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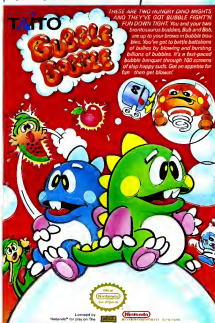
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The Cutting Edge

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positions in three-dimensional space. For example, with "Mike Tyson's Punch-Out!!", the player curls his fist for a punch and then aims for the opponent's face—the character on the screen delivers that punch! In "Rad Racer" the player symbolically grabs hold of an imaginary steering wheel and literally steers the car through the high speed course on screen. Should a curve prove too intense, the player flattens his hand and pushes downward to simulate braking, and the on-screen auto responds by slowing down.

The programmable glove keyboard also provides quick access to "slo-mo" and turbo (rapid repeat) features. Players will be able to customize games by changing normal joystick

motions into simple hand gestures, selecting their own personal hand motions and finger movements to control the game. Housed in the POWER GLOVE keypad is a computer capable of playing all joystick-type games for the NES.

For POWER GLOVE power players, Mattel is developing The Glove Gaming Series, which are games dedicated to maximizing the fun of using this high-tech NES accessory. The first of these games, "Bad Street Brawler", is scheduled for release in Fall of 1989.

Look for the revolutionary POWER GLOVE to be at your favorite retailer in the fall...then say goodbye to button pushing and hello to the future!



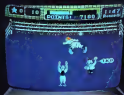
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A video game controller that eliminates all physical contact between player and machine?? Broderbund's hot new NES accessory, U-FORCE, makes you the controller!

U-FORCE resembles a small attache case, plugs directly into the joystick port of your NES, and requires no batteries or other power source. When set up for play, U-FORCE rests on a tabletop in an upright position or folded out flat, depending on the game you're playing. A simple set of switches allows players to configure U-FORCE for play with specific games, as well as enabling Turbo (rapid-fire) mode. Once play begins, you simply move your hands and body within a three-dimensional range of the U-FORCE screen to control the action! Through a series of electronic sensors, U-FORCE detects a player's exact motion, velocity, and relative position, and translates them instantly to on-screen action!

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Personality Profile

By Steve Messey

Alan Fetzer didn't know how complex the home video game business was until he jumped into it head first last April. Now he maneuvers the sword of RASTAN at an office computer when the work pace slows from furious to fast.

"On my computer I've got a games directory where I keep four or five of the games we're about to release. They relieve stress and tension," says Fetzer, president of Taito Software. "I'll take a break every so often and then go back to work. I probably play about an hour a day at work."

Fetzer, 35, was hired by Taito America to head Taito Software, a Vancouver, B.C.-based computer cartridge development arm of Japan's Taito Corp. The parent company, a video games giant with projected 1988 sales of \$500 million, pioneered the development of arcade video games with the introduction of Space Invaders in 1978. Fetzer is now steering the new subsidiary into the cutthroat software industry. His mission: to bring Taito Corp.'s most successful arcade games to the U.S. home entertainment software market.

From his Vancouver office, Fetzer will play a huge role in shaping the future of home video games. And, he says, new technology is creating older audiences for games. They aren't just kids' games anymore.

"I see more and more sophistication in the area of flight simulation and adventure games," Fetzer says. "There are airplane and helicopter simulators out now that allow someone to experience the feeling of actual flight. That's an area where there's been a steady progression through capturing the specifications of the aircraft involved."

"With the increased sophistication, we see a lot of adults playing our games now. As the games have gotten beyond the very crude representations, as

you see action and simulation that reflects actual experiences, the adults are getting more and more interested."

Early this year, Taito Software released OPERATION WOLF, a No. 1 arcade hit awaited by home video games players with much anticipation. It's now



available for the Commodore 64/128, the Amiga and Atari ST, as well as the Nintendo Entertainment System. The game is distinguished by its arcade-quality graphics and a full range of sound effects.



Operation Wolf features a commando-style mission to free hostages held by armed terrorists in the jungle. Players struggle through six missions and will enjoy the realistic sounds of rotor blades and staccato bursts of gunfire.

Fetzer hopes OPERATION WOLF will be a success with young players as well. He says the key to success in the home video games market is diversity and quality - one age group can't make or break a company's success.

"We're looking for a movement forward in the release of products that aren't repeats of something someone has already done," says Fetzer. "The secret to keeping the home market alive is clearly with quality products and a diverse selection. We've tried to do that at Taito."

Breaking into an already-booming market might be easier for Taito Software, considering its presence in the Japanese market. In Japan, arcade games are more popular than in America. Many of Japan's most challenging games are now ripe for America's home video games market. Although translating arcade games to home video can be difficult—especially when Japanese text must be converted to English—Taito Software is scrambling to complete game conversions. This fall, adventure games enthusiasts will find a new treasure on the shelves of games distributors. Taito's latest adventure game, still untitled, features multiple levels where the ultimate goal is to find a sword that

"The secret to keeping the home market alive is clearly with quality products and a diverse selection..."

has magical powers. Players pick up keys to doors and uncover secrets as they search for the magical sword. Fetzer has played the game himself and says it'll take the market by storm late this year.

Also on Taito's arcade conversion list is a sequel to the hit RENEGADE. According to Fetzer, street fighting and inner-city conflict are popular themes now and provide for action-packed home video games.

RENEGADE

Whether Taito's arcade-style games make it in the home video games market depends largely on its success with Nintendo Entertainment Systems users. In fact, the primary buyers of Taito game cartridges are Nintendo owners. Nintendo's huge presence in the home video game market could be the key to Taito's success, since Taito is licensed to make five different games per year for the Nintendo system.

"We listen quite closely to what Nintendo says," Fetzer explained. "Because of their extensive telephone operation, they have close contact with the

consumers. They know what people are saying about games." Nintendo has some 100 telephone operators who listen to questions from consumers about their games.

As Fetzer gives Nintendo his undivided attention, he'll also watch Atari through the corner of his eye. Atari Games Corp. plans to distribute its own series of video games that can be used on Nintendo's hardware.

The move could raise patent-law questions, depending on how Atari's cartridges are built. Regardless, Atari's marketing ploy could undermine Nintendo's stronghold on the home video games market.

"We're watching Atari pretty closely," Fetzer says. "I'm not sure all the information about the situation is readily available. Nintendo's manner of regulating the business really resurrected the industry. While competitors may not like the restrictions imposed upon them, it's brought a sense of balance. Nintendo has elevated the quality of products to a very high level."

Taito has contributed to a high level of game quality through the use of artificial intelligence, a sophisticated level of programming which modifies the difficulty according to a player's skill level.

Operation Wolf may be the video game hit of the year, largely because of this technology. With quality programming and strong backing from its parent company, Taito Software is well on its way to becoming the major player in the industry.

Hot at the Arcades

By G.A.T. & E.B.N.

Odds are very good that if a game is hot news at the arcades, it will soon be made into a home version for your Nintendo, Sega, or Atan unit. So every issue our GAMEPRO writers report to you what's sizzling in coinop, to give you a peek at some possible future titles for your home unit.

Hey, do you know what you've been missing at the local arcade? Last year was a boom for home entertainment games, but coinop is still the testing ground for the newest games. The latest technological advances include digitized graphics, full stereo sounds and even more realistic playability. Here are three of the hottest arcade games out.

Double Dragon II: The Revenge (Technos/Romstar)

This sequel to last year's sizzling hit is the hottest martial arts game around. The action starts when evil thugs shock down your loved one in cold blood. Now you're out for revenge! There are six new levels of play with even sharper graphics and sounds than Double Dragon. Fight against new and more aggressive foes. Pick up different and more lethal weapons, like the ball & chain or the axe. Team up with a friend for twice the action.



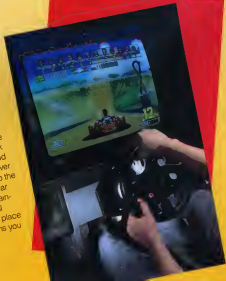
NARC (Williams)

Cops and robbers take on new meaning with this hit. You're a cop with a tough assignment: protect the innocent by bringing down Mr. Big and his K.R.A.K. criminal syndicate. But to get to him, you've got to lay some justice on the most vile lowlife you can imagine, including punks, thieves, psychos, and murderers. At the start of each round, you'll get a picture and voice scan of your suspect. Then you start battling on city streets, over bridges, in back alleys and drug hideouts.

Hit the streets on foot and use your machine guns against all sorts of druggpushing villains. Duck, jump and dodge enemy bombs at attacking helicopters. Avoid thrown needles that drain your energy. Jump into your highpowered police sports car and run over criminals who try to stop you. Collect seized drugs and money for extra points. Team up with a partner for even more fun.

Power Drift (Sega)

Awesome graphics and sounds on probably the hottest racing game ever released. Take your choice of 12 different drivers and choose one of the five courses, each of which have five tracks. You start out sixth and must finish in the top three places to continue. Each track has different backgrounds and challenges. Jump your car over ramps and bumps... lean into the harpin turns. Check your rear view button to see who's gaining, but if you're not careful you'll fly off the track. First place through all the tracks earns you a bonus round.



By The Eliminator

A Hint of the Wolf

The enemy has taken innocent civilians as hostages. Your mission is to infiltrate the hostile territories of South America and liberate the prisoners while eliminating the heavily armed extremists along your path. In order to succeed in this perilous journey, you have to maintain a healthy ammunition supply. The destiny of the hostages is in your hands. Don't let them down.

Gearing Up for the Action

Operation Wolf is a fast-action game saturated with non-stop shooting power. You are merely equipped with a machine gun, 7



Start by knocking out the enemy's line of communication...if you can!

magazines and 5 grenades at the onset of the game. You have to battle an army of tanks, mis siles, helicopters, gunboats, and well-trained guerilla soldiers. But fear not. You can replenish your firepower and ammunition by capturing power-up boxes that drift across your screen. The ones marked "FREE" allow up to 10 seconds of unlimited gun play. Throughout the game, there are hostages or villagers intermingled with the enemy troops. **PRO TIP: Never attack a group of enemies when there's a hostage among them...you might injure yourself!**

This Wolf Knows His Territory

You parachute off a plane over a dense tropical terrain. Your first task is to demolish the enemy's Communication Center and render them incommunicado with the outside world. A fierce battle ensues as the enemy troops shoot wildly at you, with help from bombarding tanks and attacking helicopters. **PRO TIP: Conserve bullets...use short bursts.** Once you succeed in cutting off enemy communications, you journey on to the wild, lush Jungle. You need to extract information from the enemy about the location of the prison camp. Prisoners run helter-skelter amidst the gunfire fury of opposing forces. Gunboats cruising along the river fire at you as you obtain extra ammunition. Armored tanks loom on the horizon. Distracting farm animals, like chickens and pigs, scurry about with wild abandon!



PRO TIP: Eliminate the animals for power-up weapons.

Warning! The enemy may locate you! If you sustain a lethal injury, the game is over. If you have no ammunition left, you must join the prisoners. You move on to the Village, weary from battle, hoping to rest.

OPERATION WOLF



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More hostile troops confront you as innocent villagers and animals take cover! The Village is freed and you recover from your injury. **PRO TIP:** Don't pass up the chance to collect power-up boxes... you'll need them!



Next, you must take the Ammunition Dump by force in order to replenish your dwindling supply. You are greeted by a barrage of tanks, frightened birds and medics running around with stretchers. After obtaining your ammo, move

on to the Concentration Camp where the rest of the prisoners await you. Weak, emaciated hostages stagger around



screaming for "Help!" as brutal enemy soldiers stalk them and hurl grenades and missiles. Windows are shattered to smithereens in the exchange of gunfire. You succeed in freeing the prisoners! **PRO TIP:** Save your rocket grenades for the helicopters.

Last leg of Operation Wolf is to rescue the prisoners and race for the Airport. The motorcycle-riding enemies try to block your safe passage. Tanks and an attack helicopter hurl mortars in a last desperate attempt to curtail this heroic one-man feat! A successful getaway...the prisoners are rescued!!!

OPERATION WOLF FACTS FILE

GAME MAKER/MACHINE:
TAITO/NINTENDO

LEVEL OF PLAY:
INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED

GAME TYPE:
ACTION/ADVENTURE

NUMBER OF MISSIONS:
SIX

BEST FEATURE:
AMAZING GRAPHICS

BEST CONTROL:
LIGHT GUN

NUMBER OF PLAYERS:
ONE

By B.A.J.

The Princess Lala, daughter of the King of Edenerland, has been captured by the Great Devil. Your task, as Prince Lolo, is to rescue the Princess Lala from her prison in The Devil's Castle. To reach Lala you must venture on a dangerous journey.



Watch your step through the Devil's Castle.

Your mission is not an easy one. The Devil's Castle is filled with obstacles. Trees, rocks, hot lava flows, raging rivers and burning deserts bar your path. Even worse, you must face eight different deadly monsters. Do not despair! Brave Prince Lolo can overcome all obstacles to save Princess Lala.

The success of your rescue mission depends on how well you use your wits and the special powers available to you. To obtain the help you need, collect the heart framers along your path. Some heart framers give you tools, such as a bridge to cross a lava stream, or a hammer to destroy a rock.

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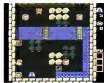
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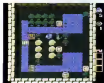
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Keep your eyes open for heart framers along the way.

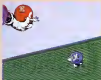
Other heart framers provide weapons called magic shots. Magic shots can turn monsters into eggs that help you cross rapid flowing rivers or seas. But beware! After a few moments eggs turn back into deadly monsters.

To advance to the next room you must gather all the heart framers you see, but proceed with great caution. Some heart framers will release monsters that attack you by throwing curses, or shooting you with flames.



PRO TIP: In rooms with characters that shoot, make sure that emerald framers, heart framers, or rocks are between Lolo and the monsters.

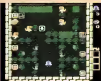
When at last all the heart framers are collected you can race to the magic treasure chest. You must go quickly for new monsters, such as the deadly Skull, awaken to chase you. When you touch the treasure chest you destroy all monsters in the room,



The Great Devil has captured the Princess Lala.



You are faced with countless obstacles in your journey.



You will need all your wits and cunning to master each room.

and hold the treasure that opens the door to the next room.



PRO TIP: At the beginning of each level stay put for a few moments and carefully plan your moves ahead of time.

Besides the dangers of attacking monsters, fast flowing rivers, and burning lava streams, you must also watch for moveable emerald framers. You can move emerald framers to trap monsters, but the emerald framers can also trap you if you're not careful. If Lolo is lost or trapped you find yourself back at the beginning of the same room.

PRO TIP: Watch for the password at the end of each room. This allows you to continue your next game where you left off.

To complete your rescue mission you must voyage through fifty different rooms, each more dangerous and difficult than the last. When you reach the end of your journey you face the final showdown with the Great Devil. Victory is yours when you destroy the Great Devil and free Princess Lala.

The Adventures of Lolo requires planning and skill as you advance through the complex mazes of The Devil's Castle. In addition Lolo's catchy tune and fun graphics combine to make it an exciting new addition for the Nintendo.

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By *Nickel Brookie*

What happens when you take a couple of friendly dragons, throw in an endless array of bubbles, and combine them with fruits, candies, and a vast assortment of the strangest beasties to ever inhabit a video game cartridge??? You're playing Taito's latest NES title, *Bubble Bobble*.

You and a friend take control of Bub and Bob, two bubble blowin' dragons headed on a fantastic voyage to save their sweethearts, held captive by Baron von Blubba. There are over 100 rounds of challenge before the evil Baron is finally confronted.



Take care, your only weapons are your bubbles, but at least you have an endless supply. All you have to do is trap the beasties in your bubbles and pop them using your spiny back, sending these evil critters

into oblivion! Be sure and watch where they land...you'll be treated to some very tasty fruit which adds various amounts of points to your score.



PRO TIP: Sometimes the best strategy is to let the beasties come right at you...but several beasties have special weapons and running away from them is your best defense!



During each round, be sure to pay close attention to the different items that appear. A shoe, for instance, increases your overall speed. By eating candles you can increase your bubbleblowing capacity. Many other objects also appear, giving you the ability to shoot fireballs, or flood the screen with water. In turn, you are rewarded with some nice diamonds to enrich your score.



PRO TIP: Grab every magic bonus you can get...you'll need them to outwit the beasts!!

Be sure and study all the bubbles on the screen...on some rounds bubbles containing letters float randomly about. If you are lucky enough to pop the letters that spell EXTEND, you will exit the round and be treated to an extra Bub or Bob.

Each round presents a different pattern of openings and ledges to provide movement in your underground quest. Each round is more difficult and fascinating than the last. To add to the challenge, there are quite a few "hidden" rounds for you to locate. These hidden rounds add to your fun and your score!!



PRO TIP: Get to round 20 on your first Bub for a hidden treat!

The real challenge of Bubble Bobble is to try to maximize your points. In order to get the most points for trapping and popping the enemies, try to pop as many of the creatures together as you can. Let them fall together to a pending point for the beastie; then pop the group; point values can

increase to as much as 64,000 for a popped beastie and 9,000 points for the leftover fruit!!!



PRO TIP: Use fire, thunder, and water bubbles to burst several beasties in one blow!

Bubble Bobble is original, challenging, and fun, with great graphics and music...there is no game quite like it!!





Adventure Island

Adventure Island consists of eight grueling areas with four action-packed rounds in each area. At the end of each area is a boss whom you must defeat to proceed on your quest. But Higgins is continually losing energy as the game progresses and you must pick up fruit or milk to regain stamina.

By The Eliminator & J.D. Cameron

No Fantasy Island

You are cast as Master Higgins, a bouncy and nimblefooted hero who ventures out to the balmy South Pacific to save the beautiful Princess Leitani from the clutches of the evil Witch Doctor. While hopping from island to island and cloud to cloud, you must survive against



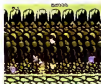
Fight off sea creatures as you hop from cloud to cloud.

a barrage of attacks from giant snails, leaping octopuses and swordfish. As you hurl axes at the advancing sea creatures, you can boost your energy by plucking tropical fruits, like bananas and pineapples, from the air. As you reach the caverns, you are greeted by pesky bats, cobras, skullheads, and falling icicles. Once you get to the forest, beware the spiders, sly foxes, and frogs.



PRO TIP: To help defeat the evil bosses, stay very close and let him throw fireballs past you...after he throws, jump up and throw your axe at his head!

At the end of each round, grabbing the bonus pot doubles your points. Cracking hidden eggs along your path could reveal more power-ups like a milk bottle (full energy) or even a skateboard to speed you around the island. Occasionally, the right egg rewards you with a miniature fairylike creature named Honey Girl who hovers behind you and renders you invincible for several seconds.



Watch out for dangerous creatures - eliminate them before they get too close.

But picking the wrong egg could reveal the dreaded egg-plant which drains your energy supply!

Your journey also reveals several bonus rounds. If Higgins is standing in the right place at the right time, a platform magically appears and elevates him to the bonus round.



PRO TIP: To find the first bonus round, go to area 1, round 1, section 3...stand in front of the fifth totem pole, and away you go to the bonus round!

Beware the seventh area, where hopping precariously along shifting ledges becomes very difficult. More unexpected hazards hinder your progress...be careful not to plunge into the dark abyss or crack the wrong egg! If you get past this area, you have the makings of a real hero.



PRO TIP: Throughout the game there are magic areas, where either a bonus round or egg will appear. An easy way to find these: throw your axe...if it disappears, you're in a magic area!

Will you be able to save the Princess from a tragic fate?

By Bill Marcus/The Pro A.J.F.

You are Jo Musashi: Master Ninja. Your mission is to rescue the children of the world's leaders from the underlings of the feared Ring of Five, a gang of evil terrorist Ninjas. Armed with shuriken, nunchaku, sword, bombs, guns, and your own agility, you must infiltrate their strongholds in order to save the hostages and rid the world of this vile plague.



Shinobi is divided into five separate missions with two or three sections in each. At the end of each mission is one of the evil Bosses who can't be overcome unless you know his weakness. Be sure to rescue all the hostages along the way to get bonus weapons and power-ups. When you rescue a certain hostage and finish a section of a mission, you enter a bonus round where you can earn Ninja Magic to aid you in your quest. **PRO TIP: Don't miss the Blue Ninja in these rounds in order to receive twice as much magic!**

In mission 1, watch out for Mongo the henchmen, who throws his razor sharp steel boomerang at you.



PRO TIP: Hit him with your shuriken - when he throws his sword, hit him again! Ken Oh awaits you at the end of this mission. This evil Boss is larger than life...five well-placed hits in the middle of his head to stop him in his tracks. Watch out for his fireballs!

You enter mission 2 through caves filled with evil Ninjas. Once past the caves, you encounter swarms of deadly frogmen. Use the sword you found in the caves to eliminate these henchmen of death. You're looking for Black Turtle, the helicopter Boss who carries a deadly load of Fly Ninjas.

PRO TIP: Several shots to the copter's nose will end this nightmarish scene.

If you make it past another gang of henchmen, your target Boss in mission 3 is Mandara. Eliminating the four rounds of hideous Mandara requires skill, agility and aggressiveness.



PRO TIP: Run up, jump and rapid fire to destroy Mandara. Just when you thought you were safe, a wicked fire breathing head appears.

Try a few shots to his eye to do this Boss in once and for all. Good luck!

Two more missions left! Don't give up! Take your time in mission 4. You must kill the Fly Ninja or they will end your mission. Once past these underlings, you must overcome



the Lobster Boss. This giant sumurai swordsman has a weakness - watch for him to lower his sword! If you prove worthy of reaching mission 5, you're in for a very tough challenge. First, battling the super powered henchmen Ninjas requires all of your Master skills. Then you must face the final and most deadly Masked Ninja Boss who demonstrates a true split personality! Definitely an opponent worthy of the most expert Ninja Master!



Shinobi, Saga's recent martial arts arcade translation, is a slick combination of varied play formats, great graphics and a tough challenge that should keep even the most seasoned gamers playing for hours.

Shinobi



Secure the evil fragment!



You'll need quick reflexes and speed to get past these unwarys.



Your shuriken will make short work of a muske-carrying foot soldier.

By C.A.T.

The fiendish aliens of the Bydo Empire are taking over the galaxy and creating worlds of hate and evil. You must pilot the newest galactic attack fighter, R-9, into a battle to the death with these menacing enemy forces.

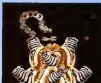
Your weapons include a steady pulse laser beam and a super-shot, but power-ups can add speed, firepower, and droid ships to your arsenal. Power-ups are collected when you destroy the enemy POW Armor units. To successfully complete your mission, you must battle through eight waves of enemies and annihilate the alien boss that awaits you at the end of each wave. Prepare for battle!

The Bydo Empire frontline base awaits you in stage one. Out the cockpit you see stars and metal walls as you warm-up by blasting enemy ships and alien insects with your laser. You make your way to a rotating passageway surrounded by space cannons...blast through and past heavily armed robots and meet your first boss alien, the hideous Krell!



PRO TIP: Save a supershot for the bike power crystal at the rotating passageway.

Now you guide your ship into caverns of heavy vegetation and clear containers of unknown substances which protrude from the walls. Strange creatures pop out from the plant life as swarms of insects close on you. A death snake guardian protects Gomanda, the second boss alien, whose weakness is revealed when he opens his eye.



PRO TIP: Place your drone ship directly above the alien's eye.

As you enter stage three, you are dwarfed by a Bydo Mega Battleship! Make your way under the ship and blast holes in its armor while dodging fire from the cruiser's many cannons. Watch for falling debris from your direct hits.



PRO TIP: Shoot your drone ship at the center of the boss alien.



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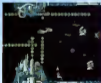


PRO TIP: Catch drone ship behind you before heading to the top of the battleship.



PRO TIP: Use your reflecting laser here for best results.

Hundreds of Terrible Mechanical cells block your path in stage four. Enemy ships suddenly appear and leave walls of cells you must clear away. Destroy the POW Armor units that are hiding in the cells. Blast through the cells and meet



Blast through the cells in stage four to reach the bad boss Alonpaire.

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Monpaia, the boss made of multiple attack ships. When this boss separates, use your super-shot to destroy each ship.

Splashdown as you guide your ship into the underwater caves. Strange aquatic plants and creatures inhabit these waters. Alien millipedes attack which break into pieces when your laser hits them. Once you get



Attack the alien millipedes and blow them to pieces.

past the attacking alien vessels, you face the fifth stage alien boss, Kraken, who is guarded by vicious octopi.

The sixth level brings your R-9 into the Bydo warehouse labyrinth. Alien ships in crate form attack from all angles...the walls hold aliens that move and shoot.



PRO TIP: Your reflecting laser works best in this maze-like environment.

Walls crumble and explode as you weave your fighter through the eroding city in level seven. A gauntlet of enemy attack

vessels fire on you as you proceed towards the boss alien, Buronku. Supershots to the bluish spot on this boss are key to your survival.



PRO TIP: Stay along the lower part of the city to avoid coiling dwelling alien creatures.

Finally, you enter the Bydo Empire Home Base...here you face your greatest challenge as you battle with this last line of defense that is protecting the evil ruler of the Empire. Besides being attacked by fish-like alien creatures, you have to avoid the

Vins, indestructible gyro-stars that possess destructive capabilities.

If you survive, have your droids ready as you face Bydo in the final battle.



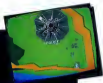
PRO TIP: For up to ten extra lives, when the Game Over screen is shown, move your controller directional button rapidly in a clockwise circular motion! And, for a sound check, perform the same procedure in a counter-clockwise motion!

The question is...can you handle the R-9 and the Bydo Empire??



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DESERT FALCON

By The Pro A.J.F.

Thousands of years ago, the riches of the Pharaoh's tomb were scattered and lost in the sands of Egypt. You arrive as the royal Desert Falcon, seeking to enrich yourself by stealing the golden eggs, silver ingots, and precious gems which glitter on the desert floor below you

You must guide the Falcon skillfully over a highly detailed landscape, seeking treasure scattered around this ancient obstacle course. You are attacked by many types of Desert Beasts from both land and air, including Phantom Gliders, Burrowing Uwes, Vultures, and Flying Fish



PHOTIP: The shadows of the flying attackers will help you determine their attitude.



You fly above your desert domain seeking riches.



You control the Falcon through three different environments, as you soar through the air, hop on land and swim in the Nile River. Beware the many obstacles in your path, such as the Pyramids and obelisks.



PRO TIP: Use the pyramids to shield yourself from enemies!

At the end of each trek you are confronted by a Howling

Sphinx... only a direct shot between his eyes will destroy this sinister beast. Destruction of the Howling Sphinx will reward you with a bonus round in which you plunder as much treasure as possible within the time allowed.



Destroy the Howling Sphinx and reap your reward!

Acquire special power-ups by picking up hieroglyphs, symbols found scattered across the desert sands. Pick up three hieroglyphs in different combinations to gain points and weapons, but in higher rounds you may receive a problem, such as Shackles.

PRO TIP: The combinations for two excellent super powers are *Invincibility (Feather + Bow)* and *Demolition (Ankh + Core + Sun)*.

Soar to new heights with Desert Falcon for your Atari 7800!

Mario Bros.

By The Pro A.J.F.

This is the classic story of Mario the carpenter and his brother, Luigi, who have a "little" pest problem. Their water pipes are clogged with nasty, weird crawling creatures...Mario and Luigi need your help!



Mario and Luigi go down to the basement and out of the pipes come hordes of turtle-like beasts called Shelcreepers. One punch to the floor, a swift kick while its stunned and it's one less pest in the pipes. **PRO TIP: Beware...the last pest of each phase will change color and move much faster!**



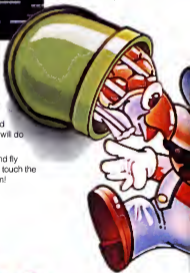
The next critter out of the pipes are the crab-like Sidesteppers. Don't punch just once...they get furious and fast! A second punch and a kick will do the job.

Fighterlies hop and fly about...when they touch the floor, clobber them!



PRO TIP: When you are playing the game with a less-skilled friend, he can hide on the bottom of the screen between the two pipes, where it's safe from pests, until the coast is clear!

One of the meanest creatures is Slipice, the iceman. He freezes the floor to solid ice, causing the Brothers to slip into the other



pests. Don't give him the chance to freeze the floors...a punch into the floor beneath him will do the trick.

Last, but not least, are Fireballs, which chase the Brothers, trying to burn them to a crisp! If you can't punch them, avoid them.



PRO TIP: One way to temporarily eliminate a Fireball is to punch the floor beneath one when it nears the floor.

Each time a type of pest is eliminated, a bonus coin pops out of a pipe. When one of the Brothers touches the coin, you receive 800 points! Speaking of big bucks, when a coin phase begins, a skilled player can really rack up the points. Dangling coins appear, and Mario has 20 seconds to grab the loot, with a reward of 800 points per coin and 3000 bonus points if Mario gets all the coins in the first coin phase. Each additional coin phase brings 5000 points if successfully completed.



One feature to watch for is the POW switch... touch it and a punch is delivered to all the pests touching the floors. You can use it three times before it disappears. It reappears later in the game.



You can play Mario Bros. alone or with another player. Another way to play is to have Mario and Luigi battle it out by pushing and punching each other into the pests, while trying to survive at the same time. The last one remaining is the winner!

If you love colorful animation and carnival music, this fun-filled and challenging arcade classic is perfect for your ATARI 7800 Pro System.



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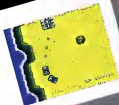
Your Secret to Success

Our Secret Weapons section is where our game experts reveal their best moves, tips and tactics - just for GAMEPRO readers. At last you can boldly go where only the pros have gone before. Check out these hot moves.

Contra

30 free lives! As soon as the title screen stops scrolling, quickly press the controller up, down-down, left-right, left-right, B, A, then START. You can also select two players and do the same trick.

Steal lives! When you're killed, hold down buttons A and B at the same time, and you'll join your partner on the screen!



Mike Tyson's Punch-Out

To play another world circuit do the following: type in 135 792 4680 and hold down SELECT and buttons A and B simultaneously.



After Burner

Continue, continue, continue! When the title screen appears, press the pause button exactly 100 times before the demo starts, then press START for unlimited continues until you get to the 18th stage. To continue, when the words "game over" appear, push the control stick up, then press buttons 1 and 2 at the same time.

Invincible to the 12th stage? Simply press and hold the controller to the right or left, causing your jet to bank to one side of the screen. You can't be attacked in this position for 12 levels.



Shinobi

When the title screen appears, push down on the controller, then press button 2. Now you can select any level you want.



Legend of Zelda

To start immediately into the 2nd Quest, type in Zelda for the character name and register it.

Metroid

Play the girl in Metroid with all the arsenal weapons... the password is: mMKuS1 i16-GE J1s?n0 m00NRM

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Bubble Bobble

Pick any level!
EECJJ - Level 112
EECFG - Super Bubble Bobble,
Level 112

After entering the first code, select one or two players continue, then by pressing buttons A and B, you can flip through levels 1 to 112. Press START after you have selected the level you want to start on. The second code starts you out one board away from the second and



final ending, which is accomplished after defeating Grumple Grommit.

Got killed off? Steal lives from your playing partner! When you're in a two-player game and you get knocked off, take from your partner's reserves...press START to pause, then press SELECT.



Fantasy Zone

How about unlimited weapon time? If you buy and hold all four engines, the weapons timer lasts until your ship is destroyed. You can also use either engine of your choice with the trick above.

Black Belt

Find the secret extra level...after defeating Wang at the end of the sixth level, wait for the ending message screen, then press buttons 1 and 2 while wiggling the control stick up and down.



Ice Hockey

Who needs goalies? Get rid of them by holding down buttons A and B simultaneously on both controllers 1 and 2, then press Start on controller 1.

Zanac

Enter sound test mode!! Hold buttons A and B down at the same time before turning the power on, power up, then release both buttons

Adventure Island

So you want to continue? Find the Hudson Soft bee insignia in the first level by jumping straight up at the end where the carrot is. The bee is in an egg.

Goonies II

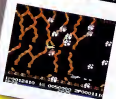
It's easier to save Annie if you have all the implements and six Goonies rescued (you still need to find the water hole on your own) ...here's the code:
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Life Force

30 free lives!! Same trick as for Contra.

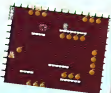


Steal more lives! Just hold down buttons A and B simultaneously after you've been killed off and you're back in action!

Mighty Bomb Jack

Special bonus and level warp!!
At the end of each level in the Royal Palace room, pick up the first bomb, then collect all the fire bombs (the ones with ignited fuses) in order, then successfully exit the room to receive a special bonus of 50,000 points. To warp to a higher level, first you must be in a Royal

Palace room. After picking up the first bomb, pick up every other bomb that is not ignited, then pick up the fire bomb last and successfully exit the room. If done correctly, you will warp to the Royal Palace room of the next level. Keep repeating this trick to warp as high as you want.



1943

Pick your mission!! Here are three super codes that let you start on different missions: (mission 24 is the last level of the game)

PFL08 - Mission 8
5TKNE - Mission 14
RY690 - Mission 22



Iron Tank

Here are two codes that let you start at the higher areas:
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Gradius

Start with a shield, two options and one speed!! When you begin the game, press the pause button, then press the controller pad up-up, down-down, left-right, left-right, B, A, then press START. You can only use this trick once for each level. To start where you last died, press down-up, B, A, B, A, B, A, then START.



Space Harrier

This continue has nine lives!! When the words "Game Over" appear on your screen, do the following with your controller: up-up, down-down, left-right, left-right, down-up, down-up. Do not press buttons 1 or 2 for the trick to work.

10,000,000 points and a free life!! At the beginning of the bonus round, where you ride the friendly dragon, try to dodge all the trees and bonus objects. If you do this trick successfully and hit five trees or less, a space ship flies across the screen. Shoot it to get the 10,000,000 points and a free life.

Thunderblade

After you lose your last life, press the controller diagonally to the lower right while simultaneously pushing button 2. This trick lets you continue where you left off.

Game Got You Baffled?

Our next issue will feature a new section - **Ask the Pros**. Our Game Pros will solve your unsolvable problems or answer any tough questions you have. So send 'em and we'll solve 'em.

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By The Eliminator

Encore!

The indomitable brothers, Mario and Luigi are back with their hopping antics in the second sequel to one of the most spell-binding video games in the world, Super Mario Bros. 3. Not yet available in the U.S. market, this game is currently adapted only for use with the Family Computer and Twin Famicom in Japan.



Drop into this bonus room for coins, extra lives, etc.

An Odyssey Through Eight Worlds

In "Super Mario Bros. 3", Mario and Luigi are faced with the ultimate challenge of venturing into eight new worlds with more than 80 areas to save Princess Peach from the evil hands of the sorcerer Kuppa King. Each world has a ruler who has been transformed by a magic spell into some creature or another.

SUPER MARIO

Only the magic wand possessed by the fierce, gargantuan guardian at the end of each world can restore each ruler back to his original human form. It is up to Mario or Luigi to wrest this magic wand from the wild and savage guard to bring normalcy back to each world.

A Snapshot of the Eight Worlds

The first world is the Grass Land with its lush, green terrain. The ruler has been changed by sorcery into a humble dog. Mario and Luigi have to comb eight areas to retrieve the magic wand.

The second world is Desert Hill, replete with swaying

date palms, pyramids, and the beat of jungle drums. The brothers have to fend off fireball-spitting piranha plants, the menacing killer sun, and flying boomerangs whizzing overhead. The ruler of Desert Hill has been turned into an ugly spider. There are nine areas in this world.

The third world is a watery adventure in Ocean Side, where the brothers are surrounded by deadly Spiny's Eggs.



MARIO BROS. 3

poison-spitting Lotus flowers, and lurking hungry giant fishes. Mario and Luigi must clear the course of its obstacles before the ruler can change back from a slimy, old toad to his royal highness. There are 11 areas of difficulty to cover.

Everything is double its size in Big Island, the fourth world. Here, Mario and Luigi have to survive against the deadly jaws of greedy carnivorous plants, Spiny's Eggs, coral reefs, and the



World Four is double in size and twice as tough.

hammer-wielding Hammer Brothers. The royal ruler has been transformed into a hideous reptile by black magic. Mario and Luigi will have to journey through eight areas before reaching the ship which houses the guarded magic wand.

In the fifth world, Mario and Luigi are transported into The Sky. They have to venture through 11 different areas, as they

make a tortuous climb along a zig-zagging bridge of bricks to the heavens. Hopping, skipping,



Knock off the ship's guard to release the magic wand.

and jumping over moats of bubbling molten lava, the brothers once more show their prowess against voracious piranha plants and flying turtles. With the aid of staircasing drifting logs, the brothers are able to escape from their adversaries. The ruler of The Sky has been changed into a bird.

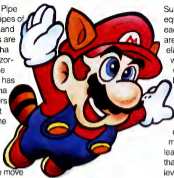
The sixth world, Iced Land, has a ruler who has been transformed by the Kuppa King into a seal. In order to break the spell, Mario and Luigi have to journey through 13 areas of freezing temperatures, hopping over blocks of ice, and "moonwalking" over slippery grounds. With the help of a frog suit, they are able to escape from their aquatic enemies.



Run quickly to avoid the dangerous spiked ceiling.

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The seventh world is the Pipe Maze, a convolution of pipes of every imaginable shape and size. Lurking in the pipes are the much-dreaded piranha plants, snapping their razor-sharp teeth in unison. The mighty ruler of this world has been turned into a piranha plant himself. The brothers must endure the 12 most difficult areas in this game in seeking the magic wand. By hopping on the box marked with an arrow, Mario or Luigi can maneuver the box to move in the direction he pleases to avert the advances of the pesky enemies. There are also blocks with musical notes that serve as spring boards for quick escape.

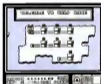


Super Mario Bros. 3 gamepak is equipped with a map screen for each world that shows which areas one must complete before eliminating the Kuppa guardian who is holding the magic wand. Along the way the brothers will find bonus rooms which give extra lives and items to use. On the map screen there is an item sub screen. Mario and Luigi can hold many items like mushrooms, flowers, stars, leaves, and other power-ups that they can use before the level has started so survival will be easier against these enemies. Not only can Mario and

Luigi finally come face to face with the fireball-breathing Kuppa King. He is a nasty giant of a king with a disposition to match. A fierce battle ensues, and the Mario brothers are victorious. Princess Peach is saved. The curtain falls.



The king has been changed into a different form. Try and find the magic wand to change him back.



This time getting to the warp zones is more difficult. Obtain the vertebrae hidden somewhere in the seven worlds.

The eighth world is the Kuppa Castle where the brothers are besieged with tanks, cannons, and boomerangs. Princess Peach is only within an arm's reach to safety, so the Mario brothers cannot fail her now. While evading the laser-emitting gargoyles in the dank and dark dungeon, Mario and Luigi have to duck from the ghosts in hot pursuit. And then there are the blowtorches, and the moats of molten lava along the way. After going through 10 areas of wits

Touches of a Super Game

There are some new characters to the line of original enemies who try to make the brothers' life miserable as they journey through a maze of obstacles. The music and sound effects of this game set a mood for each world, from a honky-tonk beat to eerie, suspenseful music. The



The map screen shows you the way.

Luigi run and jump, they can also fly with the leaf that transforms them into raccoons. By flying high in the sky they can find secret pipes and power-ups. All these nice options help the brothers complete their quest to defeat the Kuppa King. You the Nintendo player have control. But, we must wait until Nintendo releases this hot title in the future. This game is not for amateurs, but it is for all adventurers. Are you ready for the ultimate challenge of Super Mario Bros. 3?

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Where can you go and see a castle, the latest video games, a sword fight, football players, the hottest new video game peripherals, spacepeople, all kinds of incredible new electronic technology, aerobic dancers, an indoor basketball court and a ninja? There's only one place and that's the Consumer Electronics Show (CES), held January 7-10, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

CES happens twice a year and is one of the best opportunities manufacturers have to unveil their latest games and equipment and give us sneak peeks at the fantastic new developments on the forefront of gaming technology. Retail stores, who market these products, come to the show to see what's available so they can provide it for you!

A lot of serious business takes place at CES, but the show is also a lot of fun! And "Show" is the right word for this huge event. Video game hardware and software makers for the Nintendo, Sega, Atari and Personal Computer Systems software all gathered together in the West Hall of the immense Las Vegas Convention Center.

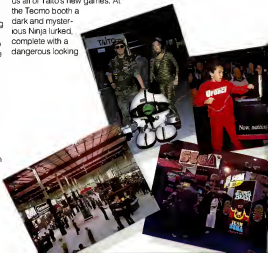
A carnival atmosphere reigned as characters from your favorite video games wove in and out among the huge complex of booths.

Within the gigantic, space-age Nintendo booth were all the companies who produce the famous games you love to play on your Nintendo system. Each company had their hot new games for 1989 on display - right there for us to try out! Many went all out, decorating their booths with giant murals and posters. Some were even more elaborate. The F.C.I. booth was turned into a castle, complete with turrets, a king, battling swordsmen and knights in armour - all to advertise their new adventure game, *Ultima*. At the Taito booth a charming robot talked with passers-by, while live commandos from *Operation Wolf* helped to show us all of Taito's new games. At the Tecmo booth a dark and mysterious Ninja lurked, complete with a dangerous looking

sword - straight from Tecmo's coming hit, *Ninja Gaiden*.

Outside the Nintendo booth were dozens of other large, elaborate booths - each one different and unusual. Sega had a great display, with row after row of Sega games, new and old, just begging to be played (of course we gave in!). The Sega booth also featured an indoor half basketball court, complete with team, to get us excited about Sega's *Super Basketball* game. All the computer software companies had their own booths, as did the makers of peripherals and other video game accessories.

What caught our eye inside the booths? First, the games! Nintendo announced that their licensees (companies that have



permission to make games that are played on the Nintendo system) will release over 40 new games for play on the NES in 1989. From what we saw we guarantee there will be more than enough dynamic games to keep you happy all year long! We could hardly tear ourselves away

Sega had big news of their own, with 20 new releases planned for 1989, including several hot new arcade game translations, and games in every category, from sports to adventure to 3-D. Exciting news for Sega owners was the announcement of the Team Sega Game-of-the-Month program. Each month will feature a different game-of-the-month, free when you purchase any three (3) SEGA games. In addition, purchase of special Sega games will get you some "cool stuff", special Sega prizes! Call 1-800-USA-SEGA to get

details on the Game-of-the-Month program.

"Tell us about all the new games," you say! Well, there's not enough space here, but check our ProShots section for a sneak peek at some of the hot new titles that caught our eye - straight from their press releases to you!

Besides the games, the biggest show stealers were the newly unveiled peripherals and accessories. Crowds flocked around the Broderbund booth where every 20 minutes U-Force was demonstrated. U-Force is Broderbund's new video game controller for the NES that allows you to play your favorite game without punching any buttons, pushing any joysticks, in fact, without touching anything at all! U-Force claims to have broken "the contact barrier," making you the controller. Once play begins, the player simply moves his hands and body within range of U-Force's force field

and the control translates your motion into on-screen action! For example, if you're playing Mike Tyson's Punch Out, you set up U-force, throw a left, a right, a hook through the force field and the boxer does what you do! You'll have to see it to believe it. For those of you that like physical contact, U-Force comes with a set of accessories that allow it to function in the more traditional manner.

At the Beeshu booth everyone wanted to try the Zoomer. A console type controller, available for Nintendo, Sega and Atari systems, the Zoomer features a Life Saving Slow Motion button, 2 Dial-A-Speed auto-fire buttons, and a steering wheel that turns left or right as well as tilts up or down.

Nintendo demonstrated their own unique control system, the Power Pad. Aerobic dancers and track athletes jumped, leaped, hurdled and jogged their way through games by bouncing on the different circles of the power pad. All three of these accessories, U-Force, The Zoomer, and The Power Pad, are great ways to put some new life into your old games and vary the way you play the new ones for more excitement.

The next Consumer Electronics Show will be in Chicago, in June of 1989. It's hard to imagine how our favorite video game companies will top themselves, but we're sure they will! We're looking forward to Chicago, and you can count on us making sure you hear about it, too!



Short ProShots

NEW FOR NINTENDO

FROM ACCLAIM

Knight Rider

Knight Rider, based on the popular T.V. series of the same name, is a driving adventure game. Featuring hi tech, fast driving action, Knight Rider allows players to assume the role of Michael Knight, strapping themselves into Kitt, the fully computerized, rocketpropelled race car. The onboard computer guides players across the United States from city to city and relays onscreen messages from command headquarters. Gameplay becomes increasingly challenging as players compete in both day and night adventures across twenty different terrains, against dozens of enemy vehicles.

Airwolf



Airwolf is an exciting inflight

battle game, based on the T.V. series of the same name. The game allows you to sit in the cockpit, as you become Stringfellow Hawke, ace fighter pilot, the only one skilled enough to command a top secret Mach 1 helicopter. Your mission is to rescue top level American advisors that are imprisoned by foreign terrorists using the cutting edge weaponry available to you in Airwolf. Multiple screens and serial battles combine to make this a hot new title.

Wizards and Warriors II



A fantasy adventure game, IronSword is the sequel to Wizards and Warriors. The game begins where the original Wizards and Warriors concludes. Although Kuros, the knight warrior, defeated the evil Wizard Malkil in the original game, the Wizard returns in IronSword in the form of the four elementals: Earth, Air, Fire and Water. Armed with a map, sword, shield and magic, Kuros journeys through enchanted forests, attempting to obtain the power of IronSword, the only weapon feared by Malkil. IronSword features more than 100 different characters, horizontal and vertical gameplay, twenty different screens and five completely unique lands.

FROM ACTIVISION

Three Stooges

One of your favorite computer games comes to the NES with pioneering animation and sound. This breakthrough comedy hit stars television and movie legends Curly, Larry and Moe. Players choose from ten games within a game and relive scenes from their favorite Three Stooges episode. You can actually hear your favorite Stooges wisecrack and experience the punching, slapping and pie throwing mania that only the Stooges can provide.

Stealth Eagle

The ultimate realistic flight simulation that jets players to the skies forcing them to confront dangerous enemy aircraft in fast arcade style action. Players can take on a computer controlled enemy fleet or battle a second player in an all out dogfight. Experienced pilots can use the "stealth" feature to avoid enemy radar. With an advanced instrumentation panel and a three dimensional front view of the action, players can maneuver their fighter jet through breathtaking nosedives, climbs and 360 degree rolls.

Predator

Predator is a thrilling adaptation of the hit 20th Century Fox film starring Arnold Schwarzenegger. Players assume the role of the leader of an elite military rescue team. The mission is to battle through the

deep jungles of South America, past militant guerrillas to rescue U.S. diplomats from a terrorist stronghold. Players must avoid the relentless tracking of the alien Predator that eventually leads to a final confrontation.

FROM BANDAI

Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde

Follow Dr. Jekyll as he fights off enemies in hazardous 19th century London, only to be suddenly plunged into Mr. Hyde's World of Demons! Here Mr Hyde must battle attacking monsters and ghouls with his secret weapon, the deadly PsychoWave! But the excitement doesn't end there, as you do battle in each of the two worlds of this game, the worlds themselves are struggling with each other for control! Which will triumph? Good or evil? Dr. Jekyll or Mr. Hyde?

FROM BRODERBUND

Challenge Pebble Beach

Play one of the world's most difficult and challenging golf courses! Enter your handicap, choose your swing and the ball's flight, direction and spin, while trying to break par on this superrealistic, incredibly difficult golf course.

The Guardian Legend

Long ago, in a distant galaxy, an alien race sent a huge world called Naju hurtling toward Earth, loaded with a cargo of mysterious lifeforms. During the long journey, these creatures

have multiplied and become increasingly evil, and now Naju teems with evil. However, deep within this complex globe are self-destruct mechanisms that can be activated to destroy it before it reaches Earth. Now, you must battle your way deep within Naju's labyrinths to destroy it. In this adventure fantasy game you are the guardian of Earth, and your saga will become the Guardian Legend.

FROM CAPCOM

MegaMan II



In the tradition of the ever popular MegaMan the evil Dr. Wily returns once again, with even more sinister robots to mount his attack. But MegaMan has also grown in power and ability, and so the battle is joined. Each of the eight empires is ruled by a different super robot. You must defeat each enemy on his own turf, building up weapons as you go. Only after all are destroyed will you go head to head with the mastermind himself, the evil Dr. Wily. Civilization relies on your skill and courage. MegaMan will stand tall in the end!

Strider



Strider receives his orders and is dropped in the heart of Russia, armed with only a lightning quick sword. The task is to infiltrate the Red Army and return enemy secrets to your superiors. You are attacked by the KGB, journey to the snow-capped mountains of Siberia, and the Lowlands, where jungle tribes wait with poison spears and arrows. If you succeed in getting this far you return to Moscow to face the Grand Master of the Red Army. If you don't get to him before he destroys you the world will fall under Russian control! The free world relies on your success.

FROM CULTURE BRAIN

Kung Fu Heroes



Evil monsters have taken Princess MinMin and the treasures! Sorrow abounds throughout the land. Only the two young friends, Jacky and Lee, can

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defeat the monsters and save the Princess. Fortunately both are well trained in Kung Fu techniques for they must journey through eight separate castles, filled with dangerous monsters. It's said that secrets that will help Jacky and Lee are hidden in the castle rocks and stones. To find out Jacky and Lee will have to destroy them with their powerful Kung Fu punches. Only then can they rescue Princess MinMin.

FROM DATAEAST

Bad Dudes

Bad Dudes, another recent arcade hit, has arrived for the NES. The challenge you face is to rescue the kidnapped President Ronnie. Armed with knives, shurikens, and numchucks, the Bad Dudes must take to the streets and fight their way through ninjas, dogs, flame spitting strongmen, and even more heinous enemies to rescue the President. Only you can save the day!

FROM FC!

Hydride

The devil Boralis has killed the King, cast a magic spell to turn Princess Ann into three fairies, and let loose a horde of monsters and evil creatures to destroy the Kingdom. As the young knight, Jim, you must search through the labyrinth to find the missing jewels, the King's sword and shield, and the special charms that help you destroy the monsters. The more

you kill, the greater your experience and your defense power. An eternal flame lamp and immortality potion gives you the extra chance to survive the deadly maze. You must find all three sparkling fairies to restore the beautiful Princess because only she has the key to help you slay Boralis and the fire breathing water dragon that guards the devil's castle.

FROM HAL AMERICA

Rollerball

Challenge your skill with Rollerball. Fire up the ultimate pinball challenge. Four vertical scrolling screens extend Rollerball's play area, and your fun. You can have multiple balls on all four screens. It's hot! Can you keep your ball in play long enough to reach the highest score? Play against the game, or one on one with friends on the second screen, hockey version. You'll become a pinball wizard!

Vegas Dream

Your favorite games in one; Black Jack, Roulette, Slot Machine and Keno. There are two major sections to this game. One is the straight simulation of those casino games with up to four players. The other is closer to real life situations. You and your friends can take a seven day tour of Las Vegas. You start out with \$700. You may be challenged by a highroller, you may be pick pocketed and lose your money, or several other surprises. If you succeed in making

one million dollars you will see something astonishing on the screen.

FROM HI TECH

The Chessmaster

Welcome to the Chessmaster... the most powerful micro computer chess game ever, now available for NES. The perfect chess program for the beginner or Grand Master. Use the teaching mode, play against a friend or analyze your game. The game has 71,000 opening moves, the finest chess algorithm in the world, 3D graphics, and ability to take back and replay moves or switch sides in mid-game. Chess never looked this good!

FROM JALECO

Hoops



Hoops, a new basketball game with a twist. Unlike other "pro" basketball simulations Hoops features one on one or two on two player "street" basketball. The players aren't high priced professionals, they're street players. Some are tall, and are good rebounders and shot blockers. Others are small and quick, burying the twenty foot jumpers is their forte. Players

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can go head to head, or team up against the computer. Defense is as important as offense, and Hoops is filled with ball steals, smooth moves, and plenty of "in your face" slamdunks.

Goal!



GOAL! is here for devoted soccer players and fans everywhere. Three different formats allow you to play your own game. "World Cup" lets the player choose from 16 different national teams and compete for amateur soccer's most glorious prize. "Tournament" play features eight different "pro" teams competing in a three round single elimination competition. "Shoot Competition" pits one forward against two defenders and a goalkeeper. You can play against your friend or the computer.

FROM KEMCO/SEIKA

Shadowgate

The heavy gate screams open on ancient hinges. Before you, a mouldering hallway looms ominously. You have entered the world of Shadowgate: Unspeakable evil and sudden death await you at every turn. Which doorway should you choose? What should you take

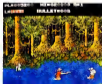
with you? What should you avoid touching, at all costs? These are decisions you must make, if you are to save the world from the Warlock Lord. Only you can stop the Evil One from his dread purpose: the raising of the titan Behemoth and the destruction of the land.

Superman

From the asphalt jungle of the underworld to the far reaches of outer space, the Man of Steel's arch-enemies have conspired to enslave the world and destroy Superman in the process. Only you can stop them! Find them with your X-Ray Vision. Freeze them with your Super Breath. Fry them with your Heat Vision. Flash through the air at the speed of light, or gather your strength for the Super Spin, to bore through the center of the Earth. But watch out! If their Kryptonite gets to you before you get to your enemies, it's the end of Truth, Justice, and the American Way!!

FROM KONAMI

The Adventures of Bayou Billy



In this action packed game you become Billy, the meanest good guy in the Louisiana Bayou,

determined to save your girl from the evil clutches of the Gangster King of Bourbon Street and his henchmen. Billy must fight, shoot and drive his "doom" buggy through the murky swamps and into the streets of New Orleans in search of Annabelle. You'll be zapping evil monsters, wrestling alligators and cruising through the streets shooting up a storm on your road hugging, four-wheel drive doom machine. The chase ends with a climactic battle inside the Gangster King's heavily armed estate where Annabelle is imprisoned.

Track and Field II



This sequel to Track and Field features improved, larger characters and a choice of events. As an Olympic contender, you're up against an opponent or the computer in 15 events that test skill, willpower and concentration. You can compete in taekwondo, pole vaulting, canoeing, skeet shooting, hammer throwing, high diving, archery, hurdles, gymnastics, hand gliding, pistol firing, arm wrestling, fencing, triple jumping and swimming. Whoah... you better get in shape!

FROM MILTON BRADLEY

California Games

It's awesome, it's radical, it's... well you know! California Games finally comes to the NES, allowing you hours of fun as you surf, skateboard, ride BMX bikes, play hacky sack, rollerskate, and toss the frisbee. You'll almost feel the sun on your back, the wind in your hair, and smell the ocean breezes, as you play this highly original game. It's the next best thing to being in California!

FROM SNK

P.O.W.

You are surrounded, captured and imprisoned in an enemy war camp! To escape you'll have to fight your way to freedom with you bare fists. But if you can break into the ammunition depot, you'll find grenades, knives, and M16's to tilt the odds in your favor. This is the prison camp they called "escapeproof." You're going to try to beat the odds!

Guerrilla War

Your small island country is struggling against the cruel domination of an evil dictator. As the guerrilla leader, you must attempt to land secretly on the shore. But the dictator's militia has taken prisoners and they are waiting to attack you! Two players can join forces to battle the dictator's army, rescue the prisoners, and bring liberation. You'll need all your wits to get out of this one alive.

FROM SUNSOFT

The Terminator

The mechanical hit man from the movie, The Terminator, is back, on the same mission, but with much better odds this time around. Because this time, the happy ending isn't guaranteed! The screens are based on actual movie footage, as the Terminator chases you through city streets, a crowded bar, the police station, ready and able to blow you away at a moment's notice. The game is as action-packed and nerve-wracking as the movie, so if you loved the movie...

FROM TAITO

Sky Shark

The arcade hit Sky Shark is coming to NES. You're a World War II ace in your P40 Tiger Shark. You've got to fly through blazing artillery attacks deep behind enemy lines to save your P.O.W. buddies. Sky Shark features arcade quality graphics, spellbinding sound effects and multiple levels of action.

FROM TAXAN

Mappy Land



Mappy, who is a policeman, has been preparing all kinds of wonderful birthday presents for his girlfriend, Mapico. But Nyamco and his Mukies have stolen them and hidden them in the eight towns of Mappyland! Mappy must move fast to get the presents back before Mapico's birthday party. But it won't be easy, with so many mysterious towns to search, and Mappy's enemies pursuing him constantly! Can you accept the challenge and help Mappy to succeed?

Fist of the North Star



Ken, a fierce and skillful fighter, is known as Fist of the North Star. He must battle his way through eight scenes to rescue his people from the tyranny of the Emperor Heaven. Using his mighty fist, shooting power, and Gento Karate, Ken must confront and defeat eight vicious enemies, who will attack him with Smokeballs, Fireballs, Clenching Claws, White Light Bombs, and the Deadly Sliding Kick!

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Mystery Quest



A message to you from the Great Wizard: "As my apprentice, you have been studying a long time to master the secrets of magic. Now the time has come to prove yourself! You must journey to the four Mystery Castles in search of four magic talismans. You will face many perils along the way: the castles are riddled with underground passages and intricate mazes, where you may become lost forever! And strange creatures prowl the castles, ready to pounce upon you when you least expect it! But you will find magic powers hidden along the way, to help you in this Mystery Quest. The magic talismans you seek are the greatest gifts known to man: wealth, wisdom, happiness and peace. Go now, complete your quest, and prove that you are as great a wizard as I!"

FROM TENGEN

Super Sprint

One or two players can race in Super Sprint, experiencing the thrill, speed and excitement of racing in the Grand Prix. The game features four lap tracks, jump ramps, opening and closing gates, over/underpasses and hairpin turns. Super Sprint

allows you to customize your car with such features as super traction, higher top speed and turbo acceleration. Super Sprint, it's definitely not for Sunday drivers.

FROM TECMO

Ninja Gaiden

A top video arcade game comes to the NES! Ninja Gaiden: the mighty warrior, is a member of a secret police force who possesses unimpeachable credentials and the highest moral values. Armed with his special shuriken and sword, Ninja confronts evil forces with super strength and agility, to defend his country, its people, their wealth and ancient traditions. The mystical, magical Ninja challenges his foes in 20 different areas, each with six individualized rounds of play. Now you can enjoy this action-filled Ninja classic at home.

Silk Worm

Another arcade hit coming to your NES. What action! Players grab hold of the controls to perform aerial acrobatics with massive jet-powered helicopter gunships. Helicopters penetrate enemy territory to destroy enemy headquarters, using machine gun weaponry and launching heat-seeking missiles. Soldiers counter attack in jeeps with heavily armored MHC2 tanks, armed with machine gun firepower and land-to-air rockets. Heavy-duty warfare between the "good guys" and the "bad guys"!

FROM TRADEWEST

John Elway's Quarterback



Just out, the NES version of this popular arcade game, features realistic gridiron play. The game, whether played by one or two players, provides the fast, hardhitting action of real football. Players are forced to strategize as they would in a real game, calling their own plays on both offense and defense right up to the line of scrimmage. Lifelike sounds and graphics accompany every move as players run, pass, kick and tackle. John Elway's Quarterback will keep you entertained until the next football season!

Taboo



Taboo, the Sixth Sense, is based on the ancient Tarot method of predicting future events. To play, all you have to do is enter your name, sex and birthdate. Then ask any questions you like and enjoy the

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**ProArtist
Series**



Each issue, the editors of GAMEPRO will announce a theme for you aspiring player-artists to make an original drawing and enter in our contest series. Examples of themes are favorite villain, most awesome weapon, favorite hero, and so on. Entries should be in color - you can use anything you desire to make your drawing. In the following issue we will announce the winners and feature your art in the magazine!

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intriguing, and often hilarious, answers based on the reading of the Tarot pattern. Play by yourself, or use Taboo as the perfect party game. All will be intrigued by the mysteries of Taboo.

FROM ULTRA

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles



This game teems with carnivorous robots who chow down on China Town, while brutal "Foot" Clan Ninjitsu Warriors bust up bystanders from the Bronx to Broadway. The Police Swat Teams can't stop them, but you, with the help of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, can. You'll team up with these heroes in a half shell armed with nunchukus, wacko bombs, an armed blimp and machine gunnin' party bus, mixing it up with the nasty Ninjitsus, knocking them senseless, or getting yourself into turtle soup.

FROM VIC TOKAI

Bump N' Jump

You're cruising along with your baby, Bunny, in your Buggy, when from behind you hear this brainboggling bbarooooom! It's Dark Jackal and his beastly band of Blacktop Bullies! They buzz by and when the smoke

clears, the passenger seat's bare. These Dudes have kidnapped your baby, Bunny! Only you and the Buggy can bring her back. But not without a bone-bouncing chase that makes the Indy 500 look like bumper cars. Over jampacked city streets and treacherous curves on mountain cliffs. Past Dark Jackal's Bullies to catch the Buggy and Bunny. And the cops are bearing down on you from behind! Think you got what it takes to save Bunny?

NEW FOR SEGA

FROM ACTIVISION

Galaxy Force

This smash hit arcade game from Japan has arrived in the U.S. In this futuristic space-fighter classic, players choose five different spacecapes through which to fly, ranging from fiery seas of lava to Milky Way style meteorite storms. To penetrate the heart of the enemy nerve center, players must guide their powerful craft through a maze of underground tunnels packed with deadly obstacles and enemy craft.

FROM MINDSCAPE

After Burner

You pilot an F14 Tom Cat through a variety of rescue missions. Feel the power and the rush of being airborne as you control air speed, flight direction and weapon selection. You're outnumbered, but that's O.K. Your ability to maintain Mach 2 speeds and to use your

state of the art battle computer, guided missiles and Vulcan cannon has already earned you the nickname of "The Ace."

Action Fighter

You are the Super Rider, instructed to carry out five dangerous air and ground battles. You're riding a motorcycle, but if you can find the right parts along the road you can transform it into a customized car or an aircraft. Knowing which vehicle to use when will determine whether you survive.

FROM SEGA

Altered Beast

You are the centurion warrior called from the grave to rescue the daughter of Zeus. By defeating enemies, players get "power up" atoms which give them the ability to transform into wolf man, dragon, bear man and tiger man, each with special supernatural powers.

Reggie Jackson Baseball

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NINTENDO

Game	Player	Score
Arkanoïd	Mike Pirring	669,070
Contra	Jim Hernandez	6,553,500
Donkey Kong Jr.	Challenge Score	75,000
Donkey Kong 3	Buzz Morgan	744,000
Double Dragon	Challenge Score	100,000
Gauntlet	Glen Gilmore	2,135
Gradius	Challenge Score	750,000
Iron Task	A.J.F.	562,000
Jackal	Bryan Datu	638,590
Kid Niki	Challenge Score	100,000
Mighty Bomb Jack	Challenge Score	750,000
1943	A.J.F.	1,441,400
Rush'n Attack	Challenge Score	1,000,000
Section Z	Challenge Score	150,000
Star Force	Challenge Score	6,000,000
Stinger	A.J.F.	2,656,300
Super Pitfall	Jim Hernandez	2,115,000
Track & Field	Dan Preston	400,100
Trojan	Jon Christopher	175,750

SEGA

Game	Player	Score
Astro Warrior	A.J.F.	273,400
Black Belt	Challenge Score	400,000
Choplifter	Challenge Score	1,000,000
Fantasy Zone	A.J.F.	9,999,990
Hang On	Challenge Score	750,000
Out Run	Challenge Score	25,000,000
Rambo	Challenge Score	500,000
Safari Hunt	Jon Christopher	186,700
Shinobi	A.J.F.	527,900
Space Harrier	Mike Pirring	25,145,000

ATARI

Game	Player	Score	Setting
Asteroids	A.J.F.	71,000	INT
Desert Falcon	Challenge Score	100,000	STD
Food Fight	Buzz Morgan	2,213,800	INT
Galaga	Challenge Score	100,000	ADV
Joust	Challenge Score	100,000	INT
Ms. PACMAN	A.J.F.	142,640	Banana
Xenious	Buzz Morgan	811,910	INT

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