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Outgoing Mail

People often ask for my opinion of the Radio Shack computer. Most likely whenever someone parts with nearly a month's salary for something, they expect perfection, and I'm probably as guilty of that as anyone. I'm greatly troubled by the lack of lower case, the double letter problem and the lack of reliability in tape and diskette input/output routines. I would like to see better graphics, preferably in color. It looks like highway robbery when Radio Shack offers memory chips for $\$ 200$ while others are selling them for a mere $\$ 75$.

Despite all this, I feel the TRS-80 is a bargain. These days, you could spend $\$ 600$ for a college course in BASIC programming and not learn as much as you can with your own TRS-80 (and the college doesn't give you a computer). The challenge of designing a program to conform to a particular application, or writing a game from your own imagination, is more fun for me than any other hobby I've had - and I have had quite a few. It's also the most profitable hobby I've ever had, because it's easy to sell decent programs.

I'm delighted by the service I have received, especially the high quality customer support that my local store manager, Carle Smith, has provided from the time I ordered my original 4 K Level I TRS-80. Repairs have been prompt and the policy of renewing the warranty period for an additional 30 days whenever a computer is serviced or a new part is installed is fantastic.

The Shack is certainly imaginative and creative in marketing and salesmanship. By the time you read this, their store managers will have contacted nearly every school in the country to explain how to obtain computers complete with courses in BASIC programming and algebra, with the Federal government footing the bill. They even provide the exact wording for the funding applications. It wouldn't surprise me to see the schools purchase a million TRS-80 computers! So, that means our readers will have to contact every high school student in the country to tell them about SoftSide, the best magazine for TRS-80 computerists!

The computer is even useful in some serious business applications. Not far from my home there's an analytical
laboratory that uses a TRS-80 computer to analyze coal samples from the mines. It does so much work that they have to buy ribbons for their printer by the case. As I was working my way through college, I once spent two weeks performing a matrix multiplicaton on a Friden mechanical calculator. When I think of that time ten years ago, I'm horrified that I endured that agony when a TRS-80 would have done the problem in seconds. (Of course, it would have taken me an hour to enter the matrix, but I wouldn't have had to enter each figure over fifty times!)

The one flaw in TRS-80 applications is in commercial use. Decent business software isn't available yet, although BIZ-80 will help to solve that problem. The lack of lower case is a major stumbling block, as word processing is one of the most important business uses for small computers. Potentially even more serious is the lack of disk reliability, especially since a common disk failure can irretrievably wipe out the data in memory. I have been personally recommending the TRS-80 for educational and scientific applications, games, and to programmers in BASIC and FORTRAN and people who want to make money writing programs at home. I haven't been recommending it for commercial use. Frankly, I hope that will change, and I would like to hear from any business users who can report solid success.

Our publisher and myself have been having a running discussion over the merits of sound in TRS-80 applications, especially now that Radio Shack has decided to support its $\$ 10.95200 \mathrm{~mW}$ audio amplifier with computer programs. You simply connect the amp by plugging it into the cassette output jack - for just under $\$ 11.00$ you've added a decent sound unit. I've already seen several good programs using the device. If you want programs with sound, let us know! (Isn 't it unfair to ask your readers to argue with the boss? I suppose I'll have to tolerate a few letters from those of you who aren't interested in cheap sound, just to keep him happy.)

That's enough of a break to read the mail. Now, get back to the keyboard and start ENTERING Safari. I had so much fun playing it that you almost didn't get this editorial. Of course, you cassette subscribers are probably playing it already. We can still send the cassette version of SoftSide if keyboard time is precious to you. The price for subscribers is $\$ 30$ for six months. To start a combination magazine plus cassette subscription ( 6 months), is only $\$ 38$.

Don't let the headhunters get you!


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## PERSONAI

by Lance

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Checkfinder is the second part of the Personal Finance program. It maintains a file of all your cancelled checks by using the data from the first part of the program, Checkbook, on the CANCELLED CHECKS TAPE. Several tapes may be read into memory at the same time to create a combined file in memory. This combined file may then be saved on tape at the end of the program. By combining the latest batch of cancelled checks with previous ones saved on checks in memory, you can build a CHECK FILE of all your cancelled checks. Up to 900 checks can be filed on a 16 K machine. Please
note that tapes created by this portion of the program are written in a different format than the CANCELLED CHECKS TAPE. The difference is that CHECK FILE tapes use a blocking factor of 8 to speed up the reading and writing of the tape file to and from memory.

Besides merging the tape files, Checkfinder performs two other operations: it contains a modified bubble sort to rearrange the order of the checks in memory, plus it locates a check or group of checks. When locating checks, it will print

# FINANCE 

## nicklus

a total of the amount of all the checks it finds. A negative amount means expense, and a positive amount means income, since some of your account should be for deposits. You can even have the program locate all your paychecks - hopefully, the amount will be positive, indicating income. If not, you should probably seek new employment.

By keeping a CHECK FILE tape for the entire year, you can use the program to locate all your alimony payments (or any other category)
and get the total amount paid for the year to file in your income tax.

Good procedures dictate that you test this program very carefully, then run it in parallel with your current system of checkbook maintenance. We can assume no responsibility for consequences resulting from the use of this program. I have used the complete Personal Finance program) both Checkbook and Checkfinder to maintain my own personal account for several months and have found it to be reliable and valuable in managing my family's money.

```
10 REM : CHECK FINDER Et LANCE MICKLUS, WINOOSKI, vEFTONT
20 kEM : DOFHRIGHT 1978
30 REM : TRS-80 16K / LEYEL II YERSION 2.1
40 REM
50 REM
100 CLEAR:20
120 DIM A(2500)
140 DEFINT F-2
160 CLS
180 FRINT:FRINTTAE(22)"CHECK FINOER"
2014 PRINTTAE(21)"----------------
220 FRINT:PRINT"THIS FROGROMW WILL LOCHTE YOUR CHNCELLED CHECKS
IT WILL"
240 FRINT"RLSO SORT YOR OHECKS FHD LET YOU EUILD A SINGLE FERMI
NGTE"
260. FRINT"FILE OF CANELLED CHECKS"
z60 FRINT:FRINT"THE FROGRFHM USES THE CANCELLED CHECKS THFE(S) FR
OM THE"
300 FRINT"CHECK BFLPNCE PROGRFH, FND/OR CHECK FILE TFPE(S)"
320 FRINT"GENERHTED By' THIS FROGFFHM FROM FFEYIOUS RUNS."
340 PRINT:PRINT"LOHD TAPE FND WHEN REFDY TO :READ:"
360 PRINT"OR TYPE `G' IF NO CHECS FILE TAFE."
30 INFUT"TYPE THE CASSETTE # (1 OR 2) OR B";TAPE
400 IF THFE=01 THEN 700
420 IF TAPEO1 RND TAFEO2 THEN }38
440 CLS:FRINTCHR*(23):FRINTTAE(9)""; FRINTUSING ":REFDING##:";TH
FE
46ИG REM \DNEED THFE<<<
480 INFUT#-TAPE,N
50M FOR I=FT TO FT+N-3 STEF 24
520 60G1E 9200
```




```
15), A(I+16), A(I+17), }\textrm{A}(\textrm{I}+18),A(I+19),A(I+20), A(I+21),A(I+22), A(I+
23)
563 NEXT I
```



```
DATA" :STOF
60日 FT=FT+N
```



649 FRINTL128, " "
 "THEN 6 63

700 CL
 K"
 TFE 0
760 FRINT

860 IF TAFE= CHEN 904

840 GOSUE 9280: INFUTH-TAFE, $\mathrm{A}(\mathrm{FT})$, $\mathrm{H}(\mathrm{FT}+1)$ ) $\mathrm{R}(\mathrm{PT}+2)$
860 IF R(FTVO9999 LET FTEFTTE : $\mathbf{j 0 7 0} 846$
880 CLS: FRINTO 973, "NHEER OF CHECKS IN MEMORY: "; PT/S
900 PRINTe 320."";
920 Infit"Riny more chncelled checks thfes (ywn; hat

960 REM ***MAN FROGRAM ***
980 CLS
1000 FRINTTB20, "";
1020 PRINTTAE (D)"0 TO END Progefif"
1040 PRINTTRE(20)" 1 TO SORT TRANEFCTIONS"
1060 FRINTTAE (20)" 2 TO FIND CHECKS"
1080 PRINT:PRINTTAE(19)" ";
1100 INFUT"ENTER 0, 1, OR 2"; J
1120 IF JOD AND JO1 AND JO2 THEN 1080
1140 ON J+1 G070 1160, 1480. 1680
1160 CLS
1180 printeran "do you mish to shye the current cancelled chedks FILE" :FRINT "IN MEMGRY";
1200 INFUT 䏞:IFLEFT
1220 IF LEFT*( $\mathrm{F} \ddagger, 1$ ) $=$ "N" THEN 1420
1240 INFUT"TYPE CASSETTE \# (1 OR 2) WHEN REROY TO *WRITE*"; TAFE
1260 IF ThPEOL AND TAFEO2 THEN 1240
1280 CLS:PRINTCHR $\$(23)$ :PRINTTRE(9)" $"_{;}$:PRINTUSING"*WEITING\#\#\#"; $T$
APE\%
1300 PRINTH-TAPE, PT
1220 FOR N=0 T0 PT-3 STEF 24

```
1340 GOSUB 9320
1360 FRINT#-TAPE,F(N),R(N+1), R(N+2),R(N+3),F(N+4),F(N+5),F(N+6),
```



```
+15), R(N+16),F(N+17),F(N+18),H(N+19),F(N+20), R(N+21),R(N+22),F(N
+23)
1380 NEXT N
1400 B0SUE 9820:PRINT#-TAPE, "EUF"
1420 CLS
1440 PRINTE471, "END OF SESSION"
1460 END
1480 CLS
1500 PRINT@330, "01 = 5ORT BY TRANSACTION NUMEER"
1520 FRINTTAE(10)"1 = 50RT EH RMOUNT"
1540 PRINTTAE(10)"2 = SORT BY RCCOUNT NUMEER"
1560 PRINT:PRINTTAE(9)" ";
1580 INFUT"HOW SHFLLL FILE BE SORTED";Q
160B IF QOO RNO QO1 FND QO2 THEN 980
1620 CLS
1640 PRINTP471, ">> SORTING<<"
166000T0 2360
1680 CLS
1704 FRINTO20."";
1720 PRINT"SEPARRTE ERCH VFLUE WITH CONMS"
1740 INFUT"LON & HIGH RHNGE OF TRHNSHCTION NMMEERS"; B,C
1760 IF B`C FRINT"LON YRLUE GRERTER THFN HIGH ???" : G0T0 1740
1780 INPUT"LON & HIGH RANGE OF DOLLAR GMOINTS";D,E
1800 IF D> FRINT"LOW YFLUE GRERTER THFN HIGH ???" : GOTO 1780
1820 GOSUB 9020
1840 PRINT:IMFUT"ENTER LOW & HIGH BUCGET NUMEER"; F,G
1860 IF F\G OR F\G OR G%S OR INT(F)QF OR INT(G)CG THEN 1840
1880 M# = 0
1900 CLS : H = 0
1920 FRINT"TRFNSRCTION #"," FHOLNT", "EULGET","TYFE"
1940 FOR N=0̆ TO PT-3 STEF 3
1960 IF AODSE OR FONDC THEN 2240
1980 IF ABS(H(N+1))<D OR RES(R(N+1))\E THEN 2240
2000 IF R(N+2)<F OR R(N+2))S THEN 2240
2020 Z=R(N+2):GUSUE 9240
2040 B寺="DEPOSIT"
2060 IF A(N+1) <=0 THEN B
```



## 920 REM *** GET EUGGET STRIMG NHME ***

9240 IFZOORZ ZORINT (2) OZLETZ=32

## 9200 RESTORE

9206 FOY:- 1 TOL REROHF: $\mathrm{NEXT}:$ RETURN
990 REM *** ELIHING STRF ***
920 IF FEEK(15360)=22 THEN FOLE 15860.42 ELSE FOEE 1560.32 9340 RETURN
996 EEM *** BUDGET NHWES ***
10000 DATh CHILO GRE TOW MISC, HROR TONH, ITEM 3
10004 DATh ITEM 4 , HOEEIES HOUGEHOLD GRUEEIES
10018 dhth enterthioment Mist Exfenges onsh UTILITIES 10012 OHTR MONTHL'Y EXF, , REV CHFRGE ITEM 14. ITEM 15 10016 DRTH RENT: ITEM 17, RUTO OFERATE, RUTO REFFIE
10000 DHTH MHOR EILLS, INGIRTHEE T. D. INGURHNE SALES TRX 10024 DATH TRXES DRDGS DOCTOR DENTIST
10028 DHTh ITEM 28 , OHK $]^{*}$ SAUNGS SALAFT: MISC DEFOITES 1002 DHTA CHK 1 " CASH


920 PRINTTG49, "DON'T IT MRKE MY EROUN EY'
ES ELUE. . . "; :PRINTO8S1;
$930 \mathrm{~L}=\mathrm{W}: \mathrm{GOSUE} 110: L=V: G 05 U E 110: L=W:$ GOSIBE
B:L=Y: GOSUB50

10: G0518110: G0GUB120
$950 \mathrm{~L}=\mathrm{Y}:$ G010 18110

## TRS-80 <br> PROGRAMMING HINT/

To simulate in INPUT statement with INKEY\$, after printing a question (using the question mark), print a prompt. The method is to print $\mathrm{CHR} \$(95)$ for the prompt and then a backspace to erase it $\mathrm{CHR} \$(8)$, followed by a space. A sample program would look like this:

10 PRINT'‘WOULD YOU LIKE TO PLAY A GAME (Y/N) ?’’; CHR\$(95)
20 I $\$=$ INKEY $\$$ : IF $1 \$$ = " "’ THEN 20 ELSE PRINT CHR\$(8); "،"; I\$
30 IF I $\$$ = " $Y$ " THEN 100 ELSE END


If you want your remark statements to stand out and be easy to find, type a line feed (lower case down arrow) and 5 spaces right after the line number. You could even follow your first remark with another line feed and spaces. This doesn't use a lot of memory, but prints nicely:

10
REM*PROGRAM
*BY A. PROGRAMMER*
20 PRINT"'THIS IS THE NEXT LINE."

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## Reference




The BASIC Handbook Dr. David A. Lien
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Price, $\$ 14.95$


As spring planting time approaches, here's a program to warm the hearts of gardeners everywhere: a simulation of how the proper ecological system could protect gardens from those pesky rabbits.

Now, if only garden supply stores could sell foxes!

Russell Starkey has given us a fine demonstration of what a BASIC program should look like when you LIST it, and his bar graph routine is very attractive as well.


| 25 REMJ 1 $=\mathrm{ST}$ \# OF RRBBITS <br> J 2 $=\mathrm{ST} \#$ OF FOXES <br> J $=$ MRX \# OF RRBBITS <br> J 4 $=$ MAX \# OF FOXES <br> J $=$ MIN \# OF RRBBITS <br> J 6 $=$ MIN \# OF FOXES |
| :---: |
| 26 REM JA $=$ START POINT |
| JD = DELTA \# OF XK |
| $\mathrm{JL}=$ LIMIT ( 4* MAX INPUT ) |
| $J F=\%$ OF BAR |
| JX = USED |
| $\mathrm{JC}=\#$ OF EARS CONTROL |
| 32 CLEAR50:CL5:DEFINT J, $\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{R}, 5$ PRINT |
| 35 PRINT"THE RABEITS VS THE FOXES" |
| 36 PRINT"A SIMFLE ECOLOGICFL MOEEL OF INTERACTING FOPULATIONS" |
| 38 PRINT"CONSISTS OF RABBITS WITH PN INFINITE FOOD SUPFLY RND " |
| 40 PRINT"FOXES THAT PREY ON THEM. |
| 42 PRINT |
| 44 PRINT"〈RABBITS ${ }^{\text {d }} \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{D}+\mathrm{B} *$ ( $\left.2 * \mathrm{D}-\mathrm{B} * \mathrm{D} * \mathrm{C}\right)$ " |
| 46 PRINT" $<$ FOXES > $C=C+B *$ ( $\mathrm{C} * \mathrm{D} * \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ ) " |
| 48 PRINT"WHERE : D IS CURRENT \# OF RABBITS, C FOR \# OF FOXES " |
| 52 PRINT" E IS STEF SIZE, A IS THE ENCONTER FFCTOR" |
| 54 FRINT" $\quad B=.02 \quad A=.01{ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| 72 FRINT:FRINT:FRINT |
| 75 INPUT"PRESS ENTER TO CONT. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ S 5 |
| $100 . C L 5: T=0$ |
| 105 PRINT:FRINT:FRINT : $\mathrm{A}=01 \mathrm{0}$ : $\mathrm{E}=02$ |
| 110 INFUT"INFUT NUTEER OF RGEBITS ( $25-400$ ) "; $0 . J 1=0: J 5=0$ |
|  |
|  |
|  |
| JC O1 find JCO 2 THEN 130 ELSE IF $\mathrm{JC}=1$ THEN $\mathrm{JC}=63$ ELSE IF $\mathrm{JC}=2$ THEN JC=127:JL=1. 1*JL |
| 135 CLS PRINT@128, "STARTING \# OF RHEBITS "; J1; :FRINT@256, "STARTI |
| NG \# OF FOXES "; ${ }^{\text {a }}$, |
| 140 REM MATH START PLSO COME BACK FOINT... |
| $150 \mathrm{E}=\mathrm{B} * \mathrm{D} * \mathrm{C}$ |
| $160 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}+\mathrm{E} *(\mathrm{E}-\mathrm{C})$ |
| $160 \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{D}+\mathrm{B} *(2 * D-E)$ |
| 190 REM FRINT CONTROL SECTION |



## "MESSAGE"

Owners of the TRS-80 computer game STARTREK III, version 3.3, written by Lance Micklus, should be aware of an error in the program.

The problem occurs in the quadrant display of the ships computer. To correct the error and update the program, make the following changes:

1. Change line 15 in the program to read "Version 3.3 A ", and change the copyright date to February 1979.
2. In line 1655 , change it to read as follows fixing $A(263)$ and A(264).
1655 PRINT '، ’", '‘Stars:'"; A(264), "'Planets :'’;A(265)
The use of lower case characters in making the above corrections is optional, but users should be aware that upper and lower case letters are used in all PRINT statements in the program.

The author wishes to thank Mr. Victor C.Solomon, of Rochester, New York, for calling attention to the error.

# SINK 'UM! 

by Rev. George Blank

"Man the torpedoes...enemy ships approaching...fire!’’ Sorry, captain, the tubes are being reloaded.
And so it goes, in this action simulation of battleship warfare.) Shrewd maneuvers and keen timing are required by the ship's captain, otherwise, who always goes down with the ship? 4K-\$4.95

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1000 ELS
101G PRINTG G4: "GRHPHIC OISFLF'Y OF H FOUR LERF FOGE"
1020 FOF I=0 T0 6.28319 STEF 1.745, SE-62
1030 F=55*SIN(2*I)
1040 %=(R&C0GC1) +64
1050'=(F*SIN(I))+47
1500 SET (%,47-(%/2))
107G NEXT I
1080 FRINTQ BQG: "FROGEAM TEFMINHTED";
1090 ENO
```


## Soffidee Presents: <br> A Page from The BASIC Handbook by David A. Lien

The INKEY\$ function is used in the TRS-80 Level II BASIC to read a character from the keyboard each time INKEY\$ is executed. Unlike the INPUT statement, INKEY\$ does not halt execution waiting for the ENTER key to be pressed. The computer just keeps "circling" until it receives a message from the keyboard. Until a key on the keyboard is pressed, INKEY simply reads an "empty" string (ASCII code of $\emptyset$ ).
Since INKEY\$ doesn't wait for you to enter a character from the keyboard and "ENTER", it usually is placed in


Function a program loop to repeatedly scan the keyboard looking for a pressed key.
For example:

```
1% IFINKEY$=''X''GOTO 1\emptyset\emptyset
2\emptysetGOTO 1\emptyset
I\emptyset\emptysetPRINT "YOUHIT 'X'DIDN'T YOU!'"
```

The INKEY\$ function repeatedly looks for the letter X at the keyboard to meet the condition of the IF-THEN statement. When the letter X is entered, the condition of the IF-THEN statement is met and the computer branches to line $1 \emptyset \emptyset$.

## TEST PROGRAM

```
1. REM 'INKEY$'TEST PROGRAM
2\emptysetCLS
3\emptysetPRINT "PRESS ANY KEY ON THE KEYBOARD"
4\emptyset A$=INKEY$
5\emptysetIFA$='"GOTO 4\emptyset
6\emptysetPRINT "YOU HAVE JUST PRESSED THE '';AS;" KEY"'
7\emptysetPRINT: PRINT 'PRESS THE "':A$:'KEY AGAIN TO START OVER"
8\emptysetIFINKEY$=A$ GOTO 2\emptyset
9\emptysetGOTO 8\emptyset
99 END
SAMPLE RUN (using R)
```

PRESS ANY KEY ON THE KEYBOARD
YOU HAVE JUST PRESSED THER KEY
PRESS THER KEY AGAIN TO START OVER

VARIATIONS IN USAGE
None known.

HUNGRY FOR MORE?
See page 23 , this issue

ALSO SEE
INPUT, IF-THEN

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Each player (or Bwana) is in charge of a safari camp and must organize filming parties including camera crews and bearers, to search the vast 169 -region safari country for wild animals. Scoring is accomplished when you successfully film in a region containing an animal. The player with the most film contract points at the end of the game gets the big movie contract and along with that, the usual fame and fortune. When only one person plays the object of the game is to score as many points as possible.

To begin play, you indicate the difficulty level you want (beginner, average or expert). This determines the number of disasters and hardships you will
camp. In yours, you have four scouts, six cameramen, twenty bearers, three cameras and five thousand pounds of supplies. When you're at base camp, you must prepare a safari party to venture through safari country by selecting men and material to take along with you.

First, enter the number of scouts you'll need. Each of the four scouts can 'look ahead' only in his specific direction (North, South, East, or West). For example, if the North scout is in your safari party, he will report to you whether or not there's an animal in the region located directly to your North. You may use none, some or all of the scouts for your party.

# SAFARI 

by David J. Bohlke

encounter in safari country ( 30 to $45 \%$ of the regions). After the names of the players have been entered, a map of the entire country will be displayed to give you an indication of the number of animals in all the regions. Even though the locations of the base camps are displayed, you won't know which one is yours unless you are playing alone.

## Base Camp

At the start of the game, each player is located in his base

Next, enter the number of cameras you want to take. For each camera, you get three reels of film (you can shoot one picture for each reel). Each camera requires two cameramen to operate it. These men will be included in your party.

Finally, you must enter the number of bearers you will need. Each bearer must carry one hundred pounds of supplies, so the more bearers you take, the further you can venture from your

## TRS-80 HOTLINE

 If you ever find yourself in need of some fast answers, an easy solution or just a sympathetic ear, call
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 resident programmers will be "on line" to offer BASIC prograinming assistance to Level $I$ and IH TRS-80 users in need of a fix.

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##  <br> TRS-80 Programming Hint

If your programs fail to run due to syntax errors, even though they come from reliable sources such as SoftSide, perhaps the puzzle can be solved by being careful not to hit the SHIFT key out of habit at the start of a line. With this type of syntax problem, the video display appears normal, but apparently, the letter goes onto the screen normally but the CPU doesn't get the message. Retyping the line containing the syntax error (taking care not to hit the SHIFT key) cures the problem.

base camp. But, the larger your party, the sooner your supplies will be depleted. When you run out of supplies, your bearers and cameramen will begin to starve.

## On Safari

After you've organized your safari party, you're ready to begin exploration. During each bwana's turn at play, he need enter only the direction of movement for that day. One day's journey will move your safari party one region (North, South, East or West) from your present location.

Before you move, check your scout's report. This is the map in the upper left of the video screen. A path consisting of six blocks indicates that there's an animal in that adjacent region. A path of four blocks means the scout has nothing to report; and a path of three blocks indicates that you don't have a scout in your party for that specific direction. A solid path indicates a base camp is directly ahead (not necessarily yours), and no path means no passage. Unfortunately, scouts are unable to report any possible dangers ahead.

The scoring takes place when you journey into a region that contains a wild animal. At that time, the video screen will display a camera lens and the animal. You must position the lens so the animal is inside the viewfinder, then shoot the film. To move the camera lens, press the arrow on the keyboard which corresponds to the direction you want to go. In order to expose the film, press ENTER.

If you are the first to film in a given region, you will receive an
initial eighty contract points; the next bwana to film there will get fifty points, and the third to film in that same region earns thirty points. All others will be too late to get any points. These initial points are decreased according to the time it takes to position the camera and film the animal. However, since movie producers place higher values on remote locations, the contract value is increased by ten points for each day's journey it takes to reach the filming location.

In the safari country, you will also encounter many dangers and hardships. It's even possible to lose your entire safari party while exploring for animals. Should you become lost (or your scouts disoriented) you may send one of your scouts to search for the base camp, and he will return with a
map. To order a scout to look for your base camp, press $\mathbf{L}$ for lost when asked for direction. The scouts may also bring you a map without your request if they feel you are, indeed, lost in safari country. The map will show your location $\mathbf{S}$ with respect to your base camp. Maps are extremely hard to come by - to get one, your scout will forfeit his life! You must decide between starving your bearers and wandering about lost, or finding a passage to base camp by sacrificing a scout.

During each player's turn to move, a base camp or safari party survey will be displayed in the upper right corner of the video screen. This will show you the number of scouts in your party, the number of cameramen and cameras, the bearers you have taken along, the pounds of

supplies remaining, and the number of contract points you have earned to date. Although the number of days (turns at play) is also displayed, it has no significance in game play. An updated end-of-the-day survey will be shown after each player's move. When you press ENTER to continue, the next bwana's turn will begin.

## Strategy

It's always important to remember the location of your base camp with respect to your present location, as well as the numbe of films remaining in your safari party's cameras. When you return to base camp, you will be able to resupply and prepare for another filming expedition. Each camera you take from base will have three rolls of film. You may also wish to use different scouts when you explore in another direction.

In the early stages of the game, it would be wise to take just one or two cameras, one or two scouts, and six to twelve bearers. These can economically be used to search the regions adjacent to your base camp for wild animals. The best time to use all your scouts and cameras is towards the end of the game when your supplies are low; or, maybe earlier, if you find safe passage to an area where several animals are located. When you're out of film, it's best to return to base camp as soon as possible, so your supplies won't be wasted.

One possibility is to shoot your film in a given region, leave the location, and immediately return to film again (for fifty or thirty points). However, while you're wasting time and supplies in one region, the other players may be exploring distant areas containing several animals. Since the point value is increased by ten for each day's journey from base camp, a filming region several days distance away hâs significantly higher point potential. It might be better to keep on searching after you get the eighty or more points, then on your way back to camp travel through that region again. These strategies will vary depending on whether your base camp is adjacent to regions containing several animals, or whether you have to search for several days before you find and film them.

Your turn ends when you don't have the minimum amount of supplies needed to equip a new safari party: two cameramen, one camera, three bearers, and two hundred pounds of supplies at base camp. Also, if your last camera is destroyed while on safari, your turn at play will end.

Since the winner is the player with the most contract points, it's possible you could be eliminated from the game before the others and still end up as the winner. The game ends and final scores are displayed when every player has either lost all his cameras or has insufficient supplies to begin another safari.


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    RE|f* INITIFLIZE FLATERS*
2 RHOOM:CLEFR1GOD
4 CLS:FRINTCHR$(23)
10 DEFINTR-Z:DINH(12,12)
15 FRINTSHFARI":PRIT
22 FRINT"=ENTER= # OF PLAPEFS (1-6)"; INFUTFL
24 IFFLOHES(FL OR FL%E FUN
25 FRINT:PRINT"=ENTER= DIFFIOLLTY LEVEL . . . "FRINT" = EEGINME
R":FRINT"2 = GUEEHGE":FRINT"? = EXERT ":INFUTOL:IFDLC1OROL\SLIN
    ELSE CLS:FRINTCHRT(2)
26 FRINT:FRINT"ENTER= N/|ES OF PLHYERS"PRINT
28 FORI=1TOFL:PRINT"EOSS #":I; ": INFUT F$(I):NEXT
29 - REM * MAFF*
36 CLS:FRINTCHRO(Q)
40 FRINTGGG,"SAFARI NAF"
42 FRINTGGE, "E = EHSE A = RNINHLS":
49 REM * DETERMINE LOCRTION OF EHSE ORMFS *
50 FORE=1TOFL
5 R=FNO(10)+1:C=RNO(10)+1:IFAG,C)ODG0T052
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55 E1(B)=\textrm{R}=1(B)=[
56 NEXT
59 REM * DETEFNINE LOGHTION OF RNIMALS *
60 FOR R=0T012:FOR C=0T012
65 IFA(R,C)COG0T0B5
70 IFRND(5)=1 AND CGETHENH(R, C)=1
75 IFRND(5)=1 RND O\STHENH(R,0)=1
80 IF R(E,C)=1FRINT@ 64*R+C*4, "A";
82 IFF(R, C)=0PRINT師*G4+C*4,"+";
85 IFRRR OCOTHENG=A+1: ERINTO1O12, A;
85 NEXT ©
90 NEXT R
99
FEM * [ETERNIME RNIMGL TYFES *
100 F=0:FOFF=0T012:F0FC=OT012:IFA(R,C)C100T0125
110 A=F+1: IFA=101THENH=1
120 H(R,C)=10*月
125 NEXT:NEXT
130 FOR(1=1T09:REROH$(A):NEXT
132 DHTA"LION", "CHFRGING TIGER", "BILL ELEPHFNT", "EFEOON", "RHINO"
, "FLEETING IMFHLA", "LEOPGRD", "GIRHFFE", "MUNOY HIFFO"
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499
REM * IMPUT DIRECTIONS *
500 FRINT6925,"
505 D=0:FRINT0925, "WHICH WAY'?";
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515 IFDC10RD)600T0500
56 IF&(2)\7THENXX=9:GUSUES010:G0TOE50
520 IFD=5PRINT0832, CHF$(31); :G070650
52 IFD=66051E3000:60T0650
:REM * LOST *
525 R=R(2):C=C(2):G0S11790
5 5 0 ~ I F R 0 ~ O R ~ R 1 2 ~ O R ~ C N 0 ~ O R ~ O 1 2 ~ T H E N R = R ( 2 ) : C = C ( 2 ) : G O T 0 5 0 0 ~
540 R(Z)=R:C(2)=C
550 IFR(R,O)=QPRINTG704,CHF$(31); D=RND(9):GuSUB3500:PRINT0704,D
#; :00T0650
555 PRINTE640, CHRT(31);
560 IFA(R,O)=L(2)FRINTGE40, FYOU MADE IT TO YOUR BRSE CFMF !";:G0
T06010
565 IFF(R C)D99PRINTG704, "YOU'RE RT R ERSE CRMF, BUT IT ISNOT Y
OURS !";:FRINTM768, "SUPFLIES RRE GUHRDED, SO DON'T GET RNY FLNNY'
IDEES. ";:G0T0600
576 IF A(R,O)<9 OR A(R,O)999G0T0600
572 IFPT(Z)<1PRINT@704, "THERE'S H "; 月$(R(R,C)/10);"!"; PRINT@768
, "TOO EFD YOU HPVE NO FILM LEFT. ";:00TO600
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8, "TOO EHO MOH/RE SHORT ON CHMERHMEN !";:GOTOG00
577 X=R(R,C)-INT(R(R,C)/10)*10
581 IFX2PRINTE768, TOO ERO YOU'RE TOO LRTE TO GET GNY CONTRRCT
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O):" !": :0TOE50
590 G0SUB7150:CLS
600 IF A(R,O<1 OR A(R,O)7 60T0 650
602 DN A(R,C) [0T0604, 610, 615,620.625,630,635
604 IFM(Z,0)<2 RNO E(2,0)<2 GOTOG50
606 FRINT@7U4: "DISRSTER !!! mUST OF YOUR PARTY OHPTURED Ey HERO
HUNTEFS. "; FFINT@768, "YOH'LL HFVE A TOUGH TIME SURVIVING. ";
607 FORD=1T04:IFD(Z,D)=QTHEND(2, D)=2
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609 60T0650
610 FORD=1T04: IFDCZ 0)=060T0612
81. NERT FRINTG704, "H WERFY [RY. "; :GOTDE50
612 D=FND(9): G0GUGO0: FORD=1T04:IFD(2,D)=0THEND(Z,D)=2:G0T0614
G13 NEXT GOTDE56
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693 D = ="ET' SNFIKE BITE. ":RETURN
694 [$="BY EXHAUSTION.":RETUFN
695 D$="TO FEVER. ":RETURN
696. D$="IN STRMFEDE. ":RETURN
697 D $="IN ERUSH FIRE.":RETURN
698 D$="IN FLHSH FLOOD.":RETURN
699 D = ="TO WHRING NGTIVES ":RETURN
:REM * DIRECTIONS *
700 FRINTO704,CHR$(31);
702 PRINT@82, OHFt(91); "=NORTH ";CHR$(94);"EHST"; :FRINTG896,C
HR$(92); "=50UTH "; CHR$(93); "=WEST";
703 PRINTE960, "S=5THT L=LOST";
705 FRINTO790, "S C OUT REFORT (SEE MFF)";
707 FORD=1T04:R=R(2):C=C(2):G0SUB790
710 IFD(Z,D)<>0 THEN Q=4:G051E960:G0T0730
715 IFRC0 OR R>12 OR C\0 OR C\12 G0T0730
720 IFH(R, C)\9FNDH(R, C)<99THEN Q=2:G05UE960
725 IFR(R,C)>100 THEN Q=1:G05UB9E0
727 IFF(R, C)<9 THEN Q=3:G05UB960
730 NEXT
750 RETUFN
790 ON D G0TO 791,793,795,797
791 R=R-1:D$="1 NORTH - ":RETURN
793 C=C+1:D = "2 ERST - ":RETURN
795 R=R+1:D ="3 SOUTH - ":RETURN
797 C=C-1:D ="4 WEST - ":RETUFN
799 REM * SELECT EQUIPMENT. FOR SAFARI *
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NOT HAVE ENOUGH MINIMAL ENUIFNENT T0 G0 ON SAFRRI. "; FORI=1TO500
0:NEXT:E(Z)=1:RETUFN
804 PRINTQ704, "FREPPRE FOR NEW SAFARI . . .";
805 PRINTQ832,"SCOUTS: 1=NORTH 2=EAST 3=SOUTH 4=WEST 5=NO M
ORE";
810 PRINT@896, CHR$(31);
811 FRINT4896, "WHICH SCOUTS WILL YOU TFKE ? ";
812 FORD=1T04: IFD(Z,D)<260T0815
813 NEXT:PRINTE960, "YOU HFVE NO 5COUTS RVRILAELE !"; :FORI=1T0106
0:NEXT :X=5:G0T0822
815 C = =INKEY :IFC:車""THENE15ELSEPRINTC % 
820 X=YAL(C $) :IFX<10RX)56070810
822 IFX=5PRINTP768,CHR$(31); :G0T0830
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823 IFD $(Z, X)=2 P R I N T Q 960$, "HE IS NO LONGER IN YOLR PARTY !"; :FORI= 1T01000: NEXT: 0010810
824 IFD $(Z, X)=0$ PRINT@960, "YOU RLRERD' FICKED HIM ! "; :FORI=1TOA60 B: NEXT: GOTOE10
$825 \mathrm{D}(2, \mathrm{x})=0: 6010810$
830 FRINT@82, "HOW MANY CRMERAS DO YOU WISH TO TAKE ON THIS SFFA RI ? ";
835 C $\ddagger=$ INKET $\$$ :IFC $\ddagger=$ " "THEN835ELSEFRINTC $=$;
 THE NECESSARY' EQUIPMENT OR MEN. "; :FORI=1T01GU0: NEXT:PRINTQ768, CH R $\boldsymbol{F}(31)$ : 507083
$845 F(2,1)=P(2,1)-X: P(2,0)=X: M(2,1)=M(2,1)-2 * x: M(2,0)=2 * X$ $846 \mathrm{FT}(2)=3 * 1$
 TO TAKE ON THIS SAFPRI ?";
852 FRINT0896. "YOU WILL HNVE 100 LES OF GUPFLIES FER BEARER. ";
855 PRINTE966, "REM: FRESS TW0 DIGITS ( $06=51 \mathrm{~N}$ )";


 FORI $=1$ TOL000: $\mathrm{NEXT}: 5010850$
865 IF1OwX+YCSRINTQ960, "YOU MIST TAKE AT LEAST 3 EEFFERS. "; FOR $\mathrm{I}=1$ T01000: NEXT: 6070850
$866 \mathrm{E}(2,1)=\mathrm{B}(2,1)-10 * \mathrm{X}-4: \mathrm{E}(2,0)=10 * \mathrm{~K}+4$
870 IF100* $B(2,0)) W(2,1)$ THENW $(2,0)=W(2,1): W(2,1)=0: 10070699$
$875 W(2,1)=W(2,1)-100 * E(2,0): W(2,0)=100 * B(2,0)$
899 FRINTQ744, CHR $\ddagger(31)$; : RETURN
$900 \operatorname{SET}(\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{Y}): \operatorname{SET}(\mathrm{X}+2, \mathrm{Y}): \operatorname{SET}(\mathrm{X}+1, \mathrm{Y}-1): \operatorname{SET}(\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{Y}-2): \operatorname{SET}(\mathrm{K}+1, \mathrm{Y}-2)$
902 SET $(X+2, Y-2): S E T(X+1, Y-3):$ RETURN
909 REM * DRFH THEMEERS OF PFRTY *
910 60SUB900:SET ( $X-1,4-2): \operatorname{SET}(X-2,4-3): S E T(X+3, Y-2)$
911 GET $(\mathrm{X}+4, \mathrm{Y}-3)$
912 SET $(X, Y-4): S E T(X+1, y-4): S E T(X+2, y-4)$ RETURN
920 605UE910:SET $(X-1, \gamma+1): S E T(X+3, \gamma+1): S E T(X+1, Y-5)$ RETURN
930 GOSUB920:SET $(X, Y-5): S E T(X+2, Y-5)$ :RETURN
$940 \mathrm{X}=62: Y=5$ :60510930

942 NEXT: IFM $2, ~ L)<16070944$

$944 X=62: Y=19:$ FORI $=1$ TOR ( $2, L$ ) : $0051 \mathrm{EPGD}: \mathrm{X}=\mathrm{X}+6$
945 IFI=10THENY $=25: X=62$

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946 NEXT
948 RETURN
950 FORD=1T04:IFD(Z,D)<)2THEND(Z,D)=1
951 NEXT
952M(2,1)=M(2,1)+M(2,0):B(2,1)=B(2,1)+B(2,0)
953 P(Z,1)=P(Z,1)+P(2,0):W(Z,1)=W(Z,1)+W(Z,0)
954 M(2,0)=0:B(Z,0)=0:P(Z,0)=0:W(Z,0)=0:PT(Z)=0
955 RETURN
960 PRINT@0, "PATHS";
965 I=D:D \ = - -1)[ (RND(2))
970 ON I GOTO 975,980,985,990
975 IFR(Z)=QRETURN
976 X=26:FORY=11TOOSTEP-Q:SET(X,Y):SET (X+1,Y)
978 X=X+2*(V*(RND(2)-1):NEXT:RETURN
980 IFC(Z)=12RETURN
981-Y=13:FORX=30T0525TEP2*Q:SET(X,Y):SET(X+1,Y)
983 Y= % + \%**(RND(2)-1):NEXT :RETURN
985 IFR(Z)=12RETURN
986 X=26:FORY=15T026STEPQ:SET(X,Y):SET(X+1,Y)
988 X=X'2*DU*(RND(2)-1):NEXT:RETUPN
990 IFC(Z)=QRETURN
991 Y=13:FORX=22TOOSTEP-2*Q:SET(X,Y):SET(X+1,Y)
993 Y= Y+0%*(RND(2)-1):NEXT:RETURN
2999 REM * MRF TO BASE CRMP *
3000 FORD=1T04:IFD(Z,D)=6THEND(Z,D)=2:R$=" SCOUT ":GOT03045
3002 IFD(Z,D)=1THENO(Z,D)=2:A$=" SCOUT FROM BASE ":GOT03045
3005 NEXT
3010 IFM(Z,0)>0THENM (Z,0)=|(Z,0)-1:R =" CFMERAMPN ":GOT03045
3020 IFM(2,1)>0THENM(2,1)=M(2,1)-1:A$=" CPMERAMPN FROM BASE ":60
T03045
3030 [L5:FRINT@896, "FROM A HIGH FERK, YOU'YE MRDE THIS MAF' TO YO
UR ERSE CFMP. ";:G0T03070
3045 CL5:IFXX=9THENXX=0:FRINTE832, "YOU ACT AS IF YOU ARE L05T, 5
0. . . ";
3060 PRINT@896, "YOUR"; A$; "GRVE HIS LIFE TO GET THI5 MPP !";
3070 X(2)=0:FORT=0T012:FORN=0T012
3080 FRINTMM*64+N*4, "+";
3090 IFA(M,N)=L(Z)FRINTGM*64+N*4, "B";
3100 IFM=R(Z)ANDN=C(2)PRINTCN**64+N**, "5";
3110 NEXT :NEXT
3120 PRINTE960, "PRE5S =ENTER= TO CONTINUE ";:INFUTA$:CLS
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7170 IFX=0THENFP=80
7172 IFX=1THENFF=50
7174 IFX=2THENPP=30
7176 FP=PP+(HBS(R(Z)-R1(Z))+FBSC(Z)-G1(2))*16
7180 A(R,C)=A(R,C)+1:FT(Z)=FT(2)-1
7300 PRINT060, PF;
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EFT ";CHR:(94);"=RIGHT ENTER=SNFF' FICTURE";
7320 C={=1NKEY:IFC="["THENF2=F2-1:IFF2<1THENF2=1
730 IFC=CHF$(10)THENF2=F2+1:IFF2)7THEPF2=7
7340 IFC=\CHF$(8)THENF1=F1-z-RNO(2):IFF1G1THENP1=1
7S50 IFC=CHR$(9)THENP1=F1+?+RNO(2):IFF1>40゙THENF1=40
7360 IFC:= CHR京(13)60T07700
7270 FRINT164,CHR$(31):F=F1+F2*64
7380 PRINTQP,F真:PRINT@F+267,CHF$(140); :FRINT@P+279,F1事;
7400 R1=F1+(RND(3)-2)*S:IFF1GUTHENF1=2ELSEIFF1)S0THENF1=50
7410 H2=A2+RND(3)-2:IFR2\2THENH2=2ELSEIFF2\1STHENF2=13
7420 f=F1+F2*64:FRINTGH, AN(A(R, C)/10);
7450 FP=FP-1:IFPP(160T07700
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$747060 T 07300$
77010 IFP $256 T H E N F S=64 E L S E F S=82$
7710 IFPPC1PRINTOPS, "YOU'RE TOO GLOW WITH THE OMEERA !": GOTO7B10
7715 F1=F1+11:F2-F2+4


ACT POINTS. ": GOTOTEOEX
7730 PRINTEPS, "SORRY, EUT HOU MISSED THE FICTURE ":G0TO7810
$7800 \mathrm{~T}(\mathrm{Z})=\mathrm{T}(2)+\mathrm{PF}$
7810 INFIT"FRESS =ENTER= TO CONTINUE "; B $\ddagger$
7820 RETURN
8999 REM * END OF GPME *
9000 CLS
9010 PRINT"NO OWI HRS CRMERR EOUIFHENT NEEDED TO SCORE FOINTS"
9020 PRINT"THE GFME 15 OYER. ":PRINT
9030 PRINT"FINFL STAMDINGS : ":PRINT
9040 FORI=1TOFL:PRINTF $\$(\mathrm{I}) ; " \quad$ "; T(I):NEXT :FRINT
9850 INFUT"FRESS =ENTER= FOR BMOTHER GFME "; Fis:RLN

## TAKE A PART: SAFARI

Take A Part is a new feature in SoftSide. One of the best ways to learn new methods is to look at programs that others have written. In this series, we'll take one feature of a program in our current issue and explain how it works.

When playing games (like Safari or X-Wing Fighter) that call for moving objects around on the screen, it's awkward to remember which particular letters mean to go up, down, left or right. One solution to this problem is to use the arrows on the keyboard to indicate motion.
At first glance this seems difficult, for the arrows already have specific functions. Without a shift, (and in fast action we don't want to press the SHIFT key) the up arrow prints an up arrow, the down arrow gives us a line feed, the right arrow functions as a TAB key, and the left arrow is a back space. Of the four, only the up arrow gives us a visually recognizable symbol in an input statement. We can't print a down arrow, or a right or left arrow directly from the keyboard. However, we can print them indirectly, using the CHR $\$$ function (See line 702 of Safari) Here are the codes, from page $\mathrm{C} / 2$ of the Level II Manual:

| CHR\$ (91) | Up Arrow |
| :--- | :--- |
| CHR\$ (92) | Down Arrow |
| CHR (93) | Left Arrow |
| CHR $\$(94)$ | Right Arrow |

The reason we can't use these directly is that the down, left and right arrows are dedicated to other ASCII codes in lower case, as follows:

| Down Arrow | ASC (10) | Linefeed |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Left Arrow | ASC (8) | Backspace Cursor |
| Right Arrow | ASC (9) | Advance Cursor |

If we use these keys in an INPUT statement, the line feeds and spaces are printed. If, instead, we use them with the INKEY\$ function, we can translate them into printed arrows before we print them, and even use them to set up a variable to control movement on the screen, as is done with Line 510 and the subroutine at 450 to 454 in Safari.

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-Location \#

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Within those limitations, this is a lot easier than breadboarding the circuit and measuring all the voltage drops and the current while increasing a variable voltage power supply.

1 REM******************

| $*$ | SOFTSIDE PRESENTS | $*$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $*$ | SERIES CIRCUITS | $*$ |
| $* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *$ |  |  |

5 CLS
10 PRINTE459, "THIS FROGRHM DEWOISTRATES SERIES CIRCUITS"
15 FOR I=1 T0 1600:NEXT I
20 CLS
25 INPUT "WHAT IS THE VALUE OF THE FIRST RESISTOR"; R
27 IF $\mathrm{R}<=0 \mathrm{THEN} 25$
30 INFUT "WHFT IS THE YRLUE OF THE SECOND RESISTOR": 5
32 IF SGO THEN 30
35 INFUT "WHAT IS THE IMITIRL vOLTRGE";
40 INFIIT "RHRT 15 THE FINFL YOLTRGE"; F
45 INFUT "WHAT IS THE INEREMENT": Q
47 LET Z=ABS(Q)
48 IF 2 (1 THEN 45
49 LET $N=(F-E) / 0$
50 IF NS THEN 35
55 d 5
60 FRINT "THE CIRCUITS ARE"
65 FRINT " FROM:"," "," T0:"
70 FRINT:PRINT " R1"," R2"," R1"," R2"
75 FRINT" ";R" "; 5" "; R" ";
30 PRINT®G5: "FS"," "," FS

| 85 | PRINT0714, E, " ", " "; F |
| :---: | :---: |
| 90 | PRINT:PRINT" ", " BY INCREMENTS OF "; $Q$ |
| 95 | $x=2$ |
| 100 | FOR $Y=16$ T0 26 |
| 105 | SET $(X, Y): S E T(X+1, Y)$ |
| 110 | SET $(\chi+46, \varphi): \operatorname{SET}(\gamma+47, \varphi)$ |
| 115 | SET $(\chi+64, \varphi): \operatorname{SET}(\chi+65, \varphi)$ |
| 120 | SET ( $X+110, Y$ : $\operatorname{SET}(X+111, Y)$ |
| 125 | NEXT Y |
| 130 | FOR X=2 T0 49 |
| 135 | $\mathrm{Y}=16$ |
| 140 | IF $X=7$ THEN $Y=Y+1$ |
| 145 | IF $X=9$ THEN $Y=Y-1$ |
| 150 | IF $X=11$ THEN $Y=Y+1$ |
| 155 | IF $X=13$ THEN $Y=Y-1$ |
| 160 | IF $X=15$ THEN $Y=Y+1$ |
| 165 | IF $X=17$ THEN $Y=Y-1$ |
| 170 | IF $X=35$ THEN $Y=Y+1$ |
| 175 | IF $X=37$ THEN $Y=\gamma-1$ |
| 180 | IF $X=39$ THEN $Y=Y+1$ |
| 185 | IF $X=41$ THEN $Y=Y-1$ |
| 190 | IF $X=43$ THEN $Y=Y+1$ |
| 195 | If $X=45$ THEN $Y=Y-1$ |
| 200 | $\operatorname{SET}(\chi, Y): \operatorname{SET}(X+64, Y)$ |
| 205 | NEXT X |
| 210 | FOR $X=2$ T0 18: $Y=26$ |
| 215 | $\operatorname{SET}(X, Y): \operatorname{SET}(\mathrm{X}+64, Y)$ |
| 220 | NEXT X |
| 225 | FOR $X=30$ T0 49 |
| 230 | SET $(X, Y): S E T(X+64, Y)$ |
| 235 | NEXT X |
| 240 | FOR $Y=24$ T0 $28: X=19$ |
| 245 | IF $Y=24$ THEN 265 |
| 250 | IF $\varphi=28$ THEN 265 |
| 255 | SET $(X+2, Y): \operatorname{SET}(X+6, Y): \operatorname{SET}(X+10, Y)$ |
| 260 | $\operatorname{SET}(X+66, Y): \operatorname{SET}(X+70, Y): S E T(X+74, Y)$ |
| 265 | SET ( $\chi, Y$ ) : SET $(\chi+4, Y): S E T(\chi+8, Y)$ |
| 270 | SET ( $X+64, Y): \operatorname{SET}(X+68, Y): \operatorname{SET}(X+72, Y)$ |
| 275 | NEXT Y |
| 280 | G0Sub1000 |
| 295 | C.LS |

100 FOR $Y=16$ T0 26
$110 \operatorname{SET}(\gamma+46, Y): S E T(\gamma+47, Y)$
$115 \operatorname{SET}(X+64, Y): \operatorname{SET}(X+65, Y)$
$120 \operatorname{SET}(X+110, Y): S E T(X+111, Y)$
125 NEXT Y
130 FOR $X=2$ T0 49
135 ' $\mathrm{Y}=16$
140 IF $X=7$ THEN $Y=\psi+1$
145 IF $X=9$ THEN $Y=Y-1$
150 IF $X=11$ THEN $Y=Y+1$
155 IF $X=13$ THEN $Y=Y-1$
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195 IF $X=45$ THEN $Y=Y-1$
$200 \operatorname{SET}(X, Y): S E T(X+64, Y)$
205 NEXT X
210 FOR $X=2$ T0 18: $Y=26$
215 SET $(X, Y): S E T(X+64, Y)$
220 NEXT X
225 FOR X=30 T0 49
230 SET(X,Y):SET(X+64,Y)
235 NEXT X
240 FOR $Y=24$ T0 $28: X=19$
245 IF $Y=24$ THEN 265
250 IF $Y=28$ THEN 265
$255 \operatorname{SET}(X+2, Y): \operatorname{SET}(X+6, Y): \operatorname{SET}(X+10, Y)$
$260 \operatorname{SET}(X+66, Y): \operatorname{SET}(X+70, Y): \operatorname{SET}(X+74, Y)$
265 SET ( $(Y): S E T(X+4, Y): S E T(X+8, Y)$
$270 \operatorname{SET}(X+64, Y): \operatorname{SET}(X+68, Y): \operatorname{SET}(X+72, Y)$
275 NEXT Y
280 G05UB1000
295 C.LS

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300 FOR Y=0. T0 47
305 SET(32,Y):SET(64,Y):SET(96,Y)
310 NEXT Y
315 FOR X=0 T0 127
320 SET(X,3)
325 NEXT X
330 PRINT " TOTFL YOLTAGE";
335 PRINTE23, "E1";
340 PRINTE39,"E2";
345 FRINT@52,"FMPERHGE";
350 X=66
355 FOR I=E TO F STEF Q
360 X=X+64
365 FRINTEX, I;
370 FRINTQX+16,R/(R+5)*I;
375 PRINTEX+22,5/(R+5)*1;
380 PRINTQX+48, I/(R+5);
355 IF XO962 THEN 430
390 X=66
395 FOR J=1 T0 3000:NEXT J
400 FOR J=130 T0 962 STEP 64
405 FRINT@J," n;
410 FRINT@J+16," ";
415 PRINTEJ+32," ";
420 PRINTeJ+48," ";
4 2 5 ~ N E X T ~ J ~
430 NEXT I
435 IF X=66 THEN 486
4 4 0 ~ X = X + 6 4
445 FOR I=X T0 962 STEP 64
450 PRINTEX," ";
455 FRINTEX+16:" ";
460 PRINTEX+32," ";
465 FRINTEX+48," ";
470 NEXT I
475 FOR I=1 T0 5000:NEXT I
4 8 0 ~ C L S ~
485 INPUT"DO YOU WFNT THIS PROGRGM RLNN RGAIN(YES=1)";2
490 IF 2=1 THEN 20
495 STOF
1000 FRINTE910," ":INFUT"PRESS ENTER TO G0 ON";C :RETURN
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