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#### **BEGINNER PROGRAM**



#### **BY JOEY LATIMER**

One day, back when I was in junior high school, a girl nicknamed "Mouse" walked up to me. She was carrying a piece of notebook paper, and she started asking me a whole' bunch of personal questions: "What's your favorite color?" "Who do you love?" "Do you wear pajamas?"

"Wait a minute! What's all this for?" I asked.

#### **PROGRAM NOTES**

Terminal Tale uses a combination of PRINT and INPUT statements to ask questions and place the user's responses in a group of string variables. These strings are then inserted into PRINT statements, in combination with other words, phrases, and punctuation, to make a story. When a string variable is

ADAM & Apple/Terminal Tale	
10 HOME	
20 PRINT "PLEASE PRESS <return> AFTER"</return>	
30 PRINT "ANSWERING EACH QUESTION."	
40 PRINT	
50 INPUT "WHAT'S YOUR NAME? ";N\$	
60 INPUT "ARE YOU FEMALE OR MALE? "; S\$	
70 IF LEFTS(SS,1) = CHRS(102) OR LEFTS(SS,1) = "F" THE	
N G\$ = "SHE": GOTO 90	
80 G\$="HE"	:
90 PRINT "WHAT CITY OR TOWN ARE"	
100 INPUT "YOU FROM? ";C\$	
140 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE TINY"	
120 INPUT "ANIMAL (E.G., MOUSE)? ";A\$	
130 INPUT "WHO REALLY BUGS YOU? "; B\$	
140 INPUT "WHO DO YOU HAVE A CRUSH ON? ";L\$	
150 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR LEAST FAVORITE"	1
160 INPUT "FOOD? ";F\$	
170 HOME	
180 PRINT TAB(3);"*A TERMINAL TALE OF ";N\$;"*"	ł
190 PRINT	
200 PRINT " ONCE UPON A TIME, IN THE"	:
210 PRINT "CITY OF ";C\$;", THERE LIVED"	
220 PRINT "A BRAVE SOUL NAMED ";N\$;"."	ŀ
230 PRINT "ONE DAY, AS ";N\$;" WAS"	
240 PRINT "OUT RIDING A WILD ";A\$;","	
250 PRINT GS;" HEARD THE NEARBY SCREAMS"	
260 PRINT "OF ";L\$;". UPON ARRIVING AT"	
270 PRINT "THE SCENE, ";G\$;" FOUND"	i.
280 PRINT LS;" UP IN A TREE,"	
290 PRINT "MENACED BY A BARKING DOG,"	[
300 PRINT "NAMED "+RS+" DOWN RELOW "	1

"It's for a class," she	used as part of a PRINT
said. Being a good sport, I	statement, it is usually
answered all the questions,	bracketed by semicolons,
and Mouse started tallying	like this:
the results. To my sur-	10 PRINT "MY NAME IS ":NS:"."
prise, several of Mouse's	The semicolons tell the
girlfriends suddenly gath-	computer to print every-
ered around, and she be-	thing in the PRINT state-
gan reading what seemed	ment, including the con-
to be an old-fashioned sto-	tents of the string variable
ry. But wait! I was the	together on the same
star! I had green hair, and	screen line.
I was going on a honey-	It's not hard to make up
moon in a '56 Chevy with	your own fill-in story, or
my next-door neighbor!	modify ours to suit your
What Mouse had done	taste. Those of you with
(besides embarrassing me)	printers may want to ex-
was insert the information	periment to see if you can
I had given her into a story	print a hard copy of our
she had already written on	Terminal Tale.
the notebook paper. This	As always, if you come
type of story is called a	up with an interesting
"fill-in" story—one in	modification or enhance-
which people's names,	ment of one of our begin-
places, and other details	ner programs, we'd like to
are filled in after the story	see it, and maybe mention
is written, to make a very	it in a future issue. Please
personal (sometimes too	send a printout (no tapes
personal) product.	or disks) to
This month's beginner	Beginner Programs
program is a simple fill-in	FAMILY COMPUTING
story called A Terminal	730 Broadway

300 PRINT "NAMED "; B\$;", DOWN BELOW." **31Ø PRINT** 320 PRINT "(PRESS ANY KEY TO CONTINUE\_)" 330 GET K\$ 340 HOME 350 PRINT " THINKING FAST, ";N\$ 360 PRINT "RAN INTO A NEARBY PIE SHOP," 370 PRINT "BOUGHT A FRESH "; F\$ 380 PRINT "PIE, AND FED IT TO "; B\$;"," 390 PRINT "WHO LOVED IT!" 400 PRINT " THEN, ";N\$;" HELPED" ing variable, 410 PRINT LS;" DOWN FROM THE TREE." 420 PRINT "THEY RODE OFF ON THE ";AS 430 PRINT "AND LIVED HAPPILY EVER AFTER." to make up 440 PRINT "(";B\$;" WENT ON TO MAKE IT" 450 PRINT "BIG IN PET FOOD COMMERCIALS.)" 460 PRINT 470 PRINT TAB(10);"\*THE END\*" Atari 400, 800, 600/800XL, & 130XE/Terminal Tale

#### 10 PRINT CHR\$(125); 20 OPEN #1,4,0,"K:" 30 DIM N\$(20),S\$(1),G\$(3),C\$(20),A\$(20),B\$(20),L\$(20), F\$(20) 40 PRINT "PLEASE PRESS <RETURN> AFTER" 50 PRINT "ANSWERING EACH QUESTION." 60 PRINT "ANSWERING EACH QUESTION." 60 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR NAME"; 80 INPUT N\$ 90 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR NAME"; 100 INPUT S\$ 110 IF S\$="F" THEN G\$="SHE";GOTO 130 120 G\$="HE" 130 PRINT "WHAT CITY OR TOWN ARE YOU FROM"; 140 INPUT C\$

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Tale. The computer asks you some innocent-sounding questions, then takes the answers you supply and threads them together into a rather unlikely scenario. Have fun! New York, NY 10003 On that note, we'd like to thank Phyllis Margarites of Burbank, Illinois for sending in a wonderful Atari version of the Backward Speller

150 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE TINY ANIMAL" 160 PRINT "(E.G., MOUSE)"; 170 INPUT A\$ 180 PRINT "WHO REALLY BUGS YOU"; 190 INPUT B\$ 200 PRINT "WHO DO YOU HAVE A CRUSH ON"; 210 INPUT L\$ 220 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR LEAST FAVORITE FOOD"; 230 INPUT F\$

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240 PRINT CHR\$(125);	IBM PC & compatibles*/Terminal Tale
240 PRINT CHR\$(125); 250 PRINT 260 PRINT 270 PRINT 270 PRINT "CITY OF ";C\$;", THERE LIVED A" 290 PRINT "CITY OF ";C\$;", THERE LIVED A" 290 PRINT "BRAVE SOUL NAMED ";N\$;". ONE" 300 PRINT "DAT, AS ";N\$;" WAS OUT RIDING" 310 PRINT "NEARBY SCREAMS OF ";L\$;"." 330 PRINT "NEARBY SCREAMS OF ";L\$;"." 330 PRINT G\$;" FOUND ";L\$;" UP IN A TREE," 340 PRINT G\$;" FOUND ";L\$;" UP IN A TREE," 350 PRINT "MENACED BY A BARKING DOG, NAMED" 360 PRINT B\$;", DOWN BELOW." 370 PRINT 380 PRINT "(PRESS ANY KEY TO CONTINUE.)" 390 GET #1,K 400 PRINT "CHR\$(125); 410 PRINT " THINKING FAST, ";N\$;" RAN INTO" 420 PRINT "A NEARBY PIE SHOP, BOUGHT A" 430 PRINT "FRESH ";F\$;" PIE, AND FED IT" 440 PRINT "THEN, ";N\$;" HELPED" 460 PRINT L\$;" DOWN FROM THE TREE." 470 PRINT "THEY RODE OFF ON THE ";A\$ 480 PRINT "AND LIVED HAPPILY EVER AFTER." 470 PRINT "AND LIVED HAPPILY EVER AFTER." 470 PRINT "IN PET FOOD COMMERCIALS.)" 510 PRINT " THE END*"	<pre>IBM PC &amp; compatibles*/Terminal Tale 10 KEY OFF 20 CLS 30 PRINT "Please press <enter> after" 40 PRINT "answering each question." 50 PRINT 60 INPUT "What's your name";N\$ 70 INPUT "What's your name";N\$ 80 IF LEFT\$(S\$,1)="f" THEN G\$="she" ELSE G\$="he" 90 INPUT "What city or town are you from";C\$ 100 PRINT "What's your favorite tiny animal" 110 INPUT "(e.g., mouse)";A\$ 120 INPUT "What city bugs you";B\$ 130 INPUT "Who really bugs you";B\$ 130 INPUT "Who do you have a crush on";L\$ 140 INPUT "What's your least favorite food";F\$ 150 CLS 160 PRINT TAB(5);"*A Terminal Tale of ";N\$;"*" 170 PRINT 180 PRINT " Once upon a time, in the" 190 PRINT "city of ";C\$;", there lived a" 200 PRINT "brave soul named ";N\$;". One" 210 PRINT "day, as ";N\$;" was out riding" 220 PRINT "a wild ";A\$;", ";G\$;" heard the" 230 PRINT "upon arriving at the scene," 240 PRINT G\$;" found ";L\$;" up in a tree," 250 PRINT G\$;" found ";L\$;" up in a tree," 260 PRINT B\$;", down below."</enter></pre>
Commodore 64 & 128 (C 64 mode)/Terminal Tale	280 PRINT 290 PRINT "(Press any key to continue.)" 300 IF INKEYS="" THEN 300 ELSE CLS

10 PRINT CHR\$(147); 20 PRINT "PLEASE PRESS <RETURN> AFTER" **30 PRINT "ANSWERING EACH QUESTION."** 40 PRINT 50 INPUT "WHAT'S YOUR NAME";N\$ 60 INPUT "ARE YOU FEMALE OR MALE"; S\$ 70 IF LEFT\$(S\$,1)="F" THEN G\$="SHE":GOTO 90 8Ø G\$="HE" **N** 5, 1 90 INPUT "WHAT CITY OR TOWN ARE YOU FROM";C\$ 100 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE TINY ANIMAL" 110 INPUT "(E.G., MOUSE)";A\$ 120 INPUT "WHO REALLY BUGS YOU"; B\$ 130 INPUT "WHO DO YOU HAVE A CRUSH ON"; LS 140 INPUT "WHAT'S YOUR LEAST FAVORITE FOOD"; F\$ 150 PRINT CHR\$(147); 160 PRINT TAB(3);"\*A TERMINAL TALE OF ";N\$;"\*" **170 PRINT** 180 PRINT " ONCE UPON A TIME, IN THE" 190 PRINT "CITY OF ";C\$;", THERE LIVED A" 200 PRINT "BRAVE SOUL NAMED ";N\$;". ONE" 210 PRINT "DAY, AS ";N\$;" WAS OUT RIDING". 220 PRINT "A WILD "; A\$;", ";G\$;" HEARD THE" 230 PRINT "NEARBY SCREAMS OF ";L\$;"." 240 PRINT "UPON ARRIVING AT THE SCENE," 250 PRINT G\$;" FOUND ";L\$;" UP IN A TREE," 260 PRINT "MENACED BY A BARKING DOG, NAMED" 270 PRINT B\$;", DOWN BELOW." 280 PRINT 290 PRINT "(PRESS ANY KEY TO CONTINUE.)" 300 GET K\$ 310 IF KS="" THEN 300 320 PRINT CHR\$(147); 330 PRINT " THINKING FAST, ";N\$;" RAN INTO" 340 PRINT "A NEARBY PIE SHOP, BOUGHT A" 350 PRINT "FRESH ";F\$;" PIE, AND FED IT" 360 PRINT "TO "; B\$;", WHO LOVED IT!"

310 PRINT " Thinking fast, ";N\$;" ran into" 320 PRINT "a nearby pie shop, bought a" 330 PRINT "fresh ";F\$;" pie, and fed it" 340 PRINT "to ";B\$;", who loved it!" 350 PRINT "to ";B\$;" helped" 360 PRINT " Then, ";N\$;" helped" 360 PRINT L\$;" down from the tree." 370 PRINT "They rode off on the ";A\$ 380 PRINT "They rode off on the ";A\$ 380 PRINT "and Lived happily ever after." 390 PRINT "and Lived happily ever after." 400 PRINT "in pet food commercials.)" 410 PRINT 420 PRINT TAB(15);"\*THE END\*"

\*This program has been tested on the following computers, using the BASICs shown: IBM PC w/Color Graphics Adapter or Monochrome/Printer card, w/Disk BASIC D2.00 or Advanced BASIC A2.00. IBM PCjr. w/Cassette BASIC C1.20 and Cartridge BASIC J1.00. Tandy 1000, w/GW-BASIC 2.02 versions 00.05.00 & 01.01.00.

#### TI-99/4A/Terminal Tale

10 CALL CLEAR 20 PRINT "PLEASE PRESS <ENTER> AFTER" 30 PRINT "ANSWERING EACH QUESTION." 40 PRINT 50 INPUT "WHAT'S YOUR NAME?":N\$ 60 INPUT "ARE YOU FEMALE OR MALE?":S\$ 70 IF (SEG\$(S\$,1,1)="F")+(SEG\$(S\$,1,1)="f")THEN 100 80 G\$="HE" 90 GOTO 110 100 G\$="SHE" 110 PRINT "WHAT CITY OR TOWN ARE YOU" 120 INPUT "FROM?":C\$ 130 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE TINY" 140 INPUT "ANIMAL (E.G., MOUSE)?":A\$ 150 INPUT "WHO REALLY BUGS YOU?":B\$

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370 PRINT " THEN, ";NS;" HELPED"
                                                                160 PRINT "WHO DO YOU HAVE"
     380 PRINT LS;" DOWN FROM THE TREE."
                                                                170 INPUT "A CRUSH ON?":LS
     390 PRINT "THEY RODE OFF ON THE ":AS
                                                                180 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR LEAST FAVORITE"
     400 PRINT "AND LIVED HAPPILY EVER AFTER."
                                                                190 INPUT "FOOD?":F$
     410 PRINT "("; B$;" WENT ON TO MAKE IT BIG"
                                                                200 CALL CLEAR
     420 PRINT "IN PET FOOD COMMERCIALS.)"
                                                                210 PRINT "*A TERMINAL TALE OF ";N$;"*"
     430 PRINT
                                                                220 PRINT
     440 PRINT TAB(10);"*THE END*"
                                                                230 PRINT "
                                                                                ONCE UPON A TIME, IN"
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240 PRINT "THE CITY OF ";C\$;","	410 PRINT " THEN, ";N\$;" HELPED"
250 PRINT "THERE LIVED A BRAVE SOUL"	420 PRINT LS;" DOWN FROM THE TREE."
260 PRINT "NAMED ";NS;". ONE"	430 PRINT "THEY RODE OFF ON THE ";AS
270 PRINT "DAY, AS ";N\$;" WAS"	440 PRINT "AND LIVED HAPPILY EVER AFTER."
280 PRINT "OUT RIDING A WILD"	450 PRINT "(";B\$;" WENT ON TO"
290 PRINT AS;", ";GS;" HEARD THE"	
300 PRINT "NEARBY SCREAMS OF ";L\$;"."	460 PRINT "MAKE IT BIG IN PET FOOD" 470 PRINT "COMMERCIALS.)"
310 PRINT "UPON ARRIVING AT THE SCENE,"	480 PRINT
320 PRINT G\$;" FOUND ";L\$	490 PRINT TAB(11);"*THE END*"
330 PRINT "UP IN A TREE, MENACED"	
340 PRINT "BY A BARKING DOG, NAMED"	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
350 PRINT BS;", DOWN BELOW."	
360 PRINT	TRS-80 Model III & Model 4 w/Model III BASIC
370 PRINT "(PRESS ANY KEY TO CONTINUE.)"	Terminal Tale
380 CALL KEY(3,K,S)	10 CLS
390 IF S=0 THEN 380	20 CLEAR 1000
400 CALL CLEAR	30 PRINT "PLEASE PRESS <enter> AFTER"</enter>
410 PRINT " THINKING FAST, ";N\$	40 PRINT "ANSWERING EACH QUESTION."
420 PRINT "RAN INTO A NEARBY PIE"	50 PRINT
430 PRINT "SHOP, BOUGHT A FRESH"	60 INPUT "WHAT'S YOUR NAME"; NS
440 PRINT FS;" PIE, AND FED IT"	70 INPUT "ARE YOU FEMALE OR MALE"; SS
450 PRINT "TO ";B\$;", WHO LOVED IT!"	80 IF LEFT\$(S\$,1)="F" OR LEFT\$(S\$,1)="f" THEN G\$="SHE"
460 PRINT " THEN, ";N\$	
470 PRINT "HELPED ";L\$;" DOWN"	90 INPUT "WHAT CITY OR TOWN ARE YOU FROM"; CS
480 PRINT "FROM THE TREE. THEY RODE"	100 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE TINY ANIMAL"
490 PRINT "OFF ON THE ";A\$;" AND"	110 INPUT "(E.G., MOUSE)";A\$
500 PRINT "LIVED HAPPILY EVER AFTER."	120 INPUT "WHO REALLY BUGS YOU"; BS
510 PRINT "(";8\$;" WENT ON TO MAKE"	130 INPUT "WHO DO YOU HAVE A CRUSH ON";LS
520 PRINT "IT BIG IN PET FOOD"	140 INPUT "WHAT'S YOUR LEAST FAVORITE FOOD"; F\$
530 PRINT "COMMERCIALS.)"	150 CLS
540 PRINT	160 PRINT TAB(5);"*A TERMINAL TALE OF ";NS;"*"
550 PRINT TAB(11);"*THE END*"	170 PRINT ONCE HOON A TIME IN THEM AND A TIME
	180 PRINT " ONCE UPON A TIME, IN THE" 190 PRINT "CITY OF ";C\$;", THERE LIVED A"
	200 PRINT "BRAVE SOUL NAMED ";N\$;". ONE"
TRS-80 Color Computer/Terminal Tale	210 PRINT "DAY, AS ";N\$;" WAS OUT RIDING"
10 CLS	220 PRINT "A WILD ";AS;", ";G\$;" HEARD THE"
20 CLEAR 1000	230 PRINT "NEARBY SCREAMS OF ";L\$;"."
SØ PRINT "PLEASE PRESS <enter> AFTER"</enter>	240 PRINT "UPON ARRIVING AT THE SCENE,"
40 PRINT "ANSWERING EACH QUESTION."	250 PRINT GS;" FOUND ";LS;" UP IN A TREE,"
50 PRINT	260 PRINT "MENACED BY A BARKING DOG, NAMED"
60 INPUT "WHAT'S YOUR NAME"; NS	270 PRINT B\$;", DOWN BELOW."
70 INPUT "ARE YOU FEMALE OR MALE"; S\$	280 PRINT
BØ IF LEFT\$(S\$,1)="F" THEN G\$="SHE" ELSE G\$="HE"	290 PRINT "(PRESS ANY KEY TO CONTINUE.)"
90 PRINT "WHAT CITY OR TOWN"	300 IF INKEYS="" THEN 300 ELSE CLS
100 INPUT "ARE YOU FROM"; CS	310 PRINT " THINKING FAST, ";N\$;" RAN INTO"
10 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE TINY ANIMAL";	320 PRINT "A NEARBY PIE SHOP, BOUGHT A"
20 INPUT "(E.G., MOUSE)"; AS	330 PRINT "FRESH ";F\$;" PIE, AND FED IT"
30 INPUT "WHO REALLY BUGS YOU"; B\$	340 PRINT "TO "; B\$;", WHO LOVED IT!"
40 PRINT "WHO DO YOU HAVE"	350 PRINT " THEN, ";N\$;" HELPED"
150 INPUT "A CRUSH ON";L\$	
160 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR LEAST"	360 PRINT LS;" DOWN FROM THE TREE." 370 PRINT "THEY RODE OFF ON THE ";AS
170 INPUT "FAVORITE FOOD";F\$	380 PRINT "AND LIVED HAPPILY EVER AFTER,"
80 CLS 90 PRINT "*A TERMINAL TALE OF ";N\$;"*"	390 PRINT "(";B\$;" WENT ON TO MAKE IT BIG"
90 PRINT "*A TERMINAL TALE OF ";N\$;"*"	400 PRINT "IN PET FOOD COMMERCIALS.)"
CVV PRINT	410 PRINT
PRINT "ONCE UPON A TIME, IN THE"	410 PRINT 420 PRINT TAB(8);"*THE END*"
220 PRINT "CITY OF "+C\$+", THERE"	
30 PRINT "LIVED A BRAVE SOUL NAMED"	
40 PRINT NS;". ONE DAY, AS "	
40 PRINT N\$;". ONE DAY, AS " 50 PRINT N\$;" WAS OUT RIDING A WILD" 60 PRINT A\$;", ";G\$;" HEARD THE" 70 PRINT "NEARBY SCREAMS OF ";L\$;"."	VIC-20/Terminal Tale
260 PRINT A\$;", ";G\$;" HEARD THE"	10 PRINT CHR\$(147);
70 PRINT "NEARBY SCREAMS OF ";L\$;"."	20 PRINT "PLEASE PRESS <return>"</return>
280 PRINT "UPON ARRIVING AT THE SCENE,"	30 PRINT "AFTER ANSWERING EACH"
290 PRINT "UPON ARRIVING AT THE SCENE," 290 PRINT G\$;" FOUND ";L\$;" UP IN" 300 PRINT "A TREE, MENACED BY A BARKING"	40 PRINT "QUESTION."
3003 POINT "A TOPE MENACEN BY A RADUTNO"	V.
THE TAXANI A INC. MENACED DI A DAAKING	50 PRINT
310 PRINT "DOG NAMED ";B\$;", DOWN" 320 PRINT "BELOW."	50 PRINT 60 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR" 70 INPUT "NAME";NS

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SSØ PRINT 80 PRINT "ARE YOU FEMALE" 340 PRINT "(PRESS ANY KEY TO CONTINUE.)"; 90 INPUT "OR MALE";S\$ 350 IF INKEYS="" THEN 350 ELSE CLS 100 IF LEFT\$(S\$,1)="F" THEN G\$="SHE":GOTO 120 360 PRINT " THINKING FAST, ";NS 110 G\$="HE" 200 · N 370 PRINT "RAN INTO A NEARBY PIE SHOP," 120 PRINT "WHAT CITY OR TOWN ARE" 380 PRINT "BOUGHT A FRESH ";F\$;" PIE," 130 INPUT "YOU FROM";C\$ 390 PRINT "AND FED IT TO ";B\$;", WHO" 140 PRINT "WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE" 400 PRINT "LOVED IT!" ۰. 150 PRINT "TINY ANIMAL" · · · /**.e**, . . . . . . 62 FAMILY COMPUTING

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## INDIANA JONES IN THE LOST KINGDOM

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Screen one: Take the color from the blue balls on the left and give it to the white ones on the right. as the famous adventurer and his arch-rival Ivan Reiss. In six separate scenarios, gamers must solve exotic puzzles and evade deadly ene-

Screen two: You must arrange the numbers on the bottom of the screen so they read from left to right as they do from bottom to top. mies in order to find an invaluable historical relic. (Hints and game for C 64.)



Screen three: Pick up the numbers and drop them into the abyss at the bottom of the screen. A black ball at the left indicates a cor-

#### rect choice.



Screen four: Hit the jewels with the cane to make them change color (white cane for white diamond, blue for blue). They must be in the order blue-white-blue.



Screen five: How do you stop a big green monster from charging? Take away its credit card. Or, if you are Indiana Jones, slash at it with your magic walking stick. In this game, the latter method works best.



Screen six: Pull back on the joystick and press the button to teleport around. Be careful, though, since you have a limited amount of teleports. —PHILIP CARDINALE, 11, Riverhead, New York; CHARLES AR-DAI, 14, New York, New York

## ADVENTURELAND

Adventure International. Text adventure. Your mission: You must contend with a dragon, a bear, lava, and bees, among other things, and get the 13 treasures scattered across the land. (Hints and game for Apple, Atari, Commodore 64 & VIC-20, TRS-80 CoCo & Models I/III.) heart. He is especially afraid of loud noises.

Bees in flight are a dragon's fright.

You've heard of a ship in a bottle? Why not try fish in a bottle?

Water makes an excellent coolant.

Dragons take pride in their cleanliness. Having dirty stuff around makes them very angry.

The bear is really a coward at

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The mirror is extraordinarily fragile. Only place it on soft items.

Fire bricks can be a dam good thing.

The wine bladder is meant to hold a more gaseous substance.

 Chigger bites getting you
 down? Mud might help you out.
 —KENNY SMITH, 12, Hanover, Pennsylvania; MICHAEL OTTAVIANO, 12,
 Grand Forks, North Dakota; DAVID
 LAKE, San Jose, California; JOHN
 TSAU, 14, Skokie, Illinois; CHRIS
 TWENTIER, 12, Prospect, Pennsylvania

## SUSPECT

Infocom. Text adventure. Your mission: As the prime suspect of Veronica Ashcroft's murder, you must prove your innocence and find the real murderer. You'll need all your wits and intuition about you in order to complete this mystery in the mere 12 hours allotted you. Happy sleuthing! (Hints and game for most computers.)

Don't bother trying to hide Veronica's corpse. You can carry it anywhere in the game, but Sergeant Duffy will find it, regardless of where you stash it.

• On the other hand, feel free to search the body and remove any incriminating evidence from the scene of the crime; this may not do you much good right away, but will buy you some time in the long run.

One of the best ways to make the detective think twice about arresting you is to place suspicion on others. Try showing him some pieces of evidence that you find—if you find enough important clues he'll let you off the hook.

When you last see "Veronica" alive, examine her closely.

Clues can be found in the oddest places—trash cans and locked car trunks, for instance.

Take heed of Alicia's wet overcoat. There is something vitally important about its soggy condition.

Be patient with the detective; he may be slow to respond at the beginning of the game, but remember you're his chief suspect. Just wait till you convince him that you are not only innocent but on the trail of the real killer; suddenly he'll be quite willing to help.

• One of the first things to do is to make a list of the characters and their costumes. It's all too easy to forget who was dressed as what. —CHARLES ARDAI, 14, New York, New York



Software (Commodore 64). Arcade/ strategy. Your mission: To save the United States from a Soviet nuclear attack by destroying their launch sites. If you are successful in this, you must invade Moscow in an attempt to destroy the Soviet Defense Center.

When fighting at the missile control center, destroy the four launch silos first. Then, find the correct altitude for the main silo, but don't destroy it. Instead, go to the extreme left, without changing altitude, and blow up the planes as they enter the screen. Keep killing them until you have about 10 seconds left on the timer, and destroy the center silo. This will give you tons of points.

When fighting outside the Defense Center, the men on the right wall can be hit using the same angles of elevation as those on the left wall. When you kill a man on one side, don't change your angle, just move over to the other side and kill the man directly opposite him. boot it up, then start the game, take out the disk, and insert the *Championship Lode Runner* disk. You can now skip levels on *Championship Lode Runner* by typing CONTROL-SHIFT-6 on the Apple IIe and IIc, and by pressing CONTROL-SHIFT-N on the II plus. You can also get extra men by pressing CONTROL-SHIFT-2 on the IIe and IIc, and by pressing CONTROL-SHIFT-P on the II plus. — OSCAR LEE, 13, San Francisco, California

**CUTTHROATS**, Infocom (most computers). Text adventure. Your mission: As a diver, you must try to find sunken treasure on the many shipwrecks strewn about Hardscrabble Isle.

stops, try examining your watch.

To get by the METAL mine try using an attractive force.

Whatever you do, don't let McGinty see you with the bankbook or the shipwreck book. Get rid of them both when you can. Systems (Apple). Skill/arcade. Your mission: Avoid cannons and climb ladders in this *Donkey Kong*-type game.

Immediately after clearing the first level, hold down the space bar and the second level will only start with one cannon. —ZACHARY PRENSKY, 12, Fairlawn, New Jersey

**BEACH-HEAD**, Access Software (C 64). Arcade skill. Your mission: To invade a well-defended, enemy-held island, and kill the evil Khun-Lin.

When fighting the land-defense systems, if you shoot an enemy tank, tower, or gun emplacement, the point value for that object is displayed. If you keep shooting these numbers, you will continue to get that amount of points. Be careful, though, because you can be destroyed by crashing into the numbers. —JEROME GOEMAAT, 12, Bussey, Iowa

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**CHAMPIONSHIP LODE RUNNER**, Broderbund (Apple). Arcade/skill. Your mission: To climb

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through the 50 different screens and collect all the gold you can get your greedy little hands on. Drinking and diving don't mix.

for one turn; if you do it's harmless.

Much of the equipment at Outfitters International is unnecessary. Think carefully. —JERRY FOS-TER, 17, Three Rivers, Michigan

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10 DIM BN(7,3),TN(25,2):C1=75:S=54272 20 PRINT CHR\$(147): POKE 214, 10: PRINT 30 PRINT TAB(13);"ARCADE ALLEY" 40 FOR I=S TO S+23:POKE I,0:NEXT I:POKE S+24,15 50 FOR I=S+6 TO S+7 60 POKE I,128:POKE I+7,128:POKE I+14,128:NEXT I 70 FOR I=1 TO 7:READ BN(1,1),BN(1,2),BN(1,3):NEXT 1 80 FOR I=1 TO 25:READ TN(I,1),TN(I,2):NEXT I 90 POKE \$+4,33:POKE \$+11,33 100 FOR Z=1 TO 2:POKE S+18,17:P1=1:FOR I=1 TO 25 110 IF RND(1)>0.5 THEN C1=RND(1)\*75 120 POKE S+1, BN(P1,1); POKE S, BN(P1,2) 130 POKE S+8, TN(I,1): POKE S+7, TN(I,2) 140 FOR D=1 TO BN(P1,3) 150 POKE S+15,C1:C1=C1-4-75\*(C1<4):NEXT D . 160 P1=P1+1:IF P1=8 THEN P1=1 170 NEXT I 180 POKE S+15,15:POKE S+18,129 190 FOR D=1 TO 500:NEXT D 200 POKE S+18,0:NEXT Z:FOR X=8 TO 80 210 POKE S+1,X-2:POKE S+8,X:FOR D=1 TO 2 220 NEXT D,X 230 GOTO 100 1000 DATA 8,97,7,9,104,7,10,143,7,11,48,13

ping mall or at the miniature golf course. A few years back, arcades were crawling with trigger-hap-



py fans. They're pretty quiet and dusty these days as more computers show up at home.

For those of us who left our local arcade alley for the home computer, here's a nostalgic audio look at the arcade alley of the early '80s. With the help of lab assistant Ken Meyer, I've assembled a program (dubbed Arcade Alley, appropriately enough!) that plays a song and arcade sounds. Run the program as is or use it to beef up your own programs. No matter how you use it, we're sure you'll enjoy it. It may even bring back memories of that time you scored in the top 10.



#### ATARI 400, 800, 600/800XL, & 130XE/ ARCADE ALLEY

10 DIM BN(7,2),TN(25):C1=+8:POKE 752,1 20 PRINT CHR\$(125): POSITION 13,10: PRINT "ARCADE ALLEY" 30 FOR I=1 TO 7:READ A,B:BN(I,1)=A:BN(I,2)=B:NEXT I 40 FOR I=1 TO 25:READ A:TN(I)=A:NEXT I 50 FOR Z=1 TO 2:P1=1:FOR I=1 TO 25 60 IF RND(1)>0.5 THEN C1=INT(RND(1)\*15)-8 70 SOUND 1, BN(P1,1), 10, 10: SOUND 2, TN(I), 10,8 80 FOR D=1 TO BN(P1,2) 90 SOUND 3, ABS(C1)/2,10,4:C1=C1+8:NEXT D 100 P1=P1+1:IF P1=8 THEN P1=1 110 NEXT I 120 SOUND 3, INT(RND(1)\*70),8,15:FOR D=1 TO 350:NEXT D 130 SOUND 3,0,0,0:NEXT Z:FOR X=243 TO 29 STEP -1 ···· · 140 SOUND 1,X-5,10,12:SOUND 2,X,10,12:NEXT X 150 GOTO 50 1000 DATA 243,7,217,7,193,7,182,13,144,7,243,20,182,20 2000 DATA 60,60,60,53,72,91,72,60,60,60,60,81,72 2010 DATA 121,60,60,53,72,91,72,60,60,60,53,72

1010 DATA 14,24,13,8,97,20,11,48,20 2000 DATA 33,135,33,135,33,135,37,162,28,49,22,96 2010 DATA 28,49,33,135,33,135,33,135,33,135,25,30,28 2020 DATA 49,16,195,33,135,33,135,37,162,28,49,22,96 2030 DATA 28,49,33,135,33,135,37,162,28,49,28,49

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### TI-99/4A/ARCADE ALLEY

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10 DIM BN(7,2),TN(25)
20 CALL CLEAR
30 PRINT TAB(9);"ARCADE ALLEY"
40 FOR I=1 TO 7
50 READ BN(1,1),BN(1,2)
60 NEXT I
7# FOR I=1 TO 25
80 READ TN(I)
90 NEXT I
100 FOR Z=1 TO 2
110 P1=1
120 FOR I=1 TO 25
130 CALL SOUND (BN(P1,2), BN(P1,1),0, TN(I),5)
140 P1=P1+1+7*(P1=7)
150 NEXT I
160 CALL SOUND(1000,-5,0)
170 NEXT Z
180 FOR D=1 TO 300
196 NEXT D
200 FOR X=130 TO 600 STEP 15
216 CALL SOUND(-500,X,0,X-10,0)
220 NEXT X
230 GOTO 100
1000 DATA 131,150,147,150,165,150,175,300
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1010 DATA 220,150,131,450,175,450 2000 DATA 523,523,523,587,440,349,440,523,523 2010 DATA 523,523,392,440,262,523,523,587 2020 DATA 440,349,440,523,523,523,587,440