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# Editorial

NINETEEN EIGHTY FOUR is a date that has been associated with catastrophe and  
never ever since George Orwell wrote his chilling vision of the future in 1948. In the  
event, of course, 1984 turned out to be something of an anticlimax. No Big Brother, no  
Airstrip One.

For the computer industry, however, 1984 still has a certain significance. The pundits  
who had been predicting a massive shake-out in the market drew some satisfaction from  
the disappearance of Tycron and Computers, though this was balanced to some extent  
by the emergence of Amstrad.

The Japanese also made their long-awaited entrance into home computers with the  
multi-typed MSX. But, despite the Japanese domination of the hi-fi and electronics  
markets, there are some doubts as to whether they will similarly take over the micro  
market. The 280, eight bit, standard around which MSX is based may be too  
old-fashioned when compared with the newer 16-bit offerings from Sinclair et al.

Dragon, despite hefty sales injections, failed to overcome its cashflow and cost-accounting  
problems, with the result that it was sold to Spanish company Sunhard. Dragon  
software houses immediately started to convert their programs to other machines, if they  
had not gone so already.

Jack Tramiel, the man who founded Commodore and built it up into a multi-million  
pound company, resigned in a boardroom dispute. But, he bounced back within months  
to buy troubled Atari from Warners. So, 1984 has been a year of considerable change for  
the computer industry, if not quite the watershed envisaged by Orwell. What 1985 holds  
in store is difficult to predict, other than that the market will become yet more competitive.  
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# Letters

This is the chance to air your views — send your tips, compliments and complaints to Letters Page, Dragon User, 12-13 Little Newport Street, London WC2R 3LD.

## Sing Dragon . . .

IF MAY I interest some readers who wish to use their Dragon to control a musical keyboard that they can in fact do so with the recently released Casio MT 2000. This is one of a selection of mini-keyboards from Casio, it costs £130, and to link it up to the Dragon 32 the keyboard has an accessory interface — the PK 1. This costs £30, and plugs into the Centronics socket via a gender cable.

Using this system, the computer can be used to select one of the eight preset voices, start or stop one of the six preset rhythms, and can play up to eight notes — so the computer could be used as a sort of "sequencer" to build up a melody, or chord accompaniment, which can be played whilst you pick out a tune.

Obviously, it does not have the facilities of the MIDI system, or of a synthesiser. However, it does provide the Dragon with an excellent sound system at a reasonable price. The software must (at present) be home grown, but there is not too much heavy programming effort involved. I have this system myself and am basing a project for college on it.

Which brings me on to ask if anyone could tell me the function of each pin in the Centronics socket (Bany, Straker and so on). This will form a major part of my project and it would be very grateful for any help received.

Rajmohan Moolan  
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## . . . sing

IN ANSWER to the simultaneous guess from Ed Whitey and J A Gill in October's Letters Page for A to D converters, I would like to point out that Electroanalytical Technology has been marketing a general purpose "control interface" for some months now.

The board, which plugs into the cartridge port, has both analogue (A to D and D to A) converters and digital input/output facilities (TTL, input interrupts and relay options). For the purpose of controlling voltage controlled oscillators, the D to A converter has an 18V output voltage swing which should easily control a musical synthesiser. Software is

not so much of a problem as the manual carefully explains the individual functions of components used in the interface and gives basic and "annotated" machine code examples for use.

The board has proved to be particularly popular with schools and colleges throughout the country and is used for numerous applications from robotics, artificial intelligence and speech recognition, to controlling 30-ton pneumatic hammer, security systems and laboratory experiments.

Dr Mark Wainey  
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## Secure program

FOR SOME time I have been trying to "secure" a program using information from your magazine such as that to disable the LGT, LLGT and break keys. I have since included a subroutine to "cool start" (as used) and have tried the "typo-error" routine printed in the magazine but this has the effect of freezing the machine rather than running it (but at least it prevents access to the program).

Here is a subroutine I use to input from the keyboard. If INPUT is used the break key successfully breaks the program:

```
18008 AG=INKEY:IF AG=---  
18009 THEN 10000  
18001 IF AG=CHR(13) THEN  
RETURN  
18002 PRINT AG;  
18003 AG=MC+AG 'to create  
18004 GOTO 18008
```

Using the VRL function to convert the string to a number if necessary. For example

```
50 PRINT @R, "ENTER FIRST  
N U M B E R " ; 0 0 0 0  
10000 A=VAL (MID(A$,""  
(R$=")" stores the string  
variable for next input)
```

```
60 PRINT @R, "ENTER  
SECOND NUMBER"—GOSUB  
10000 B=VAL (MID(A$,""
```

Note the semi-colon after the print string to ensure that the key pressed is printed after the request to enter. This should be omitted if the keypress is to be printed on the line below.

Using a similar subroutine (changing line 10000) to read an entry code to use the program or even to "enable" break so that only I can break the program I think I have finally "secured" it.

Richard Gano  
Seawans  
W Glamorgan

## ITT answer

WITH REFERENCE to Gerald Woodward's letter (October, Dragon User), I too purchased the same model ITT TV filter and initially had the same problems.

I finally solved it by trial and error and using the pin connection diagrams provided with the TV and also Dragon Data's "Information for machine code users".

I have used a 5-pin OR plug with 2 x fern case wires connected to the Dragon's monitor output, one to pins 1 and 2 for the video, and the other to pins 1 and 2 for sound (2 being earth). These are connected to the TV as follows:

Video signal to the SO 239 (not socket with the outer section as earth). The sound signal is taken to the Audio in socket with the top pin as earth and the second wire connected to the lower Audio-Signal input.

The volume setting on the TV has to be set fairly high to obtain a normal sound level.

John Nash  
Drimingham  
Norths

## Jolly good news

FOLLOWING a recent article in your publication regarding the Videopack, we have had a number of letters from Dragon users asking where they can purchase the pack.

Unfortunately, due to lack of dealer and distributor response and support, we will not be releasing this pack. However, as a special offer to your readers we would be quite happy for them to write to us for the individual games and instead of paying the normal £5.50 (plus 6% from the retailer), they can obtain four games for £34.95.

The games are:  
Laggit, Pedro, Cosmic Cruiser, S.C. 80.

We are also about to release Arcadia for the Dragon and we would include this game which will also cost for £5.50. The total for the five games will be £39.95. This means a saving of £7.00 on the five games.

Keith Ashley  
Beta-Jolly  
124 West Broadway  
Exeter  
London W6 5AR

## Across the Atlantic

I AM writing on behalf of Dragon users in the USA. The company that originally distributed the Dragon in America is no longer supporting the Dragon. There seems to be very little hardware or software available and as a dealer this leaves me and my Dragon customers in a spot.

In looking through your magazine I see many sources for products, but almost all of them are not distributed in the United States. I would be most interested in hearing from any companies that have a local distributor or who want to get details on shipping products to America.

Roy Sharp  
Computer Center  
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Wauwatosa, WI 53092  
USA

## Software Top 10

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|----|--------------------------|-----------------|
| 1  | Chess                    | Orion           |
| 2  | Mystery of the Java Star | Sharns          |
| 3  | Hungry Hercules          | Melbourne House |
| 4  | Mr Dig                   | Microdeal       |
| 5  | Outboard in Space        | Microdeal       |
| 6  | Kriegspiel               | Beyond          |
| 7  | Chuckie Egg              | A & P           |
| 8  | Dragon Chess             | Oasis           |
| 9  | Ring of Darkness         | Wintecol        |
| 10 | Eightball                | Microdeal       |

Chart compiled by Websters Software

# GEC sells last stock



GEC HAS sold all of its existing stock of Dragon products and has no immediate plans to promote the Dragon. Denis Judd, marketing manager of GEC Radio and Television, said that all of GEC's stocks of the Dragon 32 and 64 had been sold to an undisclosed buyer, together with small quantities of single and double density disk drives. Delivery of the goods is to take place shortly.

It is not known what price was paid for the goods nor what price the products will be sold for when they eventually reach retail outlets.

It now looks as if GEC's association with the home computer market is in doubt. Although the company is in contact with Eynhardt SA, the Spanish manufacturers of

the Dragon, it has not yet come to any agreement over future marketing arrangements.

GEC has also shelved any immediate plans to manufacture an MSX computer. Denis confirmed that the company does not have a license from Microsoft — the American licensor of the MSX standard.

One piece of good news, however, is that GEC is currently formulating plans to establish a Dragon repair and warranty service, possibly in conjunction with Teachmaster — the company formed by ex-Dragon Data directors Brian Moore and Richard Walker.

The service, it is hoped, will cover Dragons sold both before and after the crash of Dragon Data earlier this year.

## Dragon modem



A Full, facility modem, hardware compatible with the Dragon, has just been released by Unicom for £89.95 excluding VAT. The modem features auto dial, auto redial, auto answer, auto band rate scan, full duplex, half duplex, bulletin board facility and number memory store.

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1500/75 and 75/1000. Unfortunately, the company is not producing any software for the Dragon, so users of the system would have to write their own or rely on existing software provided by Colwell Computers.

Colwell has just released a new modem software package which features 40 column

## New releases

MONSTERS, lightning bolts and ice pellets play a major part in some of the latest releases for the Dragon.

New from Cable Software in time for Christmas are three titles all retailing for £9.95 each. *Fighting Fantasy* is an arcade adventure with 35 screens which are in effect interconnected rooms. You move the character of a man by use of the joystick. Each room has different guards and objects to be overcome.

The game can be played either as an arcade game or an adventure. In order to reach the last screens, careful planning and thought is needed, according to Peter Phillips of Cable Software.

"You will need to plan a map in order to locate the keys needed to open subsequent doors. Also, various weapons are necessary to overcome opponents." The weapons include weapons, lightning bolts and wizardry spells. "It is a very complex, full colour animated machine code game, which for any other micro would have been called a mega-game" according to Peter.

Cable's other two releases are *Homebase* — an arcade type game written in 100 per cent machine code which is a sort of "Lunar Jet Man", with you fighting about in a rocket launcher firing at other craft, and on, as yet, untitled program involving nine different screens with revolving doors and a mad woman called Ethna. Written in machine code it also is a multi-screen arcade game with full colour animation.

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a title from Cable Software users are being offered a free game from the following Cable titles: *Living Stone*, *Geography*, *Drains*, *Dragnet*, *Reverend*, *Dragon Rescue*, *Wasp Invasion*. Two full price games will get you two free games. Further details from Cable Software (P.O. Interlocking) at 0560-581493.

Camlotan Computers, a new name to Dragon owners, is releasing its first title for the Dragon called *SnowQueen*. Retailing for £9.95 the game is based on Hans Christian Andersen's immortal story in which the boy Kay is imprisoned by the Snow Queen in her palace of ice. He cannot gain his freedom until he can spell out the word ETEPHITTY from ice fragments taken from a lake of ice in the palace.

The game is a mixture of educational and "fun" and is set for ages around seven and above. Further details from Camlotan Computers, at 15 Newark Close, Prestatyn, Gwynedd LL19 7TT.

Finally, from Knight Software comes *Yumping Tassler* who "yumps" his way to the top of each of fifteen screens making his way to the door, avoiding monsters and hoping for a reward with his starting gun. And *Time Attack* from Tudor Williams, a low resolution military graphics game with treposets, mind probes, topoints and so on.

Further details from Knight Software at 61a High Street, Eaton, Cleveland TS6 6UD and from Tudor Williams Software at 15 Summers Road, Cawley, West Midlands WY14 8RD.

screen display with upper and lower case characters. The program also enables the facility to take a printed copy of incoming data.

The inclusion of a print facility is to allow the Dragon to emulate a letter terminal. By using the facilities of Caspell, the mailbox system operated by Cable and Wireless, it is possible to send and receive international and national text messages at any time of the day or night. Further information from Caspell Computers at 8 Middle Row, Chipping Norton, Oxfordshire



# Maintenance guaranteed

YEARLY maintenance warranties are being offered by two new firms in the computer industry.

Following the collapse of Dragon Data several months

ago many readers have experienced trouble in getting their Dragon's repaired, especially with many service agents reportedly having difficulties in obtaining spare



THE SCP-800 printer/ploter manufactured by Japanese firm Sakata Shokai is the first colour printer/ploter to retail for under £250 according to Kevin Leaper, technical director of Datafax — the UK distributors of the SCP-800. The printer has a standard Centronics interface and as aforesaid, according to Kevin, is compatible with the Dragon, though no tests have actually been made. There is also an RS-232C adaptor option. The printer/ploter has A4 paper handling capability and a 310mm paper roll option. The recommended retail price is £188 though at present it is selling at an introductory price of £178. For further details contact Datafax at Datafax House, Healey Road, Beeston, Leicestershire, North Notts LE11 3BX, telephone 0208-484787.

parts. Now Global Computers and the Micro Repair Club are offering repair-guaranteed packages which users can subscribe to when their manufacturer provided warranty runs out.

Global's John Kensington stated that their engineers "are trained up to main frame computers" and are offering a warranty for one year, which covers all electronic components within the computer including the cost of all labour charges. If necessary, the company will replace a computer if it can't repair it. Global charges £16.50 a year for a machine that is up to 24 months old and £20 per year for a machine that is over 24 months old. However, micros that are over 24 months need to be sent to the company to ensure that they are in "working condition".

The company will also repair micros that are already faulty, but again these must be sent to the company so that an appraisal and quotation can be obtained. For further details contact Global Computer consultants at Charles House, Bridge Road, Southall, Middlesex UB2 4DD, telephone 01-571 4418.

Micro Repair is offering a similar service for £24.95. Per-annual cost after the first year is £14.95, though the company is offering a four year subscription for £57.95. The maintenance work will be done by Computerised Services, part of the Thom EM Information Technology Division.



Micro Repair also has a schools scheme whereby a school with more than one micro can join the club for a membership of £24.95 for the first micro and £19.95 each for all others. Further information about the warranty service can be obtained from Simon Jamison, Micro Repair Club, Swan Court, Mansel Road, Wimbledon, London SW19 4AA, telephone 01-848 7777.

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# Nationwide network

Gordon Ross details the growing Users groups, including the latest national Dragon club

A NEW national Dragon User group has been set up following the demise of Dragon Data, Dragon Dungeon and Computers UK (formerly Games and Computers) each with their own newsletter/magazine.

The club has, as yet, no name, but with 230 members and half a dozen enquiries per week it is well on its way to becoming established. Negotiations are currently being made with a number of software firms regarding the possibility of the group offering discounted software. At present, there is a 30 per cent discount on titles produced by Grip Software, and it is hoped that both Microdeal and Touchmaster will be making their range of software available to group members at a 10 per cent saving.

The group is also consulting with Cotswold Computers about the possibility of obtaining the 2,000 list of members that Cotswold obtained from Computahouse UK. Below are published an extract from the editorial of the group's first newsletter.

The users group is being formed due to the demise of both Dragons Teeth and Dragon Data. Our beloved box of ticks is now in the hands of the perfidious Spanish and it was thought that some sort of voice was needed to promote our interests and exchange information. Which brings me to the main message of this editorial, any club — and especially a national one — can only survive with a large and active membership. THIS MEANS YOU, so if you have any problems, opinions, comments or contributions write in, also if you know anyone with a Dragon persuade them to join up, in short go forth and multiply.

Subscriptions for this year is set at £7.50, this may seem a bit steep, but with the club relatively small, costs are high, however next year we hope to be able to drop the price.

There has been some interest expressed in reworking either by modem or RTTY, if anyone has views on this, or already possesses the equipment, let me know and I'll pass it on. That's enough from me, at least wearing this hat, so remember from here on in it's down to you.

Further details about the club can be obtained by sending an SAE or postage to the following: Jeremy Hoyland (newsletter editor), 17 Oxford Road, Frinton-on-Sea, Essex CO19 9HX. Paul Grade (club chairman), 8 Marivale Road, Worthing, Sussex. Kyrle Jones, 10 Ray View Road, Coley Bay, Chyd LL28 8DN ■

## Dragon clubnet

**Bedfordshire:** Leighton Buzzard Computer Club, Tottenhopt Leisure Centre, Leighton Buzzard. Small club, meets on Friday 8pm to 10pm — all systems welcome.

**Berkshire:** J R Griffin wants his small group to get bigger — write to J Garner Road, Brighthelm, Slough, Berkshire or telephone Slough 82088.

**Brighton:** Brighton, Hove & Ovingdean Club meets every second Wednesday at the Southwick Community Centre from 7.30 to 10 pm — contact the Hon Secretary, 30 Lancelot Villas, Hove, East Sussex BN3 6SD.

**Cambridgeshire:** 6685 User Group, c/o Paul Hills, 28 Millburn Road, Laurenceau, Cambridgeshire — international postal group.

**Devon:** Brixham Computer meets every Wednesday evening at the Golden Lion, New Road, Brixham — write to Ian Cropper-Field, 22 Brookside Court, Stratton, Devon or telephone Brixham 95024.

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**Hants:** David Hoopes, Independent Romsey Area Dragon User Group, 188 Penrhyn Lane, North Badlesley, Romsey, Hants SO26 5JL — regular meetings held every second and a free fortnightly newsletter is issued.

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**Leicestershire:** Melvin Franklin, North West, 75-85 Users group, 40 Coopers, Westthorpe, Sutton, Leicestershire — growing number of Dragon Users, meets every month at their near Manchester and publishes newsletter.

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**London:** 68 Micro Group, 41 Paternost Row, Harrow, Middlesex — publishes 68 Information and meets monthly at central London locations. Write to the group for further details — all 68K owners welcome.

**Northamptonshire:** Dragon User Group meets on Mondays at the Congregational Centre, Castle Dale, Northampton — contact Mike Johnson, Rutland, 15 Galsford Close, Bramcote Moor, Beeston, Northampton or telephone Northampton 28851.

**Offshore:** Tony Wood, Othman Computer Users' Society, Colburn Community Centre, Dunbar Street, Rochdale, Offshore — an all-user club including 25 Dragon owners.

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**Scotland:** James Brown, Penrynium Computer Users Club, 12 Rowan Square, Penrynium, Whinnock, Ayrshire — meets every Monday and Tuesday evening from 8.00 to 9.00 pm.

**United Kingdom:** National Dragon users' group. Non-commercial group with approximately 250 members. Further details from Paul Grade, 8 Navarre Road, Worthing, Sussex. Send SAE or postage.

**France:** Starchick Hervé is looking for Dragon people to swap ideas and programs with. His address is 1 rue des Phares, 98008 Charleville-Mazenois, France.

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**Belgium:** A. Timmermans, Fleur des Combats, 1014 4, 64 10, Morsyoy-la-Faire, Belgium — operates a small Dragon club of about 20 members.

**New Zealand:** E G Cook wants to start a Dragon and Commodore Computer Users' club — his address is 12 Collingwood Street, Whangarei, New Zealand.

**South Africa:** Ian McCall invites other 68 Dragon owners to contact him at 35 Silwood Road, Randfontein, Cape Town.

# Dragonsoft

New software for review should be sent to Dragon User, 12-13 Little Newport Street, London WC2H 9LJ.

## Rampage

**Program:** Mario Milner, Software Projects, The Bear Brand Complex, Allerton Road, Woolton, Liverpool L25 7GF. Price: £5.50

ONE OF the most popular games to be released for the Spectrum was undoubtedly

screens include conveyor belts, smashing bats and bloodthirsty telephones. The sound effects are adequate and there's continual musical accompaniment, but as this is the same tune played over and over there is, thankfully, an option to turn off the music.

The only controls you have are left/right and jump, the keyboard is used and is un-

game as there is no way to avoid them, or to predict where and when they are going to appear.

The program supports a pause facility and pressing **break** restarts a game, but the program performs a "load start" on reset. Why can't programmers start their program with a **PCP** and set **(E7/73)** (the reset vector) to this start address? It would save a lot of jangling and would offer more protection as the "load start" poke can be recovered

both very easily, and if the program, like this one, needs to be **REB** after loading, it may become very easy.

To summarise, a very good game, named, though not beyond reproach, by basic design faults. It is surprisingly addictive and is yet another case of a simple concept being a good one. Well worth adding to your collection.

Jason Osborne



Mario Milner, now Roy Coates has converted this game to run on the Dragon and it looks to be just as good on this machine. The only real difference from the original version is that the graphics are all black and white. This was a necessary drawback to maintain the same resolution as used on the Spectrum.

The object of the game is to guide minor Willy through the 20 screens, collecting objects as you go. The various

usually responsive; however, not including a joystick option. These days seems rather strange.

This is a faithful reproduction of the Spectrum version and the fact that the graphics are black and white doesn't detract from the real appeal of this game — one for the collection.

Brian Gudge



## Back and forth

**Program:** Boris the Bold, Baby Computer Games, 10 Crossways House, Lutterworth Road, Leloech, Leicestershire. Price: £1.99

THE IDEA of this game is to get Boris down to the bottom of the screen through the holes that move backwards and forwards on the platforms while avoiding the various pit-falling objects and collecting the diamonds for bonus points. The move from top to bottom must be made in a certain number of seconds (20 on the first screen, increasing by five on successive screens).

The game plays well, the response is good, the graphics move smoothly and the sound is the best I have heard on any Dragon game. However, unfortunately, the

program has several blemishes that spoil its perfection. At the beginning of each go the score and lives are zeroed for a second. This shows bad programming technique. Also, one of the hazards is what are called "Energy Barrels". These appear randomly on one of the levels and kill you if you happen to be where they are. They successfully remove 10 per cent of the skill in the



## Money Jump

**Program:** Cashman, Microdel, 41 Truro Road, St Austell, Cornwall PL25 5UE. Price: £5.00

MANY so-called two-player games merely allow you to take it in turns to combat the opposition. Cashman is one of the few games where both players can battle it out on the screen at the same time.

The object of this entertaining program is to collect as much money as you can while avoiding the strange creatures that also inhabit the screen. At the start you can choose to control the pastor, who looks remarkably like Popeye, or the Sheik, or both of them if you have a partner, what you both try to collect more than the other.

Each location contains several conveyor belts and trampolines as well as carefully placed dollar signs. If you jump at the right time, the money is added to your total; when all the dollars have disappeared from the screen, a new location appears. Some of the animals you must avoid, such as birds that can fly you to the top of the dis-

play, but look out for cats who reduce your length of time in the game, as well as bombs and apples that descend on you with little warning. As you complete one screen, another appears that increases in difficulty, but if you prefer, you can choose at the start where to begin your challenge and miss out the easy screens.

The concept of the game is good, and in spite of the fact that the figures are difficult to control, it isn't too hard to get a high score. If you choose a low entry point in the game, however, it gets a lot more difficult, with names appearing



out of nowhere and word of all, the loss of your ability to jump. This is the first time I have seen this arcade game on a home computer, and Microdel appears to have a winner that should while away many an evening.

John Siverin



## Bulls eye

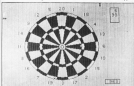
**Program:** Darts, Baby Computer Games, 10 Crossways House, Lutterworth Road, Leloech, Leicestershire. Price: £1.99

DARTS is a computerised version of the popular pub game. Up to nine players can take part using one or two joysticks. A variety of games are

possible — 301, 501, and 1001, each with or without a double to start. There is a choice of nine difficulty levels which range from easy to impossible. An extra feature is the "own game" option which allows players to score for themselves or play some of the more unusual standard games sometimes found in pubs and clubs.

The darts are aimed by moving two pointers, one at

the top of the screen and one on the left. The intersection between the two pointers is where the dart is thrown when the fire button is pressed. If



the player takes too long at aiming the dart, it is thrown automatically. The program displays each dart's score as well as the total left "to get", and before each turn, the player is reminded of his/her current score.

Darts is a well-thought-out game, ideal for those occasions when bus-loads of friends turn up demanding to

play a computer game, and at £1.99 it's certainly cheaper than a barbed. However, darts is a competitive game and so loses all of its appeal

very easily if played by only one person. It's a pity that the writers didn't include a "computer versus player" option which would increase the appeal of the program. That aside, it's a good game, and most represent excellent value for money.

David Rowlinson



## Egg waves

Programs: Damon Seed, Microsoft, 41 Truro Road, St Austell, Cornwall PL25 5JL. Price: £4.99

AFTER many novel ideas, it seems a little strange to find Microsoft releasing a game as long in the tooth as this one. Based on the arcade favourite of two years ago, Phoenix, this is a well-written machine code version that seems heavily influenced by Hitchcock's masterpiece, the Birds. Only the graphics have been changed to protect the innocent.

The game starts with the traditional picture of Cuddled grinning manily as the rest of the program loads. There's enough time to go and make yourself a cup of coffee while this happens, and as you return the title frame appears together with the option to choose a black, buff or green background. There are no skill levels to choose from, and the first few frames present no great difficulties.

The theme is saving your base from alien destruction, this time in the form of a demonic foe that gathers at

the top of the screen. The odd seismic joggle or two breaks off from the mob and escapes down on you as you blast away with your laser or move left and right to avoid it. If you succeed in destroying a sufficient of these monsters, another wave appears followed by a squadron of cosmic eggs. These present more of a challenge, as they hatch out into ugly demons that need to have both wings and body destroyed before they disappear completely. Sprigly shooting off the wings results in a Phoenix-like recombination as another egg appears on the screen.

This is followed by other waves of eggs in different formations that prove rather more difficult to shoot down and occasionally the creatures fly up from below to catch you unaware. If you manage to survive this screen, you are soon offered the opportunity to destroy the mother ship.

In spite of a few reservations when I first played the game, I can see that Damon Seed has addictive potential, although it's hardly the most innovative program of the year.

John Scriven



## Laser racer

Programs: Timm Sandt, Microsoft, 41 Truro Road, St Austell, Cornwall PL25 5JL. Price: £3.99

THIS is a graphic adventure game that is in some ways similar to Touchstone, also from Microcast. The initial display shows you some of the evil creatures you may meet on your way round the game as you attempt to collect a quantity of treasures.

There are many different locations in which the game is



played; the difference is that the locations are not reached by travelling logically from one to the next, but by entering



title time portals in the second frame and progressing through different mazes. You have a laser with which to protect yourself against the nasty things that live in the maze, but you are also racing against the clock to reach a key hidden somewhere in a tunnel that leads you back to the start with the treasure.

Playing the game reminded me a little of Jet Set Willy for the Spectrum, although each location takes up more than a whole screen, and scrolls readily to the left or right according to your movements. Each time the game is played, you pick up more ideas on how to reach the keys and treasures in less time, and manage to explore more places.

This game involves many skills, not just fast joystick fingers, and should appeal to a wide range of users.

John Scriven



## Gobble up

Programs: Back Track, Incentive Software, 84 Lancelot Street, Reading RG1 4JQ. Price: £8.50

EDDIE is here! — Eddie being the name of the latest "computer" from Chris Andrews of Incentive Software. Developed exclusively for the Dragon, this 100 per cent machine code high-resolution graphics game follows the fortunes of our hero Eddie as he explores a scabbling labyrinth of interconnected rooms in an attempt to find the keys to the escape door. To aid him in his search is a map showing the plan of the maze, as well as



items of food which he needs to top-up his energy reserves. Unfortunately, there are also skeletons of previous victims to sap Eddie's strength, and snakes in his path to gobble him up completely.

although these can be overcome with care. There are also other "nasties" lying in wait, but I won't deprive the reader of the pleasure of discovering these by mentioning them here. Unlike some games that are so fiddly that the novice is likely to become easily discouraged, this game can be played in its early stages at a quite leisurely pace, but, there is more in store!

There are no less than five mazes of increasing complexity, though which Eddie must be guided, using the cursor, or other user-definable keys. Complete all five, and answer the question on the competition form enclosed with the cassette and you stand a chance of winning a £200 disk drive system.

However, the most remarkable feature of this game is its three-dimensional display with some impressive changes of perspective as we move around taking a "bird's-eye" view of Eddie's peregrinations in and out of the mazes.

One minor quip — a joystick option would have been welcome but overall an excellent adventure at a realistic price.

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# THE CHIP SHOP

Keith and Steven Brain put you in touch with the Chip Shop with a look at two Basicode programs

ONE OF the current growth areas in microcomputing involves linking users together into various forms of networks where they can transfer information and programs between their machines. Where the networks involved are of the same type this is relatively simple, but trying to get two different machines to converse can be rather like working for ACAS.

## On the radio

Much has been written about Prestel and the "telesoftware" systems by which you can "buy" programs via your telephone and services such as Mornet and CompuNet, but the developments in transmission of computer programs direct to the user by radio wave have had much less exposure. These are in many ways more interesting and exciting, not least because such programs are free to anyone who has a good old-fashioned "steams radio".

Those of you who listen to the BBC's regular Chip Shop program will probably already know the origin and purpose of the Basicode system, but for those who seek more audio entertainment we will briefly explain its development.

Way back in the dim dark beginnings of home micros (1976) the Dutch domestic radio service — Nederlandse Omroep Stichting (NOS) — first experimented with transmitting a computer program over the air. This proved technically successful and they therefore proceeded to regularly transmit programs on their weekly "Hobbyshop" program. Some readers may also remember a test transmission made by the BBC TV "Tomorrow's World" program consisting of short Apple and ZX81 programs.

Although the transmitted audio tones could be received accurately there were still a number of problems — not least of which was the fact that ordinary listeners complained about the terrible "interference" they seemed to be receiving. More seriously the value of the transmissions was very limited since almost every machine has a different cassette interface, so that any particular broadcast was only potentially useful to a small group of people (this will be obvious to anyone who has listened to the various weird and wonderful tones produced by tapes for different machines). In addition it is not enough for the machine to be able to recognise that a signal is arriving at its cassette interface, as it must be able to translate this audio tone into a machine-readable format and then into a Basic program.

Although Basic is often seen as the

computer-equivalent of "English" it's dialects are so many and varied that it reminds us of the quotation "England and the USA — two nations divided by a common language". Although it is a relatively simple matter to transmit data from one computer to another by the RS232 protocol this does not automatically provide conversion between different dialects of Basic. Even where a listing of the same program on different machines looks the same (the internal representation ("tokens") may be different).

A Dutch radio amateur named Klaus Peters came up with the idea of a new independent code system which could be both "read" and "written" by a whole range of home computers. In this way a single broadcast could be simultaneously used by a range of machines. This idea was taken up by an interested group of users and thus Basicode was born. The system is often described as "Computer Esperanto" but as Esperanto is an artificial language which has had rather limited success, whereas Basicode is essentially a subset of Basic with a restricted vocabulary, we feel that "Piggin Basic" describes it rather better.



Barry Norman, presenter of *Basic's* Chip Shop.

Further developments of the original idea have produced improvements and expansion of the system which has now passed through BASICODE to BASICODE+. The system has attracted international interest and in addition to the Dutch broadcasts, Basicode programs are transmitted in the UK, USA, Canada, Australia and throughout Europe.

To use the Basicode system you need to buy a special Basicode translation program for your computer. The major source of these is the BBC's Chip Shop program, through Broadcasting Support Services. Its new BASICODE+ package provides a single tape containing suitable programs for no less than 10 different machines including, at least, the Dragon 32 and 64.

Providing the whole galaxy of programs

on a single tape provides good value for money and fortunately the Dragon version is the first program on side 2, so that it is easy to locate. In addition to the tape a comprehensive 71 page manual is provided which gives a good introduction to all aspects of BASICODE.

The standard of this documentation is good, and should reduce most software (and hardware) manufacturers to sackcloth and ashes. Not only are the workings of all the versions of BASICODE explained but full details of the standard and how to write your own BASICODE programs are included.

In competition with the BBC version is an "alternative" offering from Mike Kirby of Grosvenor Software. The current version of this only allows you to load BASICODE programs, but further developments are in progress and it has a number of additional useful features which are described below.

## Two tones

Two tones are used to record data onto the cassette at a baud rate of 1200. A logical "0" is defined as one full cycle of 1200 Hz, and a logical "1" as two full cycles of 2400 Hz. The transmission sequence is:

- 1 startbit (logic '0')
- 8 databits (least significant first)
- 2 stopbits (logic '1')

and a Basic program is coded in ASCII characters and not as the tokens used internally by the computer.

A checksum is included to detect errors in transmission. This works by performing an "exclusive-OR" on all the previous bytes in the block, and warns you if an error is present. If such errors occur they may possibly be corrected by LISTING and EDITING the converted program. Once a program has been translated to Dragon Basic it can be saved and RUN in the normal way.

Both the BBC and Grosvenor packages are machine code routines loaded by the usual CLOAD command, and both sit in the Dragon 32-res graphics pages. As they start on page 2 they do not interfere with DragonDOS and other programs can easily be transferred to disk.

As the graphics pages are occupied the normal screen enhancers such as "Rain-Scan Writer" or "Scroller" cannot be used at the same time as BASICODE (although they can usually be used in conjunction with converted programs).

A number of standard Subroutines are an essential part of Basicode and the functions of these are included as part of the translation program standard. They

vary between the two packages but essentially they adjust for the different ways in which the various Basic interpreters carry out a number of common tasks (see Table 1).

### Lowest denominator

The main limitation of Basiccode is that it has to take the lowest common denominator of the Basic of all the popular machines. This unfortunately means that the specialised sound and graphics facilities of particular machines cannot be used and you are therefore effectively limited to transmission of text.

The Basiccode standard assumes a 40 row by 24 line screen, which obviously creates difficulties for the Dragon. Grosvenor Software has come up with one answer to this in its Basiccode offering which allows you to see a 32 by 14 scrolling window on the total screen. It is also working on an alternative display which will use the fr-line graphics to produce the full 40 x 24 screen. As mentioned above it is possible to use one of the commercial fr-line displays since the program has been "crashed" into Dragon Basic, so that the limited display is really only a start-screen problem.

The first step when reading Basiccode is to decode the signal from the tape, and the second is to convert this into Dragon Basic format. The BBC version is very useful in that each character is displayed on the screen as it is received, so that errors in transmission are easily seen. This means

it very easy to set the correct volume level and so on. On the other hand the conversion routine also provides a running display, so that the part of the system is much slower than that of the Grosvenor version.

One disadvantage of the original Grosvenor program was that it gave up if a detected an error — so that a bad tape or transmission could be totally beyond salvage — but the latest documentation provides some useful PCRs which allow you to attempt to recover "mortality-

tion" is that it also allows you to convert Dragon programs to Basiccode standard so that you can inflict them on your friend's machine, although Grosvenor apparently also has this side of things in the pipeline. As the Grosvenor version uses a machine code subroutine in its "FORMAT NUMBERS (PRINT USING)" routine it must be present when programs using the facility (GOLDS 310) are RUN, which can be rather a nuisance.

### Inconveniences

The BBC "Takeaway" service may be free but it either assumes that computer users are either inconvinced or have a time controller on their tape recorder. The BBC have made much of their recent reallocation of transmission times from around midnight to 5.35 am (guys) on Saturday and Sunday mornings but we are not sure if that is meant as a bad joke.

As we said before Basiccode drops you down to the lowest common level, although the programs available may still be very interesting. Getting into Basiccode does not feel an arm and a leg, it certainly cheaper than buying a modem, and will not send your telephone bill into orbit. So what have you got to lose if you give it a try?

Subroutine	Function	Dragon equivalent
00508 188	Clear screen	CLS
00508 119	Position cursor	(PRINT at)
00508 128	File cursor	
00508 138	File pressed?	FILE FN
00508 115	Wait for key press	
00508 200	Stop	STOP FN
00508 280	Random number	RND FN
00508 278	Random int	RND FN
00508 388	Number to string	STR FN
00508 318	Format number	PRINT USING
00508 368	Output to printer	PRINT FN
00508 388	End file	

Table 1: Basiccode subroutines.

wounded" transmissions. On the BBC version you can easily toggle the MOTOR and AUDIO functions on or off by pressing a single key. In short the BBC is better if you are a novice and want to see what is happening, but the Grosvenor version gets you to your objective much faster if you already know that your recordings are OK.

One major advantage of the BBC ver-

Basiccode, Grosvenor Software, 27 Grosvenor Road, Seaford, East Sussex BN25 2BS. Price £5.99 inc P&P.  
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# Versatile interfacing

Brian Cudge looks at a simple interface from NCJ Electronics

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Accessing the interface is very simple, either from Basic using PRINT -2, or from machine code by calling the printer ROM routine at 48373.

The main component of the interface is a small chip which houses an eight-bit latch — similar to one 'byte' of memory,

This means, when a value is put on the input of the latch and the system is clocked (by the strobe connection from the Dragon), the output side of the latch takes on the new value and keeps it there until the chip is clocked again. This has the effect that the output is a steady configuration of '1's and '0's even though the input is

constantly being changed by the Dragon doing other tasks, such as reading the keyboard. The BUSY line into the Dragon is kept at 'Ready' so the computer doesn't hang up when you attempt to send data to the interface.

The possibilities for using this interface are numerous — for example, the Dragon could control the workings of a model railway, the signals, points and so on and all in 'realtime' using the Timer function of Basic. As the maximum load current is only 300ma, it would probably be necessary to wire most operations through relays. The circuit would be a simple one as shown in figure 1.

Very little electrical knowledge is needed to get the circuits working and this product is really ideal for anyone who wants to dabble in electronics, but is not sure enough to blow D58 on a full IC interface. The interface costs £14.95 and is available from NCJ Electronics, 13 Bedford Square, Etsi Street, Hill H15 2AP.



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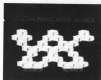
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**Book:** *Brainteasers for the Dragon 32*

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**HEHE!** ARE a number of programs covering an assortment of novel ideas, mainly of an educational nature, which aspire to test our skills at mental arithmetic, observation, creating number codes, and finding our way through a couple of mazes — as well as a couple of mini-adventures thrown in.

Aimed mainly, I would think, at primary and secondary levels, the 22 routines are fairly simple and have been converted for the Dragon from material in some previous volumes for other machines.



Unfortunately, it is in the conversion that problems arise. In order to use the character set in the 8x8 mode, most of the listings contain one or two different sub-routines, each of the two conversions having used his own (different) routines. The length of the listings could have been reduced quite dramatically if they had agreed to use just one routine throughout, and had listed it just once at the beginning of the book, rather than repeating it in full in each program.

Indeed, a number of the programs would have been as effective — and much simpler — in low resolution graphics, and one or two might well have been omitted altogether. In particular, a "loto-dummi" mystery which turned out, rather disappointingly, to be

an over-elaborate word matching exercise.

Illustrations which do not always match the listings, a number of typographical errors, and some rather quaint grammar give the impression of a hastily put together book. In particular, the author recommends that the R&M statements be omitted to increase speed. My advice is don't do most SCOT's and GOSB's are addressed in these lines and without them the programs will not run at all.

Gordon Lee

**Book:** *Giant book of games for your Dragon*

**Authors:** Tim Hannell, Alan Blaxston, Roger Bush, Robert Young

**Publisher:** Fontana

**Price:** £3.95

**THERE ARE** games to suit every taste in this book by Tim Hannell and friends, ranging from Arcade to Adventure, Gambling to Simulation/rate play. Each program has a page or so of introductory text which explains how to play and how the program works. The listings are taken directly from the printer and are very clear, so there should be no problems with typographic errors which have plagued books such as this in the past.



As usual, the quality of the games varies considerably, but overall the standard is quite high and many games use the Dragon's high and low resolution screens well.

As each game is inevitably devoted, as well as a source

of cheap games, typing in these programs will help you learn much about your computer and how to write programs. There are 28 games altogether, as well as useful appendices on creating moving graphics and error trapping. There is also a glossary of "Computerese" at the end of the book.

The *Giant Book of Games* is of the quality we have come to expect from Tim Hannell, and at £3.95 represents very good value for money.

Brian Cadpe

**Book:** *Dragon Machine Code*

**Authors:** Robin Jones and Eric Cassell

**Publisher:** Shiva

**Price:** £3.95

**THERE** appears to be a third generation of computer books on the market. The first was the "Twenty Tremendous Games for your ..." then, when the publishers realised that people didn't get much satisfaction typing in programs without learning from them, they produced scores of "Learning to program your ..." where they reprinted all the listings and added thirdly designed re-written blocks of the manuals for the subject machine.

Also included was a "break-down" of the program written at a totally different level to the rest of the text, making it impossible for the beginner to understand how the games worked, but allowing him or her the satisfaction of the painless (a la Bill) address: "learning experience" provided by such books. The new third generation appears to be allowing some maturity, it is of course "Programming Machine Code on your ..."

The book that is the subject of the review appears to have a strange blend of the excellent and the incredibly irritating. The main reason for this is it does not know the average intelligence quotient of its readership. I have been programming in machine code now for a long time, but I found some of the routines that were being used difficult to grasp. This is surely a fault of the text not explaining the listing in enough clarity.

The book contains a reasonably good introduction to programming for beginners, and the authors, Robin Jones and Eric Cassell have avoided generalisation most of the time. The book provides its reader with a machine code monitor and a good chunk is devoted to high-resolution graphics, including a machine code routine to write text on the high-resolution screen at a tricky 24 program that is 51 by 24 character resolution. This alone makes the book worth consideration.



Sadly, though, the book has some glaring faults. Firstly, far too much emphasis is put on hard coding because, say the authors, assemblies cost too much. There is nothing more of putting to a beginner than a series of labels and numbers. Also, very little help is given as to why things work, especially when dealing with graphics modes. Tables are given but the descriptions do not help the user to investigate. Sound is not mentioned at any point, and Binary Coded Decimal appears to have disappeared from the face of the authors' earth.

All things considered, this is a good book to consider if you want to program your Dragon in machine code. However, in my opinion the authors Zak and Roseenthal produce books in a better class and this book is not Dragon specific enough to make it a worthwhile purchase over them. See it before you decide.

Jason Chisum

# Dreaming up Dragon designs

David Sam gives you the wherewithal to create your own designs

**MANY GAMES** and other programs can be greatly improved and made more interesting by the addition of some good graphics. This is difficult to achieve purely from stringing a few graphics commands together and, by trial and error, finding the correct numbers. Very often a basically good game is ruined by poor graphics.

**Designer** is a comprehensive program that enables pictures, backgrounds and plans to be quickly and easily drawn. It allows you to access all of the Dragon's excellent graphics capabilities and also the normally missing text on the Hi-res screen.

On this version only the upper case letters and numbers are supported but other characters can easily be added in the necessary module of the program. The program itself consists of a main loop from which the command modules are called. This allows easy debugging and easy extension. Each module is independent and can therefore be modified without difficulty. There are three operating modes — Initiate mode, Design mode and Test mode.

**Initiate Mode:** There will be a short pause while the variables are being initialised. You will then be asked which PMODE you wish to work in and then which colour set. Next you are asked for the foreground colour.

In two colour modes the other colour defaults as the background colour while in four colour modes you are asked for the colour. The screen then goes into Hi-res and Design mode.

**Design Mode:** The joystick draws, moving the cursor in the current foreground colour. If the fire button is pressed then it only moves the cursor without affecting the background.

## Variables

**U,D,R,L** Draw in the same direction as the corresponding DRAW statement.

**E,F,G,H** Commands.

**O** Enters initiate mode discarding the current screen.

**Z** Ends the program.

**:** Increases the scale factor by one (i.e. step by which the cursor moves).

**^** Decreases the scale factor by one.

**O to S** Change the current foreground colour to the corresponding number if it is possible.

**P** Paints the area from the cursor

bordered by the colour given after its calling.

**O** Draws a circle or an ellipse around the cursor in the current foreground colour depending on the parameters given.

**V** Displays all the variables that are user controlled.

**/** Allows the use of the LINE statement and its options. The two points are positioned by the joystick and confirmed by pressing the fire button.

**M** Moves an area of the screen of a user defined size and replaces it in one of four of the PUT statement options (excluding PUT). You must define the top left corners of each area in the same way as the "I" command. After both of these commands the cursor is still in its original position.

**T** Saves the screen to tape.

**S** Dumps the screen to a printer.

**@** Enters test mode from design mode.

There is no delete command as you can erase lines by simply drawing over them in the background colour. The size of an area to be moved can be found by moving the cursor around the area and by also using the "V" command to find the X length and the Y length by the difference between the start and end co-ordinates.

**Test Mode:** The joystick moves the character position around the screen. The fire button shows the cursor but this affects the background as it flashes between the current foreground colour and the background colour set at initiate mode if the colour at that position is different. The cursor keys set the direction of printing the characters.

## Variables

**@** Returns control to design mode.

**SPACE** Prints a space in the current direction.

**A to Z** and **0 to 9** Print the corresponding character in the current direction.

**X, Y** These are the co-ordinates of the cursor.

**COLOUR** This is the colour set being used.

**FRONT** This is the colour that the cursor will draw in and the colour

of the text (i.e. foreground colour).

**BACK** This is the background colour chosen in initiate mode.

**SCALE** This is the size of the steps that the cursor moves and the size of the text corresponding to the DRAW statement's "O" command values.

**ANGLE** This is the current direction with values corresponding to the ones of the DRAW statement's "A" command.

The variables X and Y only are used in design mode while ANGLE is only used in test mode. COLOUR, FRONT, BACK, SCALE all apply to both modes. If the SCALE is too small then the cursor will not move properly. Again, there is no delete command. You can alter contents the characters in the background colour or else use the "I" command to blank out a character position.

## Program notes

Lines

100 to 100  
200 to 440

Initiate variables.  
Main loop (Design Mode).

KEYS holds the keyboard input.

The cursor is flashed by inverting the point at X,Y by using the PUT statement and then repeating the process leaving the point the same.

Initiate Mode  
Change the foreground colour.

Test Mode  
Control loop

Joystick commands.  
Check for accommodated characters.

Draw numbers.  
Draw letters.  
Clear screen.  
Increase SCALE.  
Decrease SCALE.  
Move cursor and show its foreground colour unless blank movement is specified.

Convert the joystick input for drawing.

Paint the area around the cursor.

Use the LINE statement.

8000 to 8090  
and  
9000 to 9090  
10000 to 10100

11000 to 11200



12800 to 12899 Draw a circle or an ellipse.

12900 to 13000 Display main variables.

14000 to 14150 Save the screen to tape.

15000 to 15250 Move an area of the screen.

16000 to 16200 Dump the screen to the printer.

This Basic screen dump is for a Selenia CP-100A. If you are using a machine code screen-dump then you must CLCADM it before line 60.

18000 to 18099 Convert the screen for the output routine.

19000 to 19200 Output routine.  
In lines 18010 and 19180 there are two

POKEs that put the Dragon into superfast mode and also return it to normal speed. Omit these lines if your machine does not accept the more common POKE & HPP00.3. While in this mode, only the printer output is unaffected, but everything else is, therefore, to prevent any spectacular crashes.

Line 18180 should be installed before testing this module. While the screen dump is running do not be alarmed by the garbage appearing on your screen as this is only a small side effect of the superfast mode.

The second listing shows the changes necessary if you do not have a joystick.

You must also omit lines 8000 to 8050. This will give the following changes in instructions: In design mode the cursor keys will move the cursor without affecting the background. In test mode the shifted cursor keys will move the character position and the clear key will display the text cursor.

Readers who have any further questions, can write direct to the author at 11 Hawthorn Way, Chiswell Green, St Albans, Herts AL2 3BQ. Also, for those of you who are put off by all the typing, a cassette containing copies of each version of the program on either side is available for £3 from the author. ■

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300 IF KEYS="" THEN KEYS="BU" : GOSUB 7000 : REM CONVERT CURSOR KEYS TO DRAW FORMAT
340 IF KEYS=CHR(10) THEN KEYS="RS" : GOSUB 7000
350 IF KEYS=CHR(13) THEN KEYS="RL" : GOSUB 7000
360 IF KEYS=CHR(9) THEN KEYS="BT" : GOSUB 7000
3900 IF KEYS=CHR(12) THEN DRAW(FC)+STR(BACK) : FOR CO=0 TO 255 : NEXT CO : DRAW(FC)+
STR(PAGE) : REM FLASH CURSOR
3930 IF KEYS="" OR KEYS=CHR(12) THEN 3900
3950 GOSUB 3070
3970 IF KEYS="B" THEN DRAW(ROW)+STR(PAGE) :
3980 IF KEYS=CHR(21) THEN DRAW(ROW) : GOSUB(3400)
3990 IF KEYS=" " THEN DRAW(ROW)+STR(PAGE) :
4100 IF KEYS="E" THEN DRAW(ROW) : GOSUB(3400)
4110 REM

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## Screen Edit

From Wayne Smithson in Leeds  
THIS PROGRAM is a full screen editor to edit graphics characters and allows you to create graphics screens to be loaded in before your own programs. The program is easy-to-use provided the instructions are read carefully. This may be much better than writing a program with endless data statements full of numbers to be POKED or PRINTed on the screen.

You can create eight screens at once and store them; copy screens; save all eight or just the finished screen to tape; load them back in again to carry on editing; choose any character in any colour; draw and erase; move around all the screen quickly and if everything goes wrong you can clear the screen and start again.

### Program notes

The following instructions are to help you use the program efficiently and may sound complicated at first but as you use the program they will become clearer.  
Arrow keys — Move cursor around the

screen at high speed!

Clear key — Clears the screen to the background colour chosen (default=black).

B — Background or border choice. Allows you to choose any colour (background including multi-coloured) or any character border (in any colour).

C — Character choice. Allows you to pick any character from a set by using left and right arrow keys to choose character. Press **spacebar** when you have selected the chosen character.

D — Draw (character chosen in 'C') on screen when you move around the screen. This also allows you to rub out by using 'G' (see G).

E — Erase. This doesn't actually erase but is used to get out of DRAW mode. This changes the cursor back into a "spite". You will then be able to move around the screen without actually doing anything.

F — Finished editing. This will take you out of editing mode and you will be faced with another menu. Follow the menu's instructions carefully.

G — Get rid of character! erase if you like. This is only effective in DRAW mode and erases characters as you move. Tab-ing 'G' again will put you back in draw

mode. Using 'E', 'D', 'G' you can create pictures very quickly, draw broken lines and so on.

L — List out menu. There is a mini-menu that you can look at while editing that should jog your memory if you forget any commands.

M — Move screen. This allows you to shift the whole screen (except borders) to either the left or to the right. For example, if you drew a picture on the screen and it wasn't in the middle, you would use this to move it.

S — Screen change. This gives you a choice of two coloured screens. There is green (usual) or orange (screen 0.1).

T — Text on screen. This allows you to place text on the screen in inverse video or normal. Any text in inverse video must be placed inside 'L' e.g. HENRY WIZ 1984 1985 would be placed on the screen in inverse video.

[Should anyone have any problems with the program, I would be glad to help, and also, I realise that there is a lot of keyboard typing to be done before you can use it so I will gladly save the program for you for a small fee if you send an SAE, a cassette and £1 to the following address: Wayne J Smithson, 24 Coal-mill Green, Bramley.]

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10 *****
20 ** SCREDIT SCREEN EDITOR **
30 *** ** ** ** **
40 *** WRITTEN BY: *** **
50 ** WAYNE J. SMITHSON **
60 *****
70 ** (C) 1984 W. J. SMITHSON **
80 *****
90
100 B0T0130
110 IF ED#="D" THENY=2
120 RETURN
130 PCLARS:CLARS00,31999:SG=128:
ED#="E":CH=143:X=100%:SC=1:SBUND1,
1:PORES&H77FE,81:PORES&H77FF,8400:
G0S0B660
140
150 CLS:CLS#<?>? TO MAKE SURE?
160
170 CLS:PRINT#64,STRIN#(32,42):**
** SCREDIT - SCREEN EDITOR. ****
***** WRE
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ITEN BY WAYNE J. SMITHSON *):STRIN
G#(32,42):SCREEN0,1
180 FOR#1 TO#EXEC32000:NEXT:PRINT
G384,"SCREEN EDITOR BY W.J. SMITH
SON":SCREEN0,1:FOR#1 TO#EXEC3200
0:NEXT:FOR#1 TO#PRINT#80,""6XE
C32033:NEXT:G0SUB770:G0T0S00
190 EXEC32100:CLS:PRINT#64,"DO YOU
WANT:-(1) SCREEN 0,1"?(2) S
CREEN 0,0","ENTER 1 OR 2-->":
200
210 SEE YOU JIMMY!
220 I G0 YA NUM W! THE H0ED!
230
240 G#-IN#E# IF G#="1" THEN#EXEC321
50:SCREEN0,1:#=1:RETURN ELSE IF G#="
2" THEN#EXEC32150:SCREEN0,0:#=0:RE
TURN ELSE#240 250 EXEC32100
260 CLS:PRINT#64,"DO YOU WANT:-(1)
(1) BACK-GROUND"?(2) BORDER"?(3)
3) GO BACK TO EDIT MODE"..."OPTI0N
--->")
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270 G@=INKEY$:IFOR<"1" OR OR<"3" T
HEN270 ELSEPRINTOR$:IFOR="3" THENEX
EC32150:GOTO510
280 IFOR<"1" THEN320
290 CL@:PRINT"background set":PRIN
T"PRESS THE @ KEY WHEN YOU SEE THE
BACKGROUND THAT YOU WANT      N,
B. destroys present screen":GOSUB7
50:FORB=OTOB:N=0:CL@:PRINTB@B0,
C@B@:
300 N=N+1:G@=INKEY$:IFOR="B" THEN3
20 ELSE IFN<100 THEN300 ELSE NEXTB
,B@:PRINT@0,"":FORN=143TO255STEP
1@:PRINTSTRING$(32,N):NEXT:FORN=2
37TO143STEP-1@:PRINTSTRING$(32,N):
NEXT:PRINT@B@0,C@:N=0
310 G@=INKEY$:IFOR="B" THEN320 EL@
B@N=N+1:IFN<100 THEN310 ELSE260
320 W@=B:CL@:Y@=0:PRINT"YOU CHOSE "
C@W@":FORN=OTOF@:NEXT:IFW@<0 THE
N@L@W@:G@=PEEK(1111):GOTO510 EL@
@PRINT@0,"":FORN=143TO255STEP1@:P
RINTSTRING$(32,N):NEXT:FORN=237TO
143STEP-1@:PRINTSTRING$(32,N):NEX
T:G@=PEEK(1111):GOTO510
330 CL@:FORN=129TO143:PRINTSTRING$
(32,N):NEXT:FORN=OTD@:FORN=1024T
O1535:POKEW,PEEK(N)+1@
340 G@=INKEY$:IFOR="B" THEN340 EL@
B@NEXTN,N@:FORN=1024TO1535:POKEW,PE
EK(N)-1@
350 G@=INKEY$:IFOR="B" THEN360 EL@
B@NEXTN:GOTO360
360 Y@=0:G@=PEEK(N):SCREEN@,S@:EXEC3
2150:FORN=1024TO1535:POKEW,G@:POKE
N+4@,G@:NEXT:FORN=OTD15:FORN=1055
TO1513STEP32:POKEW,G@:POKEW+1,G@:N
EXT:GOTO510
370 EXEC32100
380 CL@:PRINT@64,"ENTER YOUR LINE
OF TEXT PUTTING ' ' ROUND ANY BITS
THAT WANT TO BE inverse video":LI
NEINPUT"TEXT:~":T@
390 PRINT"WHEN YOU GET TO WHERE Y@
U WANT TO PUT THE TEXT THEN PRESS
'P' FOR PUT, 'F' YOU WANT TO RUB
IT OUT AGAIN, PRESS 'R' FOR ERASE
~":GOSUB750:SCREEN@,S@:EXEC32150:G@
TOS10
400 IFY@="" THEN 510 ELSEEXEC32100
410 CL@:LL=LLEN(T@):L=LL:FORN=1TOLL
:IFRIDE(TH,N,1)=" " THENL=L-1:NEXT
ELSENEXT
420 IFX@L:1535 THENPRINT"NOT SUFF
ROOM ON SCREEN FROM HERE.....TR
Y AGAIN":GOSUB750:SCREEN@,S@:EXEC32
150:GOTO510
430 T@="" :EXEC32150:FORN=0+1 TO X
+L:T@=T@+CHR$(PEEK(N)):NEXT:L=L-
L:ENT@:FORN=1TOLL:IF RIDE(TH,N,1)=
" " THENIF2=0 THEN2=1:NEXT ELSE2=0
:NEXT
440 IF2=1 THEN22=6@ ELSE IF2=0 THE

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N22=0
450 IF RIDE(TH,N,1)<"B" AND 2=1 TH
EN22=0:GOTO480
460 IFRIDE(TH,N,1)<"B" THEN22=6@
470 IF NULL THEN0:GOTO510
480 B=0+1:FORC=0,ASC(RIDE(TH,N,1)
)-22:NEXTB=0:GOTO510
490 IFY@="" THEN510 ELSE FORN=1TO
LLEN(T@):IFPEEK(N,ASC(RIDE(TH,N,1)
)+NEXT:GOTO510
500 CL@:PRINT"YOU ARE NOW IN EDITI
NG MODE.....":EXEC32000:EXEC32150
510 GOSUB110:G@=INKEY$:IFOR="" THEN
500 ELSEIFY=2 THENPOKEW,CH ELSE FOR
EX,P
520 IF G@=CHR$(12) THEN IF W<Y TH
ENCL@W+1:G@=PEEK(1111) ELSE2=2:G@
TOS20:G@=PEEK(1111)
530 IFOR="B" THEN250 ELSEIFOR="L" G
OSUB770 ELSEIFOR="T" THEN370 ELSEI
FOR="P" THEN400 ELSEIFOR="R" THEN4
90 ELSEIFOR="S" GOSUB190
540 IF G@="F" THENEXEC32100:GOTOB@
0 ELSEIF G@=" " GOSUB1030
550 IF G@="D" THEN ED@="D":GOTO510
ELSE IF G@="E" THEN ED@="E":GOTO5
10
560 IF G@="B" THEN IF CH=GG THEN C
H=TE ELSE TE=CH:CH=BB
570 IF G@="C" GOSUB1050 ELSEIFOR="
R" GOSUB1100
580 GOSUB110:IFY=2 THENP=PEEK(1):P
OKEW,CH:Y=0 ELSE IF Y=1 THENPOKEW
,P:Y=0
590 IF Y=0 THENP=PEEK(1):POKEW,RND
(2)+149:Y=1
600 IFPEEK(1344)<223 THEN620 ELSE
IF Y=2 THENPOKEW,CH:Y=2 ELSE POKEW
,P:Y=0
610 IFX<1535 THENX=X+1:GOTO580
620 IFPEEK(1343)=223 THENPOKEW,P:IF
X<1024 THENX=X-1:Y=0:GOTO580
630 IFPEEK(1341)=223 THENPOKEW,P:IF
X<1055 THENX=X-32:Y=0:GOTO580
640 IFPEEK(1342)=223 THENPOKEW,P:IF
X<1504 THENX=X+32:Y=0:GOTO580
650 GOTO510
660 FORN=3200TO32069:READA@:POKEW
,VAL("5H"+A@):NEXT:FORN=32100TO321
1@:READA@:POKEW,VAL("5H"+A@):NEXT:
FORN=32150TO3216@:READA@:POKEW,VA
L("5H"+A@):NEXT
670 FORN=OTD9:READC@:N@:NEXT:RETUR
N
680 '
690 '
700 ' ALTER THIS DATA FOR A
710 ' DIFFERENT PROGRAM!!!
710 '
720 DATA @E,4,0,@A,@A,@A,40,47,80,
8C,6,0,2@,F5,8D,11,8E,4,0,A@,84,8D
,40,47,80,8C,6,0,2@,F5,8D,1,39,8@,
FF,B7,FF,23,8@,C@,87,FF,20,8@,1,0,
20,1F,2@,FC,7F,FF,20,8D,9,73,FF,20

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9
730 DATA DE,4,0,10,00,77,FE,06,00,
07,00,00,0,0,20,77,37,00,4,0,10,00
,77,FE,06,00,07,00,00,0,0,20,77,37
740 DATA BLACK, GREEN, YELLOW, BLUE, R
ED, BUFF, CYAN, MAGENTA, ORANGE, MULTI-
COLOURED
750 00=INKEY$:POKE<>" THENPRINT$
400,"SPACEBAR TO CONTINUE";SCREEN
0,1:00=INKEY$:POKE<>" THENPRINT$
400,"spacebar to continue";SCREEN
0,1:GOTO750
760 RETURN
770 EXEC32100:CLS:PRINT"SCREEN ED
ITOR BY W.J. SMITHSON";PRINT$?1,"
keyboard commands";POKE1103,32:FOR
N=1024TO1055:POKE N,POKE(N)-64:NEXT
780 PRINT"border-set border or DAC
KROUND TEXT-PLACE TEXT ON SCREEN
character-choose chr%,";GET$
10=ON/OFF TO ERASE CHR%,";SCREEN=C
HANGE SCREEN TO 0,1/0,0;FINISH-FIN
ISHED EDITING? LIST-LOOK AT
THIS LIST"
790 PRINT"MOVE SCREEN-SCREEN LEFT
OR RIGHTe/d-DRAW OFF/DRAW ON","c1e
r-CLEAR SCREEN","space-CHANGE CHR
% COLOR"
800 PRINT"arrow key-MOVE CURSOR";
GOSUB750:EXEC32100:SCREEN0,S:RETUR
N
810 CLS:PRINT"SCREEN EDITOR BY W.
J. SMITHSON",";?1<> GO BACK TO EDI
T MODE",";?2<> SAVE CURRENT SCREEN",
";?3<> SAVE ALL SCREENS (1-0)";?4<
LOAD SCREEN(S) FROM TAPE",";?5< EDI
T DIFFERENT SCREEN",";?6< COPY SOME
ENV;SCREEN0,1:EXEC32000
820 PRINT$?20,"INPUT CHOICE-->";
830 0=VAL(INKEY$):PRINT$;ON 0 GOTO
500,850,850,900,950,1000
840 GOTO820
850 INPUT"WHAT FILE-NAME PLEASE":P
#
860 IF LEN(P#)>0 THENPRINT"NAME TO
0 LONG, 8 LETTERS MAX. ";GOTO850 EL
SE PRINT"PRESS spacebar TO SAVE"
870 IF INKEY$<>" " THEN?0 ELSE IF
0=2 THEN EXEC32150:POKE1536,POKE(
1024)
880 IF 0=2 THEN 0=AVEN P#,1024,153
6,512: SOUND1,10:GOTO810
890 0=AVEN P#,1536,13024,12200: SOUN
D1,10:GOTO810
900 INPUT"WHAT FILE NAME (TYPE ext
er TO LOAD ANY NAME)":P#
910 PRINT"PRESS spacebar TO LOAD"
920 IF INKEY$<>" " THEN?20
930 IF P#="" THEN 0=LOAD# ELSE 0=LA
D# P#
940 POKE15077FE,0:POKE15077FF,0:IF P
EEK(1507D)+256+PEEK(1507E)=12200 THE

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NCL$PRINT"ALL 8 SCREENS LOADED IN
";GOSUB750:GOTO810 ELSE POKE1024,P
EEK(1536):EXEC32100:CLS:PRINT"SOON
EN NUMBER 1 LOADED IN";GOSUB750:GO
TO810
950 CLS:PRINT"YOU ARE ON SCREEN NU
MBER";(PEEK(1507FE)+256+PEEK(1507FF
F))/1536:PRINT"WHICH NUMBER DO YOU
WANT (1-0)";
960 0=VAL(INKEY$):POKE1 ON 0=0 THE
N?0 ELSEPRINT$
970 POKE15077FE,INT(10+1536/256):P
OKE15077FF,0
980 PRINT"PRESS spacebar TO SEE SC
REEN";0
990 IF INKEY$<>" " THEN?0 ELSE EL
EC32150:FOR#=0TO999:NEXT:GOTO810
1000 PRINT"COPY WHICH SCREEN-->";
1010 0=VAL(INKEY$):IF 0<1 OR 0>8 T
HEN1050 ELSEPRINT$;PRINT"TO WHICH
SCREEN-->";
1020 01=VAL(INKEY$):IF 01<1 OR 01>
8 THEN1020 ELSEPRINT$;COPY# 0 TO
01:PRINT"THIS DONE 0 GREAT ONE!";
GOSUB750:GOTO810
1030 CH=CH+1&:IF CH>255 THEN CH=CH
-128 1040 RETURN
1050 EXEC32100:CLS:NN=128:FORM=10
24TO1055STEP2:POKE N,NN:NN=1+INX
T:AR=105&:PRINT$?24,"PRESS 'C' TO
CANCEL THIS MODE."
1060 POKE AR,94:00=INKEY$:IF 00=CH
R(00) THEN IF AR=105& THEN POKE AR
,175:AR=AR+2:GOTO1060
1070 IF 00=CHR#175 THEN IF AR=108&
THEN POKE AR,175:AR=AR+2:GOTO1060
1080 IF 00="C" THEN EXEC32150:RETU
RN ELSE IF 00=" " THEN1060
1090 CH=PEEK(AR-32):PRINT"REMEMBER
TO PRESS THE SPACEBAR TO CHANGE
COLOUR,IT IS NOW GREEN";GOSUB750:EL
EC32150:RETURN
1100 EXEC32100
1110 CLS:INPUT"PRESS 'C' TO CANCEL
THIS MODE MOVE LEFT OR RIGHT";L
#
1120 IF LEFT$(L#,1)="L" THEN1140 E
LSE IF LEFT$(L#,1)="C" THENEXEC321
50:RETURN ELSE IF LEFT$(L#,1)(">"R"
THEN$GUMB1,1:GOTO1110
1130 EXEC32150:FORM=1TO15:FOR2=105
4TO1025STEP-1:T3=PEEK(2+*H32):POKE
2+*H32,PEEK(2+*H32)-1:NEXT2:POKE
1025+*H32,T3:NEXTN:RETURN
1140 EXEC32150:FORM=1TO15:FOR2=102
5TO1094:T3=PEEK(2+*H32):POKE2+*H32
,PEEK(2+*H32)+1:NEXT2:POKE1054+*H
32,T3:NEXTN:RETURN
1150
1160 TYPE "GOTO 500" IF YOU
1170 SET AN I/O ERROR ON
1180 ACCIDENTALLY PRESS BREAK.
1190

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# Swapover

From Keith Davison West Sussex  
SWAPOVER is a board puzzle, the object of which is to shuffle pieces around the board until their positions are reversed. Anyone can do this, but to do it in less than 50 moves requires considerable skill. The program counts your moves, and displays an appropriate message at the end, depending on how close your score is to the perfect possible score of 48 moves.

You may slide a piece into an empty space, or jump over another piece of either colour into an empty space. To move a

piece, just type in its co-ordinates (letter first), and the piece will move automatically.

## Program notes

Lines 80-930

Draw the board. Although the board is mathematically symmetrical, the resolution obtained in PASCAL 3 gives a slightly three-dimensional effect when the surround is drawn in line 70.

Move pieces, search for a win, and count score in order to recognise a win. It is not necessary to examine

every piece, if the first move is correct, then the other eight must be. Lines 280-470 examine the first six using a FOR NEXT loop, and if these are correct, then line 470 examines the next three.

620-730

Display score, together with an appropriate message, instructions.

750-770

A cassette demonstrating the perfect 48 move solution can be obtained by sending it with a stamped self-addressed envelope to Keith Davison, 51 Mill Road, Three Bridges, Crawley, W Sussex.

170-520

```
10 REM "SWAPOVER"
20 CLS
30 SCREEN 750
40 DIM X(1),Y(1),X(2),Y(2),X(3)
50 REM DRAW BOARD
60 PRINT:PRINT SCREENS;:
70 DRAW "B" (3,2); DRAW "O" (3,4); DRAW "O" (3,6); DRAW "B" (3,8);
LCS(1) "B"; LCS(2) "O"; LCS(3) "O"; LCS(4) "B"; LCS(5) "O";
94"
80 PRINT (1,2); (1,4); (1,6); (1,8)
90 FOR Y=3 TO 11:STEP 2:FOR X=1 TO 8:STEP 2
100 GOTO STEP2A
100 LINE X,Y:-(X+2),Y:2:;PRINT;:
110 NEXT Y;:
120 FOR X=1 TO 16:STEP 2:FOR Y=8 TO 12:STEP 2
130 LINE X,Y:-(X+2),Y:2:;PRINT;:
140 NEXT Y;:
150 FOR Y=7 TO 12:STEP 2:FOR X=4 TO 9:STEP 2
160 GOTO STEP2A
170 PRINT X,Y;:
180 FOR X=2 TO 18:STEP 2:FOR Y=7 TO 14:STEP 2
190 GOTO STEP2A
200 GOTO STEP2B;:
210 GOTO STEP2B;:
220 NEXT Y;:
230 PRINT (1,2); (1,4); (1,6); (1,8)
240 REM "1110480103856"
250 G4="1110480103856"
260 G4="1110480103856"
270 G4="1110480103856"
280 G4="1110480103856"
290 G4="1110480103856"
300 G4="1110480103856"
310 G4="1110480103856"
320 G4="1110480103856"
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990 G4="1110480103856"
1000 G4="1110480103856"
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440 Y=2+4*(X-1)/3
470 IF PRINT(X,Y)=2 THEN GOTO 5;
510 GOTO 430
490 FOR X=1 TO 16:STEP 2
495 IF PRINT(X,Y)=2 THEN GOTO 500 ELSE
G 4="B";G="O";GOTO 540
500 NEXT X
510 FOR Y=7 TO 12:STEP 2
520 IF Y=7 THEN GOTO 540
530 IF PRINT(X,Y)=2 THEN GOTO 540 ELSE
G 4="B";G="O";GOTO 540
540 NEXT Y
550 SCREENS;:
560 IF PRINT(X,Y)=2 THEN GOTO 570
570 IF PRINT(X,Y)=2 THEN GOTO 580
580 PUT(X-1,Y-1);-(X+1),Y:1:;PUT
590 PUT(X-1,Y-1);-(X+1),Y:1:;PUT
600 PUT(X-1,Y-1);-(X+1),Y:1:;PUT
610 PUT(X-1,Y-1);-(X+1),Y:1:;PUT
620 M=M+1;GOTO 270
630 REM SCORE
640 CLS:PRINT G4;"SWAP BY FOR YD
OR SCORE:";
650 M=M-4;
660 FOR I=1 TO 150:PRINT I;
670 FOR J=1 TO 8:FOR K=1 TO 8
NEXT J;:
680 IF M=0 THEN 700 ELSE 710
690 REM PRINT RELAYANT MESSAGE
700 PRINT G4;"YOU DID IT IN "G;
MOVES;"! THAT MEANS YOU'RE
CUTTING THROUGH! CONGRATULATIONS!
710 IF M=1 THEN 720 ELSE 730
720 PRINT G4;"YOU DID IT IN "G;
MOVES;"! THAT MEANS YOU'RE
ONLY "G;" MOVES
FROM PERFECTION! CONGRATULATIONS!
730 PRINT G4;"YOU DID IT IN "G;
MOVES;"! THAT MEANS YOU'RE
"1;"
740 G4="1110480103856"
750 PRINT G4;"SWAPOVER";:PRINT
G;"*****";:PRINT G4;"INSTRUC
TIONS:- REVERSE THE POSITIONS
OF THE RED AND BLUE PIECES BY J
UMPING OR SLIDING INTO THE VAC
ANT SPACE. IT IS POSSIBLE TO DO
THIS IN 48 MOVES.";:
PRINT G4;"TYPE CO-ORDINATES
(LETTER FIRST) TO MOVE.";:PRINT
G4;"PRESS ANY KEY TO PLAY";
770 G4="1110480103856" THEN 770 ELSE
80 RETURN
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# Dragon conversion

John Buckley gives the tokens and listings necessary to

THE TANDY Color Computer and the Dragon 32 are both based on the 6809C chip. They also share Microsoft Basic. When typing Basic programs into either machine there is no need to change anything for even their screen formats are identical. One might therefore think that a program which runs on one machine could be saved to tape and then run on the other.

However, this is not so. When presented with a tape recorded by one machine when the micro you own is the other the tape will load OK but as soon as you type RUN the only thing you can get out of your busy micro is a syntax error (and there is nothing more frustrating than that).

The problem is that the Dragon and CoCo use different tokens to represent Basic commands. "What is a token?" you ask. When you type in a Basic command it is translated by all those good little bits in ROM and, rather than storing it as a string of letters in ASCII, it is stored using only one or two bytes of memory. These bytes are the tokens which your micro recognizes as Basic commands when you RUN the program. So when you CLORD a program into a CoCo that was CRAMed from a Dragon (or vice versa) many of the tokens will be "misinterpreted".

You can explore the tokens in your micro by typing in listing 1. Program lines 20 to 100 POKe the values 120 to 255 into program line 10, ten values at a time. Line 70 PRINTs the values which were POKed

and line 90 LISTs program line 10 with the values now represented by the corresponding Basic commands. Typing GO TO 100 will cycle through the next ten values. The second half of the program does the same thing for the two byte tokens.

A listing of the tokens for both the Dragon and CoCo, together with their associated commands, is given in table 1. The table is in two parts. The left side lists the Basic commands in alphabetic order with the corresponding tokens for the CoCo and Dragon. The right half of the table lists the tokens in numeric order with the corresponding commands.

## Several alternatives

Once you have the tokens there are several alternatives regarding what you can do with them — you can list them in DATA statements, READ them into arrays and then use the arrays as look-up tables. This would occupy a fair amount of storage space (about 3K) which, if you are only translating short programs, may not make much difference.

If you are trying to translate a program which takes up most of your available memory then any trick which saves a few bytes is to your advantage. I chose the memory saving method.

I set up a translation program which allowed me to input the look-up tables, point them out (table 1), save them to tape and read them from tape (see listing 2).

The program is fairly short and uses friendly. The results will help you to understand the various aspects of the program. With this program I saved my look-up tables to tape for future use.

One word of caution, the program as it stands is for Extended Basic and Disk Basic. Not having access to a Dragon disk I was unable to determine the tokens for the Dragon Disk Basic commands. For this reason you will find "D" in the token list of table 1. If you have a Dragon Disk system you can fill in the empty spots using listing 2.

Once you have entered listing 2, type RUN and select option "1" from the menu. You will receive the prompt "TOKEN = ...". ENTER DRAGON KEYWORD. Use the right half of table 1 to enter the correct command which corresponds to the token displayed. When you have entered all the commands the program will return to the menu. You can either print the table to the screen or printer or you can save it to tape.

Having saved the look-up tables my next step was to get them in a more useable and condensed form. Program listing 3 did this for me. It organises the one byte tokens into the arrays from subscript 1 through 78 and two byte tokens in arrays from subscript 79 to 112. It also reduced the token look-up table to eliminate the disk tokens. Of course, if you have the missing disk tokens you will want to save a complete set of tokens. To do this make the following changes in listing 3:

```
40 DIMTC(126),TC(126),CT(126),DT(126)
140 POKe=120TO255
180 POKe=256TO511TO256
200 POKe=1TO126
```

The data saved by listing 3 will be used to translate Dragon to CoCo programs or vice versa. Program listing 4 does this. It reads the look-up tables into arrays TC(112) and TD(112) (lines 60070 through 60110), sets the end point for conversion to the beginning of the conversion program DRTOCC (line 60130), and merges the program to be converted with DRTOCC (line 60140) using a program we will discuss shortly. Line 60150 through 60180 keep us informed of the programs progress.

The actual conversion takes place in the subroutines starting on lines 60200 (two byte tokens) and 60220 (one byte tokens). Lines 60260 through 60340 step through

```
10 DATA 123456789012345678901234567890
20 ST=PEEK(255)+PEEK(254)
30 FOR I=120TO255STEP 10
40 FOR J=8TO9: IF I+J<255 THEN GOTO
50 POKEST+6+2*I, I+J: POKEST+7+2*I, 44+NEXT J
60 CLS
70 FOR J=8TO9: PRINT I+J, : NEXT J
80 LIST 10
100 NEXT I
110 FOR I=120TO255STEP 10
120 FOR J=8TO9: IF I+J<255 THEN GOTO 140
130 POKEST+6+2*I, 255+POKEST+7+2*I, I+J:
POKEST+9+2*I, 44+NEXT J
140 CLS
150 FOR J=8TO9: PRINT I+J, : NEXT J
160 LIST 10
190 *****
200 ***** CLORD"TOKEN" *****
210 *****
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Listing 1

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ary to convert Tandy programs to the Dragon and vice versa



Listing 3

the program to be converted one byte at a time and it finds a token. It jumps to the conversion subroutine (line 80310 or 80320) to get the corresponding token and then FORKS it back into the program being converted (line 80300).

If you are using a disk-based system you will have to make the following changes to listing 4:

```
80820 DIMTC(126),TD(126)
80830 FORI=1TO126...
80840 FORK=80TO126:GOTO80310
80850 FORK=1TO126?
```

Listing 4 is set up to convert a Dragon program to run on the CoCo. If you have a Dragon and want to convert CoCo programs change program line 80250 to:

```
80250 IF TC(K)=TK THEN TK=TD(K):
RETURN
```

Now that we have all the basics we need to put them together and make it work. One additional tool is needed: a merge program. Listing 5 does this for us. It is a machine language program which allows you to load the conversion program into the back of the program to be converted by making your micro think it doesn't have a program in memory.

## Programming steps

Here are the steps to convert your program. LOAD listing 5 and type RUN. You will receive the prompt line 40. Make sure none of the program lines in the program to be converted exceed 80800. If they do use MENUIM to correct the situation. LOAD the program to be converted and then enter EXECOM48. If you do a lot of this stage all you will get from your Tandy green eye will be OK. Don't despair, your program has not been lost, only masked by the program pointers.

LOAD "DRTOCO" and type RUN. The conversion program now takes over and displays the start and address of the program being converted as well as the current address being converted. Insure you have the look-up table OSAVED on tape from listing 3 since the conversion program will start looking for it in line 80370. If a problem does arise the program will stop and give you an error message. When the conversion has been completed the conversion program will delete itself and give you a prompt to OSAVE the converted program.

If you don't want to go through all this work and aren't worried about memory space then program listing 6 is for you. It is self explanatory. Eliminating all the re-

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### Future use

Even if you don't type in listings 1 through 4 you should look them over since they do contain some interesting aspects which you may use in the future. Remember to change line 60390 to:

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60390 IF TQ(K)=TK THEN TK=TQ(K)
      RETURN
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If you want to use listing 8 on a Dragon.

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ATH	255140	255130	FREE	255163	0
AUD10	161	163	GET	194	179
BACKUP	221	0	GO	123	129
CHR8	255139	255145	HEX#	255156	255149
CIRCLE	194	177	IF	133	133
CLEARR	149	158	INKEY#	255146	255154
CLOAD	151	153	INPUT	137	137
CLOSE	154	156	INSTR	255158	255157
CLS	150	160	INT	255129	255129
COLOR	193	176	JOY8TK	255141	255147
COHT	147	148	KILL	210	0
COPY	222	0	LEFT#	255142	255150
COS	255149	255137	LEN	255135	255141
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CVN	255162	0	LIST	140	149
DATA	134	134	LLIST	155	157
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DEL	181	166	LOAD	211	0
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DRPM	190	181	HERGE	213	0
DRIVE	207	0	HID#	255144	255152
DSK0#	224	0	HK#	255166	0
EDIT	182	167	NOTOR	159	161
ELSE	132	132	HE#	150	151
EHO	130	130	HEXT	139	139
EOP	255148	255146	HOT	168	192
EXEC	162	164	ON	136	136
EXP	255151	255135	OFF	170	194
			OPEN	153	155
			OR	177	201
			PRINT	195	170

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PCLEAR	192	175
PCLR	188	171
PCOPY	199	182
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POKE	146	147
POS	255154	255131
PPOINT	255168	255159
PRESET	198	173
PRINT	135	135
PSET	165	172
PUT	197	188
READ	141	141
REM	138	138
REMOVE	214	0
RENUM	203	186
RESET	157	159
RESTORE	143	144
RETURN	144	145
RIGHT\$	255143	255151
RND	255132	255132
RSET	215	0
RUN	142	143
SAVE	216	0
SCREEN	191	174
SET	156	158
SGH	255188	255128
SKIPF	163	165
SIN	255133	255136
SOUND	168	162
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STOP	145	146
STRING\$	255161	255168
STR\$	255136	255142
SUB	166	169
SWR	255185	255133
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THEN	167	191
TIMER	255159	255158
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TROFF	184	163
TRON	183	168
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USING	205	205
USR	255131	255161
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132	ELSE	ELSE
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134	DATA	DATA
135	PRINT	PRINT
136	ON	ON
137	INPUT	INPUT
138	END	END
139	NEXT	NEXT
140	DIM	DIM
141	READ	READ
142	RUN	LET
143	RESTORE	RUN
144	RETURN	RESTORE
145	STOP	RETURN
146	POKE	STOP
147	CONT	POKE
148	LIST	CONT
149	CLEAR	LIST
150	NEW	CLEAR
151	CLOAD	NEW
152	CSAVE	DEF
153	OPEN	CLOAD
154	CLOSE	CSAVE
155	LLIST	OPEN
156	SET	CLOSE
157	RESET	LLIST
158	CLS	SET
159	HOTOR	RESET
160	SOUND	CLS
161	RUDIO	HOTOR

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166	SUB	DEL	217	WRITE	??
167	THEN	EDIT	218	VERIFY	??
168	NOT	TRFH	219	UNLOAD	??
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170	OFF	LINE	221	BACKUP	??
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184	TROFF	PLAY	255138	ASC	TRH
185	DEF	LDRD	255139	CHR#	ATH
186	LET	RENUN	255140	EDF	PEEK
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190	PRESET	FN	255144	RID#	ASC
191	SCREEN	THEN	255145	POINT	CHR#
192	PCLERR	NOT	255146	INKEY#	EDF
193	COLOR	STEP	255147	REN	JOYSTK
194	CIRCLE	OFF	255148	ATH	FIX
195	PRINT	*	255149	COS	HEM#
196	GET	-	255150	TRH	LEFT#
197	PUT	#	255151	EXP	RIGHT#
198	DRW	/	255152	FIX	RID#
199	PCOPY	^	255153	LOG	POINT
200	PRDDE	AND	255154	POS	INKEY#
201	PLAY	OR	255155	SCR	REN
202	LDRD	>	255156	HEM#	WRAPTR
203	RENUN	*	255157	WRAPTR	INSTR
204	FN	<	255158	INSTR	TIMER
205	USING	USING	255159	TIMER	PPPOINT
206	DIR	??	255160	PPPOINT	STRING#
207	DRIVE	??	255161	STRING#	USR
208	FIELD	??	255162	CVN	??
209	FILES	??	255163	FREE	??
210	KILL	??	255164	LOC	??
211	LDRD	??	255165	LOC	??
212	LSBT	??	255166	NO#	!!

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00000 '#####
00018 '### CLOAD'DRTRD'###
00020 '#####
00030 0'DRTRD(12),TRH(12)
00040 CLS:PRINT'LOAD LOOKUP TABLE'
      PRINT@204,'POSITION TYPE = PRESS
      *Tab','PRESS enter TO CONTINUE'
00050 FOR INKEY=IFN(CHR$(12))=CHR$(12)
00060 CLS:PRINT'SEARCHING FOR Lookup'
00070 OPEN'1',+,LOOKUP
00080 CLS:PRINT'FOUND Lookup'
00090 FOR I=1 TO 12:IF PEEK(I)=CHR$(12)
00100 INPUT'1: NO,2: YES,3: NEXT I
00110 CLOSE+1
00120 CLS:PRINT'LOADING COMPLETE'
00130 IF PEEK(25)=255+PEEK(26)
00140 END
00150 PRINT:PRINT'Program BEING CONVERTED'
      PRINT@130,'START ADDRESS':
      PEEK(25)=255+PEEK(26)+4
00160 PRINT@160,'END ADDRESS' 'ED
00170 PRINT@270,'CURRENT ADDRESS'
00180 GOTO00000
00190 'lookup for 255128-255161
00200 PEEK+PRT(12):GOTO00000
00210 'lookup for 255162-255166

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00200 FORK(1)TOP
00201 DFTOK(=)TS THENT(=)TOK( )=RETURN
00240 NEXT( )CLS:PRINT"ERROR IN TOKEN
CONVERSION" : STOP:RETURN

00200 'main program for conversion
00201 FOR I=PEEK(25) TO 255:PEEK(26)=47000
00202 PRINT:FOR J=
00203 TO I:
00204 DFTOK(=)THEN(=)4:GOTO00340
00205 DFT(=)127:END
00206 DFTOK(255)=47000:GOTO00300
00207 DFTOK(255)=47000:GOTO00300
00208 DFTOK(255)=47000:GOTO00300
00209 DEL00200

00200 FOR I=1 TO 60000 NEXT I
00201 CLS:PRINT"CONVERSION COMPLETE.
CONVERSION PROGRAM DELETED.
" :PRINT"save converted PROGRAM."
00202 DEL00200

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Listing 2: merge program
10 '*****
20 '*** CLORD"MERGE-M" ***
30 '*****
40 CLS:PRINT"load TAPE to BE CONVERTED.
press END TYPE now"
TYPE:EXEC32749," :PRINT:PRINT"load"
50 CLORD 255,32749
60 FOR I=32749 TO 32765
70 READ B: PEEK A:B: NEXT
80 DATA 32,3,374,148,3,32,359,37,49,39
90 DATA 32,3,374,148,3,32,3,37

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00000 '*****
00001 '*** CLORD"ORTOCOD" ***
00002 '*****
00003 '*** BY J. NICHOLS ***
00004 '*****

```

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Listing 3
00000 'load conversions. The first data element is the code token and the rest
of data element is the compressed token table.
00001 DATA 128,128,129,129,129,129,131,131,132,132,133,133,134,134,135,135,136,136
00002 DATA 137,137
00003 DATA 138,138,139,139,140,140,141,141,142,142,143,143,144,144,145,145,146,146
00004 DATA 147,147
00005 DATA 148,148,149,149,150,150,151,151,152,152,153,153,154,154,155,155,156,156
00006 DATA 157,157
00007 DATA 158,158,159,159,160,160,161,161,162,162,163,163,164,164,165,165,166,166
00008 DATA 167,167
00009 DATA 168,168,169,169,170,170,171,171,172,172,173,173,174,174,175,175,176,176
00010 DATA 177,177
00011 DATA 178,178,179,179,180,180,181,181,182,182,183,183,184,184,185,185,186,186
00012 DATA 187,187
00013 DATA 188,188,189,189,190,190,191,191,192,192,193,193,194,194,195,195,196,196
00014 DATA 197,197
00015 DATA 198,198,199,199,200,200,201,201,202,202,203,203,204,204,205,205,206,206
00016 DATA 207,207
00017 DATA 208,208,209,209,210,210,211,211,212,212,213,213,214,214,215,215,216,216
00018 DATA 217,217
00019 DATA 218,218,219,219,220,220,221,221,222,222,223,223,224,224,225,225,226,226
00020 DATA 227,227
00021 DATA 228,228,229,229,230,230,231,231,232,232,233,233,234,234,235,235,236,236
00022 DATA 237,237
00023 DATA 238,238,239,239,240,240,241,241,242,242,243,243,244,244,245,245,246,246
00024 DATA 247,247
00025 DATA 248,248,249,249,250,250,251,251,252,252,253,253,254,254,255,255,256,256
00026 DATA 257,257
00027 'read conversion table into memory
00028 DIM T(257)
00029 FOR I=1 TO 257
00030 READ T(I)
00031 NEXT I
00032 NEXT I
00033 'set end point for conversion.
00034 END=PEEK(25) TO 255:PEEK(26)=
00035 'name program
00036 EXEC32749
00037 CLS:PRINT:PRINT"PROGRAM BEING CONVERTED" :PRINT:FOR I=START ADDRESS:PEEK(25)
TO 255:PEEK(26)=4
00038 PRINT:FOR J=END ADDRESS:700
00039 PRINT:FOR K=255:32765
00040 GOTO00000

00010 'lookup for tokens in the range of 255 256 to 255 261.
00011 FOR K=PEEK(1) TO GOTO00000
00012 'lookup for tokens in the range of 128 to 265
00013 FOR K=1 TO 75
00014 DFTOK(=)TS THENT(=)TOK( )=RETURN
00015 'if you are converting a code program to dragon code line 00000 to read
DFTOK(=)TS THENT(=)TOK( )=RETURN
00016 NEXT( )CLS:PRINT"ERROR IN TOKEN CONVERSION" :STOP:RETURN
00017 'main program for conversion
00018 FOR I=PEEK(25) TO 255:PEEK(26)=47000
00019 PRINT:FOR J=
00020 TO I:
00021 'read token from program to be converted
00022 TO I:
00023 DFTOK(=)THEN(=)4:GOTO00000 'line end point. Jump to start of next line.
00024 DFT(=)127:END
00025 DFTOK(255)=47000:GOTO00000 'set a token
00026 DFTOK(255)=47000:GOTO00000
00027 DFTOK(255)=47000:GOTO00000 'set data token, read next byte and
convert.
00028 FOR I=1 TO 60000 NEXT I
00029 CLS:PRINT"CONVERSION COMPLETE. CONVERSION PROGRAM DELETED. " :PRINT"save C
ONVERTED PROGRAM."
00030 DEL00000 'delete conversion program from memory.

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IF YOU'RE an avid reader of classified advertisements, as I am, then you'll have spotted one from a small software house called Nemesis offering an adventure with the strange title *The Trail of Arnold Blackwood*. Intrigued to discover more about the enigmatic Arnold I wrote off for a copy. What came back was a straightforward but interesting adventure, worth checking out, and more professionally presented (in terms of the program if not the packaging) than many other small-scale productions.

#### Handy addition

The adventure uses its own redefined character set to make the screen lay-out more attractive, though Nemesis says that in order to do this it has to sacrifice a SAVE routine, which is unfortunate. Arnold accepts the usual keyboard input, with words being recognised by their first three letters, and an unusual addition is that you don't need to type G&T to pick up an object: the program assumes that's what you want to do, unless you specify some other action.

Each place you visit has three headings, which are emphasised in real time boxes: LOCATION, VISIBLE and DIRECTIONS, which are self-explanatory. What isn't self-explanatory is the purpose of the adventure. You take the part of Arnold Blackwood, and you're suffering from loss of memory. You start in a thicket on the Estate of Lord Grebus and you know you're on some kind of mission... but what? How else do you know that Lord Grebus has plenty of expensive battlesuits, so...

The first set of locations has you wandering around outside the house, trying to discover a way through the locked oak door. Searching sheds and other buildings gives you a few tools, while wandering into a greenhouse has you confronted by a niffle. If you haven't got the beam that starts out the niffle, then you're stuck at the greenhouse door closes behind you and as the program doesn't recognise GUT, BMD or similar words there seemed to be no alternative but to re-LOAD, though later I discovered you could BREAK and GOTO 10, which sets you back to the opening location but with the objects you'd already accumulated still

in your possession. (Though tested with CLDRAM, the program is apparently a mix of Basic and machine code.)

You might bump into a mobile gracie, which gives you advice along the lines of "Don't let the kipper" or "Donzo is a cat" when consulted, some of which starts to make sense when you enter the house and the adventure begins to open out. You encounter a chambermaid and Ilexious Ples, not to mention a ZX-81, and while this is far from being a vast adventure it is puzzling and also includes some amusing responses from time to time. At £5.50 it is reasonably priced and is obtainable from Nemesis at 10 Carlow Road, Ringstead, Kettering, Northants NN14 4DW.

More expensive at £9.95 are two titles in the Mysterious Adventure series from Channel 8 and if you enjoyed *The Golden Baton*, which was author Brian Howarth's first attempt at adventure writing, you can go on to not only a follow-up with *Arrow of Death*, but a follow-up to the follow-up with *Arrow of Death Part 2*. They follow the format of the rest of the series, having a Dragon 64 graphics version and a Dragon 32 text-only version on the same tape and making use of the small character set which makes the screen look more like a Spectrum than a Dragon.

Now when you acquire the Golden Baton at the end of the first adventure (what do you mean, you haven't managed it yet?) you thought your troubles were over. Indeed they were, for a time, till the weather in the kingdom turned bad, the crops began to fail and there was nothing but gloom and despondency all around. The Baton no longer shines like gold, but is tarnished and evil seems to be now associated with it. Your task is to find the source of the evil and the means of dealing with it. You begin in the Palace of the King, where the Golden Baton is kept in the Throne Room, though any attempt to do anything with it at all first is doomed to disaster... in fact that has to wait till Part 2, as Part 1 merely has you finding what it is that you need in order to deal with the Baton.

As I've said before about this series, they're not to everyone's taste and while I find them enjoyably sticky there are plenty who seem to think they're unbelievably simple. Lucky them! What I like about them

is that everything has a purpose, even though this might not become apparent till much later on in the story. You also get to know which locations are likely to be significant, even if this isn't obvious at first. Find a shovel and you can be sure you'll have to DIG all over the place to unearth something useful (this happens in Part 2), and if you SEARCH everywhere and EXAMINE everything then the means to progress just has to be there.

The text descriptions are kept very brief and there would be a lot more atmosphere about the stories if these were expanded a little, but there are certainly plenty of locations to explore. In the first part you soon leave the Palace behind and start wandering round forests, down hills and into caves — by this time you've already discovered that the means to deal with the evil is going to be an arrow, so you're searching for the parts that you'll need.

#### Seek and destroy

When the second adventure begins, you are armed with a sword and everything you need in order to make the arrow, with which you must destroy Bardon, who is the source of the evil. But the only one who can help you make the arrow is Arnid, the Royal Fletcher, so first you must getcher Fletcher. The terrain here is very familiar, with narrow gorges, rope bridges, stone corridors and dimly-lit caverns... yes, the inevitable old lamp is in here, too, and the first with which to light it is hidden somewhere. What would we do without that old lamp?

Characters in the adventure include a sinister goblin, a happy mule, an animated skeleton and... well, who's the familiar figure? Yes, it's the old beggar... where do all the young beggars get to, I wonder? But though some of the scenes and tasks are similar to many another adventure, both parts of *The Arrow of Death* should certainly give you your money's worth, like the rest of the Mysterious Adventures. Buy them all and there's adventure in your Dragon for many more months to come. ■

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# Dragon Answers

## Pixel problem

I HAVE encountered a problem in trying to move shapes around the hi-res screen through machine code.

Due to the byte mapped nature of the screen it would appear impossible to move any one screen location (byte) on to another location horizontally in any one size less than a byte. This byte jumping gives a jerky appearance to the movement.

Simon Lester  
Dork  
Surrey

IT IS simple to move graphics pixel by pixel using assembly language, if you use low shift commands. For example, in mode 4, to move a byte at loc. 3072 one pixel to the right you would use the following code:

```
LDX # 3072
LDA X
CLR B
LSRA
NOPB
STX X
RTN 1,1
```

Using successive LSR and ROR's it is possible to smoothly move as many bytes as you like.

## Relocatable routine

DRAGON'S Basic has no instructions such as "RESTORE M" which is very useful when managing numerical data.

Do you know of a routine to replace RESTORE M?

Gilfer Vidor  
Montenrosey  
France

THE DRAGON'S restore command can only be used to reset the data pointer to the start of the program, not to any particular line. The short listing given will, when included in your programs, give this facility. To use it, simply type `XX=USR0(n)` where "n" is the line number at which you want to



start reading data. The routine is relocatable in memory.

```
5 RESTORE TO A LINE NUMBER
10 CLEAR000,30704
20 FOR I=0 TO 31:READ AS:POKE 32768+I,VAL("AH"+AS):NEXT
30 DATA 8D,8B,27,00,2B,8E,19,8D,4A,83,25,05,38,1F,9F,33,39,04,0E,7E,83,44
40 DEF USR0=30704
```

## Confusing PUT options

AFTER playing around with the GETTING and PUTTING of graphics, I have come across a problem. I started experimenting with the other commands to PSET (that is, AND, NOT and so on). A problem arises when I use these commands. I started off by using OR, this should, according to the manual, have the effect of overlaying one drawing with another.

The result of using this is that the picture you are PUTTING goes "ward" and the picture you are trying to overlay gets erased. None of the other commands work either. Can you solve my problem?

Rishard Mayana  
Wellingborough  
Northants

THE PUT options OR, AND, NOT do work correctly, but they are a little confusing. Using "OR" will logically or the image in the array with that on the screen. This has the effect of blue + yellow = red, and any other colour +

green = other colour. Using AND has the following effect: red + any colour = that colour, any colour + green = green. These two options work best if a red image is held in the array and is PUT on to a green background.

The NOT option takes no notice of what's actually in the array. It simply inverts a section of the screen within the given co-ordinates (that is, green becomes red, yellow becomes blue and vice versa).

## Basic stack

WHAT DOES the FOR/NEXT and GOSUB/RETURN do to wards the Basic stack? Is there a way to PUSH/PULL on it?

Olav Nielsen  
Osborne  
Denmark

EACH TIME a FOR/NEXT loop is used, or a GOSUB is encountered, addresses are pushed on to the Basic stack. When a NEXT or RETURN is used, an address is pulled from this stack. As the same stack is used for both loops and subroutines you cannot do the following:

```
10 FOR I = 1 TO 10
20 GOSUB 50
30 STOP
40 NEXT I
```

This stack is completely separate from the BASIC stacks and should not be confused with them, the Basic stack cannot be

directly used by the programmer.

## Opcode error

HAVING recently started machine code, I am desperately trying to use the high resolution subroutines (for example, GET, PUT) in machine code. The method I use is to fool the computer in to running a Basic line during a machine code program, but with little success. The following routine should set a POINT at (100,100).

```
LDX #84
PUSH X
LEAX @PSET,PCR
LDA X
ANDCC CBP
JSR 4738 ;PSET routine location
PULB X
STX #84
RTS
@PSET PCR 172,40,49,48,48,44,48,48,40,41,0
RTS
10 POINT 4, 1: PCL: SCREEN 1,1: EXEC BAREST
20 GOTO 20
```

The problem arises when entering the @PSET PCR line, as the cursor reaches the end of the line and on entering the remaining numbers on the next line, an invalid opcode error is reported during assembly. Can you be of any help?

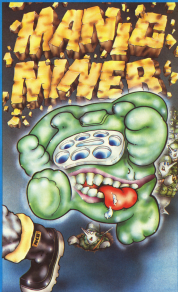
M Jayadevan  
Marneich  
Christie

THE PROBLEM is as you suggested in the first @PSET, it is not necessary to have the command's token value (177) in this line, a correct version of the program would read:

```
LDX #100
PUSH X
LEAX @PSET,PCR
LDA X
STX #100
JSR 4738
PULB X
STX #100
RTS
@PSET 40,48,48,44,49,48,48,41,50
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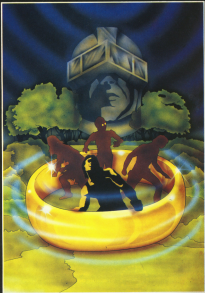
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Your entry must arrive at Dragon User by the last working day of December. The winners and the solution to the quiz will be published in our March issue. Entries will not be acknowledged and we cannot enter into correspondence on the result.

## SEPTEMBER WINNER

THE WINNER of the September competition and recipient of £250 of software from Microdeal is David Richardson of Epsom in Surrey. David correctly stated that the correct solution was 84848. This is because 84848 multiplied by itself is 7199282944. This is a ten-digit number in which each of the digits 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9 occurs once and only once.

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# Magic cards

Beau Jolly provides the prizes to Gordon Lee's four — card game



LAST CHRISTMAS (on this page we took a look at the computer versions of a couple of traditional party games, so this year how about amusing the family with the computerised magic trick. Don't worry, we won't be sawing a Dragon in half!

Before starting, the program below should be loaded in to your computer. Then hand out an ordinary pack of cards to be shuffled and invite each of your spectators to select a card. Announce that the Dragon will attempt to identify the cards selected and invite each person in turn to sit at the computer. The computer will display the names of a number of cards and will ask if the spectator's card is listed.

## Selections

By replying (using keys "Y" or "N") to further list selections of cards are displayed. After the final reply has been made, the name of the card selected will be announced on the screen. Magic!

This month's competition is also related to playing cards. The other day the following curious conversation took place between the eccentric mathematician Professor Otto Hex and his equally eccentric son:

Professor Hex: "I have in my hand four cards taken from a standard pack of playing cards. They are a club, a diamond a heart and a spade. If I were to add the face value of the club to the face value of the diamond and then add the heart to the space and multiply these two totals together, the product is equal to Bertram Byte's age next birthday!"

Hex Junior: "There are many combinations of cards that will produce that total." Professor Hex: "Quite correct, in fact the number of different combinations of four cards taken from a standard pack that will equal that total is in fact, a prime number."

Hex Junior: "I still need more information." Professor Hex: "Well, two cards have the same value, but neither is the club — which is a nine."

Hex Junior: "Now I know all four cards." (Note that Jack = 11, Queen = 12 and King = 13 — and it should be assumed that sufficient time elapsed between each statement to allow Hex Junior to make the necessary calculations.)

What were the four cards (and how old is Bertram Byte)? ■

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100 CLEAR : DIM C(26) : DIM S(13) : DIM P(13)
110 C(1)=102 : C(2)=104 : C(3)=106 : C(4)=108 : C(5)=110 : C(6)=112 : C(7)=114 : C(8)=116 : C(9)=118 : C(10)=120 : C(11)=122 : C(12)=124 : C(13)=126 : C(14)=128 : C(15)=130 : C(16)=132 : C(17)=134 : C(18)=136 : C(19)=138 : C(20)=140 : C(21)=142 : C(22)=144 : C(23)=146 : C(24)=148 : C(25)=150 : C(26)=152
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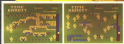
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