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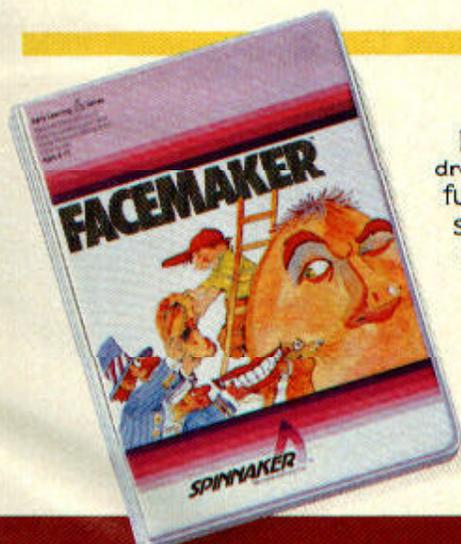


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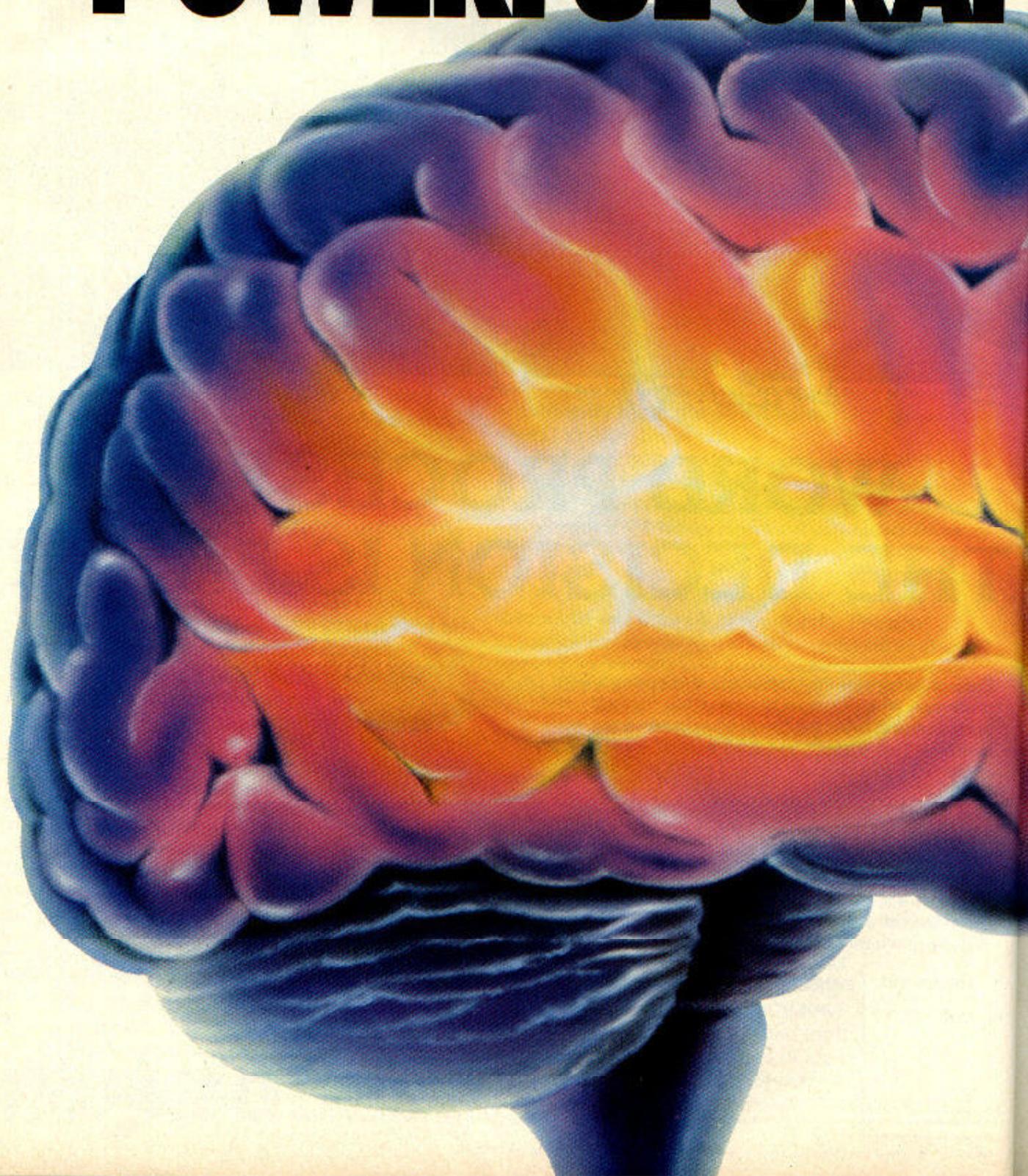
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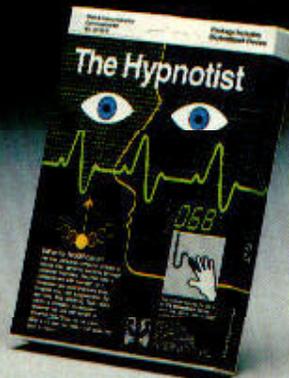
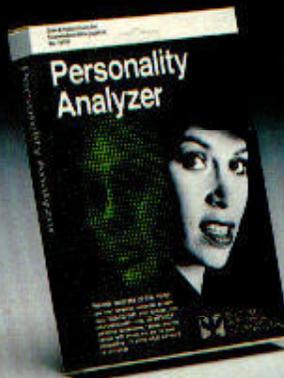
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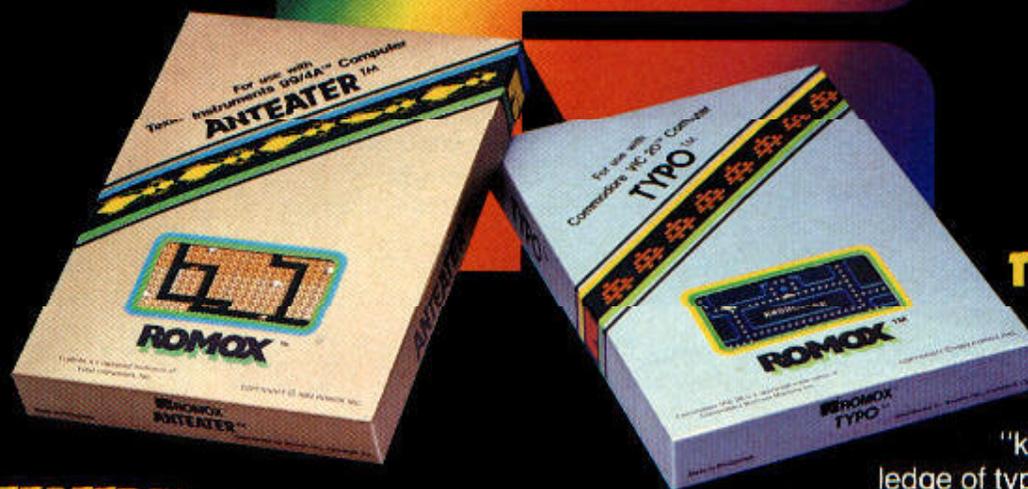
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COUPON FILE

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Not only will this program create easily accessible files for disk or tape storage, but also it will run on any Commodore machine, Atari, TI, Apple, and Color Computer. And with minor adjustments, you can file nearly anything.

This program allows you to file and search for coupons. Coupons may be located by brand name, product, or expiration date, and you may scan the contents of all the files. "Coupon File" could also help you file a great variety of things.

The use of DATA statements as file structures is one of the things that makes this program so versatile. Because the DATA statements are saved with the program, file retrieval is not a problem, even if you don't have disk capability.

The DATA statements were placed before the main program loop to simplify file insertions and deletions. Because the file number and line number for the DATA statements are the same, those of you unfamiliar with programming will find it easy to create files.

Using The Program On Your Computer

There is room for 499 files, assuming you have enough memory to store 499 files. Because of the search routine, each file must have the same format. This is especially true with the date search. 6/30/83, 6-30-83, and 30JUN83 are all different representations of the same date, but for the computer to locate that date, you must choose one format and be consistent.

Coupon File was written to run on any machine which supports BASIC, with one exception. Lines 501, 1000, 1550, 2000, 4000, 6000, and 7100 consist of the statement PRINT "(CLR)". This is COMPUTE!'s listing convention for clear screen on the Commodore 64 and VIC-20. You should substitute the statement to clear the screen

on your particular machine (ESC SHIFT < for Atari, CALL CLEAR for TI, etc.).

To make more room for files, you can leave out the instructions. To do this, delete lines 550-555, 630, and 6000-7000, and change line 590 to:

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590 IF (K$<"L")*(K$<"B")*(K$<"P")*(K$<"D")*  
(K$<"C") THEN GOTO 570
```

This versatile program is very easy to use, and it's easy to adapt for other purposes. With a few changes, you can create a program to file nearly anything.

Special Note To Timex/Sinclair Users:

Because your machine's version of BASIC does not contain READ or DATA statements, this program will not run on your machine. You may be able to adapt it to your machine using strings for file storage.

Program Explanation

Lines	
1-499	DATA
500-650	main menu
1000-1700	list all routine
2000-3600	brand search routine
4000-5700	date search routine
6000-7000	instructions
7100-8610	product search routine
9000-9600	display routine
10000-10300	file input routine

Coupon File

- 1 DATA 1, OXYDOL, DETERGENT, FREE, NONE
- 2 DATA 2, PLANTERS, MIXED NUTS, 25C, 31MAR84
- 3 DATA 3, FREE N' SOFT, FABRIC SOFTNER, 20C, 1JAN84
- 4 DATA 4, JELLO, PUDDING, 15C, 15MAY84
- 5 DATA 5, JENOS, PIZZA, 1\$ R, 4JUL84
- 6 DATA 6, CHINET, PLATES, 20C, 21DEC83
- 7 DATA 7, PEPPIS, PIZZA, 60C, 15MAY84
- 8 DATA 8, CHINET, CUPS, 20C, 20JUL83
- 9 DATA 9, NABISCO, SHREDDED WHEAT, 20C, 30JUN 84
- 10 DATA 10, HEFTY, TRASH BAGS, 25C, 31OCT83
- 11 DATA 11, WHEATSWORTH, CRACKERS, 12C, 30JUN 84
- 12 DATA 12, KRAFT, JELLY, 10C, NONE

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13 DATA 13,PHILADELPHIA,CREAM CHEESE,10C,
NONE
14 DATA 14,PREGO,SPAGETTI SAUCE,20C,30JUN
84
500 DATA END
501 PRINT "{CLR}":REM CLEAR SCREEN
502 PRINT "COUPON FILE"
503 PRINT
504 LET T=0
520 PRINT "<L>{2 SPACES}LIST ALL ENTRIES"
525 PRINT
530 PRINT "<B>{2 SPACES}BRAND NAME "
533 PRINT
535 PRINT "<P>{2 SPACES}PRODUCT"
537 PRINT
540 PRINT "<D>{2 SPACES}EXPIRATION DATE"
545 PRINT
550 PRINT "<H>{2 SPACES}INSTRUCTIONS"
555 PRINT
560 PRINT "<C>{2 SPACES}COMMAND MODE"
565 PRINT
570 PRINT "CHOICE ";
580 INPUT K$
590 IF (K$<>"L")*(K$<>"B")*(K$<>"P")*(K$<
>"D")*(K$<>"H")*(K$<>"C")THEN GOTO 57
0
600 IF K$="L" THEN GOSUB 1000
610 IF K$="B" THEN GOSUB 2000
615 IF K$="P" THEN GOSUB 7100
620 IF K$="D" THEN GOSUB 4000
630 IF K$="H" THEN GOSUB 6000
640 IF K$="C" THEN END
650 GOTO 501

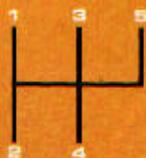
1000 PRINT "{CLR}":REM CLEAR SCREEN
1010 PRINT "COUPON LIST"
1015 PRINT
1100 GOSUB 10000
1200 IF A$="END" THEN RETURN
1550 PRINT "{CLR}":REM CLEAR SCREEN
1600 GOSUB 9000
1700 GOTO 1000
2000 PRINT "{CLR}":REM CLEAR SCREEN
2200 PRINT "ENTER BRAND"
2300 INPUT J$
2400 PRINT
2410 PRINT "BRAND: ";J$
2420 PRINT
2430 PRINT
2500 GOSUB 10000
2600 IF A$="END" THEN GOTO 3300
3000 IF B$<>J$ THEN GOTO 2500
3100 GOSUB 9000
3150 LET T=1
3200 GOTO 2500
3300 IF T=1 THEN GOTO 3600
3350 PRINT J$;" NOT ON FILE"
3360 PRINT
3400 PRINT "HIT RETURN TO CONTINUE"
3450 PRINT
3500 INPUT K$
3600 RETURN
4000 PRINT "{CLR}":REM CLEAR SCREEN
4200 PRINT "ENTER EXPIRATION DATE"
4300 INPUT J$
4400 PRINT
4410 PRINT "DATE: ";J$
4420 PRINT
4430 PRINT
4500 GOSUB 10000
4600 IF A$="END" THEN GOTO 5300

5000 IF E$<>J$ THEN GOTO 4500
5100 GOSUB 9000
5150 LET T=1
5200 GOTO 4500
5300 IF T=1 THEN GOTO 5600
5350 PRINT "NONE EXPIRE ";J$
5360 PRINT
5400 PRINT "HIT RETURN TO CONTINUE"
5410 PRINT
5500 INPUT K$
5600 RESTORE
5700 RETURN
6000 PRINT "{CLR}":REM CLEAR SCREEN
6200 PRINT "TO ENTER A FILE, PLACE"
6350 PRINT "THE COMPUTER IN COM-"
6400 PRINT "MAND MODE (THE MODE"
6450 PRINT "BEFORE YOU TYPE RUN)."
6500 PRINT "TYPE IN THE LINE NUM-"
6550 PRINT "BER,' DATA ',THE FILE"
6600 PRINT "NUMBER, THE BRAND NAME"
6650 PRINT "THE PRODUCT, THE VALUE"
6700 PRINT "AND EXPIRATION DATE."
6710 PRINT
6720 PRINT
6800 PRINT "HIT RETURN TO CONTINUE"
6900 INPUT K$
7000 RETURN
7100 PRINT "{CLR}":REM CLEAR SCREEN
7200 PRINT "ENTER PRODUCT"
7300 INPUT J$
7400 PRINT
7410 PRINT "PRODUCT: ";J$
7420 PRINT
7430 PRINT
7500 GOSUB 10000
7600 IF A$="END" THEN GOTO 8300
8000 IF C$<>J$ THEN GOTO 7500
8100 GOSUB 9000
8150 LET T=1
8200 GOTO 7500
8300 IF T=1 THEN GOTO 8600
8350 PRINT J$;" NOT ON FILE"
8360 PRINT
8400 PRINT "HIT RETURN TO CONTINUE"
8410 PRINT
8500 INPUT K$
8600 RESTORE
8610 RETURN
9000 PRINT "FILE NUMBER>";A$
9010 PRINT
9100 PRINT "BRAND{6 SPACES}>";B$
9110 PRINT
9150 PRINT "PRODUCT{4 SPACES}>";C$
9160 PRINT
9200 PRINT "VALUE{6 SPACES}>";D$
9210 PRINT
9300 PRINT "EXP. DATE{2 SPACES}>";E$
9310 PRINT
9400 PRINT
9410 PRINT "HIT X TO ABORT TO MENU"
9420 PRINT "HIT RETURN TO CONTINUE"
9500 INPUT K$
9540 IF K$="X" THEN RESTORE
9550 IF K$="X" THEN GOTO 501
9600 RETURN
10000 READ A$
10100 IF A$="END" THEN RESTORE
10110 IF A$="END" THEN RETURN
10200 READ B$,C$,D$,E$
10300 RETURN

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Mosaic Puzzle

Bruce Jordan

Remember that once-popular sliding-squares game? With only one free space, you tried to move the colored plastic tiles around to get a particular sequence or color pattern. Although it was a challenge, this computer variation of the game can be a mind-boggling test of skill and dexterity. Versions for VIC, 64, Atari, and the TI-99/4A.

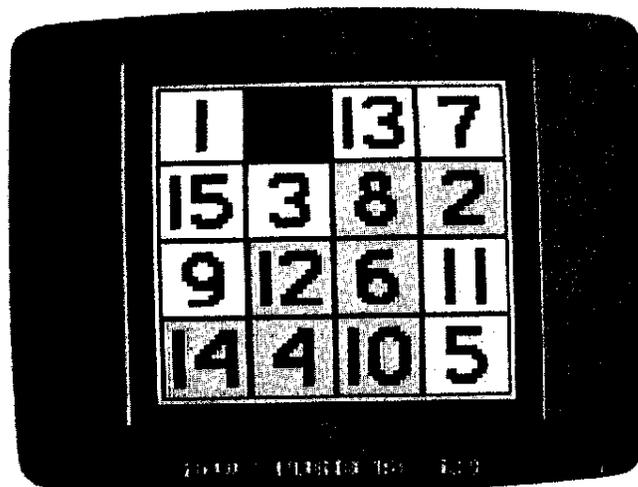
"Mosaic Puzzle" is a computer version of those sliding-squares puzzles that used to drive people nuts before the advent of Rubik's Cube. It can run on either an unexpanded or 3K expanded VIC. The object of the game is to arrange the 15 numbered squares (hexadecimal numbers 1-F in this version) into some predetermined order by sliding them around in their frame. The first few moves are easy, but as the game progresses, it gets a lot more complicated. You'll find yourself rearranging everything just to get the last few squares in place.

This version of the game has a timer for up to 23 hours, 59 minutes, 59 seconds, and a chicken switch. It also automatically checks for the winning order and allows you to go back to the puzzle the way you left it or reset it to the beginning arrangement.

When you start the game, you're asked if you wish to set a time limit. If you answer Y for yes, enter the time limit in one line with no spaces or punctuation between the values. For example, for a 1-hour, 23-minute limit, enter 012300.

Next, enter the goal order. This will be the order that you will try to match to win the game. When this is done, the upper half of the screen will clear, and the puzzle will appear. A moment later, the message !GO! will flash on the screen, along with a tone. The controls for moving the squares are as follows:

@ up
?/ down
= right
: left



A game is just underway in the TI version of "Mosaic Puzzle."

If you succeed in getting the squares in the goal order, the message YOU WIN! appears on the screen, accompanied by a short tune and the elapsed time. If the time runs out before you are finished, you'll hear an unpleasant sound. If you want to stop the game, press RETURN and the screen will display the elapsed time. You can then restart the game, either as you left it or reset, by hitting RETURN a second time.

Below is a brief description of the program as originally written on the VIC.

Line 1 sets the limit of memory at 7600. This gives a place to store the image of the puzzle.

Lines 2-5 define variables. Note that S, SC, and SS are defined in two consecutive lines. This is done because there are two possible entry points when restarting the game.

Lines 10-66 GET the time limit.

Lines 70-290 GET the goal order and make sure that no number is entered more than once.

Lines 300-365 put the puzzle on the screen, either from the data table or from memory, then

print the go message and start the timer.

Lines 360-560 check the timer, move the number squares, and check for the winning order.

Lines 570-710 print the winning or losing message, display the elapsed time, and play the sound effects.

Lines 720-740 save the position of the blank square, then clear the variables and reset the game.

Lines 745-790 are the DATA statements for the puzzle's beginning order and the winning tune.

Program 1: Mosaic Puzzle - VIC Version

BEGINNING PROGRAMMERS
If you're new to computing, please read "How To Type COMPUTE!'s Programs" and "A Beginner's Guide To Typing In Programs."

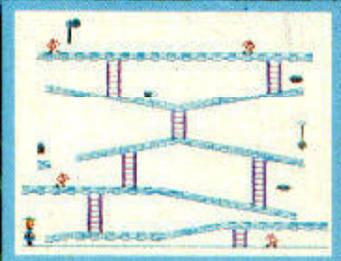
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1 POKE55,176:POKE56,29:CLR
2 S=7845:SC=38565:SS=7603:GOTO4
3 SS=7603:S=PEEK(SS)*256+PEEK(SS+1):SC=S+
  30720
4 DIMA$(16)
5 PRINT"{CLR}":G=8018:X=0:DX=1:P=38738:V=
  36878:S1=36876:S2=36877:POKEV,15
10 PRINT"TIME LIMIT? {RVS}{GRN}Y{OFF}
  {RVS}{PUR}N{OFF}{BLU}"
20 GETA$:IFA$=""THEN20
30 IFA$<"N"ORA$>"Y"THEN20
40 IFA$->"O"ANDA$<-"X"THEN20
50 IFA$="N"THEN70
60 PRINT"{CLR}":INPUT"HRS:MINS:SEC":T$:H=
  1:IFLEN(T$)<>6THEN60
62 IFLEFT$(T$,2)>"23"ORLEFT$(T$,2)<"0"THE
  N60
64 IFMID$(T$,3,2)>"59"ORMID$(T$,3,2)<"0"TH
  EN60
66 IFRIGHT$(T$,2)>"59"ORKRIGHT$(T$,2)<"0"TH
  EN60
70 PRINT"{CLR}"TAB(24)"TYPE IN GOAL ORDER
  "
80 PRINT"{DOWN}{3 SPACES}1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
  {SPACE}9"SPC(8)"A B C D E F {RVS}S
  {OFF}"TAB(49)"IN ANY ORDER"
90 PRINTTAB(118)"GOAL"TAB(30)"[4 Y]"
100 FORK=0TO3:POKE7996+K,100:POKE8106+K,9
  9:POKE38716+K,0:POKE38826+K,0:NEXTK
110 FORK=22TO88STEP22:POKE7995+K,103:POKE
  8000+K,101:POKE38715+K,0:POKE38720+K,
  0:NEXTK
130 FORI=1TO16STEP1
140 GETA$(I):IFA$(I)=""THEN140
150 FORL=I-1TO0STEP-1:IFA$(I)=A$(L)THEN14
  0
160 NEXTL
165 IFA$(I)="S"THEN190
170 IFA$(I)<="0"ORA$(I)=>"G"THEN140
180 IFA$(I)=>":ANDA$(I)<="@"THEN140
190 B=VAL(A$(I)):C=B+48:IFB=0THEN220
200 POKE38467+2*B,7:POKEG+X,C:POKEP+X,0:X
  =X+DX:IFX=4THENG=G+22:P=P+22:X=0
210 NEXTI:IFI=17THEN300
220 IFA$(I)="A"THENB=1
230 IFA$(I)="B"THENB=2
240 IFA$(I)="C"THENB=3
250 IFA$(I)="D"THENB=4
260 IFA$(I)="E"THENB=5
270 IFA$(I)="F"THENB=6
272 B2=B
275 IFA$(I)="S"THENB=7:B2=32
280 POKE38492+2*B,7:POKEG+X,B2:POKEP+X,0:
  X=X+DX:IFX=4THENG=G+22:P=P+22:X=0
290 NEXTI
300 FORR=0TO132:POKE7702+R,32:POKE38422+R
  ,1:NEXTR
310 PRINT"{HOME}"TAB(29)"PUZZLE"TAB(29)"
  [6 Y]"
320 FORK=0TO3:POKE7754+K,100:POKE38474+K,
  0:POKE7864+K,99:POKE38564+K,0:NEXTK
330 FORK=22TO88STEP22:POKE7753+K,103:POKE
  38473+K,0:POKE7758+K,101:POKE38478+K,
  0:NEXTK
335 IFP1=0THEN340
336 FORK=0TO66STEP22:FORJ=0TO3:POKE7776+J
  +K,PEEK(7605+J+K)
337 POKE38496+J+K,PEEK(7609+J+K):NEXTJ:NE
  XTK:GOTO352
340 READA,B,C:IFA=-1THEN355
350 POKE7776+A,B:POKE38496+A,C:GOTO340
352 READA,B,C:IFA=-1THEN355
353 GOTO352
355 FORT=1TO1500:NEXT
360 POKES1,235:POKEV,15:PRINT"{HOME}"TAB(
  228)"{RVS}{RED}!GO!{OFF}{BLU}"
365 FORT=1TO500:NEXT:PRINT"{HOME}"TAB(228
  )" {4 SPACES}":POKES1,0:TI$="000000"
370 IFH<>1THEN380
375 IFT$<=TI$THENT$=TI$:GOTO600
380 GETB$:IFB$=""THEN370
390 D=ASC(B$):ON-(D=47)-2*(D=58)-3*(D=61)
  -4*(D=64)-5*(D=13)GOTO410,440,470,500
  ,620
400 GOTO370
410 IFPEEK(S-22)=100THEN370
420 POKES,PEEK(S-22):POKESC,PEEK(SC-22):P
  OKES-22,32:POKESC-22,1:S=S-22:SC=SC-2
  2
430 GOSUB530:GOTO370
440 IFPEEK(S+1)=101THEN370
450 POKES,PEEK(S+1):POKESC,PEEK(SC+1):POK
  ES+1,32:POKESC+1,1:S=S+1:SC=SC+1
460 GOSUB530:GOTO370
470 IFPEEK(S-1)=103THEN370
480 POKES,PEEK(S-1):POKESC,PEEK(SC-1):POK
  ES-1,32:POKESC-1,1:S=S-1:SC=SC-1
490 GOSUB530:GOTO370
500 IFPEEK(S+22)=99THEN370
510 POKES,PEEK(S+22):POKESC,PEEK(SC+22):P
  OKES+22,32:POKESC+22,1:S=S+22:SC=SC+2
  2
520 GOSUB530:GOTO370
530 FORM=0TO66STEP22:FORN=0TO3STEP1
540 W=PEEK(7776+M+N):IFW-128>0THENW=W-128
550 IFW<>PEEK(8018+M+N)THENRETURN
560 NEXTN:NEXTM
570 T$=TI$:PRINT"{HOME}"TAB(226)"{RVS}
  {YEL}YOU WIN!{OFF}{BLU}"
580 READN,D:IFN=-1THEN620
585 POKES1,N:FORT=1TOD:NEXT:GOTO580
600 PRINT"{HOME}"TAB(225)"{RVS}{GRN}!YOU
  {SPACE}LOSE!{OFF}{BLU}":POKES2,135:POK
  ES1,128:FORT=1TO500:NEXT
610 POKES2,0:POKES1,0
620 T$=TI$:FORK=0TO66STEP22:FORJ=0TO3:POK
  E7605+K+J,PEEK(7776+K+J)
630 POKE7609+K+J,PEEK(38496+K+J):NEXTJ:NE
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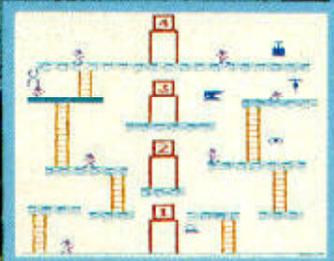


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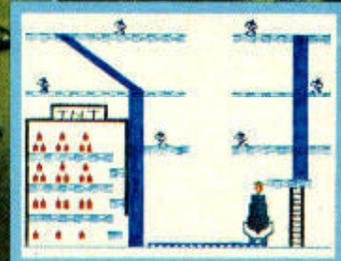
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TI-99/4A Notes

Rick Rothstein

The TI-99-4A version of "Mosaic Puzzle" requires Extended BASIC. In this version, you have the option of requesting either letters (A-O) or numbers (1-15) within a 4-by-4 frame. When you have entered your choice, the game board with its lettered or numbered blocks appears in a scrambled order. The object of the game is to slide the blocks about, one at a time, to bring them to one of several preselected patterns. Some patterns that you can try to duplicate are given in the table.

Move the lettered or numbered blocks around the game board with a joystick or the keyboard (E, S, D, and X keys). You actually have a choice of moving either the free space (hole) or the labeled blocks. The game is initially set to move the free space, but by pressing I (note the appearance of the left-right arrow symbol in the lower-left corner of the screen), you can move the labeled blocks.

Each move that you make is tallied, and the total number of moves is given at the bottom of the screen. Moves are normally accompanied by a sliding noise (notice the note symbol at the lower-right corner of the screen). If this noise becomes annoying, press N and the noise will cease (the note will also disappear).

At certain times during the game, you may wish to retrace your previous moves. Press - (minus sign) or hit the fire button to step back through each preceding move.

With this option, a maximum of 250 moves can be recalled.

Once you've achieved the desired preselected pattern from its scrambled beginnings, you can restore the original game board pattern by pressing FCTN (REDO) and challenge yourself or others to beat your tally.

Other options available to you during the game are:

Keystroke	Description
FCTN (BACK)	Returns to the letter or number option menu
FCTN (BEGIN)	Starts a new game
FCTN (ERASE)	Ends the program

Possible Patterns For Puzzle, TI Version

1 2 3 4	1 5 9 13	7 8 9 10
5 6 7 8	2 6 10 14	6 1 2 11
9 10 11 12	3 7 11 15	5 4 3 12
13 14 15	4 8 12	15 14 13
Horizontal	Vertical	Spiral
1 2 3 4	12 2 1 15	A B C D
12 13 14 5	7 9 10 4	E F G H
11 15 6	11 5 6 8	I J K L
10 9 8 7	14 13 3	M N O
Peripheral	Adds To Thirty	Horizontal
A E I M	G H I J	A B C D
B F J N	F A B K	L M N E
C G K O	E D C L	K O F
D H L	O N M	J I H G
Vertical	Spiral	Peripheral
F O G	E L F	
B I N D	J A M B	
H E L M	D O C K	
J A C K	N I G H	
Words(1)	Words(2)	

```

- VERT THEN 590 ELSE IF K=69+VERT
T OR K=101+VERT THEN 630
470 IF K=6 THEN CALL HCHAR(24,4,32,
26):: GOSUB 890 :: GOTO 380 ELS
E IF K=7 THEN 700
480 IF K=15 THEN CALL DELSPRITE(ALL
):: GOTO 200 ELSE IF K=14 THEN
CALL HCHAR(24,4,32,26):: GOTO 34
0 ELSE IF ST=-1 THEN 420
490 IF K=78 OR K=110 THEN NO=1-NO :
: FR=153+NO*30000 :: CALL HCHAR
(24,30,39-7*NO):: GOTO 420
500 IF K=73 OR K=105 THEN HORZ=15-H
ORZ :: VERT=19-VERT :: DIR=1-DI
R :: CALL HCHAR(24,3,32+6*DIR) :
: GOTO 420 ELSE 410
510 IF SP=1 OR SP=5 OR SP=9 OR SP=1
3 THEN 410 FIF SP=SP-1 :: CALL
POSITION(#TILE(SP),ROW,COL)::
CALL SOUND(4000,FR,14*NO)
520 IF MINUS=0 THEN MOVE$="L"&MOVE$
FIF MINUS=0

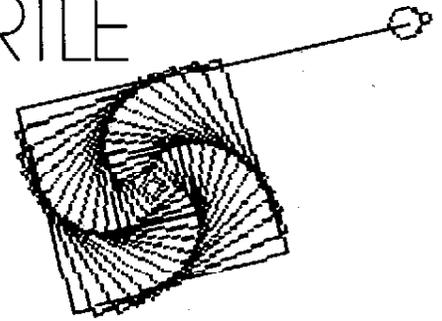
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530 FOR I=COL TO COL+34 STEP 2 :: C
ALL LOCATE(#TILE(SP),ROW,I):: N
EXT I
540 TILE(SP+1)=TILE(SP):: TILE(SP)=
16 :: CALL SOUND(-1,FR,30):: GO
TO 690
550 IF SP=4 OR SP=8 OR SP=12 OR SP=
16 THEN 410 ELSE SP=SP+1 :: CAL
L POSITION(#TILE(SP),ROW,COL)::
CALL SOUND(4000,FR,14*NO)
560 IF MINUS=0 THEN MOVE$="R"&MOVE$
ELSE MINUS=0
570 FOR I=COL TO COL-34 STEP -2 ::
CALL LOCATE(#TILE(SP),ROW,I)::
NEXT I
580 TILE(SP-1)=TILE(SP):: TILE(SP)=
16 :: CALL SOUND(-1,FR,30):: GO
TO 690
590 IF SP>12 THEN 410 ELSE SP=SP+4
:: CALL POSITION(#TILE(SP),ROW,
COL):: CALL SOUND(4000,FR,14*NO
)

```


FRIENDS OF THE TURTLE



David D Thornburg, Associate Editor

Ed Emberley's Drawing Procedures

Part of the appeal of turtle graphics is that it allows complex pictures to be built from simple building blocks. This feature arises from the fact that each shape description or procedure describes the shape itself, independently of its starting point or orientation. For example, once a square is defined with the procedure:

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TO SQUARE :SIZE
  REPEAT 4 [FORWARD :SIZE RIGHT 90]
END
```

the computer can use this procedure to create a square of any size at any starting location and orientation.

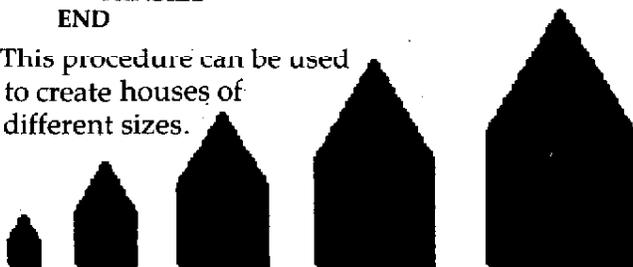
If the user has built up a set of useful geometric procedures, these can be combined to create more complex figures. If one also has a procedure for drawing triangles:

```
TO TRI :SIZE
  REPEAT 3 [FORWARD :SIZE RIGHT 120]
END
```

then a procedure for drawing a house can be created from a combination of a square and a triangle:

```
TO HOUSE :SIZE
  SQUARE :SIZE
  FORWARD :SIZE RIGHT 30
  TRI :SIZE
END
```

This procedure can be used to create houses of different sizes.



Many turtle graphics enthusiasts create libraries of basic figures from which quite interesting pictures can be created.

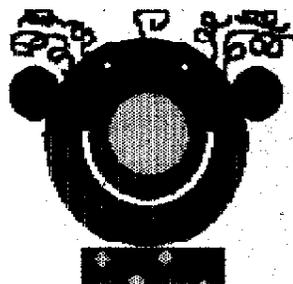
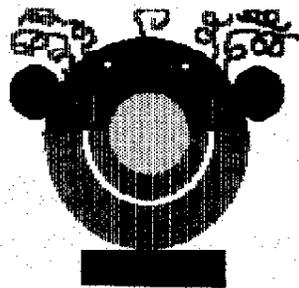
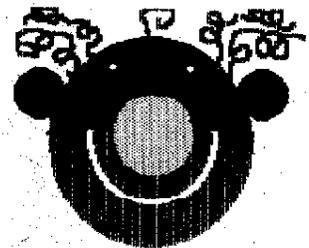
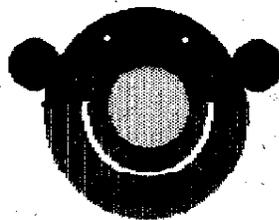
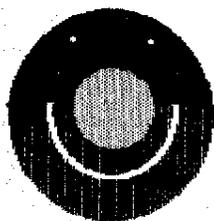
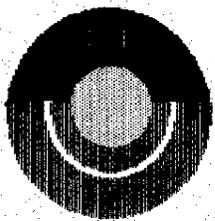
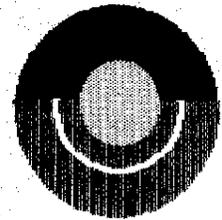
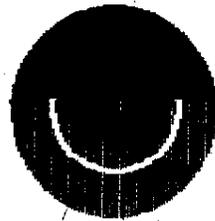
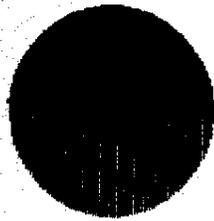
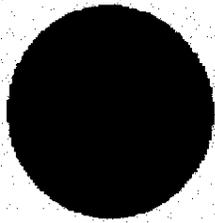
As an active proponent of turtle graphics and procedural problem-solving, I was delighted to find Ed Emberley's independent discoveries along these lines.

Ed Emberley has written several books on illustration for children. His books of particular interest to readers of this column would include: *Ed Emberley's Drawing Book of Animals*, *Ed Emberley's Drawing Book*, *Make a World*, *Ed Emberley's Big Orange Drawing Book*, and *Ed Emberley's Big Purple Drawing Book* (all published by Little, Brown and Co.).

Mr. Emberley's illustration technique is built on the idea that, just as words are created from an alphabet of letters, pictures can be created from an alphabet of shapes. He shows how to create myriad figures using circles, rectangles, arcs, lines, triangles, and other simple pieces. By building the figure piece by piece, the young artist is never overwhelmed by trying to deal with the whole figure at once. The following series of illustrations (courtesy of Mr. Emberley) shows how one can create a clown's head almost entirely from circles and circle parts.

If you were to create this figure using turtle graphics procedures, you would need only procedures for a circle, an arc, a rectangle, and the squiggles for the hair.

Ed Emberley does not normally use a computer to create his illustrations. The clown figures shown on the next page are a happy exception to that, as he created them on an Apple computer using the KoalaPad touch tablet with the Micro



Illustrator software. I am encouraging him to use Logo also to see how he likes it.

Just as Mr. Emberley's books can be a source of inspiration to those of us who build pictures using turtle graphics, they can also be wonderful tools for teaching procedural problem-solving for teaching people how to solve larger problems by breaking them into bite-sized chunks. For this reason I encourage the use of his drawing books by teachers of computer programming. Not only are the children learning to solve problems with procedures, but they are also learning how to create charming illustrations at the same time.

I created the next figure myself to show that almost *anyone* can learn to make pictures in this manner.



For those of us who have been in the field a long time, the discovery of Mr. Emberley's excellent contributions is refreshing. Clearly, he is a Friend of the Turtle!

Runway 180

Using Sprites In TI Extended BASIC

James Dunn

The efficient, remarkable sprite-handling ability of TI Extended BASIC is clearly evident in this game. The author discusses creating sprites and explores sprite manipulation. There are several valuable pointers here for those interested in graphics, animation, or game programming on the TI.



Your plane is on final approach. "Runway 180," TI version.

Using Sprites In TI Extended BASIC

One of the biggest problems in designing an arcade-type game in BASIC is that BASIC can move only one character at a time, usually slowly and usually not very smoothly. Ideally, we need the ability to move an object independently of the operation of the main program. Once set in motion, the object would continue in motion until acted upon by a new command from the main program. Sprites accomplish this.

Although a sprite is a type of subprogram that runs concurrently with a main program, the main program first must create the sprite, define its shape, and set it in motion. A sprite then continues its motion without requiring continuous control from the main program, except that the main program may at any time test the sprite for position, change the color or pattern, delete, or change its motion.

Included in TI-99/4A Extended BASIC are 11 commands to control sprites: CALL COLOR, CALL CHAR, CALL SPRITE, CALL PATTERN,

CALL MAGNIFY, CALL MOTION, CALL POSITION, CALL LOCATE, CALL DISTANCE, CALL COINC, and CALL DELSPRITE. To illustrate the use of these commands, we'll look at an airplane landing game, "Runway 180." Try some examples for yourself to get a feel for sprite programming.

Creating Sprites

Certain considerations must be taken into account before sprites are created. If a special graphics character is to be used

for the sprite, the character must be created by use of CALL CHAR. For example, in the game there are three special characters defined for the aircraft. One is with the wheels up (lines 430-460), one is with the wheels down (lines 510-540), and one is debris after a crash (lines 550-580).

To create a special character, it is necessary to redefine an existing standard character. The standard characters correspond to the numbers 30 through 143 (part of what's called the ASCII number code). The new pattern is created by using CALL CHAR and is referenced by its ASCII number.

Before we choose which ASCII number to use, we must examine some other factors. CALL MAGNIFY can enlarge a sprite to one of four magnification factors. Factor four is used in the game (line 630). This enlarges the sprites to double-size pixels and uses a block of four

sequential characters. The ASCII number used to define the sprite must be evenly divisible by four and represents the upper-left character in the block of four. The next three ASCII numbers represent the lower-left, upper-right, and lower-right characters respectively in the block of four.

The sprite may be colored independently of the other characters in the same character set. In addition, the sprite with the lower sprite number (this is a different number than the ASCII number) will pass in front of (that is, *over*) the higher numbered sprite. Since the aircraft should pass in front of the tower, it should have a lower sprite number for each of its three configurations (line 610).

To set up a list of sprites, first number the lines on a sheet of paper from 30 to 143. Then, beside each number, write what set it belongs to (set 0 to 14). Since you may want to use letters or numbers in a screen display at the same time, mark out ASCII numbers 48 through 57 and 65 through 90. The remaining ASCII numbers can be used to define special characters for graphics and sprites.

For sprites, using CALL MAGNIFY (4), select four sequential numbers starting at one of the numbers evenly divided by four. Now you are ready to use CALL SPRITE.

CALL CLEAR will not remove a sprite from the screen. To completely clear the screen, you must also use CALL DELSPRITE (line 1350).

Sprites In Motion

Now that the sprite has been created, there are two ways of moving it around the screen. Let's call these two methods *absolute* and *relative*. The absolute method uses exact row and column positions via the CALL LOCATE command. The relative method uses row and column motion values via the CALL MOTION command.

The absolute method uses a loop with CALL JOYST to increment row and column variables, and then a CALL LOCATE to move the sprite one step each time the loop is executed. This is analogous to nonsprite methods of animation. The drawback in using this method is that the sprite does not move independently; the main program causes the move. A modified form of this method is used for the stall subroutine (line 1470) and the new approach routine (line 1380).

The relative method is similar, using a loop with CALL JOYST to increment row and column *motion* variables which are used in a CALL MOTION command. This allows the sprites to continue moving independently of the main program. By this method, the runway stripe is moved horizontally only (line 680) and the aircraft vertically only (also line 680).

The sprite's shape may be changed anytime during the program by using CALL PATTERN to

substitute a different ASCII character number and therefore a different pattern. When the fire button is depressed (line 1130), the aircraft landing gear comes down (line 1190). The pattern is changed again if the aircraft crashes (line 1720).

Testing For Game Conditions

During the operation of the program, it may become necessary to test for certain conditions. For example, we see if the aircraft has touched down on the runway (line 690), if the tower has reached the left side of the screen (line 700), or if the aircraft is going off the top of the screen (line 710). CALL COINC is used to test for these conditions.

However, there is a problem with this method. Since the main program tests for coincidence only when CALL COINC is executed and since the sprite moves independently of the main program, it is quite possible to miss an exact coincidence when it occurs. For this reason a tolerance factor is included in CALL COINC. So the test is really for a range of + or - tolerance. If the tolerance is too large, coincidence can be returned too early. If the tolerance is too small, coincidence can be missed altogether. How large the tolerance should be depends upon two things: the speed of the sprite and the speed of the loop which is testing for coincidence.

The test for the tower reaching the left side of the screen is in both the main loop (line 700) and the stall loop (line 1480). The tolerance in the stall loop is much smaller because the execution speed is so fast and the sprite moves so slowly that coincidence is actually read twice before the sprite leaves the tolerance range. Trial and error is the only way to find out how large the tolerance should be.

However, after programming this game, it is obvious that very fast-moving sprites will require tolerance ranges that will make arcade-style, fast-action games nearly impossible in Extended BASIC. The problem is that the coincidence test is executed from the main program. If it were part of the sprite subprogram instead, it would be possible to keep the tolerance very small.

CALL POSITION and CALL DISTANCE both suffer from the same problem as CALL COINC. By the time a position or distance can be computed and returned to the main program, the sprite has moved elsewhere. But it is possible to stop the sprite by using a CALL MOTION before using CALL POSITION or CALL DISTANCE (line 1330), then to restart whatever motion is required.

Despite a few shortcomings, the sprite capabilities in Extended BASIC are remarkable. For true arcade-type play, machine language is still necessary, but Extended BASIC sprites will carry the programmer a lot closer to this goal.

Runway 180

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130 CALL CLEAR :: CALL SCREEN(5)::
    CALL COLOR(1,16,1,2,16,1,3,16,1
    .4,16,1,5,16,1,6,16,1,7,16,1,8,
    16,1)
140 DISPLAY AT(10,9):USING "RUNWAY
180"
150 FOR B=0 TO 30 STEP 2 :: CALL SO
UND(-10,110,30,110,30,2500,30,-
8,B):: CALL SOUND(-10,110,30,11
0,30,4000,30,-8,B):: NEXT B
160 CALL CLEAR :: DISPLAY AT(10,9):
USING "PRESS" :: DISPLAY AT(12,
9):USING "I-FOR INSTRUCTIONS"
170 DISPLAY AT(14,14):USING "OR" ::
    DISPLAY AT(16,9):USING "G-FOR
    GAME"
180 CALL KEY(0,K,S):: IF S<>1 THEN
180
190 IF K=71 THEN 330
200 IF K=73 THEN 220
210 PRINT "ALPHA LOCK MUST BE ON" :
: PRINT :: PRINT "TRY AGAIN" ::
    FOR DELAY=1 TO 200 :: NEXT DEL
    AY :: GOTO 160
220 CALL CLEAR :: PRINT "YOU ARE PI
LOTING A JET" :: PRINT :: PRINT
"AIRCRAFT WHICH HAS BEEN " ::
    PRINT :: PRINT "CLEARED TO LAND
    ON": :
230 PRINT "RUNWAY 180." :: PRINT ::
    PRINT :: GOSUB 310
240 CALL CLEAR :: PRINT "USE YOUR J
OYSTICK TO CONTROL" :: PRINT ::
    PRINT "SINK RATE AND AIRSPEED.
    " : :
243 PRINT "JOYSTICK CONTROL-" :: PR
INT
245 PRINT "LEFT: ACCELERATE" :: PRI
NT "RIGHT: BRAKE" :: PRINT "UP:
    DECREASE SINK RATE"
247 PRINT "DOWN: INCREASE SINK RATE
    " :: PRINT
250 PRINT "FIREBUTTON CONTROLS LAND
ING" :: PRINT :: PRINT "GEAR."
:: PRINT :: PRINT :: GOSUB 310
:: CALL CLEAR
260 PRINT "TO RECOVER FROM A STALL"
:: PRINT :: PRINT "INCREASE AI
RSPEED ABOVE 60." :: PRINT ::
    PRINT "IF YOU CANNOT STOP BEFO
    RE": :
270 PRINT "TOWER REACHES LEFT SIDE
OF" :: PRINT :: PRINT "SCREEN,
    INCREASE AIRSPEED" :: PRINT
280 PRINT "TO 60 AND LIFT OFF FOR "
:: PRINT :: PRINT "ANOTHER PAS
S." :: PRINT :: PRINT :: GOSUB
310 :: CALL CLEAR
290 PRINT "YOU MAY HAVE FOUR PASSES
    " :: PRINT :: PRINT "AT THE RUN
    WAY....." :: PRINT :: PRINT "BE
    WARE OF THE WIND SHIFTS!" :: PR
    INT :: PRINT
300 PRINT "GOOD LUCK!!!!" :: PRINT
:: PRINT :: PRINT :: PRINT :: G
    OSUB 310 :: GO TO 330
310 PRINT :: DISPLAY AT(24,1):USING
    "HIT ANY KEY TO CONTINUE"
320 CALL KEY(0,R0,S0):: IF S0<>1 TH
EN 320 ELSE RETURN
330 A1=1
340 REM INITIALIZE
350 A=0 :: B=-75 :: L0=0 :: CALL GO
REEN(2)
360 CALL CLEAR :: CALL CHAR(33,"FFF
FFFFFFFFFFFFFFF"):: CALL COLOR(1,
8,1)
370 LC=0 :: FOR Z=1 TO 16 :: CALL H
CHAR(Z,1,33,32):: NEXT Z
380 CALL CHAR(42,"FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF")
:: CALL COLOR(2,13,1)
390 FOR Z=17 TO 20 :: CALL HCHAR(Z,
1,42,32):: NEXT Z
400 RANDOMIZE
410 REM DEF CHAR
420 CALL CHAR(96,"00000000FFFFFFFF
FFFFFFFF00000000000000000000FFFF
FFFFFFFF")
430 CALL CHAR(120,"0030181C3F1F0700
")
440 CALL CHAR(121,"000000")
450 CALL CHAR(122,"00000000FCFF8000
")
460 CALL CHAR(123,"00000000")
470 CALL CHAR(104,"00000000071F151F
")
480 CALL CHAR(105,"0203030203030203
")
490 CALL CHAR(106,"0000B0B0E0FB8FB8
")
500 CALL CHAR(107,"C040C0C040C0C0C0
")
510 CALL CHAR(124,"0030181C3F1F0705
0000")
520 CALL CHAR(126,"00000000FCFF8884
0000")
530 CALL CHAR(125,"00000000")
540 CALL CHAR(127,"00000000")
550 CALL CHAR(128,"00000000021F3B00
")
560 CALL CHAR(129,"000000000E56C300
")
570 CALL CHAR(130,"00000000")
580 CALL CHAR(131,"00000000")
590 REM DRAW DISPLAY
600 CALL SPRITE(#1,96,2,180,1,0,B):
: CALL COLOR(#1,16)
610 CALL SPRITE(#2,120,2,10,245,A,0
):: CALL COLOR(#2,7)
620 CALL SPRITE(#3,104,2,110,250,0,
-2)
630 CALL MAGNIFY(4)
640 FOR C5=1 TO 40 :: CALL LOCATE(#
2,10,C5):: NEXT C5 :: GOSUB 870
650 REM MAIN LOOP
660 GOSUB 1120 :: GOSUB 890
670 IF J=0 THEN 690
680 CALL MOTION(#1,0,B,#2,A,0)
690 CALL COINC(#2,170,40,9,T)
700 CALL COINC(#3,110,1,4,DA)
710 CALL COINC(#2,240,40,9,E):: IF
E=-1 THEN A=1 :: GOSUB 890 :: G
    OTO 680
720 IF DA=-1 THEN 1320
730 IF T<>-1 THEN 660
740 CALL MOTION(#2,0,0)
750 IF A>1 THEN GOSUB 920 :: GOSUB

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940 :: GOTO 1660
760 IF LG=0 THEN 1660
770 GOTO 1760
780 REM UPDATE DISPLAY
790 IMAGE SINK RATE: ###
800 IMAGE RUNWAY ENDS ### YDS
810 IMAGE AIRSPEED: ###
820 IMAGE TOUCH DOWN
830 IMAGE SINK RATE TOO HIGH
840 IMAGE AIRSPEED TOO HIGH
850 IMAGE CRASH LANDING
860 IMAGE STALL WARNING!
870 DISPLAY AT(1,10)SIZE(20):USING
"ATTEMPT NO. #":A1
880 RETURN
890 DISPLAY AT(3,10)SIZE(20):USING
790:A
900 DISPLAY AT(5,10)SIZE(20):USING
810:-B
910 RETURN
920 DISPLAY AT(7,5)SIZE(20):USING 8
30
930 RETURN
940 DISPLAY AT(7,5)SIZE(20)BEEP:USI
NG 840
950 DISPLAY AT(9,5)SIZE(20):USING "
BOUNCE" :: RETURN
960 DISPLAY AT(9,5)SIZE(20):USING 8
50
970 RETURN
980 CALL HCHAR(7,5,33,27):: DISPLAY
AT(9,5)SIZE(20):USING 820
990 RETURN
1000 DISPLAY AT(9,5)SIZE(20):USING
"WARNING "
1010 DISPLAY AT(11,5)SIZE(20):USING
800:RE
1020 RETURN
1030 CALL HCHAR(7,5,33,27):: RETURN
1040 CALL HCHAR(9,5,33,27):: RETURN
1050 CALL HCHAR(11,5,33,27):: RETUR
N
1060 DISPLAY AT(9,5)SIZE(20):USING
"LIFT OFF" :: CALL HCHAR(11,5,
33,27):: RETURN
1070 DISPLAY AT(3,10):USING "END OF
RUNWAY " :: DISPLAY AT(5,10):
USING "NEW APPROACH" :: DISPLA
Y AT(7,10):USING "NECESSARY"
1080 RETURN
1090 PRINT "THAT'S 5 PASSES AT THE"
:: PRINT :: PRINT "RUNWAY. TU
RN IN YOUR" :: PRINT :: PRINT
"PILOT LICENSE AND PUT" ::
1100 PRINT "SOMEONE ELSE IN THE" ::
PRINT :: PRINT "COCKPIT" :: P
RINT :: RETURN
1110 DISPLAY AT(7,9)BEEP SIZE(20):U
SING 860 :: RETURN
1120 REM JOYST/ LANDING GEAR
1130 CALL KEY(1,RV,ST):: IF RV=18 A
ND LG=0 THEN 1190
1140 CALL JOYST(1,X,Y):: IF X=0 AND
Y=0 THEN GOSUB 1210 :: RETURN
1150 A=A-Y/4 :: B=B+X/4
1160 IF ABS(A)>127 THEN A=127*SGN(A
)
1170 IF B>-50 THEN 1430
1180 J-1 :: RETURN
1190 CALL PATTERN(#2,124)
1200 A=A+3 :: B=B+20 :: LG=1 :: GOT
O 1160
1210 REM COMPLICATIONS
1220 CP=INT(RND*16)
1230 IF CP=1 THEN B=B-1 :: GOTO 130
0
1240 IF CP=6 THEN B=B+1 :: GOTO 130
0
1250 IF CP=10 THEN A=A-1 :: GOTO 12
80
1260 IF CP=15 THEN A=A+1 :: GOTO 12
80
1270 J=0 :: RETURN
1280 IF ABS(A)>127 THEN A=127*SGN(A
)
1290 GOTO 1310
1300 IF B<-127 THEN B=-127
1310 J=1 :: RETURN
1320 REM NEW APPROACH
1330 CALL MOTION(#2,0,0):: CALL POS
ITION(#2,R4,C4)
1340 IF A1>4 THEN 1400
1350 CALL DELSPRITE(#1,#3):: CALL C
LEAR
1360 GOSUB 1070
1370 CALL PATTERN(#2,120)
1380 FOR X=C4 TO 255 :: CALL LOCATE
(#2,INT(R4),X):: R4=R4-(R4/(25
5-C4)):: NEXT X
1390 A1-A1+1 :: GOTO 340
1400 CALL DELSPRITE(ALL):: CALL CLE
AR
1410 GOSUB 1090
1420 FOR DELAY=1 TO 900 :: NEXT DEL
AY :: GOTO 1970
1430 REM STALL
1440 GOSUB 1110
1450 CALL MOTION(#2,0,0)
1460 CALL POSITION(#2,SR,SC)
1470 CALL LOCATE(#2,SR,SC)
1480 CALL COINC(#2,170,40,2,T)
1490 CALL COINC(#3,110,1,2,DE):: IF
DE=-1 THEN A1=A1+1 :: GOSUB 8
70 :: IF A1>4 THEN 1400
1500 IF T=-1 THEN 1660
1510 SR=SR+4
1520 CALL KEY(1,RV,ST)
1530 IF RV=18 AND LG=1 THEN 1410
1540 CALL JOYST(1,X,Y):: IF X=0 AND
Y=0 THEN 1470
1550 B=B+X/4
1560 REM
1570 IF B<-60 THEN 1640
1580 CALL MOTION(#1,0,B)
1590 GOSUB 890
1600 GOTO 1470
1610 CALL PATTERN(#2,120)
1620 A=A-3 :: B=B-22 :: LG=0
1630 GOTO 1560
1640 GOSUB 1030
1650 RETURN
1660 REM CRASH
1670 CALL MOTION(#1,0,0,#2,0,0,#3,0
,0,#4,0,0)
1680 CALL SOUND(1000,-7,0)
1690 FOR P=1 TO 10
1700 CALL SCREEN(2)

```

```

1710 CALL SCREEN(14):: NEXT P :: CA
LL SCREEN(2)
1720 CALL PATTERN(#2,128)
1730 FOR DELAY=1 TO 400 :: NEXT DEL
AY
1740 CALL DELSPRITE(ALL)
1750 GOTO 1970
1760 REM TOUCHDOWN/BRAKE/T&G
1770 GOSUB 980 :: IF B<-33 THEN 194
0
1780 CALL JOYST(1,X,Y):: B=B+X/2
1790 IF B>-1 THEN 1880
1800 CALL MOTION(#1,0,B)
1810 CALL COINC(#3,110,1,4,DA)
1820 IF DA=-1 THEN RE=0 :: GOSUB 10
10 :: GOTO 1660
1830 CALL DISTANCE(#3,110,1,RQ)
1840 RE=INT(SQR(RQ)):: GOSUB 1000 :
: GOSUB 900
1850 CALL KEY(1,RV,ST):: IF RV=10 A
ND B<-60 THEN GOSUB 1060 :: A=
A-2 :: GOTO 187
0
1860 GOTO 1780
1870 CALL MOTION(#2,A,0):: FOR DELA
Y=1 TO 200 :: NEXT DELAY :: GO
TO 650
1880 REM SCORING
1890 CALL MOTION(#1,0,0,#2,0,0,#3,0
,0,#4,0,0)
1900 CALL DELSPRITE(ALL):: CALL CLE
AR
1910 PRINT "CONGRATULATIONS !": :
1920 PRINT "YOUR SCORE IS :";(RE/A1

```

```

) *10: :
1930 GOTO 1990
1940 A=A-2 :: CALL MOTION(#2,A,0)::
GOSUB 940
1950 FOR DELAY=1 TO 20 :: NEXT DELA
Y
1960 A=A+2 :: GOSUB 1030 :: GOSUB 1
040 :: GOTO 650
1970 REM PLAY AGAIN
1980 CALL CLEAR
1990 PRINT "PLAY AGAIN (Y/N)?"
2000 CALL KEY(2,RV,SV)
2010 IF SV=0 THEN 2000
2020 IF RV=15 THEN 2050
2030 IF RV=18 THEN 330
2040 GOTO 1990
2050 END

```

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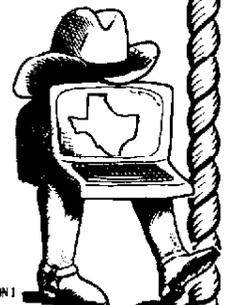
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For those of you who prefer not to write your own programs, the TI *Music Maker* command module is available. Here's a quick review. You may compose music by choosing various types of notes or rests (quarter, eighth, half, etc.) and placing them on the staff. Choose notes for accompaniment if you wish. Build a song a measure at a time. The computer makes sure the timing works out correctly. Oh yes, you can choose your key signature, time signature, and tempo. At any time you can play or edit your composition, then save it on cassette or disk if you like.

Another section of the module is made especially for nonmusicians. You may draw lines up and down the screen at different levels for a "sound graph," then hear the computer play relational tones. Add second and third voices if you wish. This command module is really quite versatile with many options and can help you learn about music.

CALL SOUND

To program your own music on the TI, use the CALL SOUND statement. The basic form is

```
CALL SOUND(duration, frequency, volume)
```

The *duration* is a numeric expression (number, variable, or algebraic expression which will evaluate to a number) which is the number of milliseconds you wish to play the tone. For example, 1000 would be one second. The number may

be from 1 to 4250 or from -4250 to -1.

The *frequency* is a numeric expression that indicates what tone to play. The frequency is the cycles per second and may be from 110 to 44733, which is from low A on the bass staff to out-of-human-hearing range. The "Musical Tone Frequencies" table in the Appendix of the *User's Reference Guide* lists the musical notes with the corresponding frequencies. Note that you can specify numbers that are between the normal musical tones.

The *volume* is a numeric expression that indicates loudness. The volume may vary from 0 to 30, where 0 is the loudest. The volume also depends on the audio setting of your monitor or television, but you can control relative volumes of the tones with this parameter.

Try this command:

```
CALL SOUND(500, 440, 2)
```

The computer plays the tone of A (440) for 500 milliseconds (half a second) at a volume level of 2.

Now, if you want to tune your band instrument, just run this program.

```
100 CALL SOUND(4250, 440, 0)  
110 GOTO 100
```

You may specify one, two, or three notes to be played in one CALL SOUND statement. Each statement has one duration, then a frequency with a volume for each note desired. Here is an example of the three notes in the C major chord:

```
CALL SOUND(1000, 262, 6, 330, 4, 392, 2)
```

The chord will play for 1000 milliseconds. The notes played are C at a volume 6, E at a volume 4, and G at a volume 2. Try a few chords with different frequency and volume numbers.

If you play a solo instrument, you might enjoy programming the computer to play the accompaniment chords. Tune your instrument with the computer, then you can play with the computer as your accompanist.

Using Sheet Music

If you use three tones in the CALL SOUND statement, they may be in any order. I like to use the first frequency and volume as the melody tone, then the second and third frequencies and volumes as the accompaniment tones. This way I can keep track of which number is the melody. Also, if I start to run out of memory in a piece, I can go back to the CALL SOUND statements and delete accompaniment tones by keeping only the first frequency and volume in each statement.

You may work from a copy of written music to try out the musical capabilities of the TI. The top note is usually the melody. You may choose any two notes written directly under the melody note for the accompaniment or the other two notes in your CALL SOUND statement. To emphasize the melody, use a louder volume for the melody note and softer volumes for the accompaniment notes. For example:

```
CALL SOUND(400,262,1,196,6,159,8)
```

If you have two CALL SOUND statements together which specify the same frequencies and volumes, the notes may sound like one long note rather than two separate notes. To make the notes sound distinct, just change the volume number for one of the notes:

```
300 CALL SOUND(200,262,2,196,6,165,8)
310 CALL SOUND(200,262,3,196,6,165,8)
```

To make a bass note sound tied or held while two different melody notes are played, keep the frequency and the volume numbers the same in both statements:

```
500 CALL SOUND(300,262,2,165,8)
510 CALL SOUND(300,330,2,165,8)
```

Other statements may be executed while a note is being played. You may define graphics, draw graphics, or make calculations between CALL SOUND statements. This feature allows you to have fun choreographing pictures with music to present a musical dramatization. You do need to experiment so you don't get too many statements between the music statements or there will be gaps in the music.

A note will keep playing for its specified duration, and the computer will execute statements until either the duration runs out or another CALL SOUND statement is encountered. If another CALL SOUND statement needs to be executed, the computer waits until the first duration is finished before starting the next sound. If you prefer to have the computer go ahead with the next sound statement, use a negative number for the second statement's duration. Here is an example.

```
100 CALL SOUND(200,392,2)
```

```
110 CALL SOUND(200,330,2)
120 CALL SOUND(200,262,2)
130 CALL SOUND(200,330,2)
140 CALL SOUND(400,392,2)
150 END
```

The computer starts with the tone of G and plays for 200 milliseconds. Next the tone of E plays for 200 milliseconds, then C for 200 milliseconds, then E for 200 milliseconds, then G for 400 milliseconds. During the last note the program will end, but the note will keep playing for the 400 milliseconds.

Now change to negative durations in lines 110-140:

```
100 CALL SOUND(200,392,2)
110 CALL SOUND(-200,330,2)
120 CALL SOUND(-200,262,2)
130 CALL SOUND(-200,330,2)
140 CALL SOUND(-400,392,2)
150 END
```

This time, the computer starts by playing G. As soon as the computer comes to line 110, a CALL SOUND statement with a negative duration, the computer immediately starts the new sound - no matter what the previous duration was. Line 140 starts the sound of G as soon as the computer comes to that statement, then continues the sound for 400 milliseconds since there is not a following sound statement with a negative duration. Try running these two programs to hear the difference.

A technique I like to use in programming music is to use a variable name for the duration, and specify the numeric value of that duration variable near the beginning of the program. For example, I often use T for "tempo" or "time" or M for "metronome marking" or N for "note." If I use T to represent the duration for a quarter note, then T/2 would be an eighth note and 4*T would be a whole note. You can get exact timing in your music and let the computer calculate the durations.

Note: Avoiding using Q for "quarter note," especially on the TI-99/4, because the key combination of SHIFT Q is "quit." This is comparable to the FCTN (quitting on the TI-99/4A). An accidental SHIFT Q will wipe out your program and return to the title screen. With a shifted parenthesis before the variable and a shifted comma after the variable, it's too easy to get an accidental SHIFT Q.

Variable Durations

Another advantage to using a variable duration is that you can write your song in terms of the variable, then change the tempo of the song by changing only one line (the line defining the duration) rather than each CALL SOUND statement. Here is a short example.

```
100 T=400
110 CALL SOUND(T,262,2)
120 CALL SOUND(T,294,2)
```

```

130 CALL SOUND(2*T,330,2)
140 CALL SOUND(3*T/4,349,2)
150 CALL SOUND(T/4,392,2)
160 CALL SOUND(T/2,440,2)
170 CALL SOUND(T/2,494,2)
180 CALL SOUND(T*4,523,1)
190 END

```

```

100 Duration of quarter note=400
110 Quarter note
120 Quarter note
130 Half note
140 Dotted eighth note
150 Sixteenth note
160 Eighth note
170 Eighth note
180 Whole note

```

RUN the program. Now change line 100 to T = 800. The song is twice as long, but each note stays in the exact proportion. Change line 100 to T = 200. The song is faster, but still in proportion.

If you need to learn a song with a difficult rhythm, program the computer to play the song. Use a variable such as T for the duration. You can set the duration to a slower note, then as you learn the song you can speed it up by changing just the one line.

You may prefer to use variables for the different kinds of notes in this manner:

```

100 T=400
110 E=T/2
120 H=T*2
130 CALL SOUND(H,523,2)
140 CALL SOUND(E,494,3)
150 CALL SOUND(E,440,3)
160 CALL SOUND(T,392,2)

```

```

100 Quarter note duration
110 Eighth note
120 Half note

```

You may also want to set up a list of variables for the note names before you use them in CALL SOUND statements:

```

100 T=400
110 C=262
120 D=294
130 E=330
140 CALL SOUND(T,E,2)
150 CALL SOUND(T,D,2)
160 CALL SOUND(T,C,2)

```

You may also use a variable for the volume, such as CALL SOUND(T,D,V).

Just as in other programming, you can use FOR-NEXT loops and GOSUB and GOTO statements to help write your music. For example, if you have a musical phrase between repeat bars, you can use a FOR-NEXT loop to play it twice. If you have a common phrase used several times within a song, use a GOSUB procedure.

Beethoven Medley

The following program, "Ludwig," illustrates the use of CALL SOUND statements to create a medley of familiar Beethoven pieces. Line 120 sets the

duration of a quarter note to 400 milliseconds for the first tune, an excerpt from "Ode to Joy" of the Ninth Symphony. Lines 170-660 play this melody. In between the CALL SOUND statements are graphics statements. Lines 180-340 define graphics characters and colors, then later CALL HCHAR and CALL VCHAR statements draw a picture. The CALL SOUND statements in lines 170-400 illustrate the "tied" bass note, or a bass note held while two melody notes are played. Most of the notes are quarter notes, but line 610 has a dotted quarter note, line 650 has an eighth note, and line 660 has a half note.

Line 860 resets the duration variable T to 200 milliseconds. This time T represents an eighth note for phrases from "Eccossaises." The excerpt here is taken from music that is within repeat bars but has a first ending and a second ending. The common part of the repeat is in the subroutine at lines 1860-2230. Line 890 GOSUB 1860 plays the common phrase, then lines 920-980 play the first ending. Line 1010 repeats the common phrase with GOSUB 1860, then lines 1040-1100 contain the second ending.

Lines 1260-1420 play the third melody, "Für Elise." This example shows GOSUB commands within a FOR-NEXT loop. The subroutine for the common notes is contained in lines 2240-2420.

The final melody (lines 1430-1840) is an excerpt from the second movement of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony. Line 1430 defines the new duration T to be 800 milliseconds for an eighth note at an andante tempo. U is defined as three-fourths of an eighth note, or a dotted sixteenth note. T/4 is used for a thirty-second note. Character 128 is defined as a graphic musical note, and the embedded CALL HCHAR statements among the CALL SOUND statements place the notes on the screen.

Line 1850 (GOTO 1850) holds the picture on the screen. Press CLEAR (FCTN 4 on the TI-99/4A or SHIFT C on the TI-99/4) to stop the program.

If you prefer to save the typing time, you can obtain a copy of this program by sending \$3, a stamped, self-addressed mailer, and a blank tape or disk to: RFGENA, P.O. Box 1502, Cedar City, UT 84720. Please specify the name of the program.

Ludwig

```

100 REM BEETHOVEN MEDLEY
110 REM
120 T=400
130 CALL CLEAR
140 CALL SCREEN(3)
150 PRINT TAB(6); "BEETHOVEN MEDLEY"
;
160 CALL COLOR(1,2,8)
170 CALL SOUND(T,330,2,131,6)
180 CALL CHAR(96,"FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF"
)

```

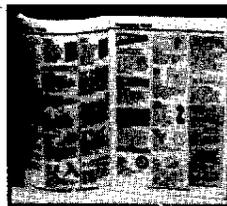

1430 T=800
 1440 U=T*3/4
 1450 CALL CHAR(128,"080C0A0A0B78F87")
 1460 CALL COLOR(13,2,6)
 1470 CALL SOUND(1,9999,30)
 1480 CALL SOUND(U,156,6)
 1490 CALL COLOR(1,2,6)
 1500 CALL COLOR(9,3,6)
 1510 CALL COLOR(10,11,6)
 1520 CALL SOUND(T/4,208,5)
 1530 CALL SOUND(T,262,3)
 1540 CALL HCHAR(17,4,128)
 1550 CALL SOUND(U,262,4)
 1560 CALL HCHAR(15,8,128)
 1570 CALL SOUND(T/4,233,4)
 1580 CALL SOUND(U,208,3)
 1590 CALL HCHAR(13,12,128)
 1600 CALL SOUND(T/4,262,4)
 1610 CALL SOUND(T+U,175,3,139,10)
 1620 CALL HCHAR(13,21,128)
 1630 CALL SOUND(T/4,220,3)
 1640 CALL SOUND(U,233,3)
 1650 CALL HCHAR(15,25,128)
 1660 CALL SOUND(T/4,262,2)
 1670 CALL SOUND(U,277,2,233,8)
 1680 CALL HCHAR(17,29,128)
 1690 CALL SOUND(T/4,262,3)
 1700 CALL SOUND(U,233,2,196,8)
 1710 CALL SOUND(T/4,277,2)
 1720 CALL SOUND(U,196,2,156,8)
 1730 CALL SOUND(T/4,233,2)
 1740 CALL SOUND(U,165,3,131,8)
 1750 CALL SOUND(T/4,196,3)
 1760 CALL SOUND(T+U,262,2)
 1770 CALL SOUND(T/4,233,4)
 1780 CALL SOUND(U,220,4,175,10)
 1790 CALL SOUND(T/4,175,4)
 1800 CALL SOUND(U,233,2,117,10)
 1810 CALL SOUND(T/4,277,3)
 1820 CALL SOUND(U,196,4,156,10)
 1830 CALL SOUND(T/4,156,4)
 1840 CALL SOUND(2*T,208,2)
 1850 GOTO 1850
 1860 CALL SOUND(T,392,3,156,8)
 1870 CALL HCHAR(2,2,42)
 1880 CALL SOUND(T,466,3)
 1890 CALL HCHAR(4,27,42)
 1900 CALL SOUND(2*T,466,2,233,6,196,8)
 1910 CALL HCHAR(6,14,42)
 1920 CALL SOUND(T,523,3,392,6,156,8)
 1930 CALL HCHAR(8,11,42)
 1940 CALL SOUND(T,466,3)
 1950 CALL HCHAR(2,26,42)
 1960 CALL SOUND(T*2,466,2,392,6,196,8)
 1970 CALL HCHAR(3,4,42)
 1980 CALL SOUND(T,622,1,392,6,156,8)
 1990 CALL HCHAR(2,19,42)
 2000 CALL SOUND(T,466,2)
 2010 CALL HCHAR(7,23,42)
 2020 CALL SOUND(T*2,466,1,392,5,196,8)
 2030 CALL HCHAR(3,12,42)
 2040 CALL SOUND(T,523,1,392,5,156,8)
 2050 CALL HCHAR(9,19,42)
 2060 CALL SOUND(T,466,3)

2070 CALL HCHAR(6,7,42)
 2080 CALL SOUND(T*2,466,2,392,5,196,8)
 2090 CALL HCHAR(5,24,42)
 2100 CALL SOUND(T,349,1,294,5,117,8)
 2110 CALL HCHAR(5,17,42)
 2120 CALL SOUND(T,466,3)
 2130 CALL HCHAR(2,9,42)
 2140 CALL SOUND(T*2,466,2,294,6,175,8)
 2150 CALL HCHAR(4,20,42)
 2160 CALL SOUND(T,392,2,311,5,117,9)
 2170 CALL HCHAR(2,30,42)
 2180 CALL SOUND(T,466,3)
 2190 CALL SOUND(T*2,466,2,311,7,176,8)
 2200 CALL SOUND(T,415,3,349,6,117,8)
 2210 CALL SOUND(T,466,4)
 2220 CALL SOUND(T*2,466,3,349,6,208,8)
 2230 RETURN
 2240 CALL SOUND(T,659,6)
 2250 CALL SOUND(T,622,6)
 2260 CALL SOUND(T,659,6)
 2270 CALL SOUND(T,622,5)
 2280 CALL SOUND(T,659,4)
 2290 CALL SOUND(T,494,3)
 2300 CALL SOUND(T,587,4)
 2310 CALL SOUND(T,523,5)
 2320 CALL SOUND(T,440,6,110,15)
 2330 CALL SOUND(T,165,8)
 2340 CALL SOUND(T,220,6)
 2350 CALL SOUND(T,262,4)
 2360 CALL SOUND(T,330,4)
 2370 CALL SOUND(T,440,4)
 2380 CALL SOUND(T,494,4,131,15)
 2390 CALL SOUND(T,165,4)
 2400 CALL SOUND(T,208,4)
 2410 CALL SOUND(T,330,4)
 2420 RETURN
 2430 END

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Modifications Or Corrections To Previous Articles

Atari Retirement Planning

In Craig Cole's suggested improvements to the Atari version of Retirement Planner (COMPUTE!, April 1983) which appeared in the July "Readers Feedback" section (p. 16), line 70 should have read:

```
70 Y=Y+1
```

TI Goblin

As this game from the July issue (p. 72) was presented, your goblin could not reach the faces in the rightmost column of the screen. This can be corrected by changing line 760 to read:

```
760 COL=COL+SGN(31-COL)
```

To make the game display the proper high score, delete lines 270, 280, and 290, and add the following line:

```
1125 IF S>HS THEN 1130 ELSE 1140
```

Thanks to Canadian reader Luc Cousineau and others who pointed out this problem.

Fortress Of Adnil

In the program for this Timex/Sinclair game (July 1983, p. 92), the GOTO statements were missing from the following two lines:

```
8040 IF INKEY$="" THEN GOTO 8020
8209 IF INKEY$="" THEN GOTO 8207
```

Roadblock

Readers who have had trouble typing in this long machine language program for the Atari may want to add the following lines to the BASIC loader (July 1983, p. 108) to help check for typing errors in their DATA statements:

```
15 LN=1010
20 FOR L=0 TO 16
25 FOR C=0 TO 69
30 D=FEEK(L*70+13824+C):IF D>15010 THEN 40
35 T=T+D:NEXT C
40 READ CK:IF CK<>T THEN PRINT "ERROR IN LINES ";LN;"-";LN+90:SIUP
45 PRINT "LINES ";LN;"-";LN+90;" OK"
50 T=0:LN=LN+100:NEXT L
55 A=USR(14788)
3000 DATA 3797,8372,1521,6620,6660,8073
3010 DATA 7319,7083,6853,6626,6631,8059
3020 DATA 7683,7702,1751,7720,7014
```

Circles

For the machine language circle-drawing routine presented in this Atari graphics article from the July issue to work properly, the following lines must be added to Program 7 (p. 168), the BASIC loader for the routine:

```
28004 RESTORE 29500
28005 FOR I=1577 TO 1584:READ A:POKE I,A:NEXT I
29500 DATA 128,64,32,16,8,4,2,1
```

Timex/Sinclair Screenscrolls

Reader Daniel Froats notes that the screen scrolling programs from the July issue (p. 216) will work with the basic 2K of memory if the following two lines are entered before running the program:

```
POKE 16389,n
CLS
```

Replace n with any number greater than 90.

Commodore 64 Video Tour

Jim Butterfield writes that readers whose 64s have the newer ROM-sets may experience problems with the BASIC programs from Parts VI (July 1983 p. 218) and VII (August 1983, p. 182) of his series on the 64's video capabilities. This is because the ROM routines leave the raster interrupt in a non-standard state. To make the programs work, add the following line:

```
90 POKE 53265,27
```

VIC Bitmapping

Line 100 of Program 1 from this article on VIC high resolution graphics (July 1983, p. 248) should read:

```
100 POKEV+15,17*T-9:FORI=.TO255:POKEW+I,I:POKER+1,C-1:NEXT:FORI=.TOL*2*STEPB
```

The "shifted up-arrow" key combination on the VIC gives the symbol for pi, which acts as a constant with the value of pi when used in calculations.

First Math

A bug in the VIC, 64, and Apple versions of this educational game from the August issue (p. 92) sometimes causes a "division by zero" error when playing in the addition, subtraction, or multiplication modes. To prevent this, add the following line:

VIC or 64 Version (Programs 1 or 2)

```
123 IF A$<>CHR$(47) THEN 140
```

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```
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Western Properties Investment Company has produced a line of products designed for the TI-99/4A computer. The programs include a word processor, a data base, and a spreadsheet.

The word processor, *Printer Book*, is designed to handle up to two pages of text. Control of the printer is achieved through use

of the CTRL key. The program can be used in conjunction with one of Western Properties' *File Book* programs to merge records from a data base with text. *Printer Book's* 14 menu options include record merging, merge to screen or printer, and automatic multi-letter printing.

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Printer Book and *File-Book III* are available for \$39.95. *Income and Expense Spreadsheet* sells for \$43.95. The programs run on Extended BASIC, but require no memory expansion. A printer is optional for the data base and spreadsheet programs.

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VCR Interface For VIC And 64

The Videobook Corporation has introduced Prometheus 1, an interface for the Commodore 64 and VIC-20 computers and home video cassette recorders.

Prometheus 1 allows you to produce interactive videotape courseware. It will connect a VIC-20 or Commodore 64 to various Panasonic, Magnavox, Canon, and Hitachi video cassette recorders.

The interface, which sells for \$49.95, is being marketed in conjunction with Videobook's *Comp-U-Tutor Computer/VCR*

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The program, which can handle home budgets, financial planning, small business accounting, educational projects, and statistics, will be available on disk for less than \$100.

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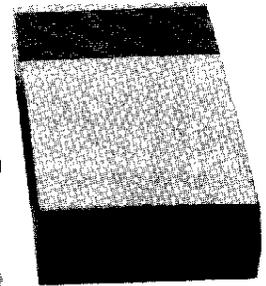
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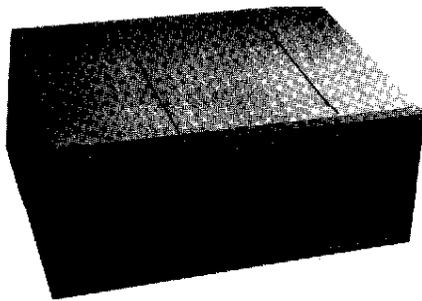
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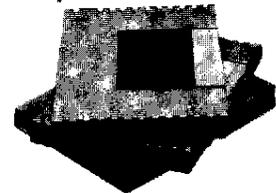
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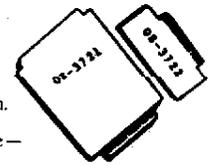
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