program.

The second part of the program, JUP.ML, is written in machine language. Enter this module with *MLX*, our machine language entry program; again, see "Typing Aids." When *MLX* prompts you, respond with the values given below.

**Starting address: C000**

**Ending address: C18F**

When you've finished entering JUP.ML, be sure to save it with that name to the same disk as JUP.BAS. Load and run JUP.BAS; it will automatically load JUP.ML.

## Choosing Moons

After a short pause, the main menu will appear. You'll see a list with Jupiter at the top, then the 16 moons, starting with Metis (the moon closest to the planet) and ending with Sinope (the moon farthest from Jupiter).

Use the up- and down-cursor keys to select which moon orbits you wish to see. Discs on the left of the screen will indicate which moons are currently selected. You can choose a group of either four or eight moons. Press the G key to display the moon orbits. After a pause for calculations, the graphic screen will appear.

## Orbit Graphics

Jupiter is shown in the center of the screen. The scale depends on which moons you select, so Jupiter will appear as a circle when you select the in-

ner moons and as a dot when you select the outer moons.

The moons are shown as dots at various distances from the planet. Press G, and the moons will move around the planet in their orbits, leaving a trace behind them. You can adjust the speed of the graphics by pressing the F key (faster) or the S key (slower).

At the lower left corner of the screen, a readout shows how many earth days have elapsed. The innermost moons take only a few hours to complete an orbit. The outermost moons take more than an earth year. To halt the moons, press X.

**MOONS OF JUPITER**

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE NUMEROUS MOONS THAT ORBIT AROUND THE PLANET JUPITER WITH THIS ASTRONOMY PROGRAM FOR THE 64

## Names and Facts

While the graphic screen is halted, you can identify the moons shown by pressing the N key. A moon will flash while its name appears on the screen. To identify the next moon, press N again. When a moon is flashing, you can press I to view information about it.

To exit from any part of the program, simply press X. It will take you back to the previous screen.

## Comparing Moons

Go back to the main menu and press the C key. The comparison menu will appear. Now hit P, D, E, or S to compare period, distance, eccentricity, or size, respectively. To make the figures more meaningful, the corresponding data for our own moon is also shown for comparison.

## Customizing

You can easily change the program's colors on line 380. C0 is the border color, C1 is the screen color, C2 is the text color, and C3 is the color used for Jupiter and moon traces. Similarly, you can change the 16 moon colors on line 390, but don't make anything the same color as the screen, or it will be invisible.

Callisto's orbit should appear circular on your screen. If not, try slightly adjusting the value of SC on line 380.

If you want to tinker with the orbits, here's the data format in lines 110-270: name, diameter, semimajor axis, eccentricity, period, longitude of perihelion, longitude at start.

## Notes

The graphics show views approximately from the ecliptic north. When viewed from the north, all the planets and most of the moons in our solar system orbit counterclockwise. Notice that four of Jupiter's moons orbit the other way around. One possible explanation is that they might have been asteroids captured by Jupiter's gravitational field.

## JUP.BAS

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      VED
JK 110 DATA METIS,40,128,0,.29
      5,0,0
DX 120 DATA ADRASTEIA,40,129,0,
      .295,0,120
PF 130 DATA AMALTHEA,270X165X1
      50,180,.003,.489,0,281
MD 140 DATA THEBE,80,222,.013,
      .670,0,331
XP 150 DATA IO,3640,422,.004,1
      .77,0,233

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# PROGRAMS

DR 160 DATA EUROPA,3100,671,.0 1,3.55,0,273	MS 560 T=0:PRINT"{CLR}"TT\$"MAI N MENU":PRINT	XE 1040 I=PA(M):J=X*CS(I)+Y*SN (I):Y=Y*CS(I)-X*SN(I): X=J
EQ 170 DATA GANYMEDE,5270,1070 ,.001,7.16,0,81	RC 570 PRINTCHRS(113)"JUPITER" BE 580 FORI=0TO15:PRINT" NA\$( I):NEXT	MF 1050 Y=INT(YC+Y*RA(M)*YS):X =INT(XC+X*RA(M)*XS)
MG 180 DATA CALLISTO,4990,1885 ,.007,16.69,0,332	PE 590 PRINT:PRINT"UP/DOWN=SEL ECT MOONS"	XX 1060 IFY<40ORY>239ORX<14ORX >333THENY=0:X=0
EE 190 DATA LEDA,16,11110,.147 ,240,280,309	JB 600 PRINT"G=GO":PRINT"C=COM PARE":PRINT"E=END PROGR AM"	HE 1070 POKES1+N,INT(X/256):PO KES2+N,XAND255:POKES3+ N,Y:NEXT
FG 200 DATA HIMALIA,96,11470,. 158,251,249,101	EK 610 IFMI>6THENMI=0 AQ 620 IFMI<0THENMI=6	RF 1080 SYS49281:SYS49331:IFHF THEN1150
XE 210 DATA LYSITHEA,16,11710, .107,260,11,297	CK 630 BI=(6ANDMI)*2 KP 640 BO=BI+3+4*(LANDMI)	HX 1090 PRINT"RIGHT\$( "+"STR \$(INT(T)),3)"{UP}"
BG 220 DATA ELARA,32,11740,.20 7,260,149,81	DB 650 PRINT"{HOME}{2 DOWN}":F ORI=0TO15	RR 1100 GETKS:IFKS\$=""THEN T=T+T S:GOTO1010
DF 230 DATA ANANKE,16,21200,.1 7,-610,180,36	JF 660 J=113:IFI<BIORI>BOTHENJ =32	MM 1110 IFKS\$="X"THENGOSUB1600: GOTO1150
FC 240 DATA CARME,16,22600,.21 ,-690,6,239	MX 670 PRINTCHRS(J):NEXT XD 680 POKEL98,0	RQ 1120 IFKS\$="F"THEN T=TS*1.5: IFTS>TH THEN T=TH
BQ 250 DATA PASIPHAE,16,23500, .38,-734,0,90	GJ 690 GETKS:IFKS\$="G"THEN750 SP 700 IFKS\$="C"THEN1200	PC 1130 IFKS\$="S"THEN T=TS/1.5: IFTS<TL THEN T=TL
BM 260 DATA SINOPE,16,23700,.2 8,-760,226,243	XJ 710 IFKS\$="{DOWN}"THENMI=MI+ 1:GOTO610	BE 1140 GOTO1100 CX 1150 POKEL98,0
RM 270 DATA OUR MOON,3478,384, .055,27.32,0,0	PE 720 IFKS\$="{UP}"THENMI=MI-1: GOTO610	BM 1160 GETKS:IFKS\$="N"THEN1600 FS 1170 IFKS\$="G"THENGOSUB1630: GOTO1100
DR 280 IFI=0THEN I=1:LOAD"JUP.M L",8,1	AF 730 IFKS\$<>"E"THEN690 AG 740 PRINT"{CLR}":END	CQ 1180 IFKS\$="X"THENGOSUB2010: GOTO560
XX 290 POKES5,0:POKES6,136:CLR Q=16	SP 750 PRINT"{CLR}"TTS:PRINTWT \$	QQ 1190 GOTO1160 JJ 1200 PRINT"{CLR}"TTS"COMPAR E MENU":PRINT
JR 300 DIMSN(255),CS(255),NA\$( Q),DI\$(Q),CR(Q),RA(Q),E C(Q),PE(Q),PA(Q),EA(Q)	BJ 760 ONMI+1GOSUB770,780,790, 800,810,820,830:GOTO840	GE 1210 PRINT"P=PERIOD":PRINT SK 1220 PRINT"D=DISTANCE":PRIN T
JE 310 V=53248:PP=34816:SP=368 56	QP 770 TL=.0004:TS=.005:TH=.04 :RETURN	GH 1230 PRINT"E=ECCENTRICITY": PRINT
DJ 320 S1=53200:S2=S1+8:S3=S2+ 8	MC 780 TL=.005:TS=.02:TH=.1:RE TURN	RE 1240 PRINT"S=SIZE":PRINT HP 1250 PRINT"X=MAIN MENU"
MF 330 YC=139.5:XC=173.5:MI=0: RJ=71.6	EM 790 TL=.02:TS=.1:TH=.4:RE TU RN	EE 1260 POKEL98,0 JM 1270 GETKS:IFKS\$="X"THEN560
SJ 340 TT\$="{RVS} THE MOONS OF JUPITER {OFF} {2 SPACES}"	XC 800 TL=.1:TS=.2:TH=.7:RE TUR N	HG 1280 K=VAL(K\$) SG 1290 IFKS\$="P"THEN1340
JM 350 CP\$="COMPUTE PUBLICATIO NS INTL LTD (C) 1991"	HF 810 TL=.4:TS=3:TH=12:RETURN FH 820 TL=1:TS=4:TH=16:RETURN	FK 1300 IFKS\$="D"THEN1410 RC 1310 IFKS\$="E"THEN1460
JB 360 WT\$="{3 DOWN}CALCULATIO NS WILL TAKE A FEW SECO NDS ...":CM\$="COMPARIS O"	GS 830 TL=1.5:TS=6:TH=45:RE TUR N	AP 1320 IFKS\$="S"THEN1520 MH 1330 GOTO1270
RS 370 DJ\$=" DISTANCE FROM CEN TER OF JUPITER":TK\$="TH OUSAND KM"	AR 840 MA=RA(BO)*(1+EC(BO)) FE 850 YS=99/MA:XS=YS*SC	AR 1340 PRINT"{CLR}"TT\$CM\$:PRI NT
FS 380 C0=06:C1=0:C2=14:C3=11: SC=1.3	BD 860 QB=BO-BI:CN=0 BQ 870 FORN=0TOQB:POKEV+39+N,C R(N+BI):NEXT	PA 1350 PRINT"ORBIT PERIOD" DH 1360 PRINT"(EARTH DAYS)":PR INT
RF 390 DATA 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10 ,12,13,14,15,4,3,2	SQ 880 FORI=0TO23:POKES1+I,0:N EXT:SYS49281	FQ 1370 FORI=0TO16 MR 1380 PRINTNA\$(I),ABS(PE(I)) ;
EK 400 PRINT"{CLR}"CHRS(142)CH RS(8):CT=11	BX 890 POKES3247,C1+C3*16:SYS4 9521	XS 1390 IFPE(I)<0THENPRINT"RET ROGRADE";
PG 410 POKEV+32,C0:POKEV+33,C1 :POKE646,C2	MF 900 FORI=3680TOI+63:POKEI, 32:NEXT	FH 1400 PRINT:NEXT:GOTO1570 XK 1410 PRINT"{CLR}"TT\$CM\$:PRI NT
KA 420 PRINT CP\$:PRINT BR 430 PRINTTAB(8)TT\$:PRINTWT\$	AS 910 SYS49208 QP 920 IFMI<3THEN960	DH 1420 PRINT"AVERAGE DISTANCE FROM PLANET CENTER"
BS 440 FORI=0TO255:J=I*1/128 JA 450 SN(I)=SIN(J):CS(I)=COS(J):NEXT	PH 930 FORI=158TO160:FORJ=98TO 100	SB 1430 PRINT"(THOUSAND KM)":P RINT
KM 460 FORN=0TOQ BS 470 READNA\$(N),DI\$(N),RA(N) ,EC(N),PE(N),J,K	GK 940 POKES253,I:POKES254,0:POK ES255,J	KD 1440 FORI=0TO16 ME 1450 PRINTNA\$(I),RA(I):NEXT :GOTO1570
KH 480 PA(N)=(J*256/360+.5)AND 255	FP 950 SYS49373:NEXT:NEXT:GOTO 1000	BF 1460 PRINT"{CLR}"TT\$CM\$:PRI NT
PM 490 EA(N)=(K-J)/360:NEXT KP 500 FORN=0TOQ-1:READCR(N):N EXT	MM 960 FORI=0TO255 DS 970 POKES253,159.5+XS*RJ*SN(I) :POKES254,0	SC 1470 PRINT"ORBIT ECCENTRICI TY"
FC 510 FORI=PPTOPP+126:POKEI,0 :NEXT	JH 980 POKES255,99.5+YS*RJ*CS(I) )	XJ 1480 PRINT"(CIRCLE=0)":PRIN T
QQ 520 POKEPP+28,112:POKEPP+31 ,112	SG 990 SYS49373:NEXT PE 1000 GOSUB1980:GOSUB1600	MH 1490 FORI=0TO16 MQ 1500 PRINTNA\$(I),:IFEC(I)<. 01THENPRINT0:NEXT:GOTO 1570
KP 530 POKEPP+34,112:POKEPP+89 ,112	MJ 1010 FORN=0TOQB:M=N+BI:E=EC (M):A=EA(M)+T/PE(M)	XR 1510 PRINTEC(I):NEXT:GOTO15 70
CB 540 POKEPP+92,248:POKEPP+95 ,248	SG 1020 A=((A-INT(A))*256+.5)A ND255:IFE<.1THENX=-CS(A) :Y=SN(A):GOTO1050	
JD 550 POKEPP+98,248:POKEPP+10	QD 1030 Z=(E*E-1)/(E*CS(A)-1): X=2*E-Z*CS(A):Y=Z*SN(A) )	





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```
DG 1520 PRINT "{CLR}"TT$CM$:PRI
NT
SB 1530 PRINT "DIAMETER"
JS 1540 PRINT "(KM)":PRINT
QM 1550 FORI=0TO16
HF 1560 PRINTNA$(I),DI$(I):NEX
T:GOTO1570
PG 1570 PRINT:PRINT"X=MENU":PO
KE198,0
FA 1580 GETK$:IFK$="X"THEN1200
JM 1590 GOTO1580
AB 1600 GOSUB1790
FG 1610 PRINT"G=GO N=NAME X=ME
NU{UP}"
CC 1620 HF=1:RETURN
XC 1630 GOSUB1790
JQ 1640 PRINT"{4 SPACES}EARTH
{SPACE}DAYS{2 SPACES}F
=FAST S=SLOW X=HALT
{UP}"
BA 1650 HF=0:RETURN
XS 1660 POKE198,0
QM 1670 GOSUB1790:CM=CN+BI
FK 1680 PRINT"*NA$(CM)"*TAB(
11)"I=INFO N=NEXT X=CO
NTINUE{UP}"
QB 1690 J=9
AP 1700 J=J+1:IFJ=10THENPOKESP
+CN,33
FS 1710 IFJ>19THENJ=0:POKESP+CN,
32
DD 1720 GETK$:IFK$=""THEN1700
PX 1730 POKESP+CN,32
XS 1740 IFK$="I"THEN1800
QE 1750 IFK$="X"THENGOSUB1600:
GOTO1150
KK 1760 IFK$<>"N"THEN1690
FQ 1770 CN=CN+1:IFCN>QBTHENCN=
0
MH 1780 GOTO1660
HK 1790 PRINT"{37 SPACES}{UP}"
:RETURN
KC 1800 GOSUB2010
QH 1810 PRINT "{CLR}"TT$:PRINT
SC 1820 PRINT"*NA$(CM)"*":PRI
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```
NT
DC 1830 PRINT "AVERAGE"DJ$:PRIN
TRA (CM)TK$:PRINT
DR 1840 PRINT "MINIMUM"DJ$:PRIN
TINT (RA (CM) * (1-EC (CM) )
+.5)TK$:PRINT
HD 1850 PRINT "MAXIMUM"DJ$:PRIN
TINT (RA (CM) * (1+EC (CM) )
+.5)TK$:PRINT
AM 1860 PRINT "ORBIT ECCENTRICI
TY"
CK 1870 IFEC (CM) < .01 THENPRINT0
:PRINT:GOTO1890
EK 1880 PRINTEC (CM) :PRINT
HC 1890 PRINT "ORBIT PERIOD"
EE 1900 PRINTABS (PE (CM) ) "EARTH
DAYS":PRINT
RK 1910 PRINT "DIAMETER"
BX 1920 PRINT "DI$(CM)" "KM":P
RINT
QX 1930 PRINT "X=CONTINUE"
BB 1940 POKE198,0
PK 1950 GETK$
JS 1960 IFK$="X"THENGOSUB1980:
GOTO1660
XC 1970 GOTO1950
HF 1980 POKE808,234:SYS49232:S
YS49248
FG 1990 POKEV+21,2↑(QB+1)-1:PR
INT "{HOME}"
AP 2000 FORI=2TO24:PRINT"
{DOWN}";:NEXT:RETURN
RX 2010 SYS49474:SYS49497:POKE
808,237
JQ 2020 POKEV+21,0:RETURN
```

## JUP.ML

```
C000:A9 0F 8D 19 D0 A9 1B 8D 4E
C008:11 D0 A9 34 8D 18 D0 A9 D6
C010:FF 8D 12 D0 A9 1C 8D 14 31
C018:03 4C 81 EA A9 0F 8D 19 CA
C020:D0 A9 38 8D 18 D0 A9 3B E6
C028:8D 11 D0 A9 F2 8D 12 D0 2C
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C030:A9 00 8D 14 03 4C 31 EA 10
C038:A9 00 85 FB A9 A0 85 FC D6
C040:A9 00 A8 A2 20 91 FB C8 DD
C048:D0 FB E6 FC CA D0 F6 60 C5
C050:AD 00 DD 29 FC 09 01 8D 92
C058:00 DD A9 8C 8D 88 02 60 42
C060:78 A9 7F 8D 0D DC A9 01 81
C068:8D 1A D0 A9 1B 8D 11 D0 ED
C070:A9 F2 8D 12 D0 A9 00 8D 11
C078:14 03 A9 C0 8D 15 03 58 25
C080:8D 1A D0 A9 1B 8D 11 D0 ED
C088:F8 CF CA 10 F6 A2 07 A0 C5
C090:0F BD E0 CF 99 E8 CF 88 BA
C098:BD D8 CF 99 E8 CF 88 CA 25
C0A0:10 EF A2 10 AD 11 D0 10 DE
C0A8:FB BD E8 CF 9D 00 D0 CA 0B
C0B0:10 F7 60 A2 07 8E F9 CF A4
C0B8:BD E0 CF F0 1C 38 E9 28 18
C0C0:85 FF BD D0 CF 85 FE BD 1A
C0C8:D8 CF 38 E9 0E 85 FD B0 83
C0D0:02 C6 FE 20 DD C0 AE F9 30
C0D8:CF CA 10 D9 60 A9 00 85 C3
C0E0:02 A5 FF 29 F8 0A 26 02 9D
C0E8:0A 26 02 0A 26 02 85 FB 1A
C0F0:A6 02 86 FC 0A 26 02 0A DD
C0F8:26 02 18 65 FB 85 FE A5 FA
C100:02 65 FC 85 FC A5 FD 29 79
C108:F8 18 65 FB 85 FE A5 FE E0
C110:65 FC 85 FC A5 FF 29 07 8C
C118:18 65 FB 85 FB A9 A0 65 06
C120:FC 85 FC A5 01 29 FE 85 AD
C128:01 A5 FD 29 07 AA A9 00 1E
C130:38 6A CA 10 FC A0 00 11 40
C138:FB 91 FB A5 01 09 01 85 AB
C140:01 60 78 A9 00 8D 1A D0 41
C148:A9 31 8D 14 03 A9 EA 8D 02
C150:15 03 A9 81 8D 0D DC 58 1F
C158:60 AD 00 DD 09 03 8D 00 C4
C160:DD A9 14 8D 18 D0 A9 04 F3
C168:8D 88 02 A9 1B 8D 11 D0 B1
C170:60 A9 00 85 FB A9 8C 85 0C
C178:FC AD FF CF A0 00 A2 04 31
C180:91 FB C8 D0 FB E6 FC CA 32
C188:D0 F6 60 00 00 00 00 00 3E
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## DANIEL LIGHTNER

If you call an electronic bulletin board system (BBS) and browse through its library of programs available for downloading, chances are that many of the files have been archived—that is, several programs and instruction files may have been combined into one master program.

If all of a program's related files have been combined, a caller has only to download one file to obtain all the programs, modules, sprite data, music files, and instructions required for proper operation. Archiving (or *arcing* as it's often called) is a convenient method for uploading and downloading BBS files.

Some archived files need a special rate program to separate (or *dearc*) the files into their original form. Others are self-dearc (SDA), meaning that one has only to load and run the master program for it to sepa-

# NOAH'S ARC

ARCHIVE FILES FOR  
EASY UPLOADING  
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WITH THIS UTILITY FOR  
THE 64

rate and save its individual files to disk, ready for running.

### Typing It In

*Noah's Arc* is such a program. It creates SDA files that separate automatically. It is written entirely in machine language, but it loads and runs like a BASIC program. Use *MLX*, our machine language entry program, to type it in; see "Typing Aids" elsewhere in this section. When *MLX* prompts, respond with the following values.

**Starting address: 0801**

**Ending address: 1298**

Be sure to save a copy of the program before exiting *MLX*.

### Using the Program

*Noah's Arc* will load a collection of files and save them in a single master



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file. It accepts program, sequential, or user files, and it does not matter if different types are loaded together. In addition to making it convenient for sending files via modem, SDA files are also useful for creating backups.

When you run *Noah*, it asks for the number of files you wish to archive. Respond with a number less than 100. Try not to use more files than will fit into memory at one time. *Noah* can handle about 160 disk blocks, depending on the number of files, not the file size. *Noah* reserves 25 bytes of memory per file in its own directory located at \$0960 hex or 2480 decimal. This directory has to be saved along with the SDA file.

If you aren't sure of the number of files, you can check the directory by entering \$ and pressing Return. The directory listing can be stopped and started by touching any key. This is useful in determining which and how many files you wish to load.

After you enter the number, *Noah* asks for the filenames. It will then ask if it is a program, sequential, or user file. Just press the corresponding number. *Noah* checks the disk for that file and returns the disk error status. If all is well, it continues loading the file into memory.

This process repeats until the memory is full or all the files have been loaded. Anytime you are asked for a filename, you can enter \$ to get a directory or enter @ to abort and save the files already loaded.

When all the files have been loaded, *Noah* asks for a master filename. At this point make sure that the disk has enough room on it for the file you are saving. *Noah* appends an SDA suffix automatically to the file name. If a disk error occurs during a save, *Noah* lets you try the procedure again.

*Noah* can be useful as a file copier as well. If you enter @ when *Noah* prompts for a Save filename, it will dump all files in memory to disk in their original form. To make more copies of these files, when *Noah* comes back with a prompt asking if you wish to create more files, press N, and you will be returned to BASIC. Put another disk in the drive and enter SYS2088. You can repeat this process as many times as you like. *Noah* always saves to drive 8.

If you load an SDA file and list it, you'll see the number of files the SDA

file contains. To dearc an SDA file, just load and run it. If you wish to save an SDA file to another disk, load it and enter SYS2088.

Most smaller SDA files can be loaded and saved like BASIC programs, but some larger ones may pose a problem because *Noah* stores files under BASIC ROM. If you try saving a file that is too big, you'll get an OUT OF MEMORY message. *Noah's Arc* itself can be loaded and saved like a BASIC program, but do not try to save it after it's been run. If you wish to restart it at any time, enter SYS50675 and press Return.

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**M**ining for precious metals is a tough and dangerous occupation that's part skill and part luck. Miner is an arcade-style game that requires some skill and a lot of luck. It can also be dangerous for your onscreen miner.

The action is simple and straightforward. Use a joystick plugged into port 2 to control your miner as he digs around the screen searching for gold nuggets. Each screen contains 40 nuggets, and you must collect at least 20 of them in a specified amount of time in order to advance to the next screen. That's the simple part.

In addition to the gold, the earth your miner tunnels through contains a couple of deadly hazards—namely, pockets of methane gas and deposits of highly radioactive uranium. You want your miner to collect the gold and make it back to the surface without succumbing to these subterranean perils or running out of time.

*Miner* is written entirely in machine language, but it loads and runs like a BASIC program. Enter the program with *MLX*, our machine language entry program; see "Typing Aids" elsewhere in this section. When *MLX* prompts you, respond with the values given below.

**Starting address: 0801**

**Ending address: 1BB0**

Be sure to save a copy of the program before exiting *MLX*.

## Starting the Game

The game begins with one of your three miners standing in the doorway of a local bank. The bank is where you sell your gold for cash. You'll collect any gold nuggets that your miner uncovers, but you must deliver them to the bank before time runs out, or you'll lose whatever he's found.

Push the fire button to start the game and pull down on your joystick to have the miner dig straight down; push forward to move him up. Push left or right, and he'll dig in that direction in search of gold. You'll have to

maneuver him around boulders that you see scattered across the screen. Occasionally he'll uncover immovable blocks of granite and have to make a detour around them.

## MINER

DIG FOR GOLD BUT  
WATCH OUT FOR  
DEADLY SURPRISES IN  
THIS ARCADE GAME  
FOR THE 64

## Deadly Perils

There's more than gold and granite waiting for your miner to uncover. The two hazards, as mentioned earlier, are methane gas and uranium deposits. The number of hazards per screen is proportional to the skill level you've selected. Skill level 1 contains one or two uranium deposits and two to four methane pockets. Skill level 2 has two to four uranium deposits and four to six methane pockets, and so on up to skill level 5. Methane pockets appear as blue bubbles, and uranium deposits appear as gray oblong balls, not to be confused with the gray boulders that litter the screen.

When you first expose a hazard, you'll have about one second to get away from it before it becomes lethal. Once the grace period expires, the methane bubble will begin to move through the tunnel network that you've dug. Uranium deposits remain stationary at first, but they soon begin to flash and emit deadly radiation. This radiation slowly spreads throughout the tunnel system unless you can seal off tunnels with some of the boulders you've uncovered. Position your miner next to a boulder and

push it in the desired direction.

If the gas or radiation reaches a miner or if he's below ground when time runs out, you'll lose one miner. You can play with a longer time limit, but nothing is free. Gold nuggets are worth 100 points in the 150-second game, 75 points in the 200-second game, and 50 points in the 250-second game. Before you start a new game, you can buy more time by pressing the 1, 2, or 3 key to select either a 150-, 200-, or 250-second game.

## Onscreen Info

At the top of the screen, you'll see a readout of the number of miners you currently have, the number of gold nuggets that the active miner is carrying, the time remaining on the clock, and your score. Also displayed are the skill level and whether you're playing screen 1 or 2 of that level. You must complete two screens at each skill level in order to advance to the next level. You'll receive an additional miner for every 5000 points.

Once you deposit some gold in the bank, a counter will appear in the bank itself displaying how much gold you've deposited. Once this counter reaches 20, you can advance to the next screen by pressing the fire button. You may continue to mine the present screen, but be sure to deposit any gold you have before pressing the fire button.

Press the space bar to pause the game. When the border turns red, the game is paused. Press the space bar again to resume play. The Restore key resets the game to the title screen.

## Strategy

Avoid digging large cavernous rooms, since the more surface area the radiation has, the more quickly it spreads. Try to protect the entrance to the bank, or you won't be able to deposit your gold. Remember that the clock is just as deadly as the radiation or methane. Don't let time run out on you.

After playing a few games, you may discover that some areas are



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usually free of radiation or methane. Gold nuggets are distributed randomly over the screen as are boulders and the immovable granite blocks.

Methane bubbles tend to move in a counterclockwise direction and always start by moving to the left.

When a methane bubble encounters an obstruction and cannot move in any other direction, it will then double back on itself. Knowing this may enable you to dig traps for the bubbles so they can't follow you through the tunnels. You may also want to block off tunnel sections with boulders as you dig them; then, should you uncover a uranium deposit that you can't quickly seal, radiation won't spread throughout the entire tunnel.

## MINER

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# PROGRAMS

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BRYAN CHRIST

**Y**ou and your allies have been accused of murdering the king of Acacia. Due to uncertainty about your guilt among the High Council judges, you and your party have been locked in a maze filled with magical doors and powerful demons. Legend has it that the gods of the underworld will determine who is guilty and who is not.

Here is where you will be tested. Those who are untruthful have their fates sealed from the beginning. It will only be a matter of time before it's apparent who among your party is innocent and who is guilty. Those who escape the dungeon trials alive will be excused of all charges, and their names will be cleared.

## Typing It In

*Dungeon Trials* is written entirely in BASIC. To avoid typing errors, enter the program with *The Automatic Proofreader*; see "Typing Aids" elsewhere in this section. Be sure to save a copy of the program when you've finished typing it in.

## Enter the Dungeon

Plug a joystick into port 2 to play *Dungeon Trials*. Load and run the program; then wait for a minute while the computer reads the sprite data. When the main screen appears, you'll see what your party sees.

There are doors on all sides of each room. These doors match a compass rose in that north is straight ahead, east is to the right, and west is to the left. South is always behind you and can't be seen. Above the room are the six members of your party.

As you search for the exit, a variety of evil foes will appear, blocking your path. You can't leave a room until you've defeated each demon in combat. Even after one of your party has defeated a foe, another one may appear immediately.

When you select Fight from the menu, you'll be asked which of the six members of your party will engage the monster. Enter that member's number and press Return. At this point the

background screen will clear, and a crosshairs pointer will appear. Try to maneuver the crosshairs over the head of the demon, and press the fire button before the demon can move away. The head is the only vital spot, and your timing is very important.

**DUNGEON TRIALS**

DEFEAT THE  
POWERFUL DEMONS  
THAT BLOCK YOUR  
WAY TO SAFETY IN  
THIS ADVENTURE  
GAME FOR THE 64

The snake is the exception. You must aim just over its head and strike the lower part of its tail. If your blow strikes it there, the snake will be banished to its realm.

You get only one chance to defeat a demon. If you miss, your party member dies. The maze has 150 rooms; the object is to reach the last one. There are five magical doors that will teleport you to other parts of the dungeon, but you won't be able to return to the teleport by retracing your steps.

Good luck—I hope you have been truthful.

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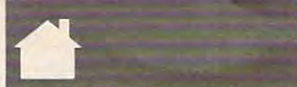
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XG 100 LVL=1:RM=5
AP 110 MF=12:Tsf=63
PF 120 FOR T=1TO6
MM 130 CH (T)=0
KE 140 NEXTT
CM 150 PRINTCHR$(147);
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FJ 160 POKE53281,0:POKE53280,1
BG 170 PRINTTAB(12);"{YEL}READING DATA..."
PX 180 FORCA=12672TO12734:READ
QA:POKECA,QA:NEXT
KM 190 FORCB=12736TO12798:READ
QB:POKECB,QB:NEXT
SF 200 FORCC=12800TO12862:READ
QC:POKECC,QC:NEXT
HE 210 FORCD=12864TO12926:READ
QD:POKECD,QD:NEXT
XM 220 FORCE=12928TO12990:READ
QE:POKECE,QE:NEXT
AQ 230 FORCF=12992TO13054:READ
QF:POKECF,QF:NEXT
MM 240 FORDA=12288TO12350:READ
ZA:POKEDA,ZA:NEXT
FJ 250 FORDB=12352TO12414:READ
ZB:POKEDB,ZB:NEXT
DD 260 FORDC=12416TO12478:READ
ZC:POKEDC,ZC:NEXT
JF 270 FORDD=12480TO12542:READ
ZD:POKEDD,ZD:NEXT
KP 280 FORDE=12544TO12606:READ
ZE:POKEDE,ZE:NEXT
CC 290 FORDF=12608TO12670:READ
ZF:POKEDF,ZF:NEXT
PD 300 PRINTCHR$(147);
GB 310 V=53248
HA 320 POKEV+23,Tsf
ES 330 POKEV+28,Tsf:POKEV+37,7
:POKEV+38,10
KE 340 POKEV+0,50:POKEV+1,58
HC 350 POKEV+2,80:POKEV+3,58
HJ 360 POKEV+4,110:POKEV+5,58
DH 370 POKEV+6,140:POKEV+7,58
SX 380 POKEV+8,170:POKEV+9,58
CH 390 POKEV+10,200:POKEV+11,58
SP 400 POKE2040,198:POKE2041,199
QQ 410 POKE2042,200:POKE2043,201
HG 420 POKE2044,202:POKE2045,203
CM 430 POKEV+21,Tsf
JQ 440 POKEV+39,5:POKEV+40,6
KC 450 POKEV+41,8:POKEV+42,4
FS 460 POKEV+43,6:POKEV+44,5
GG 470 PRINTCHR$(19);
JC 480 POKE214,6:PRINT
BB 490 PRINT"{WHT}{4 SPACES}1
{3 SPACES}2{3 SPACES}3
{2 SPACES}4{3 SPACES}5
{3 SPACES}6"
AJ 500 PRINT"{2 SPACES}{RVS}
{WHT}{24 SPACES}"
JX 510 FORT=1TO8
HM 520 PRINT"{2 SPACES}{RVS}
{WHT}";TAB(25);"{RVS}
{WHT}"
AC 530 NEXT
BH 540 PRINT"{2 SPACES}{RVS}
{WHT}{24 SPACES}"
FP 550 PRINTCHR$(19);
DE 560 POKE214,8:PRINT
BC 570 FORT=1TO8
PF 580 PRINT"{3 RIGHT}{RVS}
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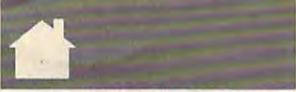
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JH 590	{BLU}{22 SPACES}{WHT}"	RJ 1000	POKE214,7:PRINT	KA 1590	POKE1024+(PY*40)+PX,32
QK 600	NEXT	CB 1010	PRINTTAB(29);"{WHT}	HJ 1600	PX=PX+WX
MP 610	POKE214,8:PRINT		{OFF}OPTIONS"	XR 1610	PY=PY+WY
SM 620	PRINTTAB(11);"{RVS}{5}	PX 1020	PRINTTAB(29);"{WHT}	XJ 1620	POKEPC+(PY*40)+PX,3
	{E}{R}{E}{R}{E}{R}"		{OFF}{7 T}"	KE 1630	POKE1024+(PY*40)+PX,91
KC 630	PRINTTAB(11);"{RVS}{5}	RD 1030	PRINTTAB(29);"{WHT}		:WX=0:WY=0
	{R}{E}{OFF}{E}{RVS}		{RVS}F{OFF}IGHT"	CF 1640	POKEV+12,MY:POKEV+13,1
	{R}{E}"		{RVS}N{OFF}ORTH"		40
CR 640	PRINTTAB(11);"{RVS}{5}	KD 1050	PRINTTAB(29);"{WHT}	XM 1650	GOTO 1450
	{E}{R}{OFF}{2 SPACES}		{RVS}S{OFF}OUTH"	CB 1660	SWX=1664
	{RVS}{E}{R}"	GA 1060	PRINTTAB(29);"{WHT}	KS 1670	FX=SWX+PX
JS 650	PRINTTAB(11);"{RVS}{5}		{RVS}E{OFF}AST"	SE 1680	FOR FY=FX TO (1024+40*
	{R}{E}{OFF}{2 SPACES}	PB 1070	PRINTTAB(29);"{WHT}		PY+X) STEP-40
	{RVS}{R}{E}"		{RVS}W{OFF}EST"	AC 1690	POKEPC+(FY-1024),WC
MX 660	PRINTTAB(11);"{RVS}{5}	CK 1080	GETKYS:IFKYS=""THEN1080	MJ 1700	POKEFY,CW
	{E}{R}{OFF}{2 SPACES}	BJ 1090	IF MCS=""{5 SPACES}NONE	SJ 1710	FORGJ=1TO10:NEXTGJ
	{RVS}{E}{R}"		" THEN 1120	DE 1720	POKEFY,32:NEXTFY
RX 670	PRINTTAB(10);"{BLU}{E	PS 1100	IF KYS="F"THEN 1170	BB 1730	IF MDR=1 THEN MY=MY+8
	{6 SPACES}{*}"	JG 1110	GOTO1080	HR 1740	IF MDR=2 THEN MY=MY-8
GR 680	PRINTTAB(9);"{BLU}{OFF}	BH 1120	IF KYS="S"THEN2040	SG 1750	HM=INT(MY/8)
	{E}{8 SPACES}{*}"	PQ 1130	IF KYS="N"THEN2200	JH 1760	IF PY=11 THEN 1790
SM 690	PRINTTAB(8);"{BLU}{OFF}	AD 1140	IF KYS="E"THEN2350	AF 1770	IF PY=12 THEN 1790
	{E}{10 SPACES}{*}"	KG 1150	IF KYS="W"THEN2490	BJ 1780	GOTO 1890
JD 700	PRINTCHR\$(19);	KM 1160	GOTO 1080	SF 1790	IF PX=1=HM THEN 1820
SS 710	POKE214,10:PRINT	FG 1170	PRINT CHR\$(19);	KF 1800	IF PX=2=HM THEN 1820
DP 720	PRINTTAB(8);"{BLU}{OFF}	ED 1180	POKE214,18:PRINT	MP 1810	GOTO 1890
	{E};TAB(19);"{BLU}{OFF}	DA 1190	PRINTTAB(2);"{WHT}CHAR	BG 1820	FORGJ=1TO10:FORT=0TO15
	{*}"		ACTER TO"	XR 1830	POKE V+45,T
AG 730	PRINTTAB(7);"{BLU}{OFF}	PG 1200	INPUT {2 SPACES}FIGHT	XC 1840	NEXTT:NEXTGJ
	{E};TAB(19);"{BLU}		{SPACE}WITH";C	MD 1850	POKEV+21,TSF
	{OFF} {*}"	FC 1210	IF C>6 THEN 1250	FE 1860	POKE53275,0
DJ 740	FORT=1TO2	EX 1220	IF C<1 THEN 1250	QX 1870	PRINTCHR\$(147);
GD 750	PRINTTAB(7);"{OFF}	SQ 1230	IF CH(C)=255 THEN 1250	PH 1880	GOTO 470
	{2 SPACES};TAB(19);"	BX 1240	GOTO 1320	QA 1890	IF C=1 THEN VP=39:TSF=
	{OFF}{2 SPACES}"	SJ 1250	PRINTTAB(2);"THAT CHAR		TSF-1
FP 760	NEXTT		ACTER DOES NOT EXIST!"	BH 1900	IF C=2 THEN VP=40:TSF=
RR 770	PRINTTAB(7);"{BLU}{OFF}	XM 1260	PRINTTAB(2);"CHOOSE AG		TSF-2
	{2 P};TAB(19);"{BLU}		AIN."	BB 1910	IF C=3 THEN VP=41:TSF=
	{OFF}{2 P}"	FG 1270	FORO=1TO1000:NEXTO		TSF-4
CF 780	PRINTTAB(7);"{OFF}	AK 1280	PRINTCHR\$(19);	KJ 1920	IF C=4 THEN VP=42:TSF=
	{2 SPACES};TAB(19);"	KP 1290	POKE214,18:PRINT		TSF-8
	{OFF}{2 SPACES}"	GA 1300	FORO=1TO4:PRINT"	FA 1930	IF C=5 THEN VP=43:TSF=
BX 790	DM=INT(RND(0)*MF)+1		{34 SPACES}":NEXTO		TSF-16
AK 800	IF DM>6 THEN MCS=""	SF 1310	GOTO 1170	BB 1940	IF C=6 THEN VP=44:TSF=
	{5 SPACES}NONE"	JX 1320	PRINTCHR\$(19);		TSF-32
DB 810	IFDM=1THENSM=192:MNC=12	KC 1330	POKE214,8:PRINT	XS 1950	CH(C)=255
	:MCS=""{4 SPACES}SHADOW"	RJ 1340	FORT=1TO8:PRINTTAB(3);	XX 1960	FORGJ=1TO10:FORT=0TO15
PF 820	IFDM=2THENSM=193:MNC=1:		"{22 SPACES}":NEXTT	HH 1970	POKE V+VP,T
	MCS=""{4 SPACES}GHOST"	QE 1350	PL=1024:PC=55296	FR 1980	NEXTT:NEXTGJ
HD 830	IFDM=3THENSM=194:MNC=5:	QQ 1360	MY=124	AR 1990	POKE53275,0
	MCS=""{3 SPACES}SERPENT"	DJ 1370	PX=14:PY=13	CM 2000	POKEV+21,TSF
PF 840	IFDM=4THENSM=195:MNC=6:			AF 2010	IF TSF=0 THEN 2810
	MCS=""WINGED WARRIOR"	DJ 1380	IF C=1 THEN CW=30:WC=9	FH 2020	PRINTCHR\$(147);
XM 850	IFDM=5THENSM=196:MNC=1:	EH 1390	IF C=2 THEN CW=66:WC=6	CJ 2030	GOTO300
	MCS=""{3 SPACES}SKELETON	DK 1400	IF C=3 THEN CW=30:WC=9	SP 2040	IF RM=1 THEN 2640
	"	PX 1410	IF C=4 THEN CW=42:WC=4	PJ 2050	IF RM=4 THEN 2640
SA 860	IFDM=6THENSM=197:MNC=2:	BF 1420	IF C=5 THEN CW=43:WC=7	AS 2060	IF RM=5 THEN 2640
	MCS="" VAPOR DEMON"	GF 1430	IF C=6 THEN CW=30:WC=9	EX 2070	IF RM=10 THEN 2640
BX 870	PRINTCHR\$(19);	DJ 1440	POKE53275,255	QS 2080	IF RM=11 THEN 2640
HX 880	PRINT	DD 1450	MDR=INT(RND(0)*2)+1	EQ 2090	IF RM=12 THEN 2640
CP 890	PRINTTAB(31);"{WHT}	PM 1460	IF MDR=1ANDMY-4<50THEN	FD 2100	IF RM=15 THEN 2640
	{OFF}FOE"		MDR=2	AB 2110	IF RM=17 THEN 2640
MD 900	PRINTTAB(31);"{WHT}	MJ 1470	IF MDR=2ANDMY+4>192THE	JA 2120	IF RM=18 THEN 2640
	{OFF}{3 U};PRINT		N MDR=1	JQ 2130	IF RM=20 THEN 2640
DM 910	PRINTTAB(26);"{WHT}";TA	KR 1480	IF MDR=1 THEN MY=MY-8	RB 2140	IF RM=23 THEN 2640
	B(26);MCS	PQ 1490	IF MDR=2 THEN MY=MY+8	FH 2150	IF RM=24 THEN 2640
CX 920	IF DM>6THEN990	RM 1500	JY=PEEK(56320)	RG 2160	IF RM=25 THEN 2640
HM 930	POKEV+23,TSF+64:POKEV+2	GC 1510	IF JY=127 THEN1620	XP 2170	IF RM=28 THEN 2640
	8,TSF+64	KD 1520	IF JY=119 THEN WX=1	AS 2180	IF RM=29 THEN 2760
XB 940	POKEV+37,7:POKEV+38,10	RQ 1530	IF JY=123 THEN WX=-1	FP 2190	RM=RM+1:GOTO300
MA 950	POKEV+12,124:POKEV+13,1	AD 1540	IF JY=125 THEN WY=1	FB 2200	IF RM=1 THEN 2640
	40	RK 1550	IF JY=126 THEN WY=-1	SG 2210	IF RM=5 THEN 2640
BG 960	POKE2046,SM	AG 1560	IF JY=111 THEN 1660	BE 2220	IF RM=6 THEN 2640
FP 970	POKEV+21,TSF+64	XQ 1570	IFPEEK(1024+PY*40+(PX+	CF 2230	IF RM=11 THEN 2640
PA 980	POKEV+45,MNC		WX))=160THENWX=0	ME 2240	IF RM=12 THEN 2640
DH 990	PRINTCHR\$(19);	QP 1580	IFPEEK(1024+(PY+WY)*40	CM 2250	IF RM=13 THEN 2640
			+PX)=160THEN WY=0	EX 2260	IF RM=16 THEN 2640



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DR 2270 IF RM=18 THEN 2640	CJ 2860 IF KYS<>"Y"THENSYS6473	EFT--
PQ 2280 IF RM=19 THEN 2640	8	GA 3280 DATA0,0,0,0,42,0,0,168
MJ 2290 IF RM=21 THEN 2640	EM 2870 IF KYS="Y"THEN RESTORE	,128
JX 2300 IF RM=24 THEN 2640	:GOTO100	JG 3290 DATA0,248,0,0,56,0,0,2
AR 2310 IF RM=25 THEN 2640	EA 2880 FOR J=1TO10:FOR T=0TO15	48,0
JQ 2320 IF RM=26 THEN 2640	FC 2890 PRINTCHR\$(19);	PP 3300 DATA0,48,0,2,186,192,1
PB 2330 IF RM=29 THEN 2640	XB 2900 POKE214,11:PRINT	5,171,240
KB 2340 RM=RM-1:GOTO300	KM 2910 POKE646,T	GP 3310 DATA62,34,48,48,136,16
MS 2350 IF RM=2 THEN 2640	JK 2920 PRINTTAB(6);"CONGRATUL	,0,168,68
RR 2360 IF RM=3 THEN 2640	ATIONS!"	PM 3320 DATA0,168,0,0,32,0,0,1
PA 2370 IF RM=9 THEN 2640	BS 2930 NEXTT:NEXTJ	68,0
QD 2380 IF RM=11 THEN 2640	GX 2940 GOTO2840	GX 3330 DATA2,170,0,2,138,0,10
SA 2390 IF RM=14 THEN 2640	GJ 2950 REM--ARCHER (GIRL) *LE	,10,0
QH 2400 IF RM=17 THEN 2640	FT--	FE 3340 DATA10,2,128,15,3,192,
EF 2410 IF RM=18 THEN 2640	QA 2960 DATA1,0,0,4,0,0,4,85,8	63,15,192
QE 2420 IF RM=19 THEN 2640	0	DD 3350 REM--HUNTER (GUY) *RIG
CH 2430 IF RM=22 THEN 2640	FX 2970 DATA16,63,80,16,15,64,	HT--
KE 2440 IF RM=26 THEN 2640	16,63,0	KD 3360 DATA2,0,0,10,160,0,8,1
BM 2450 IF RM=27 THEN 2640	DG 2980 DATA16,12,0,62,170,160	68,0
KK 2460 IF RM=28 THEN 2640	,30,171,232	EQ 3370 DATA0,172,0,0,176,0,0,
JX 2470 IF RM=25 THEN 2760	MD 2990 DATA16,42,224,16,42,0,	252,0
PS 2480 RM=RM+5:GOTO300	16,8,0	BP 3380 DATA0,32,0,3,168,80,95
PF 2490 IF RM=1 THEN 2640	XK 3000 DATA4,34,0,4,170,128,1	,233,16
AF 2500 IF RM=2 THEN 2640	,170,128	BC 3390 DATA93,85,85,0,164,64,
KE 2510 IF RM=3 THEN 2640	MC 3010 DATA0,170,128,3,192,24	0,165,0
CM 2520 IF RM=4 THEN 2640	0,3,192,240	SH 3400 DATA0,168,0,0,32,0,0,1
PK 2530 IF RM=5 THEN 2640	EG 3020 DATA3,192,240,10,0,40,	68,0
MX 2540 IF RM=7 THEN 2640	42,0,168	CJ 3410 DATA2,170,0,2,138,0,10
DR 2550 IF RM=8 THEN 2640	QQ 3030 REM--HUNTER (GIRL) *RI	,10,0
KS 2560 IF RM=14 THEN 2640	GHT--	FH 3420 DATA10,10,0,12,3,0,15,
KD 2570 IF RM=16 THEN 2640	JS 3040 DATA128,0,0,128,0,0,12	3,192
HB 2580 IF RM=19 THEN 2640	8,21,80	PJ 3430 REM--SHADOW--
SQ 2590 IF RM=22 THEN 2640	AP 3050 DATA128,87,192,64,31,0	HA 3440 DATA0,0,0,0,32,0,0,32,
CQ 2600 IF RM=23 THEN 2640	,128,95,192	0
FD 2610 IF RM=24 THEN 2640	ED 3060 DATA129,95,192,128,12,	KM 3450 DATA0,136,0,0,136,0,2,
DA 2620 IF RM=27 THEN 2640	0,131,191,128	70,0
PE 2630 RM=RM-5:GOTO300	JD 3070 DATA131,239,176,143,17	EQ 3460 DATA2,2,0,0,136,0,0,16
PD 2640 PRINTCHR\$(19);	1,172,240,42,172	8,0
XG 2650 POKE214,8:PRINT	QB 3080 DATA128,15,204,128,10,	PQ 3470 DATA2,170,169,10,170,1
XF 2660 FORT=1TO4	128,128,58,240	69,10,42,40
PB 2670 PRINTTAB(3);" {RVS} {5}	AS 3090 DATA128,62,240,128,60,	RC 3480 DATA10,138,8,10,106,0,
{E} {R} {E} {R} {E} {R} {E}	240,128,252,252	1,106,0
{R} {E} {R} {E} {R} {E} {R}	SG 3100 DATA128,240,60,128,160	EM 3490 DATA2,170,0,10,170,0,1
{E} {R} {E} {R} {E} {R} {E}	,40,128,168,42	0,170,0
{R} }	RQ 3110 REM--ARCHER (GUY) *RIG	PM 3500 DATA42,170,128,42,170,
RB 2680 PRINTTAB(3);" {RVS} {5}	HT--	128,170,170,128
{R} {E} {R} {E} {R} {E} {R}	GM 3120 DATA10,160,32,42,168,8	FS 3510 REM--GHOST--
{E} {R} {E} {R} {E} {R} {E}	,34,252,8	BS 3520 DATA0,40,0,0,170,0,0,1
{R} {E} {R} {E} {R} {E} {R}	DB 3130 DATA2,192,2,0,252,2,0,	70,0
{E} }	48,2	HJ 3530 DATA2,40,128,10,40,160
QP 2690 NEXTT	QS 3140 DATA10,138,2,14,171,2,	,42,170,168
KA 2700 PRINTCHR\$(19);	63,175,194	EB 3540 DATA42,170,168,40,170,
XR 2710 POKE214,11:PRINT	EX 3150 DATA240,168,254,192,16	40,160,170,10
SA 2720 PRINTTAB(7);" {WHT} A WA	8,2,0,168,2	GP 3550 DATA162,170,138,162,17
LL BLOCKS"	BG 3160 DATA0,32,2,0,168,2,0,1	0,138,130,170,130
AP 2730 PRINTTAB(7);" {WHT}	68,2	QK 3560 DATA162,170,138,34,170
{2 SPACES} THIS HALL	MG 3170 DATA2,170,2,2,138,8,10	,136,2,170,128
{2 SPACES}"	,138,8	PE 3570 DATA10,170,160,10,170,
AM 2740 FOR O=1TO100:NEXTO	GX 3180 DATA10,10,32,12,3,0,15	160,10,170,160
DG 2750 GOTO 300	,3,192	AF 3580 DATA42,170,168,10,170,
FB 2760 IF LVL=1 THEN LVL=2:RM	KE 3190 REM--WIZARD (GUY) *RIG	160,0,0,0
=3:GOTO300	HT--	AA 3590 REM--SERPENT--
RK 2770 IF LVL=2 THEN LVL=3:RM	SQ 3200 DATA2,160,0,10,168,0,8	BR 3600 DATA0,0,0,0,160,32,2,1
=18:GOTO300	,188,0	68,160
QA 2780 IF LVL=3 THEN LVL=4:RM	GK 3210 DATA4,240,0,0,252,0,0,	GJ 3610 DATA10,170,176,10,138,
=11:GOTO300	48,8	192,42,0,0
SA 2790 IF LVL=4 THEN LVL=5:RM	HE 3220 DATA0,168,38,2,170,8,1	JA 3620 DATA42,10,128,42,42,16
=28:GOTO300	0,170,172	0,42,22,80
SG 2800 IF LVL=5 THEN 2880	QF 3230 DATA10,170,172,56,170,	AR 3630 DATA168,38,96,168,42,1
QK 2810 PRINTCHR\$(19);	40,50,170,8	60,168,32,32
DF 2820 POKE214,11:PRINT	JP 3240 DATA0,136,8,10,34,8,10	FA 3640 DATA168,10,128,170,15,
DX 2830 PRINTTAB(7);" {WHT}	,170,8	192,42,175,192
{2 SPACES} GAME OVER"	XJ 3250 DATA10,170,8,10,170,8,	DE 3650 DATA42,191,0,10,191,0,
RH 2840 PRINTTAB(7);" {WHT} REST	42,170,8	2,252,0
ART (Y/N)"	AK 3260 DATA42,170,8,170,171,8	AQ 3660 DATA0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
GD 2850 GETKYS:IF KYS=" "THEN28	,60,3,200	SA 3670 REM--WINGED WARRIOR--
50	MK 3270 REM--WANDERER (GUY) *L	PK 3680 DATA0,0,0,0,0,5,65,8



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SS 3690	DATA21, 125, 84, 21, 255, 84, 21, 60, 84	PD 3770	DATA2, 0, 128, 2, 170, 128, 0, 170, 0	XS 3850	DATA10, 40, 160, 10, 170, 128, 2, 170, 160
DR 3700	DATA21, 255, 84, 21, 125, 84, 23, 191, 212	RP 3780	DATA0, 130, 0, 8, 40, 32, 34, 40, 136	AC 3860	DATA10, 130, 160, 10, 40, 128, 2, 170, 128
AA 3710	DATA95, 191, 245, 127, 239, 253, 125, 251, 125	KE 3790	DATA0, 130, 0, 32, 40, 8, 32, 130, 8	CR 3870	DATA0, 170, 128, 2, 170, 0, 0, 170, 128
PQ 3720	DATA117, 254, 93, 125, 170, 125, 85, 170, 85	JD 3800	DATA32, 40, 8, 32, 130, 8, 0, 40, 0	JR 3880	DATA0, 170, 0, 0, 170, 0, 0, 40, 0
GX 3730	DATA86, 130, 149, 70, 130, 145, 70, 130, 145	XR 3810	DATA0, 130, 0, 0, 130, 0, 0, 130, 0	AM 3890	DATA0, 168, 0, 0, 40, 0, 8, 8, 0
PM 3740	DATA66, 130, 129, 2, 0, 128, 10, 0, 160	GR 3820	DATA2, 0, 128, 2, 0, 128, 10, 0, 160	GM 3900	DATA0, 32, 136, 2, 32, 0, 32, 2, 32
KS 3750	REM--SKELETON--	FR 3830	REM--VAPOR DEMON--		
MS 3760	DATA0, 170, 0, 2, 170, 128,	PC 3840	DATA2, 170, 128, 10, 170, 1		

## M A R K G E R H A R D S T E I N

The Meteor Mining Company is hiring pilots to fly a fleet of ships for collecting asteroids in outer space. It has devised a test to discover people who have the necessary talents to pilot a spaceship while simultaneously solving problems to decide which asteroids are valuable.

The object of *Meteor Math* is to collect correct answers to simple math problems while avoiding the incorrect ones. You'll be given the first number in an addition or multiplication problem and its answer. It will be your job to maneuver your ship through a field of moving numbers to collect the one that completes the problem.

### Getting Started

Although *Meteor Math* loads and runs like a BASIC program, it's written entirely in machine language. Use *MLX*, our machine language entry program, to type it in; see "Typing Aids" elsewhere in this section. When *MLX* prompts you, respond with the values given below.

Starting address: 0801  
Ending address: 1658

When you've finished typing, don't forget to save a copy of the program before exiting *MLX*.

### Playing the Game

When you run *Meteor Math*, the title screen will offer you several options. Press f1 and f3 to set the beginning and top levels. The level is the first number in the math equation. You can solve problems that start with the same number each time or cycle through them in consecutive order.

Press T to set the game's time limit. Games can last from one to nine minutes and will continue until

that time limit has been reached or three ships have been destroyed.

You set the speed at which the answers scroll by pressing B for beginner, N for normal, or E for expert. This option always defaults to normal, although the other options will remain as you've set them.

# METEOR MATH

PRACTICE ADDITION OR MULTIPLICATION WHILE FLYING THROUGH SPACE IN THIS EDUCATIONAL GAME FOR THE 64

When you're ready to begin, press f7 to complete addition problems or f5 to complete multiplication ones. Control your ship with a joystick plugged into port 2.

As your ship flies through the field of possible answers, you want to collect the right one. Touching a correct answer with your ship collects it. You'll receive two points for each correct answer and a bonus for each level you complete. The amount of the bonus depends on the level that you've

finished. Level 9 is worth more than level 8, for example.

Running into an incorrect answer will destroy your ship. You may have to let some correct ones go by if they're too close to other numbers. When a ship has been destroyed or you've collected the correct number, the math problem changes; stay alert.

If your ship needs extra speed to snare the correct answer, press your fire button. This engages your turbo-thruster, which doubles the speed of your ship. Turbo fuel is expensive; this speed can be maintained for only about ten seconds per ship. The game ends when either the time limit has expired or you've crashed three ships into incorrect answers.

There's no real qualifying score in *Meteor Math*. I wrote this program to give my children practice with addition and the multiplication tables and to keep them from figuring out the answers by counting on their fingers. I made it flexible so that they could design their own tests, spending more time practicing problems in their areas of biggest need.

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0801:14	08	0A	00	9E	32	30	37	B3
0809:30	3A	8F	20	4D	41	52	4B	13
0811:47	32	00	00	00	A9	80	8D	86
0819:0B	D4	A2	00	BD	99	12	9D	4E
0821:00	20	BD	99	13	9D	00	21	BA
0829:BD	99	14	9D	00	22	BD	99	78
0831:15	9D	00	23	CA	D0	E5	A9	74
0839:40	A9	00	9D	BF	23	CA	D0	9E
0841:F8	20	44	E5	A2	2F	BD	F6	01
0849:09	9D	00	D0	CA	10	F7	A9	82
0851:80	8D	FA	07	8D	FC	07	8D	D0
0859:FD	07	A9	83	8D	FE	07	A9	B7
0861:8B	8D	F8	07	A9	8A	8D	FB	B8
0869:07	A9	8D	8D	FF	07	A9	8C	ED
0871:8D	F9	07	A2	19	BD	25	0A	E5
0879:9D	00	D4	CA	10	F7	A9	3E	91
0881:85	FC	A9	0A	85	FD	A9	00	CE
0889:B1	FC	F0	0C	20	D2	FF	E6	C3
0891:FC	D0	02	E6	FD	4C	87	08	3B



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0899:AD 4C 11 8D 47 11 09 30 4F	0B01:9F 20 53 48 49 50 53 2E 3E	0D69:11 09 80 8D FA 07 AD 4A D0
08A1:8D 29 06 AD 4D 11 18 69 A6	0B09:96 11 0D 20 20 20 20 34	0D71:11 30 34 BD 2B 0D 09 30 52
08A9:2F 8D 51 06 A9 01 8D 48 F3	0B11:96 CF B7 B7 B7 B7 B7 9C	0D79:8D 45 11 BD 2B 0D 18 6D D4
08B1:11 A9 30 8D 01 12 A9 02 39	0B19:B7 B7 B7 B7 B7 B7 B7 2F	0D81:47 11 C9 0A 90 11 18 69 BF
08B9:8D 4A 11 A9 09 8D 46 11 FB	0B21:B7 B7 B7 B7 B7 B7 B7 3F	0D89:76 8D FD 07 A9 81 8D FC DD
08C1:A9 00 8D 26 10 A9 00 8D 6F	0B29:B7 B7 B7 B7 B7 B7 B7 3F	0D91:07 20 29 10 4C 5E 0D 09 5C
08C9:25 10 A9 00 8D 27 10 A9 78	0B31:D0 20 0D 1D 1D 1D 20 96 5F	0D99:80 8D FD 07 A9 80 8D FC EE
08D1:FF 8D 28 10 A9 1E 8D 4B 77	0B39:20 A5 9E 20 46 31 2D 20 10	0DA1:07 20 29 10 4C 5E 0D 4C AF
08D9:11 AD 49 11 09 30 8D 41 7D	0B41:53 45 54 53 20 53 54 41 4A	0DA9:1A 0F 20 B7 0D 4C 5E 0D 77
08E1:07 20 3A 0D A5 CB C9 16 9B	0B49:52 54 49 4E 47 20 4C 45 44	0DB1:20 E5 0D 4C 5E 0D A9 09 3F
08E9:F0 31 C9 04 F0 30 C9 05 19	0B51:56 45 4C 20 20 20 31 20 73	0DB9:8D 46 11 EE 47 11 AD 47 5E
08F1:F0 46 C9 06 F0 73 C9 03 91	0B59:20 92 96 A7 20 0D 1D 1D FD	0DC1:11 0A AA 20 A7 0F AD 47 5A
08F9:F0 55 C9 1C F0 14 C9 0E 4C	0B61:1D 20 20 A5 9E 20 46 33 A1	0DC9:11 CD 4D 11 F0 0D C9 0A F3
0901:F0 13 C9 27 F0 12 4C E5 4A	0B69:2D 20 53 45 54 53 20 45 52	0DD1:D0 05 A9 01 8D 47 11 20 A6
0909:08 A5 C5 C9 40 D0 FA 4C 65	0B71:4E 44 49 4E 47 20 4C 45 66	0DD9:3A 0D 60 AD 4C 11 8D 47 44
0911:E5 08 4C 84 09 4C A8 09 BD	0B79:56 45 4C 20 20 20 20 79	0DE1:11 4C D8 0D A9 09 8D 46 56
0919:4C 96 09 4C BA 09 AE 47 7B	0B81:31 20 20 92 96 A7 20 0D 06	0DE9:11 20 3A 0D 60 A9 00 85 DB
0921:11 E8 E0 0A D0 02 A2 01 87	0B89:1D 1D 1D 96 20 20 A5 20 6F	0DF1:FC AE 46 11 30 48 E0 0A 7E
0929:8E 47 11 8E 4C 11 8A 09 24	0B91:20 20 20 20 20 20 20 A7	0DF9:B0 4A AD 47 11 09 80 8D 64
0931:30 8D 29 06 E8 4C 43 09 4C	0B99:20 20 20 20 20 20 20 AF	0E01:FA 07 AD 4A 11 30 34 BD 26
0939:AE 4D 11 E8 E0 0B D0 02 7D	0BA1:20 20 20 20 20 20 20 B7	0E09:2B 0D 09 30 8D 45 11 BD 83
0941:A2 02 8E 4D 11 8A 18 69 18	0BA9:20 20 20 20 A7 20 0D CA	0E11:2B D0 AC 47 11 A9 09 18 57
0949:2F 8D 51 06 4C 0A 09 78 F5	0BB1:1D 1D 1D 20 96 20 A5 99 5D	0E19:7D 2B D0 88 D0 F9 C9 0A F4
0951:A9 8A 8D FB 07 20 44 E5 73	0BB9:20 42 20 2D 20 53 45 54 74	0E21:90 07 E6 FC E9 0A 4C 1F 23
0959:2D D1 09 A9 00 8D 0A DC D2	0BC1:53 20 42 45 47 49 4E 4E 70	0E29:0E 09 80 8D FD 07 A5 FC CB
0961:8D 09 DC 8D 0D DC 4C 5E 9B	0BC9:45 52 20 53 50 45 44 B6	0E31:69 80 8D FC 07 20 29 10 BE
0969:0D 78 A9 8E 8D FB 07 20 C8	0BD1:20 20 20 20 20 92 96 43	0E39:4C EE 0D 4C 1A 0F 20 B7 A2
0971:4A E5 20 D1 09 A9 00 8D BC	0BD9:A7 20 0D 1D 1D 96 20 E9	0E41:0D 4C EE 0D 20 E5 0D 4C A4
0979:0A DC 8D 09 0C 8D 08 DC 14	0BE1:20 A5 99 20 4E 20 2D 20 14	0E49:EE 0D 4C 42 08 9E 4D 49 6C
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# How to Type In COMPUTE's Gazette Programs

Each month, Gazette publishes programs for the Commodore 128 and 64. Each program is clearly marked by title and version. Be sure to type in the correct version for your machine. All 64 programs run on the 128 in 64 mode. Be sure to read the instructions in the corresponding article. This can save time and eliminate any questions which might arise after you begin typing.

We regularly publish two programs designed to make typing easier: *The Automatic Proofreader*, for BASIC programs, and *MLX*, for entering machine language programs.

When entering a BASIC program, be especially careful with DATA statements, as they are extremely sensitive to errors. A mistyped number in a DATA statement can cause your machine to "lock up" (you'll have no control over the computer). If this happens, the only recourse is to turn your computer off and then on, erasing what was in memory. This could cause you to lose valuable data, so be sure to *save a program before you run it*. If your computer crashes, you can always reload the program and look for the error.

## Special Characters

Most of the programs listed in each issue contain special control characters. To facilitate typing in any programs from Gazette, use the following listing conventions.

The most common type of control characters in our listings appear as words within braces: {DOWN} means to press the cursor-down key; {5 SPACES} means to press the space bar five times.

To indicate that a key should be shifted (hold down the Shift key while pressing another key), the character is underlined. For example, A means hold down the Shift key and press A. You may see strange characters on your screen, but that's to be expected. If you find a number followed by an underlined key enclosed in braces (for example, {8 A}), type the key as many times as indicated (in our example, enter eight shifted A's).

If a key is enclosed in special brackets, [ ], hold down the Commodore key (at the lower left corner of the keyboard) and press the indicated character.

Rarely, you'll see a single letter of the alphabet enclosed in braces. This can be entered on the Commodore 64 by pressing the Ctrl key while typing the letter in braces. For example, {A} means to press Ctrl-A.

## The Quote Mode

You can move the cursor around the screen with the Crsr keys, but you may want to move it under program control, as in examples like {LEFT} and {HOME} in the listings. The only way the computer can tell the difference between direct and programmed cursor control is the quote mode.

Once you press the quote key, you're in quote mode, which can be confusing if you mistype a character and cursor left to change it. You'll see a graphics symbol for cursor left. Use the delete key to back up and edit the line. Type another quotation mark to get out of quote mode. If things get too confusing, exit quote mode by pressing Return; then cursor up to the mistyped line and fix it. If the mistake involves cursor movement, you must press the quote key to reenter quote mode. □

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{HOME}	CLR/HOME		{GRN}	CTRL 6		↑	SHIFT ↑	
{UP}	SHIFT ↑ CRSR ↓		{BLU}	CTRL 7				
{DOWN}	↑ CRSR ↓		{YEL}	CTRL 8				
{LEFT}	SHIFT ← CRSR →		{F1}	f1				
{RIGHT}	← CRSR →		{F2}	SHIFT f1				
{RVS}	CTRL 9		{F3}	f3				
{OFF}	CTRL 0		{F4}	SHIFT f3				
{BLK}	CTRL 1		{F5}	f5				
{WHT}	CTRL 2		{F6}	SHIFT f5				
{RED}	CTRL 3		{F7}	f7				
{CYN}	CTRL 4		{F8}	SHIFT f7				

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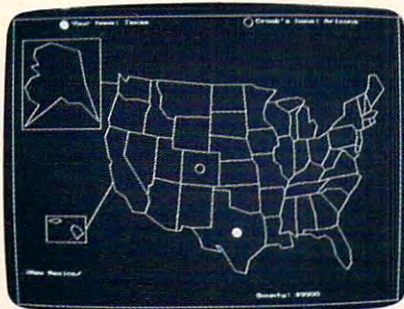
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### THE SIERRA NETWORK

What can you do if it's Saturday afternoon and there's nobody around you can play chess with? Or if you're a shut-in and there's no one around to talk to? Or if you're an avid *Red Baron* or *Stellar 7* player looking for a new level of excitement? The Sierra Network (TSN), which was announced on May 6, may hold the answer. It's the first computer network dedicated to online game playing.



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In fact, the philosophy behind the Sierra Network is person-to-person game playing. There's no option to play against the computer, nor will there be. Human interaction is key. Chess, checkers, hearts, backgammon, bridge, and cribbage are the games available as this is being written, but according to the comments left in the bulletin board area, there is a strong demand for other kinds of two-player adventure and action games. Sierra intends to use TSN as a conduit for modem games like *Red Baron* and *Stellar 7*, allowing players to fight a realtime dogfight or tank engagement

against a human opponent anywhere within the bounds of Telenet.

TSN displays the distinct Sierra EGA 16-color look: blocky letters, Larry Laffer graphics, and two-line dialog boxes for conversation. But the company promises that soon the network will boast 256-color graphics and scanned images for playing boards, a segregated area for grown-ups called *Larry Land* (complete with a casino), and other exciting amenities.

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As you'd expect in a simulation bearing the Yeager name, the planes fly very accurately. You won't be making hairpin turns at Mach 2 in your F-4, and you can't climb vertically in a Focke-Wulf 190.

The preset scenarios are a welcome change from standard flight simulator fare. Many missions bring

unexpected complications, such as enemy MiGs showing up on what's supposed to be a ground attack mission. Others are unique; in one mission, you take on the role of Lt. Kim Sok Ho, the North Korean MiG-15 pilot who defected with his plane for a \$100,000 reward.



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The game uses a refined version of the graphics system used in EA's *LHX Attack Chopper* and *Stormovik* simulators. The full release version promises digitized speech and explosions, as well as sound card support. Control with a mouse or trackball was awkward; this game definitely requires a joystick for full enjoyment.

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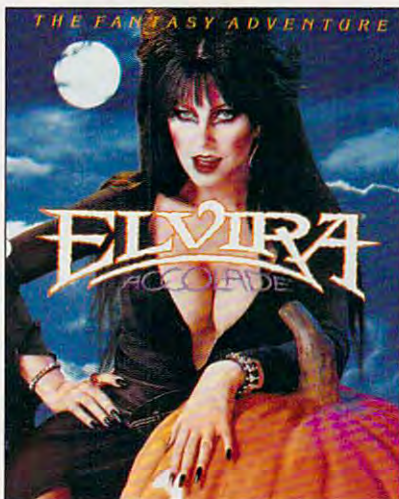
## ELVIRA, MISTRESS OF THE DARK

**K**illbragant Castle looms before you, looking nothing like the description the adventurers' union gave of a quaint castle in the peaceful English countryside. Still, all you've got to do is help the sweet young thing that lives there solve a tiny problem with some unwanted guests. "Piece of cake," they said, "a pleasant vacation." One glance at the captain of the guard confirms your worst fears—Killbragant is hardly quaint. You're in trouble all right, big trouble!

Thus begins the fantasy adventure game *Elvira, Mistress of the Dark*, a successful mixture of a graphics adventure and fantasy role-playing game. As for that nice vacation, forget it; this vacation is the stuff of nightmares. It seems Elvira's great-grandmother, Queen Emelda, is due for a resurrection and plans to rule the world with the help of her evil minions. Your task is to help Elvira find her chest and the six keys that open it in order to put a stop to Grandma's imminent return. Of course, Elvira's unwanted, not to mention undead, houseguests, including everything from zombie soldiers to a beautiful but deadly vampire, are dead set on seeing to it that you fail.

*Elvira* may start a new trend in graphics-oriented adventures. Many games sacrifice depth and length of play in favor of striking graphics. *Accolade*, however, has created a game that provides hours of play in addition to stunning graphics. As you enter the castle, the attention to detail becomes apparent, and thanks to *Elvira's* first-person perspective, the feeling of being there is immediate. As you wander the ancient grounds of Killbragant, you'll have the opportunity to battle a variety of creatures, all of which will grimace, scream, and snarl at you in remarkable detail. I

found the animation to be excellent. At one point in the game you'll encounter a falcon, which scrolls smoothly across the screen just before ripping out your eyes. Another excellent animation sequence is the werewolf transformation. I recommend that you bring some silver when you visit this guy, and I'm not talking about your fork and spoon.



Visually stunning and full of dangerous surprises, *Elvira's* only for the intrepid.

The box states that *Elvira* contains blood-curdling graphics. This is a warning as well as a selling point; the game contains graphic violence. You will be beheaded, have your throat ripped out, and sustain various other fatal and unpleasant injuries—all with minute attention to detail. The results are sometimes shocking. For this reason, I feel that *Elvira* is not suitable for young children.

Of course, a superior adventure game relies on more than good graphics for its appeal, and *Elvira* is no exception. The game boasts an excellent soundtrack and supports today's most popular sound cards. I found the music to be very well done, creating tension at just the right moment.

Another excellent feature is the incorporation of digitized sound effects. No matter what sound card you're using, you'll still be able to hear screams, cries of agony, and the clash of steel on steel as you engage in battle. For those of you whose only source of sound is the PC speaker, *Accolade* has done a creditable job with the music,

and you'll even be able to hear the digital sound.

*Elvira* is an icon-driven game that uses a point-and-click interface. All the necessary icons are located on one screen, which speeds gameplay by minimizing the amount of mouse pushing you'll do. Needless to say, because of the nature of the interface, a mouse is highly recommended.

During the game all text, descriptions, and inventory items will appear in a lower window. Arrows direct your movement along the four compass points, and up or down arrows allow you to negotiate stairways. You manipulate objects by using command icons such as Examine, Open, Close, Use, and the like. Picking up an object is a simple matter of clicking on it and dragging it to your inventory. Another interesting feature, the ability to drop things in a room and retrieve them later, isn't found in many of today's graphic adventure games.

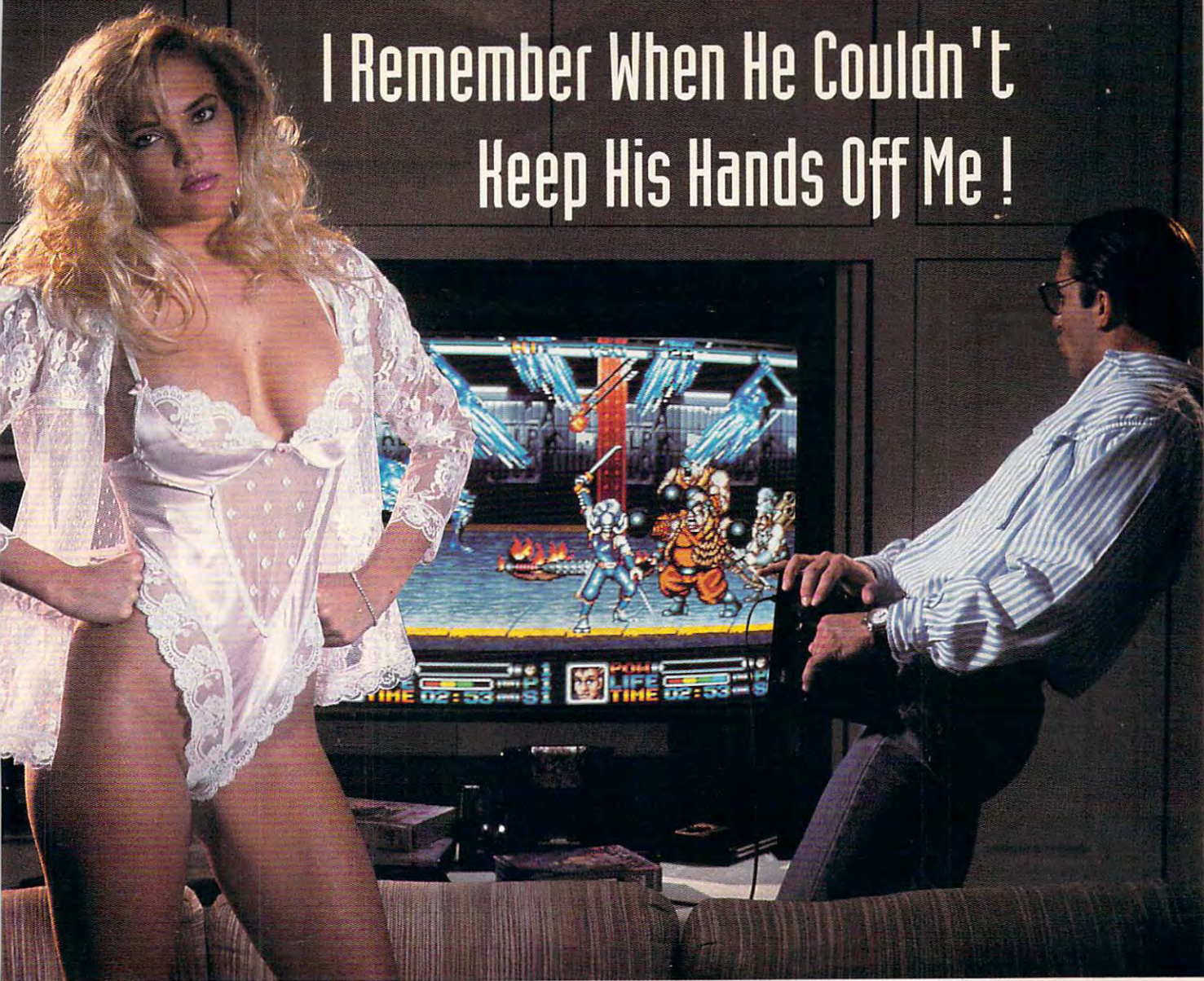
During combat, when you confront one of the castle beasts, a special combat window appears, alternately displaying Lunge/Hack and Block/Parry. The intelligent combat interface requires you not only to select the proper attack or defense but also to time your defense correctly. Not that it's going to help you much. There's going to be a lot of blood spilled here—mostly yours. One more note on combat: Once you engage in battle, it's a fight to the death. If you wish to run or use magic against your enemy, you must do so before the combat window appears.



Out for your blood, the ghastly denizens of Killbragant close in for the kill.

Strategy for *Elvira* is somewhat simplistic; try to stay alive and grab everything that isn't nailed down. In the castle, you find some of the better weapons and other items used throughout the game. You'll have to

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engage in combat to enter many of the rooms in the castle, and since fighting is strictly on-the-job training, save often. The game has so many items you can pick up that I recommend selecting a centrally located room in the castle as a repository. I found that the library serves nicely, since it's never guarded. Make sure you read the documentation, as it contains some good pointers. Last, but not least, if you truly get stuck, *Accolade* does offer an excellent hint book that includes a layout of the castle and grounds.

Despite my disappointment with the lack of a user-friendly installation process and some minor documentation oversights, I consider *Elvira* a noteworthy achievement. If a dank and dangerous setting is your element, you'll be right at home in Castle Killbragant. Grab a copy and begin your adventure—exploring *Elvira* may take days, but every moment's a thrill.

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*The Dream Team* also involves tactical considerations, requiring you to select one of four active plays before inbounding the ball. Choose from 16 preprogrammed plays, or design your own. You can change your active plays as often as you like. Calling plays adds a bit of realism to the game and makes passes easier to execute because you can anticipate the movements of your players.

*The Dream Team's* designers obviously paid a great deal of attention to creating an attractive game, and it shows: This is easily the best-looking basketball game on the market. The graphics are rich and detailed to the point of shading the ball so that it appears rounded and three-dimensional. Unlike some other games, *The Dream Team* won't strain your eyes. The players are large, bright, and colorfully animated, with moves such as a be-

hind-the-back lay-up and a soaring two-handed slam along the baseline.

The weakest part of this game involves the sound effects, which are limited to the sound of dribbling, the ball hitting the rim, and the referee's whistle. While these effects are well done, there should be more. Where are the squeaking sneakers? Where is the roar of the crowd when a player comes up with a big slam-dunk or a long three-pointer?

Overall, this is a commendable effort from Data East. The graphics and animation are engaging, the sound effects are sparse but good and, most important, it's fun to play. So all you sports gamers out there—grab a joystick, lace your sneakers up, and try *The Dream Team 3 on 3 Challenge*.

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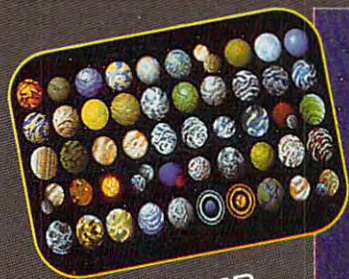
**A** classic game, *King's Quest* now boasts a new, easier-to-use interface that hasn't upset the game's balance. It only enhances by eliminating the drudgery of keyboard control. To find out about an object, just point at it and click the right mouse button. To move the hero, Sir Graham, you merely need to click on the desired location, and Graham obligingly moves in that direction. And while *KQ's* graphics are no longer state-of-the-art, the soundtrack and overall quality of the game are still remarkable. In sum—bravo! *King's Quest* has been given a new lease on life.

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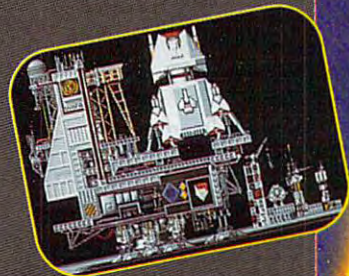
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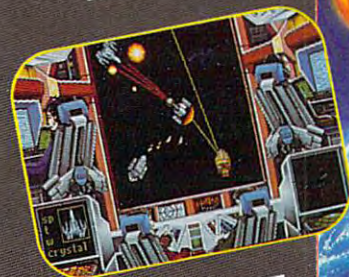
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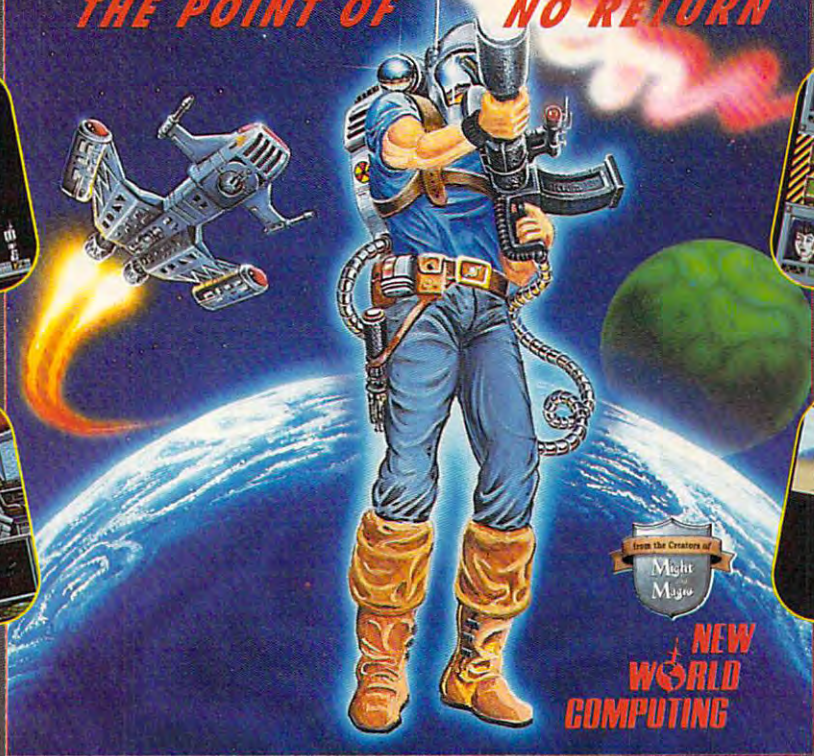
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While none of the games is conceptually original, each is cleverly implemented. Moreover, they boast much better graphics than you might expect from a budget collection. At the price, *Future Classics Collection* is a steal.

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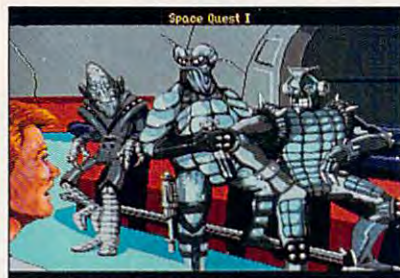
### SPACE QUEST IV: ROGER WILCO AND THE TIME RIPPERS

Roger Wilco foils Sludge Vohaul's plans for revenge by jumping into the Time Rip, and the adventure has just begun. Roger won't rest until he's seen *Space Quest XXII*, revisited *Space Quest I*, and stopped briefly at *Space Quest X*.

Familiarity with Sierra's line of terrific software didn't prepare me for the dazzling opener. Stunning 256-color MCGA graphics, a soundtrack rivaling Hollywood's best, and a well-planned introduction to an exciting story kept me on the edge of my seat.

When you play, don't try typing *Look Around*. The parser of old has

been replaced with a new-generation interface. Click the Eye icon in the area you want to look, and you're given a full report. With the Hand, Walking, Nose, and Tongue icons, you'll have an easy time figuring out what to do.



You run into some pretty tough customers in *Space Quest IV*.

The story line is full of surprises. When the Latex Babes captured Roger, I witnessed Roger's former lover exacting revenge. And experiencing the Skate-O-Rama in the mall, with its antigravity instead of skates, reminded me that the Galaxeria Mall, after all, was in the middle of deep space. One of the biggest surprises is meeting Roger's son and seeing a hologram of his wife. I won't give things away, but you'll be in for a shock because of his wife's notoriety.

There are technological twists, too. Roger plugs into Vohaul's supercomputer to find the programming room for the supercomputer and avoid the security detail. Once at the programming room, he has an opportunity to format Vohaul's evil storage media.

If you're a Space Quest fan or you just love games that have great graphics and wonderful sound, get this game. It's hard to guess how Sierra will follow this act after exposing you to the far-flung future of *Space Quest XXII*, but I imagine it will be every bit as stimulating as this adventure.

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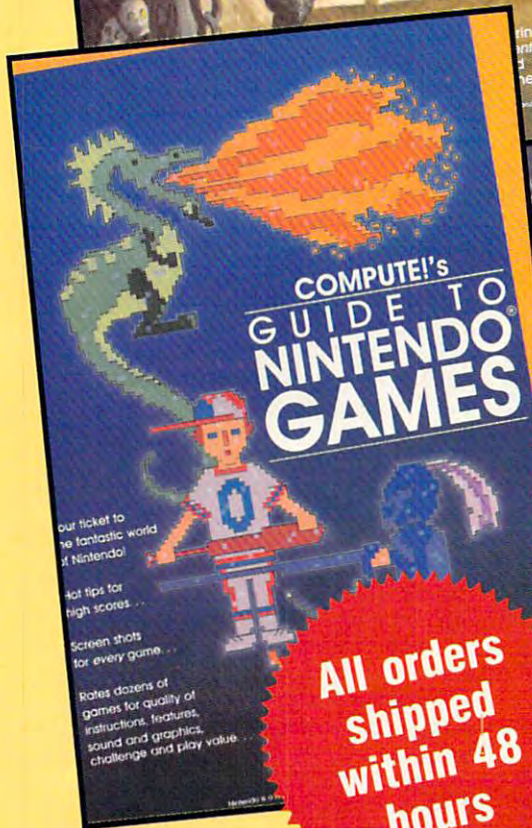
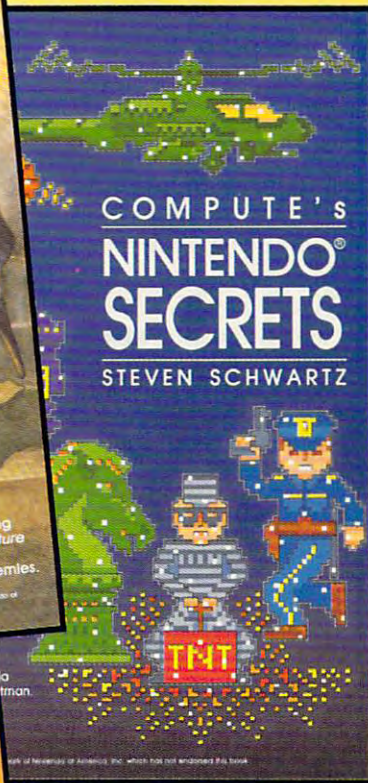
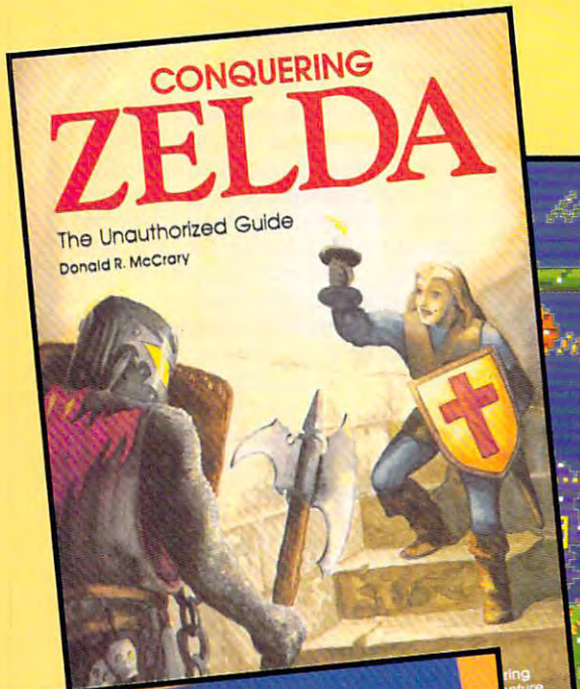
The denizens of Tolkien's Middle Earth come to life in *Lord of the Rings*.

Interplay has done a good job of equipping you for your quest. You move with your mouse (highly recommended) or keyboard (awkward), and the interface is icon-based, allowing you to readily procure and use objects, cast magic spells, and attack enemies. You can recruit some characters to help you in your quest and talk with others to get information you need. Depending on where you are, you can acquire new weapons, learn new spells, or eat food to restore lost life points. You can even put the ring on your finger, rendering yourself invisible. But be careful if you do; the ring drains your will, and if your will falls to zero, you are, for all practical purposes, dead.

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yellowed scrolls that magically appear and then automatically unfurl whenever the need arises. These may, for example, give you the lowdown on what's in a room. As you explore, the ever-helpful scroll also tells you if there are desirable items to be found wherever you happen to be. It works like this: As you enter a room, the scroll may pop up and roll down and notify you that there are items of interest nearby. Sure enough, when you call up the Get icon, you'll find that there are indeed worthwhile objects waiting for you, but you'd never know it by looking, since there's no visual hint. Don't real adventurers always depend on their eyes?

Other words are printed in your *Lord of the Rings* play manual, where you'll find 259 numbered blocks of text. From time to time, the yellowed scroll will prompt you to refer to paragraph such and such, and you've got to open the manual and locate the paragraph. Is this the poor man's text adventure? Admittedly, the paragraphs add depth to the game, but why not just put the information on the screen?

The program has other quirks, too. For example, you can pick up something useful and then discard it, but if you try to pick it up again, it may not be there. Another thing that's puzzling: Since wearing the ring makes you invisible, you'd expect your cohorts not to notice you when you slip it on. But even when you wear it, they'll still dutifully follow you around.

Another problem lies with the scrolling screen itself. It's good, not great. When you move, your character stays more or less stationary on the screen while the background scrolls past. The scrolling is jerky, and with more than 9000 screens worth of Middle Earth terrain to explore, eyestrain is inevitable.

How effective is this translation of a fantasy classic into the language of microprocessors? I'm caught in the middle, loving the gameplay but disappointed by visuals that could never live up to those of my imagination. Interplay's Middle Earth citizens are remarkable in VGA, but some of them seem to be a cross between Elvis Presley and Mr. Spock. If you're a reader of Tolkien, this computer-granted glimpse of the land the Hob-

bits call home may or may not match your own mental image, but even if it doesn't, don't let that keep you from enjoying Interplay's *Lord of the Rings*. Rest assured that those little guys will keep you on the road to adventure for a long time to come.

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## QUEST FOR GLORY II: TRIAL BY FIRE

When a designer tries to graft role-playing onto adventure, the result is usually a Frankenstein monster of a game that returns to haunt the author, the publisher, and the game players of the world. *Hero's Quest* scored high marks as one of the few games to successfully blend the puzzle-solving aspects of an adventure with the combat and skill elements that characterize role-playing games. The sequel, which bears a different name due to a trademark conflict with a board game, is even better than the original.



Tightrope walking in *Trial by Fire* isn't safe, but it certainly is heroic.

Our hero has traveled from the forests of Europe to the burning sands of the Mideast for this story. In the desert city of Shapeir, things have not been shaping up according to the sul-

tan's plan. The emir in the nearby city of Raseir has fallen victim to the evil plot of his sinister sibling. Your quest is to find the missing ruler and set things right in Raseir before the villain takes over Shapeir, too.

You may use a character from *Hero's Quest* or roll up a fresh one. As before, the choice is fighter, thief, or magic user—each profession possessing strengths and shortcomings in skills necessary to solve various puzzles. Some puzzles are unique to the different classes, and many problems have different solutions for each class. The fighter, for example, obtains the bellows needed to defeat the air elemental by arm-wrestling the man in the weapon shop, while the magic user casts Fetch on the bellows (at night) to get it. In most places, the magic user and thief rely more on wits; the fighter on strength.

I enjoyed battling the brigands and giant scorpions of *Trial by Fire* more than the villains of *Hero's Quest*, because the combat system has been revamped and improved. Instead of viewing a first-person picture of the foe, you watch animated figures of both characters. There are only a few combat commands, so they're easy to learn and execute. Magic is useful in combat as well as when solving puzzles.

As in *Hero's Quest*, your character can improve certain skills if he or she uses them successfully. Pick enough locks, and you'll find the next lock easier to pick. In a major leap forward over *Hero's Quest*, *Trial by Fire* lets your characters advance to higher classes; a fighter strives to become a paladin, for instance. This gives the quest a dual purpose: to save the land and to get your character promoted. An added feature is a different final scene for each character class, so you have more incentive to replay that character, and more fun doing so.

*Trial by Fire* supports everything from 16-color VGA to Hercules and sound boards that haven't even been invented yet, but it doesn't employ the "cinemagraphics" and icon interface of *King's Quest V*. You still type words into a parser to interact with people and things, and the graphics are cartoonish. This is appropriate, however, considering the abundance of humor here. Authors Lori and Corey Cole display a rare talent for





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demented puns and obscure jokes. The weapon shop, for instance, is run by a man called Issur, a play on A. E. van Vogt's classic novel, *The Weapon Shops of Isher*. For its playfulness and improvements over the original, *Trial by Fire* is highly recommended.

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## ZELIARD

I don't like sword-and-sorcery games, but twenty minutes after beginning *Zeliard*, I took the phone off the hook and put my rudest Do Not Disturb sign on the front door.



You come across a mountain fortress in *Zeliard*.

A Japanese import from Sierra's Game Arts division, *Zeliard* is a well-crafted, entertaining hack-and-grab fantasy adventure. As Duke Garland, you must search for the Tears of Esmemanti, nine crystals that are the only defense against the demon Jashiin, who has laid waste the land and turned the princess into stone. Your quest takes you through caverns where you do battle with evil frogs, slugs, owls, fire-spitting serpents, and the inevitable giant monsters. Along the way, you have the chance to buy better weapons and increase your strength and endurance, and if you persevere to the end, you'll restore the land of *Zeliard* to its former happy state. OK, you've heard it all before, but *Zeliard's* familiar premise profits immensely from detailed graphics (even on CGA), limited but clever animation, satisfyingly convoluted labyrinths, and an original musical score that, for a wonder, is pleasant to listen to.

Not that there aren't problems: On slower systems the lags during screen changes may be infuriatingly

slow, playing the game without a hard drive will involve frequent disk swapping (three 5¼s, two 3½s), and after several deaths, you'll wish it were possible to save a game without leaving the cavern to go to the Sage's house in the village. But the first two problems are probably signs that it's time to upgrade your system, and the last problem will at least keep you on your toes. On the whole, the obvious care that went into the creation of *Zeliard* makes playing the game a lot of high-quality unsophisticated fun.

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## UMS II: NATIONS AT WAR

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*UMS II* is a computer war game simulation which purports to have real artificial intelligence and a depth of simulation not yet realized in any other war game. This may or may not be true, but *UMS II* certainly does have complex algorithms that define thousands of variables including leadership, morale, supply level, experience, efficiency, and unit strength. The game player can set and reset these values to study the effects of a variety of combat circumstances. Terrain, weather, elevation, and military formations must also be taken into account. For the realist, these are welcome details.

*UMS II* has the further advantage of being a game system that promises the imminent release of a planet editor that will allow you to create your own planetwide battles. While the editor doesn't come with the game, it's easily the most appealing aspect of *UMS II*. Expect the editor to be available within the next two months, though there is some confusion as to whether the planet editor will be a free upgrade to the original program. Unlike its predecessor, *UMS*, *UMS II* transcends the limitations of a mundane, geographically limited battlefield and engages you in planetwide conflicts instead.

Obviously, *UMS II* targets the true war gamer who has hours of time to pore over manuals and to enjoy and master the intricacies of gameplay, not the average gamer. Even when you use one of the three enclosed scenarios, the game isn't an undertaking for a few afternoon hours. Schedule a whole day or night to complete a single game.

Functioning better with a mouse than a keyboard, the interface is adequate, but not obvious or easy to learn. Ex-

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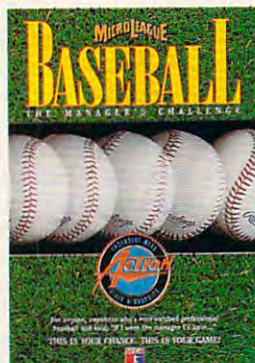
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pect to make many mistakes, and don't expect the manual to answer all your questions: The documentation is not quite sufficient. To make up for this problem, the designers provide a free newsletter, complete with tips and warnings against pitfalls.

Offering no sound effects and possessing limited color graphics, *UMS II* has sacrificed glitz to afford players greater control of the simulation. When designing the artificial intelligence of generals, for example, you decide whether they're passive or aggressive, or desire the destruction of opposing forces over the conquest of territory. But if you're looking for a stereo shoot-'em-up, this is not your game. Only the highly cerebral need look into this military simulator. The current version of *UMS II* is version 1.2.4. You need to send your original game disks and registration card to Intergalactic Development to get the upgrade. This new version improves on the earlier version and addresses many user complaints. The newer version runs faster and is far more capable of unattended play than the prior game. Lengthy battles need trouble you no longer; array your forces and let the game resolve the combat while you clean the garage or make a sandwich. Upon your return, view the results and issue another set of commands.

*UMS II: Nations at War* is by far the most monumental and ambitious undertaking in military war game history. Be aware of the drawbacks of the system, however, and remember that this game is not for everyone. I would recommend *UMS II* for anyone who intends to purchase the planet editor (assuming the upgrade isn't free) and who is an avid war gamer—or perhaps for anyone who enjoys alternate history or wants to set his or her own conditions for worldwide conflict without actual bloodshed.

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### MICROSOFT EXCEL

If there's one immutable law in personal computing, it's this: For any hardware platform or operating system to succeed, it must be the delivery system for a killer spreadsheet. This may sound strange, but if you look at history, you'll see that it's true.



The new Excel's toolbar makes the program faster and easier to use.

When *VisiCalc* hit the scene in 1979, it turned the Apple II from a toy into a powerful business tool. Apple II sales skyrocketed, and the machine became the personal computer for computing's first generation. *Lotus 1-2-3* was the next standard. It was a great improvement on *VisiCalc* and the epitome of user-friendly software in 1983. *Lotus 1-2-3* made businessmen and -women really want to buy MS-DOS-based, 8088-powered PCs. And they did . . . by the millions.

Since *1-2-3*'s success, there have been many spreadsheet contenders, but none have really captured the computing public's imagination and driven users to a new hardware or operating-system platform.

Lotus tried recapturing the magic and setting a new standard with *1-2-3 3.0*, but without much success—most users who upgraded went with the lower-end 2.2 version of *1-2-3*. And Microsoft has tried before with *Excel 1.0* and *2.0*, but previous versions of *Excel* simply didn't have the wiles to lure people away from the comfort of DOS, *1-2-3*, and their 8088s.

Now we have *Excel 3.0*. Is it just another also-ran, or is it the spreadsheet to set a new standard and fuel the blastoff of *Windows 3.0* and the 386 hardware it demands?

Keep reading. In the next five minutes, you'll find out.

First, don't let anything you've heard about previous versions of *Excel* influence you. Version 3.0 has been completely redesigned from the ground up. Not only does *Excel 3.0* have amazing new features and power, but Microsoft has made dramatic strides in making the program easier to use.

Right off the bat, you'll notice that the new *Excel* looks different. When you run it for the first time, you'll see one of its most impressive new features, the toolbar. The toolbar is a horizontal bar that rests under the menus and contains groups of push buttons. These push buttons are shortcuts for commonly used commands, the mouse equivalent of accelerator keys, and they make using *Excel* both easier and faster.

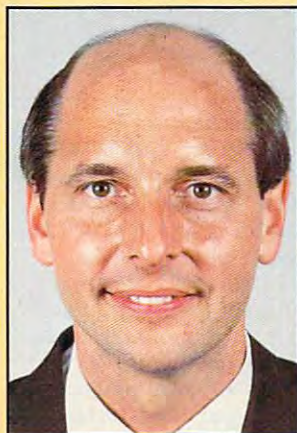
The toolbar isn't a new idea. It's borrowed from *Microsoft Word for Windows*, which places often-used word-processing commands on a bar called the ribbon. But the toolbar concept seems even more of a natural for a spreadsheet than a word processor.

You can easily get a feel for what's new with *Excel* by looking at what's on the toolbar. Going from left to right, you'll see buttons for selecting styles, promoting and demoting outline elements, toggling outline display on and off, selecting visible cells, autosumming (which automatically sums rows or columns), bold and italic, alignment (left, center, and right), selecting graphics objects, drawing (including buttons for drawing lines, rectangles, ellipses, and curves), auto-charting, creating text boxes, creating your own user-defined buttons, and recording macros.

One of these buttons, autosum, is especially useful. Microsoft did some impressive research to determine just what users wanted and needed in a spreadsheet. One of the things the research showed was that summing rows and columns was the most repeated task for almost all spreadsheet users.

To make summing as easy as possible, Microsoft created autosum. ▶

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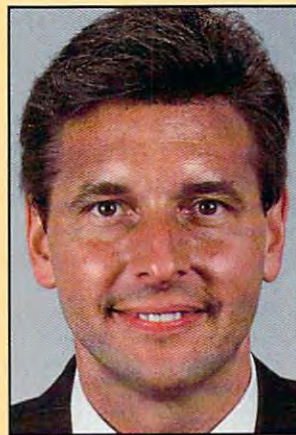


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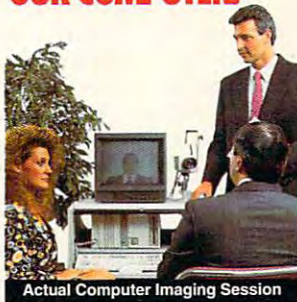
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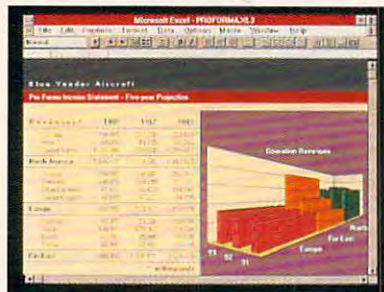
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You can control both the color and perspective of Excel's 3-D charts.

Autosum may be Excel's most frequently used new feature, but it's just one example of the care that went into the design of 3.0. Another thoughtful extra is Excel's new automatic best fit for column width. To use this, place the pointer between any two cells and double-click. The program adjusts the width of the column on the left and makes a best fit for the data therein. Resizing your spreadsheet's columns for optimum width is now easy—and it's almost fun.

When you need to take a quick look at a note attached to a cell, you don't want to have to navigate through menus. With 3.0, all you have to do is double-click on any cell that contains a note (cells with notes are identified by a small red dot in the upper right corner of the cell) to display the note's text.

When it's time to print your spreadsheet, you'll be pleased to find that this new version of Excel knows all about fonts. Version 2.0 was limited to four fonts per work sheet, but 3.0 gives you unlimited access to your

system's entire font arsenal. It's also worth noting that Excel works flawlessly with both Bitstream's *Facelift* and *Adobe Type Manager* font packages.

To top off new output enhancements, 3.0 now offers style control. You can access styles with the style combo box on the toolbar, just like the style box on the *Word for Windows* ribbon. To define a style, select an area of your work sheet and format it with the font you want (you can specify bold, italic, underline, or strikeout) and its point size. Click on the style box and type in the name for your new style. Now the style appears on your style combo box menu. Fonts and style control are a double-edged sword, however. If you want to keep your spreadsheets from looking like ransom notes, stick to Helvetica for numbers and perhaps one serifed font—like Times or Bookman—for headlines.

All the features mentioned so far make Excel faster and easier to use, but this version also has several new tricks to make power users' mouths water. At the top of the list is outlining. With it, you can structure your spreadsheet in an interrelated hierarchy, and even more important, you can display selected parts of the spreadsheet based on that hierarchy.

Here's a quick look at how outlining works. Let's say, for example, that you're working on a balance sheet containing several subtotals, and each is the sum of 50 to 100 numbers. The work sheet to contain all these numbers could easily be 400–500 rows long. With a length like that, it would be nearly impossible to see the important data. The trees would block the forest.

With outlining, the solution is simple. First, select the range of the rows that comprise each subtotal and demote them with the right-pointing arrow on the toolbar. You'll see a small button with a minus sign on it and a line indicating the range of the button. Click on the button (which will change to a +), and the range will be hidden. If you click on the + button again, your range will appear. If you change your mind and want to promote the cells you demoted earlier, just select the range again and click on the left-pointing arrow on the toolbar. The small outline button with the mi-

nus sign in it will disappear.

If you have several outline levels in your spreadsheet, you'll appreciate the program's outline display button, also on the toolbar. Press this, and the outline buttons disappear. When you're ready to work with outlining again, press the outline display button, and you'll see your outline levels and their associated buttons.

The toolbar, autosumming, and outlining are all great, but Excel has a little something extra for the kid in all of us—dazzling, eye-popping graphics. You'll find all the standard (and often boring) graphs supplied, but you'll also find gorgeous 3-D area, column, line, and pie charts. With all



With Excel's new drawing tools, you can fine-tune your spreadsheets.

graph types, you have complete control over the chart's rotation, perspective, and color. You can also incorporate graphs right in your spreadsheet. It's easy, and as you might expect, you do it with the toolbar.

To create a graph, select a range of cells, click on the graph button on the toolbar, and draw a box on your work sheet (by clicking and dragging the mouse) just where you want the graph to go.

If you have the soul of an artist, you can even use Excel's on-board drawing tools to jazz up your chart and make your point in style.

Last, there's Excel's database. This is the only module in the program not completely redesigned and upgraded for release 3.0, and it does show its age a little. Microsoft, however, has solved the database problem by bundling Pioneer software's *Q+E* database with Excel.

*Q+E* has been billed as a database editor, but it's much more than that. With it, you can import files (Ex-

cel, dBase, and text), edit them, and perform SQL queries. You can also create databases in *Q+E*. The whole affair is wrapped in a MDI (Multiple Document Interface), like *Excel's* own, that features multiple overlapping windows. *Q+E* is an impressive and useful database program in its own right. Match it up with *Excel* and DDE, *Windows' Dynamic Data Exchange*, and it's a real winner.

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## CORELDRAW!

Ordinarily, I would be wary of recommending a graphics package that costs as much as *CorelDRAW!*. If it costs that much, it had better do it *all*. After working with *CorelDRAW!* intensively for about a year and with *CorelDRAW! 2.0* virtually full-time since January in connection with a book project, I can tell you without hesitation or fear of contradiction that *CorelDRAW!* will do the job for you as far as graphics are concerned, almost without regard to the kind of job you need done. If you've outgrown *Corel's* list of options, you have simply outgrown the PC, and you should be shopping for a workstation.

I would've had a more difficult time making that recommendation prior to the emergence of the 2.0 version (which may be updated to a higher number by the time you see this, to

account for minor bug fixes that are underway as of this writing). Although the earlier version was a noble effort and certainly a heavy hitter among graphics packages, there was nothing that sufficiently distinguished it from the pack of other CAD programs to make a specific recommendation. Each of the major players had a special trick or two, and there was as much compelling evidence that you should purchase one as another. *Corel's* programmers eliminated all the waffle room with version 2.0, beating the competition at its own game and leaving it in the dust. The cleaned-up version that will shortly emerge from the current upgrade process will be bulletproof.

I will attempt the daunting task of listing the reasons why you should invest \$695 in a graphics program—and why you will count that investment as money well spent.

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itive little pluses like a Repeat command in the File menu that allows you to reiterate an action, no matter how complex, with a single menu selection. It allows you to add perspective to your drawing automatically, to "extrude" a two-dimensional object into the third dimension, and to distort at will the envelope containing a drawn object as if it were printed on a sheet of rubber or Silly Putty. *CorelDRAW!* has a complete blend option for the first time with version 2.0. It features a broad range of import and export features that will make it a ready partner for all your other graphics software. The *CorelDRAW!* fonts are famous for their variety and attractiveness, but they offer much more: These fine fonts can be exported in various forms for use with your other applications, provided that you have a font manager to work with *Windows*.

The Mosaic feature turns your *CorelDRAW!* on-disk graphics portfolio into an onscreen gallery of drawings that you can peruse at will, looking for the specific piece of art that you need at the moment. But even if you opt not to use Mosaic for whatever reason, the Open dialog box displays a thumbnail sketch of whatever file is selected in the list box, providing a similar, if less dramatic, service in the basic software.

New in *CorelDRAW!* 2.0 are the vector and raster fill options. These options provide you with the ability, for example, to grab a section of a drawing on the screen and use it as a continuously tiling fill inside of another object. You can also import any bit-map (TIFF or PCX) drawing as a fill pattern. Once the fill has been imported, you can color it as you please, size it, edit it with *Corel's* pattern editor, and save it for future use in the gallery of raster fills or, if it's a vector fill, as a special kind of *CorelDRAW!* fill file.

One of the drawbacks of the earlier versions of the product was that you couldn't offset a fountain fill. A fountain fill was always squarely centered in the selection rectangle of an object, and the only way you could alter the way it filled was to combine the filled object with some irrelevant bit of data off in the direction of the desired offset. This minor irritant was removed in the 2.0 version with the addition of an offset option.

In many ways, *CorelDRAW!* was always just as good as its principal rivals, *Micrografx Designer* and *Arts & Letters Graphic Editor*, but it lacked the friendly fountains of *Designer* and the powerful blending options of *Graphic Editor*.

There are still areas that could



Both intuitive and powerful, *CorelDRAW!* is the premier paint program for *Windows*.

use improvement. The powerful *Corel TRACE*, an associated program provided with *CorelDRAW!*, is functional enough when it comes to turning raster graphics into line art, but its options aren't particularly intuitive, and it seems slow, particularly when compared with the spritely performance of *Designer*. *Corel* also has an autotrace feature within the program. Someday it would be nice to have this autotrace made powerful enough to stand up next to *Designer's* so you wouldn't have to leave the program to perform your traces. Likewise, the font-export option is the envy of the industry, but for a novice at moving fonts around, it's not well documented (and the information in the *Windows 3.0* manual is as good as nonexistent). The ability to alter fonts and use them as your own is another good reason to purchase *CorelDRAW!*, but you'll have to become a *Windows* expert before you'll discover how to use these fonts with other *Windows* programs.

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*WillMaker 4.0* comes from Nolo Press, a company well known for its authoritative books on legal matters for lay people. The manual states that in the past 50 years the legal profession has scored a public relations coup by convincing many people that writing a will without a lawyer is like doing your own brain surgery. This, the authors insist, is nonsense. Their program produces a will which you can understand, in clear language without jargon such as "I hereby give, bequeath, and devise." And it's a will that will stand up in court.

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the signatures of three witnesses, plus their initials, on each page. The print-out also produces a "self-proving" affidavit. Nolo urges you to complete this document, which must have the notarized signatures of yourself and your witnesses. In most states, its existence will make it unnecessary for your witnesses to appear in probate court.

Documents produced by *WillMaker* are state specific, taking into account variations in state laws. The manual asserts that the documents are valid in all states except Louisiana, where laws are based upon the French legal system. The manual contains far more information than just instructions for the use of the program. It points out the limitations of a will, provides information about the probate process, and discusses action you may wish to take, outside your will, to avoid probate. It also discusses situations which a simple will cannot cover and suggests steps you may wish to take to avoid estate taxes if your estate is substantial. It even suggests that there are circumstances under which you may wish to consult a lawyer.

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In using the program, I haven't felt that I lacked any features necessary for normal laptop use. *WordStar* seems every bit as full-featured on the laptop as it does on my desktop computer. In addition to the program proper, you get *WordStar's MailList* program for generating form letters, printing labels or envelopes, and creating mailing lists. You also get a quite capable communications program, *TelMerge*, which lets you access online services, send or receive electronic mail, and communicate with other computers. Conveniently, each of these programs is accessible from within *WordStar*.

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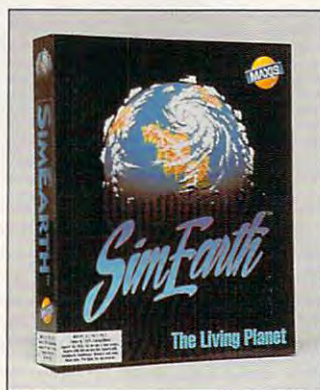
That neatly sums up *SimEarth*, the expansive exploration of planetary management from Maxis. Like its ancestor *SimCity*, this simulation puts you in charge of life, lets you say who gets liberty, and even demands that you oversee the pursuit of happiness. But instead of lording it over a measly city, *SimEarth* sets you up as master of an entire planet.

*SimEarth* is nothing if not ambitious. It may be a toy compared to planetary models developed for climate and weather research, but it's a toy that's hard to put down. Loosely based on the Gaia hypothesis—that our world is a living system that adapts to changing conditions—*SimEarth* includes everything from climate control and continental drift to evolution, mutation, and the quest for fire. All of these are integrated into an entertaining and educational look at the dynamics between a planet and its inhabitants.

You can sit back and watch a world develop on its own, but the real fun is in getting your hands dirty and messing around. You'll make a dozen decisions every minute, many under pressure, so ease of use is critical. *SimEarth* sports a graphical interface clearly taken from its Macintosh version (Maxis develops first on the Mac), so you'll need a mouse to enjoy the game. Though the interface proves more than adequate, PC users

would've been more comfortable with a true *Windows* approach.

*SimEarth* offers up seven ready-to-evolve planets, from Earth of the Cambrian Era to Aquarium, an all-water world. You can terraform Mars and Venus, build continents on Aquarium, or even test the Gaia hypothesis on Daisyworld. Play with Earth of 1990 and see if you can motivate humanity to head into space. Or try to make dinosaurs the intelligent



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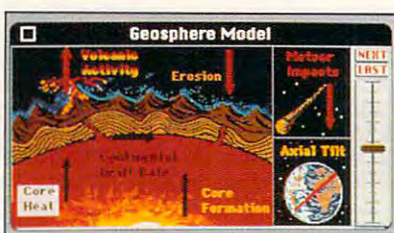
life form by manipulating Earth of 550 million years ago (they're not that smart; they still have wars).

The real challenge comes in letting *SimEarth* create random worlds. You can start at any of four points in time, but the best place is at the beginning, when the world's a slag heap. Customize continents with earthquakes, tidal waves, meteors, and more. As oceans form, you populate them with single-celled species and propagate life. At your whim you can extinguish some creatures while promoting the evolution of others.

As millions of years slip by, you'll evolve multicell organisms—it's not hard—and move to the next step, creating intelligent life. That's not always easy, for some planets seem stubborn about letting advanced life flourish. Fortunately, you've got a well-stocked set of planetary tools. Windows open to show you simplified models of the geosphere, atmosphere, and biosphere. A click of the mouse button slows down the greenhouse effect to cool off a hot world, speeds up mutations to push evolution, or puts a stop to continental drift to hold land in place. Changing a variable costs energy, the currency of *SimEarth*, but if

you're playing in experimental mode, money's no object. In any other mode, energy is limited, and your options restricted to what you can afford. It's a nice brake on out-of-control terragenesis.

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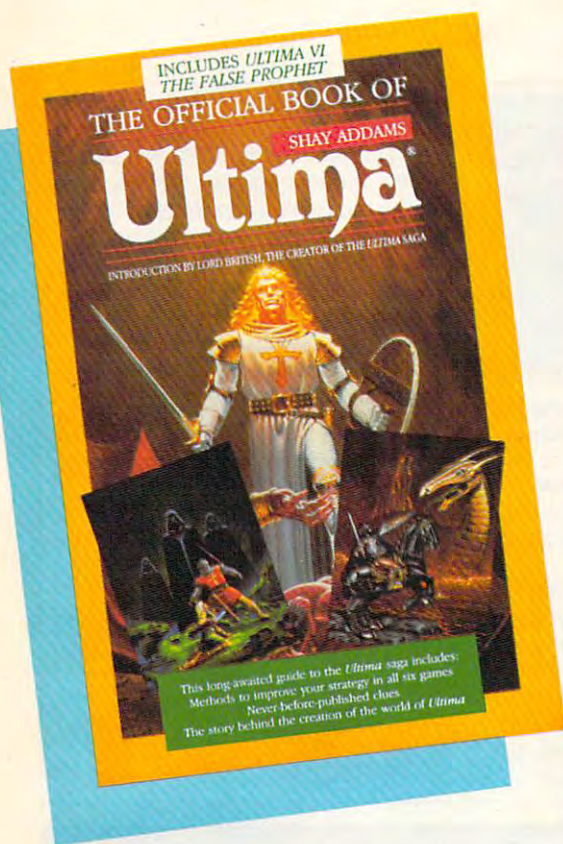
promote them if you're in a bad mood). And you can try to nudge them to use more efficient energy sources, though the consequences—emissions from fossil fuels and possible radiation poisoning from atomics—are as well known to your random world as they are to our own.

Manipulating all this sounds daunting. It's not. Icons and buttons change the satellite-from-space view to give information about cataclysmic events, air and water temperatures, animal and plant distribution, and wind and water currents. Other icons open selections to place life forms or perform acts of God. Menus at the top of the screen lead you to the reports and graphs you need to keep track of your world's development.

Play *SimEarth* on a VGA-equipped system if you can—the resolution and colors add to the experience. The program also supports the Ad Lib, Sound Blaster, and Sound Master boards, so you can listen to quality sound effects and music when meteors splash and new life evolves. You may have problems with mouse cursor ghosts in high-resolution modes, but the solution is simple for most, and Maxis' technical support is helpful. *SimEarth* is slightly unstable; the simulation crashed twice in as many days with no warning and for little reason. Memory requirements are high but not unreasonable

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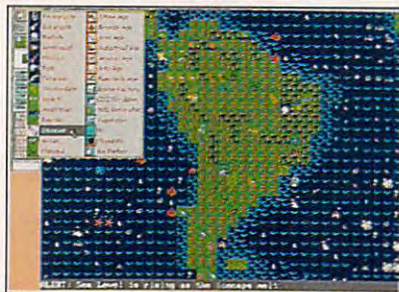
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for most systems, assuming you don't run TSRs or crowd RAM with device drivers. Even on a 20-MHz 386SX system, though, *SimEarth* seemed sluggish.

More than just a good time, *SimEarth* is an excellent example of transparent learning. You walk away from this simulation with a better understanding of global interconnections. Watch firsthand how planetary heat buildup snuffs out species, how high mutation rates make evolution leap like a Mexican jumping bean, and how technologies always have trade-offs.

True, *SimEarth* makes assumptions not everyone agrees with. All *SimEarth* life is carbon based, worlds easily form oceans, and the game developers apparently take the Gaia hypothesis as gospel. No one said the world—even a made-up one—was perfect. On the other hand, you can play with ideological incorrectness if you want. Smash civilizations by



**Add new life forms to your developing planet and subtly alter the biosphere.**

eliminating moral barriers to war or obliterate entire species with the click of a button. It's all fun because none of it's real.

*SimEarth* may be less inviting than the boffo bestseller *SimCity*, if only because it's more complex, and the intricacies of the 'ologies—geology, meteorology, biology, and technology—are scary compared to simple city planning. On the other hand, although *SimEarth* demands more

from you, it gives back much more in return.

This is a landmark PC program that everyone must play. Not because it's the morally correct thing to do, but because it fires your imagination like few other pieces of software. If absolute power corrupts absolutely, I plead guilty to addictive corruption. I've nurtured worlds, and I've killed worlds. Go ahead—indict me. Just keep your hands off my planet.

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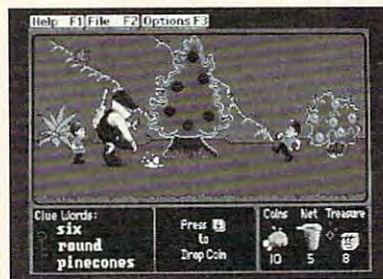
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Super Solvers have three chances to answer an elf's question. They win two gold coins and a clue word for answering correctly on the first try, one gold coin and a clue word for a correct answer on the second try, but just a clue word (no gold coin) for questions answered correctly the third time around. As Super Solvers move up in the clubhouse ranks, scroll-bearing elves become harder to catch, there are more hidden treasures on each mountain level, and players must successfully avoid mischievous elves who

throw coin-eating magic dust.

Treasures are hidden in places that match two of the three word clues. For example, if clue words are *five, flowers, and round*, enterprising detectives must be on the lookout for items like five flowers, round flowers, or five round objects (possibly rocks or bushes). When youngsters come upon a mountain location that matches two of the clue words, they drop a coin. If there's a treasure hidden in that spot, it is automatically theirs. When Super Solvers find the spot that matches all three clue words, they obtain a key that unlocks the path leading up to the next mountain level.

Players' nets deteriorate with every elf captured. Eventually, nets are so damaged that elves can easily escape. When this happens, Super Solvers must locate a "net cave" and use the gold to pay for repairs. Luckily, players who do not have enough coins eventually find more coins along the mountain path.

Unlike conventional arcade diversions, *Treasure Mountain!* offers more than just mindless entertainment. The game encourages children to use analytical reasoning to solve puzzles, inductive thinking to infer connections, deductive logic to test hypotheses—all without imposing time limitations. Colorful animated graphics, realistic sound effects, and positive audiovisual reinforcement make the mountain a wonderful place to visit.

*Treasure Mountain!* rewards curiosity, motivates exploration, and reinforces basic elementary school subject areas. In the final analysis, however, the software succeeds because children find that it's a lot of fun to play! And for parents, *Treasure Mountain!* means that children spend playtime productively.

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Your three-year-old can't race cars with you but wants to play computer games. What should you buy that can involve both of you? An excellent first purchase would be one of the following Mickey Mouse packages from Disney.

*Mickey's Colors and Shapes* is subtitled *The Dazzling Magic Show*. In this particular package, America's favorite mouse comes on stage and performs various magic acts, such as juggling and pulling an animal out of his hat. A friendly lady's voice leads your child through the game, and you can watch and help him or her make choices.

*Mickey's 123's* is called *The Big Surprise Party*. Your child plans a party for one of the Disney characters; buys toys, food, and decorations; and sends invitations. At the end, he or she serves the food.

*Mickey's ABC's* offers you *A Day at the Fair*. You begin by waking Mickey up at home and then go with him on an interesting trip to a country fair. Again, the friendly voice helps your child along.

Children will find the controls for all these games to be user-friendly. There are no wrong moves. The animation is top-quality and quite imaginative. Your child will be entertained and may never notice he or she is also learning numbers, letters, and shapes!

How do the three packages compare to one another? I played all three games with my three-year-old son, and he liked each one. But *ABC's* is my favorite by far. My son is well acquainted with the alphabet and spelling, and we both were challenged by the game. Besides offering a chance to become familiar with letter shapes and sounds, this game also teaches many useful cognitive skills necessary for computer use—primarily learning

to make the connection between what you see on the screen and what you need to do with the keyboard. Your child will learn how to control Mickey's actions and how to anticipate events that are offscreen. He or she will learn to go through several steps to arrive at certain places or to see certain actions.



Your child and Mickey spend a day at the fair together in *Mickey's ABC's*.

My least favorite Mickey Mouse adventure is *123's*. It is only slightly more interactive than television. Each number that is pressed causes a lengthy animation sequence. My son enjoyed looking at it, but he was not very involved in what was happening. A lot of number information was handed to him, without much opportunity for active thought until the party at the end of the game.

*Colors and Shapes* is my son's favorite game. It calls for the most creativity, particularly during the segment in which he creates his own picture by selecting colors and shapes. The animation is less dramatic than that in *ABC's*, but that didn't affect his level of interest. This game comes with a soft rubber template printed with color blocks and shapes that fits over the keyboard. I think this makes it an especially suitable first computer game for the youngest of children.

Which of these packages should you purchase if you can afford only one? *Colors and Shapes* is best for the child who has the least computer experience and is still unfamiliar with letters and numbers. If your child likes Candyland, he will love *Colors and Shapes*. *ABC's* is the most complex, interactive game. It is best for the more computer-literate, verbal child who is able to discern patterns and make complex connections. Somewhere in between, *123's* is the



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This book, by David H. Rothman, leads readers through the promise and peril of laptop use. The early pages are devoted to detailed descriptions of various laptop designs, with pros and cons clearly spelled out. Chapter 3 is devoted to software solutions for laptop users (who are always short of storage space, especially with less expensive models).

In light of Rothman's statement that laptops are superior to all other communication devices, it isn't surprising that several of the book's chapters are devoted to that idea. Here you'll find everything from a tour of online services to a primer on logging on, no matter how inhospitable or adversarial the terrain.

Throughout, the author maintains a good balance of fact and humor, which will help readers get more from these pages. Only a couple of biases mar an otherwise clear—if somewhat lighthearted—approach. Rothman hates mice and especially abhors graphical user interfaces (GUIs). Considering the movement toward such environments, Rothman could have served his readers better with solid information about using a laptop with a GUI, rather than dismissing them outright. These faults are outweighed, however, by the book's overall usefulness.

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this was primarily a province of juveniles and the juvenile at heart, it was inevitable that some frat-house pranks might occur. The problem is that dropping a cherry bomb down a toilet in the campus administration building frosts only a few well-deserving cookies. Dropping an electronic bomb on an international network of million-dollar computer installations represents a hazard to business, the military, and millions—perhaps billions—of lives.

The stories related by the husband and wife team of Katie Hafner and John Markoff are legend: Kevin Mitnick, the telephone hacker rumored to have ruined the credit rating of a judge who ruled against him; Karl Koch, the paranoid computer spy who identified himself as Hagbard Celine, after the hero of a conspiracy novel, and ended up horribly killing himself by self-immolation; and rtm, the brilliant Cornell student and son of a computer security expert whose innocent worm crashed computers from coast to coast and landed him in a legal quagmire.

Many of the people in this book take on other identities online—Pengo, named after a penguin in a videogame; Obelix, after a French cartoon character; Captain Crunch; the Phantom; the Cheshire Catalyst; and so on. But what makes the book so successful is that it enters these identities. And, as you can imagine, the human stories behind a man who would identify himself as a penguin or a woman who would call herself Susan Thunder are rife with attendant ironies.

By using stolen credit card numbers and network user identifications, the hackers were able to take advantage of system operators' gullibility, huge corporations' fear of bad publicity, and a kind of telephone con game called *human engineering* to break down seemingly impregnable security, and in the process they earned the admiration and respect of fellow hackers and impressionable young people throughout the world.

The authors take you inside the minds and value systems of hackers, showing how human curiosity, and longing to be on the inside and privy to secret power, can become highly destructive impulses. The writing takes on a tense journalistic style that reveals the incredible depth of the re-

search performed. Without becoming bogged down in technical details, it explains in layman's terms how the nets operate and how they were breached. Each of the hackers' stories is told in an insightful biography. Many of the characters in *Cyberpunk* seem driven, like addicts, unable to control their appetites for power, more to be pitied than censured.

But there is no ambiguity about the carnage they have left behind. The authors look with a jaundiced eye upon the kind of society that results when fears of terrorism and vandalism overwhelm the desire to communicate and remain open to human interaction.

In all, *Cyberpunk* is a valid look at recent history, as important in its own way as any of the industry insiders' books about the corporate role in the computerization of America, and far more broad ranging and complete than Cliff Stoll's book *The Cuckoo's Egg* (to say nothing of the fact that *Cyberpunk* is far better written). Stoll appears now and then as a minor character in *Cyberpunk*. It was very enlightening to see this character (whom I felt I had come to know so well through his book) from the outside. *Cyberpunk* is a masterwork of reportage, and it belongs on your bookshelf.

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**K**nown as a computer hardware junkie by most of my friends and associates, I spend a fair amount of time out looking for "good deals." I own two complete systems, but there always seems to be some card or peripheral needing an upgrade to a newer/faster/enhanced version. For those of you looking to buy a computer, whether for the first time or as an upgrade to a better system, reading Alex Randall's book will expedite the decision-making process.

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The author relates a few amusing stories regarding people he's dealt with and reveals common misconceptions concerning both price and value of different products (hint: four- to five-year-old computers are generally not worth 90 percent of the original sales price, but you'd be surprised at how many people hold this misconception). The explanation of how systems depreciate is useful if you're looking to sell a computer (as I am) and may help steer unwary first-time buyers away from that "real good deal" that isn't. Quite useful and enjoyable, *Alex Randall's Used Computer Handbook* makes clear the state of the secondhand computer market. Don't shop without it.

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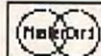
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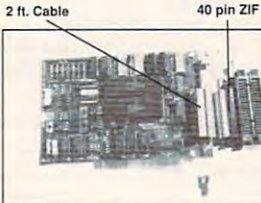
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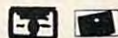
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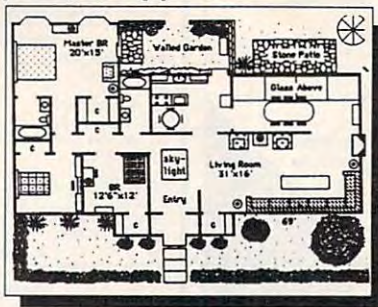
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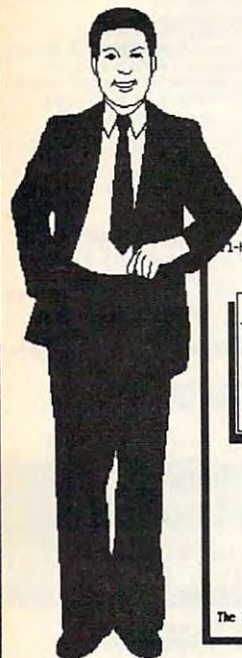
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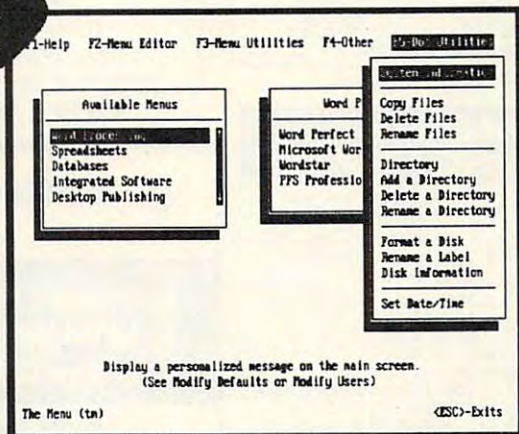
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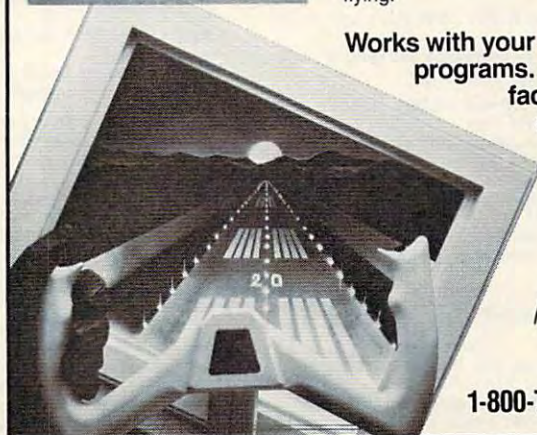
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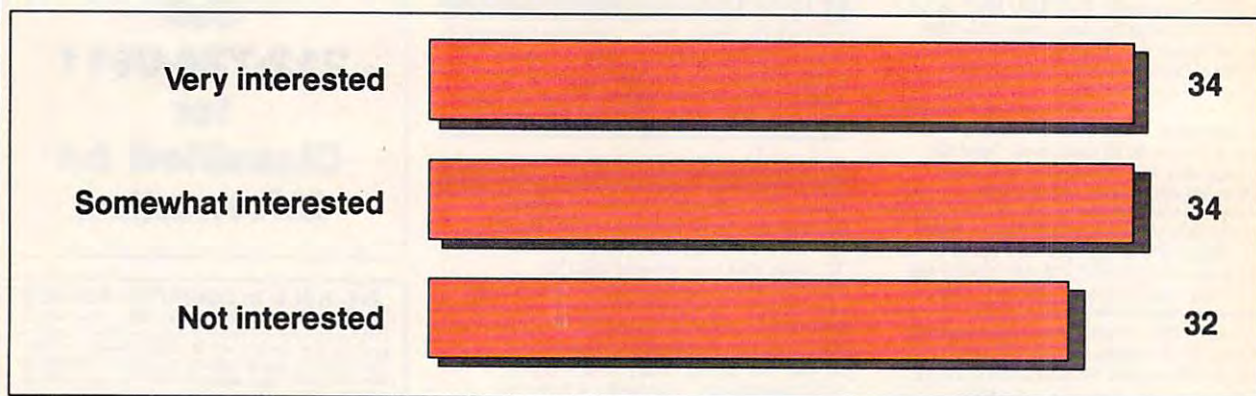


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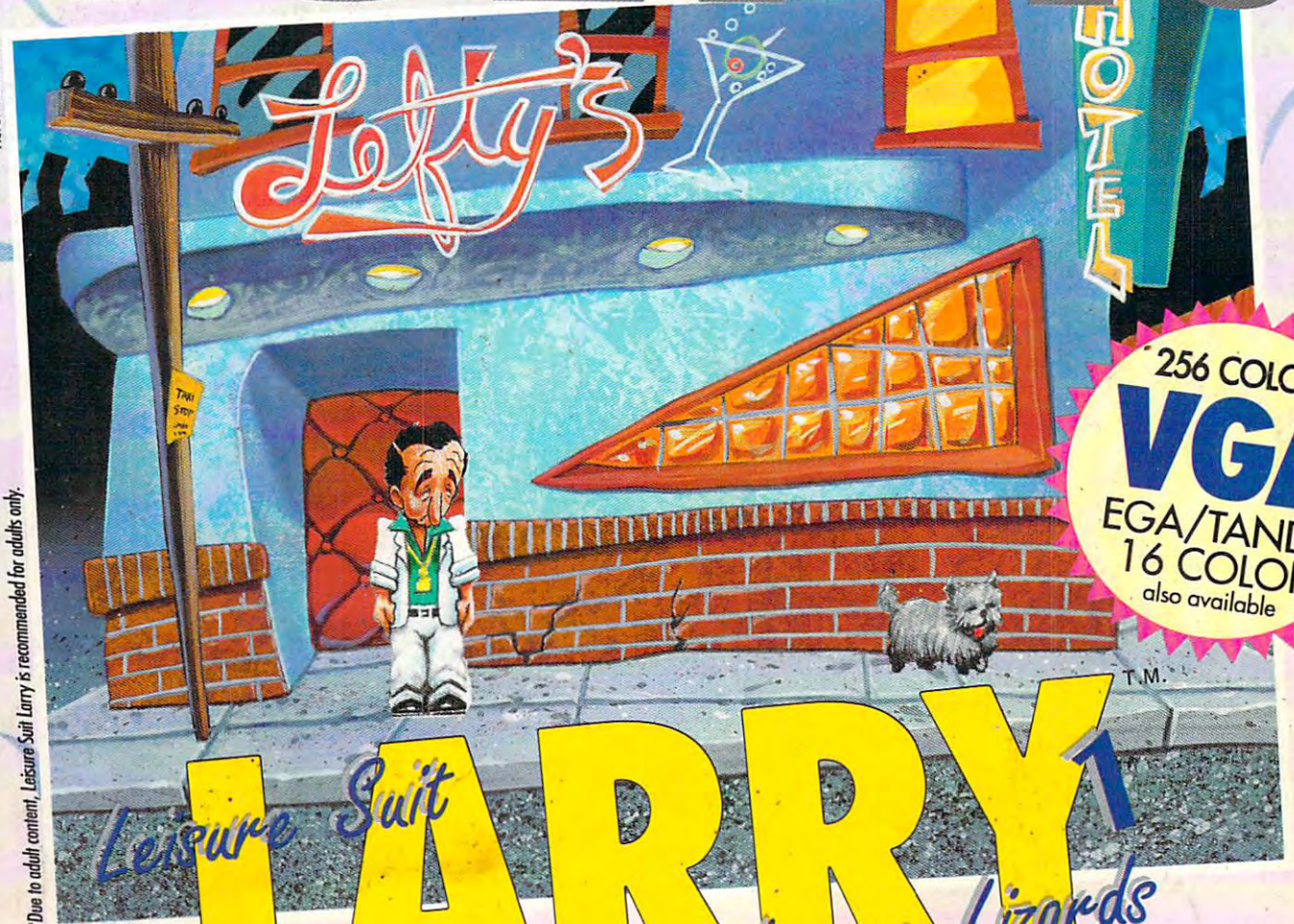
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