

# Cover disc

This month's CD comes with great software to help you keep your PC safe from unsavoury influences, and a quiz package that will hone your general knowledge skills. As usual, the cover DVD has all the content from the CD, plus a personnel manager, a language tool and a helicopter flight/combat sim



MadeSafe Secure Backup

EXCLUSIVE FULL PROGRAM



There's no denying that a broadband, always-on internet connection is a great thing to have in your home. The trouble is, the static IP address your ISP provides along with this service means that you've become a sitting duck for all kinds of unwanted attention.

Having antivirus software is mandatory unless you're suffering from terminal optimism. A firewall is also an extremely good idea for fending off the more direct attacks on your system.

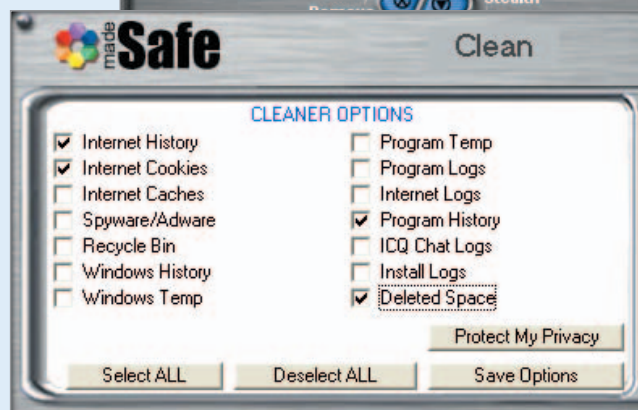
But that's not all you can do to protect yourself from invasions of privacy, identity theft and unsavoury content - which is where MadeSafe steps in. This software offers a collection of award-winning utilities designed to fill in the security gaps that aren't covered by firewall and antivirus applications.

Using the intuitive interface provided by the MadeSafe Companion, you can quickly access all of its features, which includes scanning your hard disk for unwanted content such as adware and spyware, as well as objectionable images or video files.

If you're sending sensitive data by mail or FTP, MadeSafe Wrapper provides an unprecedented level of encryption (448bit) to protect it should it fall into the wrong hands. Unwanted data can also be shredded and overwritten up to 255 times, making it impossible to recover.

This last feature can automatically include commonly overlooked data such as program logs, internet logs, previously deleted files, history logs, the recycle bin, temporary files and even your browser cache and history.

Finally, if you're looking for a place to keep your data, MadeSafe provides the Vault, a 5MB online storage facility that you can use to keep backups, which will allow you to retrieve important files should your system be lost or stolen (see *Using*



↑ MadeSafe's utilities help to fill in the security gaps that aren't covered by firewall and antivirus software, providing essential services such as cookie shredding

← Clean out unwanted files and free up hard disk space

*the Vault* on page 160). Higher capacity vaults are available at an extra cost, starting at £18 per year for 100MB.

Once you've installed MadeSafe, you'll need to connect to the internet to activate the product before use. When prompted, enter your username and registration code (FT9IUD). The software will then complete the installation procedure before checking to see if any updates are available. ☒

- This program includes one year's online secure backup. For a great offer on MadeSafe's AntiVirus, see page 164.

To install:

95 98 2000 NTMeXP

## System requirements

Pentium PC; Windows 95/98/2000/NT/Me/XP; 16MB RAM; 50MB hard disk space; internet access

## Installation details

Go to Start, Run. Type: d:\madesafe\madesafe.exe. When prompted for a CD key enter: FT9IUD

Includes one-year online secure backup

## Using the Vault

**1** Right-click on the MadeSafe icon in your system tray and select Vault to open the application. Enter your login and password when prompted (the ones you used to register MadeSafe). This will take you to the main screen where you'll find 10 storage drawers ready for use



**2** Name the storage drawer you want to use by clicking on the text entry box next to its handle, then click on its green button to open it. Drag the file(s) you want to upload onto the open drawer making sure they don't exceed the 5MB limit. Click on Send Files to encrypt and upload them

## Britannica Quizmaster

FULL PROGRAM



If you find yourself constantly shouting answers at TV quiz shows and think you could do better, now's your chance to find out with Britannica Quizmaster.

As you've probably gathered, the content has been assembled by the editors of the *Encyclopædia Britannica*, and covers a massive range of general knowledge, from geography to sport, literature to science.

Just enter your name, pick a subject and a difficulty level, and you'll be up and running in no time. You can choose between timed and untimed tests, as well as choosing the number of questions you want to take on, from 10 through to 50.

The quiz will then start, using the options you've chosen, with the questions appearing on screen and being read out by the Quizmaster. Pick the answer from a choice of four and you'll instantly be told whether you've got it right or wrong.

When you get to the end, the Quizmaster will tell you whether your grade is worthy of a place on the high score table, as well as providing you with a round of applause for a good effort and a list of all the correct answers.



↑ Test your intellectual mettle against one of the most respected reference works in the world with Britannica Quizmaster



For scoring purposes, a correct answer is worth 10 points, while an incorrect response knocks five points off your total.

Other features include a special round of audio/video questions which use a collection of video and audio clips that are associated with the question being asked. There's something here for everyone, regardless of age and experience, and we're sure that even the brainiest among you will be challenged by the Advanced level. ☒

To install:

98 2000 NT Me XP

### System requirements

Pentium PC; Windows  
98/Me/NT/ 2000/XP;  
32MB RAM; 10MB hard disk space;

### Installation details

Go to Start, Run. Type d:\autorun.exe



You can never be too careful when it comes to online security. So here's another cover disc package to give you peace of mind. Shut the stable door before the horse bolts with this version of Panda Platinum Internet Security.

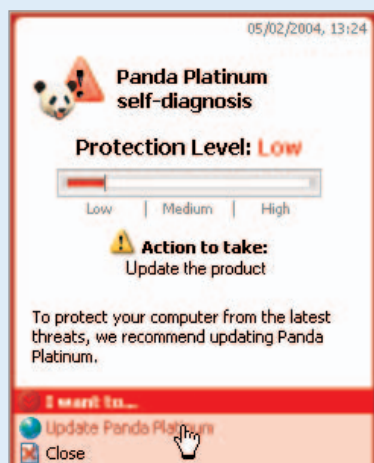
It will provide you with an extremely effective antivirus tool (which to date can recognise more than 69,000 virus signatures), as well as a firewall. Panda

also has its own self-diagnosis tool that tells you just how good a job it's doing of protecting your PC, and what you can do to improve it.

Not only that, but the messaging tool will give you immediate warnings about potential viruses that are doing the rounds, so you'll know what to do to keep yourself safe. Its scan monitors compressed and archived files as well as emails, and it

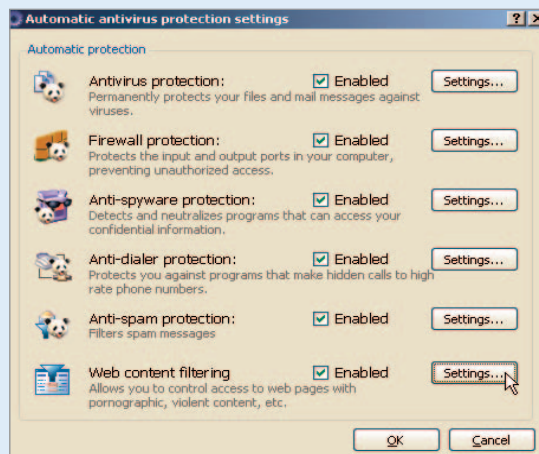
managed to pick up a scary 24 infected files on a PC we thought was clean.

As well as viruses, Platinum Internet Security will also guard against spyware, automated diallers and spam. On top of this, an internet content filter can restrict access to content, with predefined filters (such as employee, teen, kids and so on) to save you the trouble of customising a profile by hand. ☒



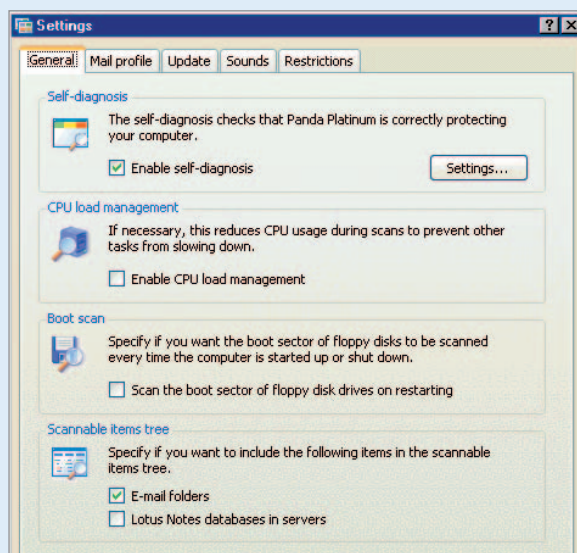
**1** Install Panda Platinum and perform a self diagnosis. If you find that that your protection levels are low, as shown left, click the Update link

**2** If you like the belt-and-braces approach to security, let Panda automatically protect your PC...



**3** ...or choose the Settings button beside any option to tweak its setup to your liking

**4** When it's set up as it should be, Panda will give you the all-clear. Install any missing components and you're protected!



#### To install:

98 2000 Me XP

#### System requirements

Pentium PC; Windows 98/Me/2000/XP; 16MB RAM

#### Installation details

Go to Start, Run. Type d:\panda\platinumisshuk.exe





## Vizual Personnel Manager

## FULL PROGRAM



If you've ever had to manage your own staff, you'll know how complicated it can be. If you can't afford to appoint your own human resources manager, having an application that can take a lot of the grind out of day-to-day personnel issues will let you concentrate on other things – such as actually running your business.

Unsurprisingly, Personnel Manager from Vizual Business Tools is designed to let you do just that and covers virtually every aspect of HR management, including some things you may not even have thought of, such as employment law.

This edition is limited to five employees only, while more advanced versions can handle up to 250. It's designed for ease of use rather than requiring a masters' degree in IT just to set it up.

With its own employee database, Personnel Manager can be used to store all sorts of info – personal details and appraisal data to photographs, bank details, medical history and pay records.

It's compliant with the new Working Times regulations and allows you to generate opt-out letters from the built-in word processor should you need your staff to work extra hours. This is just one of 40 prebuilt employee document templates that come with the product.

If you have employee data already filed in spreadsheets or databases, you can easily import them directly into Personnel Manager, rather than having to start again from scratch or, just as easily, export content to external applications.

On a similar note, data stored in Personnel Manager can be used with existing payroll software such as Sage Payroll or Vizual Business Tools Payroll Manager, so any changes made to a file are automatically updated without having to make duplicate alterations.

It also provides a built-in diary – compatible with MS Outlook – which will automatically monitor key employee dates with reminders for appointments or events. Personnel Manager may not actually make your staff any better at their jobs, but at least it'll free up your time so that you can concentrate on yours. ☒

To install: **98 2000 Me XP**

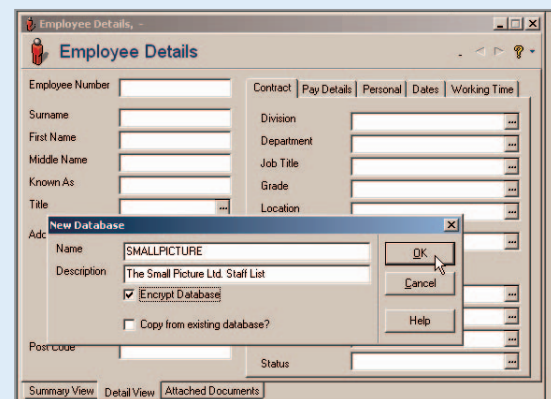
## System requirements

Pentium PC; Windows 98/Me/2000/XP; 16MB RAM; 60MB hard disk space; Microsoft Office 97 or above

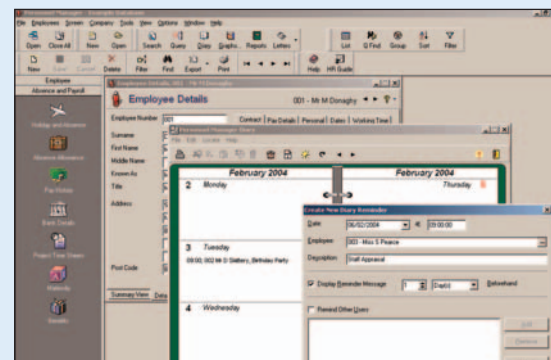
## Installation details

Go to Start, Run. Type d:\personnelmanager\setup.exe

1 To create a database, select File, then New Database. Enter the name of the database plus a short description of the contents, then click ok. You can choose to import data from an existing database or encrypt the new database from this panel



2 Once the database structure has been built, you'll be faced with the first record. Enter the details you want to store into the relevant fields. If the preset options don't fit the bill, create your own by clicking on the Add button and typing it in



## Transparent Language Vocabulary Master

## FULL PROGRAM



Learning a language isn't easy and while it won't make you a linguistic genius overnight, Transparent Language's Vocabulary Master can at least help out with the hard slog of revision, using a combination of tests and reports to develop your language skills.

There are 13 languages to choose from, including French, German, Portuguese and Spanish. It's easy to get started, just type in a user name, your native language and the one you're learning, and then choose from the list of categories. This will start a test based upon the category you've chosen, such as Animals or Basic Verbs, and will run you through a list of flash cards. You have the option to skip, or even check the answer,

which is useful in the early stages of learning, while the software will give you reports on your progress.



↑ If you're learning a language, Vocabulary Master will run you through a series of tests that will increase your word skills

To avoid going over words that you already know, Vocabulary Master can test you on words that you haven't got right yet. You can also see a list of all the phrases and their translations, so swotting up before committing to the assessment is easy. ☒

To install: **95 98 NT**

## System requirements

Intel 486DX or above; Windows 95/98/NT 4.0; 16MB RAM; 16MB hard disk space

## Installation details

Go to Start, Run. Type d:\vm\setup.exe



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## Operation Overkill

## FULL PROGRAM



If this month's cover DVD has all seemed like a bit too much hard work and you need to give your grey matter a bit of a break, then why not lose yourself in Operation Overkill, one of many games you'll find on the disc.

The name doesn't give much away, so let us explain. Operation Overkill puts you in charge of an Apache assault chopper with a whole gamut of weapons and payloads at your disposal. Take to the skies and thrash out some of that pent-up stress and work-related anxiety by blowing things up in a variety of interesting ways.

There are more than 30 missions to fly your way through, along with six different war zones, day and night quests and hundreds of enemy vehicles and targets to eliminate en route. The controls are simple to pick up and the minimum spec is pretty



that takes your fancy. Go on, you know you want to. ☒

← Operation Overkill is one of the many games and demos you'll find on our cover disc. Take to the skies and destroy a variety of targets including tanks, tents and battleships

To install:

**95 98 2000 Me XP**

## System requirements

500MHz CPU; Windows 95/98/Me/2000/XP; 64MB RAM; 25MB hard disk space

## Installation details

Go to Start, Run. Type d:\vm\setup.exe

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