

About The Hunchback of Notre Dame

To have the story read to you in its entirety click on the book on the map. If you want to stop at any point, click on the bell pull. This allows you to read the page again, read the previous page or go to the map.

However, if you want to save the story at the point you have reached and return to it later, click on the bookmark. When you wish to return to where you left off reading, just click on the bookmark on the map.

To enjoy the adventure to the full, with all the extra fun, click any of the chapter highlights on the map. Start at number 1 and go to each of them in turn.

There are lots of hidden surprises throughout the story. To find them, wait until the page finishes or stop the page by clicking on X in the top right hand corner, then click on various parts of the picture.

Many times as you travel around Paris you will be invited to play a mini game before continuing.

The Hunchback has been thoroughly tested on numerous PCs, using a variety of different graphics boards, sound boards and CD-Rom drivers. It is unlikely you will experience any problems, but should you do so it could be because your PC has an unusual combination of these devices that could make it incompatible with the program.

The program has a number of minimum requirements. Before calling the Europress Software Helpline, 01625 850871, please check whether the difficulty could be caused by one of the following:

Screen colours: The Hunchback uses 256 colours. Your PC should have a Super VGA card (with at least 512k Video RAM). For best results it should be set to 640x480 with 256 colours.

Screen size: If there is a black border round the book, it means you are running in a higher resolution than necessary. To make the book fill the screen change your resolution to 640x480.

Other programs: The Hunchback is happier when it is not competing with other programs. When running The Hunchback, we suggest you close down any other applications.

Networking: It is not advisable to run this program if your PC is attached to a network. Reload Windows without the network drivers by keying "WIN /N".

Incompatible devices: During the intensive evaluation programme, The Hunchback was tested using many different hardware and software devices, including accelerators and file compression packages, to ensure compatibility. If you feel a device installed in your PC may be affecting performance it should be disabled before running The Hunchback.

“Out of Memory”: If this error message is displayed you will need to increase the size of the swap file on your hard disk. To find out how to do this look up the "386 Enhanced Command" section of your Windows manual.

"[MCI] CD Audio driver is missing": If this error message is displayed you will need to install the Microsoft audio compact-disc player driver. To find out how to do this look up the "Setting up device drivers for audio compact-disc players" section of your Windows manual.

"[MCI] WAV Audio driver is missing": If this error message is displayed you will need to install the Microsoft WAV audio driver. To find out how to do this look up the "Setting up device drivers for audio compact-disc players" section of your Windows manual.

“Speed discrepancies”: Great care has been taken in the synchronisation of the animation to the soundtrack. However, if there are any noticeable problems during playing, the speed of animations on the pages may be either increased or decreased by pressing “1, or 2 ” as Quasimodo walks across the opening screen.

The first time you start The Hunchback it will test various aspects of your computer's configuration and find the best settings to run the program.

These values are then stored in a file, HUNCH.INI which is written to your Windows directory. The next time you start The Hunchback it will test for this file and if it exists will use the values stored there to control how the program behaves.

If you want to run the test routines again, or want to manually alter how the program will behave, you will first have to delete the HUNCH.INI file.

To test how suitable your system is for running this software a test program is supplied on the CD called SYSTEST. Clicking on this will advise you on any settings that may be appropriate for running The Hunchback.