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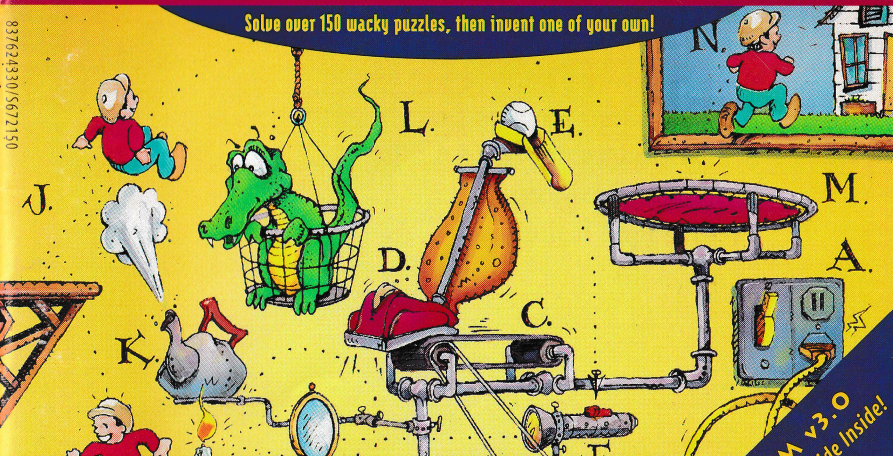
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About This Manual

Welcome to *The Incredible Machine (TIM)*, the latest version of Sierra's award-winning puzzle game and construction kit. This booklet tells you how to install and start up *The Incredible Machine* CD for Windows™ 3.1, Windows 95™, or Macintosh®.

The rest of the *TIM* game manual is “on-line”—built into the game. To open the manual from within the game, select On-line Manual from the Help menu.

Installing and Starting the Game

Macintosh CD Installation

1. After starting your computer, insert the *TIM* CD into the CD-ROM drive.
2. Double-click on the *TIM* installer icon.
3. Follow the on-screen instructions.

Starting the Game

1. After starting your computer, insert the *TIM* CD into the CD-ROM drive.
2. Double-click on the *TIM* game icon.

Windows 95 CD Installation

1. Start Windows 95.
2. Insert the *TIM* CD into the CD-ROM drive.
3. When the *TIM* setup screen appears, follow the on-screen instructions.

Starting the Game

1. Start Windows 95.
2. Insert the *TIM* CD into the CD-ROM drive.
3. Select the Start Game option when it appears

Windows 3.1 CD Installation

1. Start Windows 3.1.
2. Insert the *TIM* CD into the CD-ROM drive.
3. From the Program Manager FILE menu, select RUN.
4. In the RUN window, type `d:\setup` and press [Enter] (assuming `d` is your CD-ROM drive name).
5. Follow the on-screen instructions.

Starting the Game

1. Start Windows 3.1.
2. Insert the *TIM* CD into the CD-ROM drive.
3. Open the Sierra Program Group.
4. Double-click on the *TIM* icon to start the game.

Additional Windows Setup Help

During installation, TEST SYSTEM checks to make sure your computer can run the game correctly.

If you have trouble installing or starting *TIM* in Windows 3.1, refer to the following Troubleshooting section. You can find additional game information by double-clicking on the *TIM* README file in the Sierra Program Group or folder.

After game installation, the “Setup & Uninstall” program in the Sierra Program Group lets you re-install the game, re-test your computer, uninstall the game, register, or view detailed Support and Setup Help information. To start it, just double-click on the Setup & Uninstall icon.

Windows Troubleshooting

Problem: I have the required 8 MB of RAM. But when I try to start *TIM* in Windows 3.1, I keep getting an “Out of Memory” error message.

Possible solutions: Try closing all other programs or screen savers before launching *TIM*. If that doesn't do it, try making a Boot Disk next. Simply double-click on the Boot Disk Maker in the Sierra Program Group, and follow the on-screen instructions. (NOTE - you will need a blank disk for your A: drive to create a boot disk.) Then restart your computer with the Boot Disk in the A: drive.

If you still do not have enough memory, your boot disk may require further modifications. Try creating your own boot disk manually. For instructions, start the Sierra “Setup and Uninstall” program. Click SUPPORT, then CONTENTS, then scroll down to the “Boot Disk Instructions” section.

Problem: I have a SCSI drive on my PC and *TIM* does not work properly.

Possible Solution: Do not use SMARTDRV.SYS for *TIM* if you have a SCSI drive. You may also need to load your ASPI drivers. For more information on drivers, please consult your SCSI controller and hardware documentation.

Problem: *TIM* does not run on a compressed drive.

Possible solution: You may need to free up to twice as much hard disk space as the compression software says. Compression software expects to compress files by a ratio of 2 to 1 or more. However, many *TIM* files will not compress much.

Problem: The game's music is missing or distorted.

Possible Solution: You may be using a non-standard MIDI setup. See the README file for details on correcting your MIDI setup.

Error Messages

General Protection Fault: Try updating both your Windows Video Driver and your Windows Sound Card drivers. Contact your video card and sound card manufacturer for more information.

Not Enough Memory to Run This Application: Try closing all other programs or screen savers before launching *TIM*. If that doesn't do it, try making a Boot Disk.

Other Problems

If you have already looked at the *TIM* README file, check out the on-line Setup Help. To open this, double-click on the "Setup & Uninstall" program in the Sierra Program Group or folder. Click SUPPORT, and then CONTENTS to find help on your specific system component or problem.

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