

Apple Programs

Apple Guide

In Apple Guide there is a hidden way to see a list of credits. Although, I don't know how to pull up the window. I found that it existed by opening the Apple Guide extension through ResEdit. When opening the the TEXT resource and double-clicking on "Who?" you will see this:
Version 1.2 of Apple Guide is brought to you by:

Greg "twin-turbocharged" Brewer
Peter "and furthermore" Commons
ave "do the right thing" Falkenburg
Bill "oh yeah, that one" Foster
Amy "pound on it" Hansen
Brent "I'm excited" Horger
Josh "just one more feature" Jacobs
Glenn "let's get organized" Katz
Sue "will do" Kuo
Brian "that's next on my list" Lawley
Dave "cursorman" Lyons
James "I'm in the chips" Miyake
John "follow me, I'm lost" Powers
Alex "you can quote me" Rosenberg

🐉 In the French System all of the text is in French except for the very last name which was an addition for the French Apple Guide: Mario "Ah que coucou" Teixeira. This translates literally as "Oh what peekaboo". It is an expression from French singer Johnny Halliday who is supposed (according to a TV program called "Les Guignols de l'Info") to always say "Ah que coucou". From: Alexandre Enkerli (EnkerliA@ERE.UMontreal.CA)

🐉 Macintosh Guide From: Devon Hubbard (devon@apple.com)

When opening Macintosh Guide from the Apple Guide menu you will be presented with what's called the 'Howdy Screen'. This is a preliminary introduction screen telling a little about the database the user just opened. If you press Control, Command, and Caps Lock down and click in the content of the window you will see a display of credits picture containing those who have worked on Apple Guide. You can look at PICT id=514 "Credits Large" for the same picture that's shown via the keys I mentioned.

🐉 Apple Internet Connection Kit

- Credits: I would like to thank Paul Britt Garcia (his e-mail address is way to long to publish) for most of the help with this program, but also thanks to to Brian Kamlin (kamlin@hevanet.com) for first informing me of the AID easter egg.
- Instructions: The instructions for the Apple Internet Dialer are easy to follow but for AIS and IC you will need ResEdit. Got to the STR# resource of the application, then to the

given ID, and finally scroll down to the appropriate string. We tried to if these to work anywhere while using Balloon Help but it does not seem possible.

Apple Internet Dialer

Information: AID dials your internet provider and then optionally launches your choice of programs, (usually Netscape Navigator or Claris E-Mailer Light.) It also launches (AIS) and then quits itself.

In the connect screen of the Apple Internet Dialer if you click on the computer with the globe next to it while holding down various keys it will display a variety of messages and do various things.

- Mouse click on the Macintosh icon in the main window causes it's right eye to blink.
- Option mouse click on the Macintosh icon causes the following message to run across the icons monitor: "The other Ron managed the whole thing and Steve was seen somewhere in the vacinity"
- Control mouse click on the Macintosh icon causes the following message to run across the icons monitor: "Ron, Abe, Cyrus, and Mike found the bugs so you don't have to! What a group of guys!!"
- Command mouse click on the Macintosh icon causes the following message to run across the icons monitor: "Welcome To The Internet. From: Rick(rreynold@rockstar.com) & Gary (garyaiki@crl.com)"
- Command Control mouse click on the Macintosh icon causes the following message to run across the icons monitor: "The marketing folks, Lance, Richard, Beth and Lynn. You bought this so they done good"

Apple Internet Status

Information: AIS consists only of a single window showing a spinning globe, your current connection time, and a button that either dials or hangs up.

STR# ID = 1030
 The String 9) C00perT1N0FruitC

STR# ID = 1020 from Apple Internet Status
 The String 27) AEObject-Editon Sample would like to complain about an error it encountered, please bring it forward so it can whine at you.

Internet Configure

Information: IC lets you input all your internet settings one time then writes that information into the preference files of all your internet applications (Netscape, Fetch, News Watcher, etc) so you do not have to type the same information into each one.

STR# "Balloon Help Strings" ID = 26724

- 20) Type your News authentication username here. Just leave this blank unless you have problems with News authentication (in which case you should kill your system administrator).
- 93) Open a new preference document. Not available because we don't like you.
- 95) Open an existing preference document. Not available because we don't like you.

- 97) Open the default Internet Preferences Document. Not available because we don't like you.
- 99) Close the front window. Not available because there is no front window. Obvious really.
- 103) Save the current document with a new name. Not available because no document is open.
- 117) Select All. If you don't know what this means, I suggest you go back to Macintosh Kindergarden.
- 119) Use this menu to mess with the Internet Configuration extension.
- 123) Beats me why this would be disabled.

STR# ID = 128

- 14) Our enemies shall talk themselves to death, and we will bury them with their own confusion. We shall prevail.
- 16) Warning, font crime is being perpetrated. Call 1-800-FONT-CRIME to report this offence!

AppleScript

AppleScript 1.0 Code Names: Cheeze Whiz, Toy Surprise, Gustav

AppleScript 1.1 Code Names: Guava Surprise, Pure Guava

Apple Script Editor

In the AppleScript Editor choose "About Script Editor..." from the Apple menu. Then hold down the Control key and click on the program's icon or the text "The Script Editor" to see the words "Guava Surprise". Then click the Credits button. The credits changed! For more fun do the same for "About AppleScript..." to see "Pure Guava".

🐛 In the Apple Script Editor selecting Balloon Help and then pointing to the "Windows" menu displays "Use this menu to bring various Toy Surprise windows to the front..." Pointing to "About the Script Editor..." (from the Apple pull down menu) shows "Displays the Script Editor's keen About Box." Pointing to "About AppleScript..." shows "Displays AppleScript's keen About Box." From: Brendan Bellina (bbellina@aol.com)

🐛 AppleScript Applications

From: Nigel Brady (NigelBrady@aol.com)

While running an AppleScript Application go to "About Script Applications..." in the Apple menu. Then, Control-click on either the icon or the text "Script Applications" to see it change to "Applets & Droplets".

AppleSearch Server and Client

Choose "About AppleSearch Server (or Client)...", then click the icon.

At Ease

At Ease Code Name: Tiny Toons

While in At Ease, hold down Option while going to "About At Ease...". After a few seconds you will see some credits below the moving heads.

🐉 When going to "About At Ease..." click on either of the two the middle heads and hold down for a couple seconds. It will then show pictures of the engineers. Holding down Option is not required for this egg, however, any newer version other than 2.0 (worked in version 2.0.3) is needed.

Calculator

(I am aware that these are undocumented tricks but I find it kind of fun to find the most detail in of Apple's simplest applications)

There is a small pixel in the lower left-hand and right-hand corners of the calculator, at the very tip. These are the only other places on the calculator from which you can drag the calculator. It is used in case the calculator is dragged too high and above the menu bar. I really have no idea how you would get it there in the first place and by quitting and starting over again the calculator appears in the center of the screen.

Pressing E when using calculator will switch it to scientific notation. Typing E , and entering a number higher than 4933 or letting the calculator divide through 0 (e. g. 5/0), and pushing "=" will give you infinity (that should be undefined). This is possible with other numbers. On German computers it will say Unendlich.

Well infinity may be a number according to Apple but infinity divided by or minus (\div or $-$) infinity will give the reading "not a number". The easiest way to do this is type E9999/E9999 Jeff Ivler (ivler@pobox.upenn.edu)

Disk Archive/Retrieval Tool

Choose "About DART..." from the File menu while holding down the Option key. In addition to the normal information, the window displays the name of the programmer, David Mutter, and those he wishes to thank.

Find File

To be able to use search for more options in find file hold down option while selecting on the name. Very useful in egging invisible files.

🐉 Open up Find File with ResEdit and open the DATA resource. Inside there will be one resource, ID #0. Open tha and scroll through the hexadecimal code to find the programmer's secret message that says, "I liked Vacuum tubes better." In the CODES resource, the name for ID #13 is "Balloon Hell".

🐉 Gerbils!

Gerbils! is a fun new little game made by Apple solely for the

demonstration of QuickDraw 3D's capabilities. I recently opened it up with ResEdit and found that in the PICT resource, ID locations 145 and 146, there are two pictures of apparently the creators of the program. I could not make the photos pop up during the game, and I suspect there is no way to trigger them.

HyperCard

HyperCard: WildCard (hence the creator code WILD) HyperCard IIGS:

Bullfinch

HyperCard 2.0: Snow, Hot Water

Hold down Option when going to "About HyperCard..." in to see some extra system information. Some of it varies with the Macintosh. Also, in version 2.0 or 2.1, if you entered your name in the Chooser (6.0) or Sharing Setup (7.0) your name will appear under "HyperCard by John Do". There is a trick to this though. If you don't have your name in either of those two places, the name of one of the many developers will appear instead of where your name would be.

🐿️ Look at the data fork of any Hypercard stack (American or foreign) with a good text reader like Word. The last fifteen bytes say "Nu Är det slut...", which is Swedish for "The end" or "That's all, folks". Kristbjorn Gunnarsson (a95krigu@ida.his.se)

Installer

In version 3.0.1 (the one that comes with System 6.0.7 and 6.0.8), after dismissing the initial welcome dialog, type "ski". A humorous list of the developers will appear and you will be able to choose from five wait-cursors: the hand with the moving fingers (standard), a spinning globe, the familiar spinning disc, the even more familiar wristwatch, and dots that move.

In version 3.2 (the one that comes with System 7), hold down Command and Option while the Easy Install screen is up. The Help button becomes "About", and clicking on it brings up a few screens of credits.

🐿️ There is an interesting, if not entirely exciting, tribute to everyone who worked in the Installer 3.4. Click "Okay" at the splash screen. This brings up the "Easy Install" screen. Press Command and Option simultaneously. The "Help" button changes to "Credits." Then click on that. One place this installer appears is on the "CD InstallMeFirst 7.1" for the Mac LC520.

Lan Satellite

Under the View menu, choose the "Recognition..." selection, and scroll through the listings. Towards the bottom you'll find iconic representations of the new PowerPC Macs and their names! Lan Satellite some sort of

Appletalk scanning program.

MacBug

MacBug: A contraction of Motorola Advanced Computer Systems Debugger
Type DV to see the MacBug development team. Typing just V will give you the version.

Balloon help the program's icon to see "This file provides programers with information proving that it really was a hardware problem...".

Hold down Control when you start-up your computer. If you have MacBug installed it will immediately go to the program. Then it will say "Welcome to MacBug (thanks for holding down Control)". I thought that was kind of funny. Type G and push Return to continue your start-up.

OpenDoc™

Thanks to Jack Frost (jfrost@crl.com) I got my hands on one of Apple's newest toys. God knows how it works but it did have a couple easter eggs. The OpenDoc program itself, which resides in the OpenDoc Settings folder in the extensions folder, has an easter egg in the STR# resource. Go to ID 482 and scroll down to string 2. You will see the the text "They're EVERYWHERE!" (Works for versions 1.0 & 1.0.2)

In the same folder is an extention named Memory Manager. Opening that with text viewer (Microsoft Word will do this) will display this line at the very end of the jumbled programmer's code: "Give this Memory Heap a description. Dead heap, dead heap, dead heap!"

PowerTalk

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Using a text reader, open any PowerTalk info card (for example, Untitled Info Card). Among a bunch of other words and gibberish, the phrase "silence=death" appears several times. Note: The info card has to be on the desktop or any location other than a PowerTalk personal catalog for this to work.

QuickTime SimplePlayer & Movie Player

Press Option while you select "About SimplePlayer..." to see grey-scale cats (will not work for MoviePlayer).

When playing a QuickTime movie in both programs, hold down Shift and double-click inside the main movie window itself. The movie and sound will play backwards. There are some other undocumented features but I believe this one was meant solely for humor.

ResEdit

When using ResEdit 2.1.3 (other versions should work) if you hold down the Apple, Option, and Shift keys while selecting "About ResEdit.." in the Apple Menu the message "Start Pig Mode" will flash on the screen and an oink sound is heard. If this is repeated the message "Stop Pig Mode (no oink)" will appear. It is used for more advanced programming. When you put ResEdit into pig mode, resources will be compacted and purged each time ResEdit goes through its event loop (several times a second). It will slow down the system so I don't recommend you use this. When holding Apple and Option and selecting "About ResEdit" you will see some credits too.

If you turn on pig mode while running ResEdit from a floppy disk the disk will "oink" a few times each second (most easily heard on an old Plus in a quiet room). Your machine might crash so beware!

SpInside Macintosh and the Technical Notes Stacks-DogCow

In the Hypercard Stack Option-Shift-click on the dogcow. A dialog comes up with credits. When "Developer Technical Support" appears, click to dismiss the dialog. Then click anywhere else on the title screen. Click on the button to go to a tech note by number, and enter "Clarus the dogcow says Moof!" When it asks you "what did you say?", enter the same thing again.

This will display the secret "Tech Note #31, About the Dogcow". If that doesn't work, then you can display the three pages of the Tech Note by typing "tnpict MooF1,1,0" in the message box (and MooF2 and MooF3).

You can see the original technote page at:
<http://www.info.apple.com/dev/dts/tn31.html>.

There is a detailed DogCow page at:
<http://www.info.apple.com/dev/dts/dogcow.html>

Click on the dogcow icon to hear the dogcow.

Note: The DogCow is a big part of Apple's humor and I wish I could include the technote in this file. It was too large though so I ask that you go to the above pages.

Stickies

Type Antler! in a new note and press return. You will then see a picture with two names. Make sure you type just "Antler!" right after you create a new note. If anything else is written previously or if there is any editing done it will not work.

Using ResEdit, if you open up the WDEF resource and open ID #128 it says "DEAD BEEF". This is a typical hexadecimal value meaning "unused". It is similar to spelling out "hello" on a calculator by entering 01134 and turning it upside-down. Anastasia Cook (Oohlalune@aol.com)

TeachText

In TeachText holding down Apple (Command) and Option and selecting "About TeachText..." will show some extra credits.

Video Monitor

In the application Video Monitor, which comes with most AV computers, go to "About Video Monitor...". From there hold down Option and click on the picture of a video camera. Replacing "Apple Computer inc...." is "Written by Gary Woodcock-Animal Magnetism by Phaser".