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ON DISK

RAINBOW ON DISK contains the programs featured in the pages of THE RAINBOW, The Color Computer Monthly Magazine. It is intended as a companion to the magazine, not as a separate entity. The articles accompanying the programs in THE RAINBOW may include important information and system requirements necessary to the operation of the programs.

This edition of RAINBOW ON DISK includes:

Used Cars Make the used car choice easier with a little assistance from CoCo.

Mass Disk Formatter Increase your productivity with this utility to help cut down on the "housekeeping."

The Big Bad Wolf CoCo 3 teams up with a popular tale to put a new twist in learning the ABCs.

Seating Chart Teachers, keep track of seating assignments.

Long Division A unique math drill that instructs the student each step of the way.

States and Capitals Help students remember their geography lessons using this CoCo 3 game as a tool.

Clue Me In A one-word Charades game for people of all ages.

Novices Niche A grab bag of goodies for your software collection.

Wishing Well Match opposites with this Concentration-like game.

ML Made BASIC Get into "the dumps" with this homebrew screen print routine.

Desktop Publisher Reprise Add word processor input and several other features to this system by H. Allen Curtis.

On VCR Time Calculate remaining recording time on that collection of half-filled video tapes.

Education Notes Learn cross-referencing skills with this short program from Steve Blyn.

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Instructions for Use

This disk is a "floppy," formatted under Disk Extended BASIC. Unlike previous RAINBOW ON DISKs, this month's issue of THE RAINBOW and RAINBOW ON DISK do not contain any OS-9 programs.

Before you run any of the programs on RAINBOW ON DISK, you should first use the Disk BASIC BACKUP command to make a backup of the disk, giving you a working copy. For the protection of the RAINBOW ON DISK master, the disk does not have write-protect notches, so you cannot accidentally write to it.

The Disk BASIC portions of the disk are menu-driven. To begin, type RUN"MENU" and press ENTER. A menu of the files appears, from which you may run any of the BASIC programs by pressing its corresponding letter key. The machine language programs, indicated by an asterisk, *will not* run properly from the menu. These machine language files must be loaded and executed with the LOADM and EXEC commands.

When a file is run from the RAINBOW ON DISK menu, part of the menu itself remains in memory. Because of this, you may encounter an OM? Error on some of the programs, indicating that the file is too large for memory. If this occurs, you will have to remove the disk and turn off your CoCo for a few seconds, then LOAD and RUN the program as you normally would from Disk BASIC, bypassing the menu.

Many of these programs require special loading instructions and other information necessary to the proper functioning of the program. For complete instructions regarding each of the following files on RAINBOW ON DISK, refer to the September 1988 edition of RAINBOW magazine. (The corresponding page number is noted for your convenience.)

* Indicates a machine language program.