Windoze

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1.2 What's This All About?

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            INTRODUCTION...
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Welcome to Windoze! This is a simple 'take the piddle out of Windows'
program which I wrote in about half an hour. Thanks to Rob Hutchinson for the
first 50 phrases!

When run, a window will appear with a mickey-take of Windows in it. Read
the phrase, have a laugh, and click the mouse button. The program will end.
Run it again for another phrase. Simplicity in itself.

Oh yeah, you can add any phrases you like to the program by editing the file

'Windoze.phrases'
. If you find some great phrases out there,
e-mail
 them to
me and I'll put a new phrases file together and send that out.

FEATURES...

1.1· *NEW* Now has a prefs editor so you can edit the tooltypes easier!

1.0· Displays the phrase for a specified time, then quits (DELAYFOR tooltype)
    (max of 20 seconds)
  · Has 59 phrases!
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  · Nice graphics in the MWB palette (all hand-drawn by me, I'm not very good)

  · Returns ALL memory on exit

  · THIS IS THE
              »FULL« VERSION!

1.3 What Do I Need?

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS...

· Any Amiga 2.04 and above

· The
            ReqTools
             library

· DONOTWAIT tooltype set in program's icon if you want to use Windoze in your
  WBStartup. [Default: DONOTWAIT]

· DISPLAYFOR tooltype set in program's icon to display the phrase for a number
  of seconds. [Default: DISPLAYFOR=10]

· The Windoze.phrases file (necessary for the phrases!)

· ChrisHaynes.font size 8 in your Fonts: assign

The program has been tested on all combinations of the following:

· A1200 - ROM 3.0/3.1 - Blizzard 1260/50MHz - 2MB Chip - 16MB Fast RAM

If Windoze doesn't work on your system, write me.

                    Chris

1.4   Hey, Write Me!

MY ADDRESS...

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   I need feedback from you people out there. Am I wasting my time or not?
Come on guys and gals (especially gals ;), tell me what you think.

   I've tested Windoze thoroughly, and there don't appear to be any bugs, but
you know what it's like, different systems, a different OS version, anything
can happen. So, if you find a bug, write me, and I'll squash it. Promise.

   Thanks!

1.5   Thanks To Nico!

THE REQTOOLS LIBRARY...

The ReqTools library is copyright (C) Nico Francois. Thank you Nico.

1.6   The Phrases...

                    THE WINDOZE.PHRASES FILE...

   The Windoze.phrases file contains all the information needed to generate a
living, breathing windows mickey-take. It is a text file and therefore can be
edited by your fine selves. It looks like this...


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# Phrases for Windoze...  By Chris Haynes (C)07-11-1998   - LEAVE THIS ALONE!
# Number Of Digs=59   - the number of phrases in the file (59=default)
\"640K should be enough."\Bill Gates, 1981
\"720K floppies will be fine."\Some pratt at PC HQ.
etc...
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   Basically, the first line is there to ensure that Windoze reads the correct
file. This line should NEVER be changed! The second line has the number of
phrases present in this file. If you change the number of phrases, please

enter the new number of digs on this line so that Windoze can read all of
them in.

   Okay, now the complicated stuff. Each phrase can consist of five lines with
up to 45 characters each. To format these so that they appear in the centre of
the window, you need to use the '\' character (not '/'). This character will
move onto the next line. For example:

\"640K should be enough."\Bill Gates, 1981

would appear as:

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1 |                                             | (no text & move to next line)
2 |          "640K should be enough."           | (display text & move)
3 |                                             | (no text & move to next line)
4 |               Bill Gates, 1981              | (display text & end)
5 |                                             | (no text)
  +---------------------------------------------+
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because the first line is skipped (thanks to the \). The second line is put
into the centre of the box, the third is skipped (another \). The fourth is
again put into the centre, and the fifth is skipped because there is nothing
after '1981' in this phrase. Got it? Good.

   Any errors found upon reading the file will be reported. Click
            HERE
            to see a list of all possible errors.

1.7   Manipulation of tooltypes from within the proggy...?

WINDOZE-PREFS...

   Windoze has an inbuilt preferences program called Windoze-Prefs. When
Windoze is run a small button will appear in the bottom-right of the main
window. Press this button (before the DELAYFOR tooltype kicks in and ends
the program!) and a new window will appear with two gadgets in:

   Press the DELAYFOR button and a requester will appear asking for the new
      delay value. It can be from one to twenty seconds.

   Press the PALETTE button to display a file requester asking for the name
      and location of a palette file to load on startup. Entering a file
      which doesn't exist will display an error. If you don't want to load
      a palette file, simply enter NONE as the filename. The Prefs window
      will display "YES" if a valid file has been chosen, or "NO" if you
      entered NONE.

   Press the close gadget of the Prefs window to exit. If you have changed
anything, then you'll be asked if you want to "Save Changes", "Lose Changes"
or "Cancel". Save will update the tooltypes and save the icon file. Lose
will discard the changes and exit the program. Cancel will return you to

Windoze-Prefs the change the details some more.

1.8   Ahh, errors everywhere, fear not, I'll squish the blighters!

                    ERRORS I MIGHT SEE...

   If something is awry (!?) in the config file or the icon, you'll see one of
the following errors:

WARNINGS - Windoze WILL continue

01:'   Couldn't Find Windoze.info!
    Could Not Get Tooltypes Information!'

   Windoze needs the Windoze.info file to get the DELAYFOR tooltype and the
PALETTE_LOCATION tooltype, but it couldn't find the file. The delay is set to
ten as default.

03:'Couldn't Find Palette File:
    <name and location of file>'

   Windoze will try to load the palette file which you specified in the
PALETTE_LOCATION tooltype. You'll see this error if the file couldn't be found.
This should really be a nice MagicWB palette file, but you're free to
experiment! Check that it exists and try again.

FATAL ERRORS - Windoze WILL NOT continue

02:'Couldn't Find ChrisHaynes.font Size 8'

   Windoze needs this font to display the text correctly. Copy the font from
this archive into your Fonts: assign and try again.

04:'Couldn't Find Windoze.phrases!'

   Windoze needs this file as it contains all of the wonderous cookies! Make
sure it's in the directory you ran Windoze from.

05:'Couldn't Read Windoze.phrases File!'

   Windoze couldn't read the phrases file. Make sure that it is not read-
protected or "not-on-the-fly" compressed in any way and try again.

06-07:'Windoze.phrases File Is Corrupt!'

   Windoze couldn't verify that the phrases file was valid. Make sure that the
lines are written EXACTLY as they are in the
                Cookies
                 section of this guide and
try again.

08:'Unexpected End Of Windoze.phrases File!'

   Windoze was reading the phrases file, but came to the end before it could
read in the required description. Check that the number of cookies is correct,
and that there are no blank lines in the file. Then try again.

09:'That File Does NOT Exist!'

   You are choosing a palette file within the Windoze-Prefs and have chosen one
that doesn't exist. Try again.

10:'Couldn't Save Icon File!'

   You are trying to save the new tooltypes information from within Windoze-Prefs
program, but Windoze encountered an error. It may be that there isn't enough
free space on your drive, or the icon is write-protected. Correct the error and
try again.

11:'Couldn't Update DISPLAYFOR/PALETTE_LOCATION Tooltype!'

   You were saving the new details, but Windoze couldn't update the tooltype for
some reason. Maybe the tooltype doesn't exist? Make sure that the tooltypes are
correctly set up and then try again.

1.9   You Like It, You Buy It!

                    WHAT ON EARTH IS CD-SINGLE WARE?

CD-Single Ware is a lot like Postcard-ware, or Giftware. If you like the
program and intend to keep using it, you should send the author a postcard or a
gift to show your appreciation. In CD-Single ware, you should send me the
WORST CD-single you've ever bought, or ever been bought.

Please note that although I accept trashy old CDs as payment, they must be in
good working order.

     Thanks,

          Chris

1.10   I Didn't Do It, Nobody Saw Me Do It, Can't Prove Anything!

                              DISCLAIMER

            -*- YOU USE THIS PROGRAM AT YOUR OWN RISK -*-

         I WILL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS OF DATA
                  ON YOUR SYSTEM BECAUSE OF WINDOZE

NOR SHALL I BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR ANY UPSET CAUSED
AS A RESULT OF READING ANY OF THE PHRASES HEREIN

BY USING THIS PROGRAM YOU ASSUME ALL RESPONSIBILITY
FOR YOUR ACTIONS AND THE OPERATION OF THE PROGRAM