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This section is for smaller articles and for little tricks or secrets about certain things. This is mostly reader based. Enjoy.

Crackin' Vertigo

Photoshop has tons and tons of different plug-ins to enhance pictures and especially words and text. Well, you could just get Eyecandy or Phototools, but they don't give you a real 3D look. Well, I found a program that lets you create true 3D text. You can go to any search engine and find it. Its called Vertigo 3D Hottext But when you use the demo with Photoshop, the text field is disabled and all you can say is "Vertigo 3D". Oh darn. Follow a few simple steps to find out how to change the letters to say what you want.

1. Get a copy of Vertigo 3D HOTtext (Duh) and also a copy of Norton's Disk Editor.

2. Open Disk Editor and it will ask you what drive. Pick the correct drive and open Vertigo 3D.

3. Go to the Edit menu. Choose "Find".

4. In the field type "vertigo" (NDE is not case sensitive)

5. Hit enter and it will take you to a sector, ignore this sector. Hit COMMAND G (Find Again).

6. This is the sector you want. Where it says Vertigo 3D, you can put anything you want as long as it doesn't exceed 10 Characters.

7. Quit Disk Editor and save the changes. Open Photoshop and you now have your text in that field.

I also recommend trying to open other files with NDE. Its no ResEdit but its still

fun. I could not find the corresponding sector in Vertigo with ResEdit as I did with NDE. Weird huh?

The only bad part about this hack is that you have to do this everytime you want to change text. Not a bad price to pay for good looking graphics. What I did is made copys of the file and made each one say something different, some words I use frequently. Or you might wanna just buy it.

Hope you can understand this and use it.

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Free Pop

Want some free pop in a matter of mintutes? All you need is a cap from a 20 oz. bottle and 10 cents to cover tax and crap.

Go to a conveinience store (Handy Shop is where I go!) and go to where the pops are. Pick out a "winner" pop. I call them winner pops cuz you have a chance of winning under the cap. Usually Dr. Pepper and Pepsi products have something like this. Now take a bottle and tilt it sideways and look through to see under the cap. Trust me, this works. It just takes practice. You'll probably only be able to see a part of the bottom. Rotate the bottle so you can see more. If you see words like "20" or "16" or "oz" or "Win" then you have chosen a winner. If you see other words like "Sor" (Sorry) or "Try" or "Again". Put that pop in a different place so you know you've checked it. Take another one. Keep goin till you find one. If they give you any shit about it, start saying how they get the money for in any way so what are they whining about? Or tell them that if they are going to be rude about it, you'll just do business elsewhere. That really shuts them up. Now take the winning cap off and put on the extra cap you brought. Show the winning cap to them, pay the tax or whatever and you have free pop. Now you should have the extra cap so you can do this as many times as you want. If you really want FREE pop, tell them you don't have the ten or five cents to cover tax and usually they will cover it or there might be a 'give a penny, take a penny' thing you can round up ten cents. Ten cents is not that hard to find. Just ask someone and they usually give it to you.

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