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Think you've got what it takes to pass a Mensa exam? Then try Test Your IQ and find out. And if you're already confident of your mental abilities, compile a graphics project or create a website with our clutch of full and trial packages from Hemera and CoffeeCup



The Times: Test Your IQ – Volume One

EXCLUSIVE FULL PROGRAM

If you've always wondered how intelligent you are compared to the rest of the population, but don't want the hassle or expense of taking a Mensa test, then we have a program perfect for you on this month's cover disc. The Times: Test Your IQ – Volume One will accurately assess your intelligence quota and give you the chance to improve it.

As IQ testing is becoming more common in job selection processes, a bit of practice could make the difference between you achieving the grade or going home early from an interview. This great program will help you learn to think quickly and logically about reasoning problems. Once you have taken the test

you will also find out where you have made mistakes and why.

The interface is intuitive and simple to use – you'll only need to worry about the questions testing your grey matter. Once you've installed the program you will be guided through the process of testing your IQ, and if you just want a quick brain teaser then you can look at some practice questions.

There's loads of different questions selected at random, so you can take test after test without coming across the same ones twice, and the more you practice the better scores you will achieve. In the practice tests you'll get as much time to think about your answers as you like, but

in the test proper you'll be thinking against the clock, so speed is as essential as accuracy.

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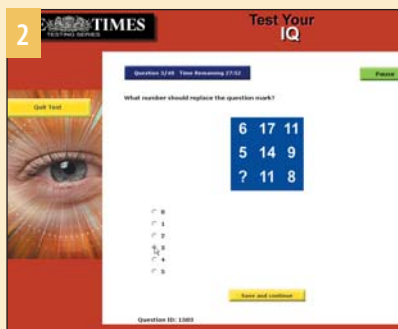
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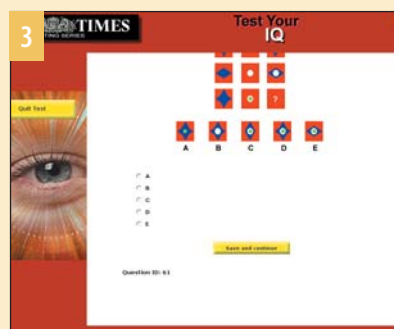
133MHz Pentium; Windows 98/2000/NT/Me/XP; 32MB RAM; 50MB hard disk space.



↑ Once you've installed and started up the program, you can either take a test or practice first



↑ When you begin the test select the answer you think is correct by clicking on the circle next to your chosen option



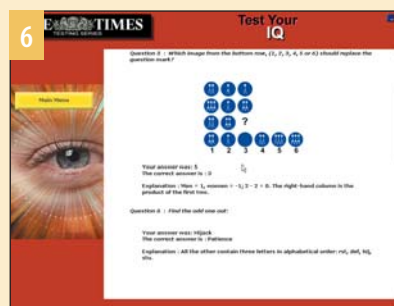
↑ Use the scrollbar at the side of the screen to see all of the question



↑ If you get stuck on a question, you can continue with the test and come back to it later



↑ When you've reached the end of the test, you can review your answers



↑ Find out how well you did and discover where you went wrong at the end of the test



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Hemera PhotoObjects & GraphicsDesk

FULL PROGRAM

If you're designing your own website or putting together a visual presentation, having a collection of quality artwork at your disposal is essential if you want to create a really professional look. On the cover disc this month we have brought you a bundle of the perfect programs from Hemera to help you make sure you get stunning results.

Hemera PhotoObjects combines the quality of photos with the versatility of clip art, as these realistic objects quickly and easily add impact to projects on the web, at home and at the office. PhotoObjects mainly consists of a large collection of high-quality photographic images and a powerful yet simple tool to create photo-realistic characters and text.

Hemera GraphicsDesk lets you access royalty-free images on a subscription basis. It gives you unlimited access to a variety of online image subscriptions for a limited period of time and will organise your image files and help you manage and search through your image subscriptions. Because GraphicsDesk accesses your subscriptions through the web, you never need to install images on your hard drive or swap CDs – and available subscriptions are constantly being updated.

In the step-by-step guide below we show you how to move the images in the Hemera PhotoObjects collection to Hemera GraphicsDesk so you can export the artwork into a word processor, graphics package or desktop publisher.

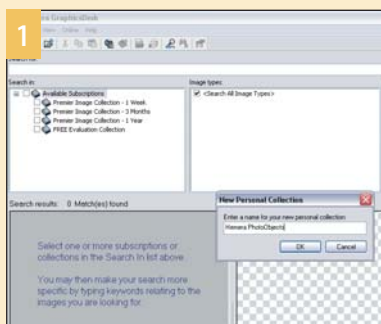
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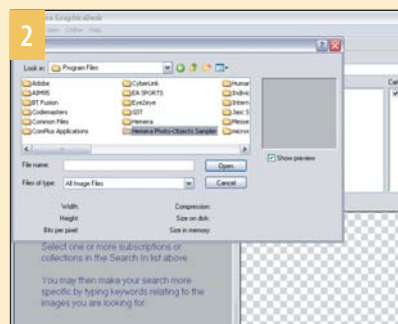
Hemera PhotoObjects & GraphicsDesk
Hemera PhotoObjects and GraphicsDesk should autorun from the CD menu. If not, go to Start, Run. Type d:\hemera\setup.exe for PhotoObjects or d:\hemera\graphicsdesksetup.exe for GraphicsDesk (where D is the letter of your hard drive).

System requirements

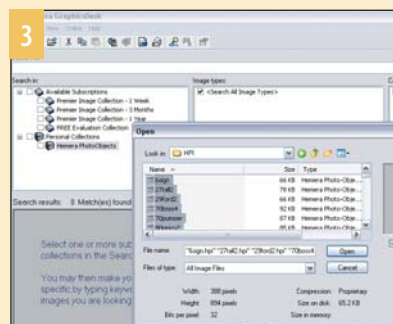
233MHz Pentium II; Windows 95/98/NT4/Me/2000/XP; 64MB RAM; 20MB hard disk space.



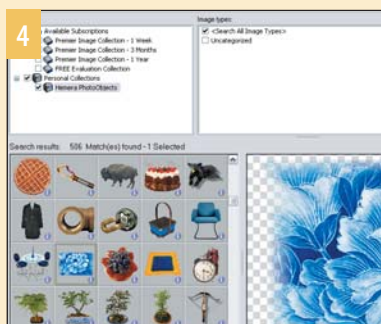
↑ Install both Hemera PhotoObjects and Hemera GraphicsDesk on your PC. Open GraphicsDesk and go to File, then New Personal Collection. Choose a name for the new collection – we've called it Hemera PhotoObjects



↑ Go to File, then Insert Images from Disk. You will be asked to select a personal collection to add images to – choose the name of the new collection you have just created



↑ You will be asked where to find the images to insert. Choose Program Files from your hard drive, find and open the Hemera PhotoObjects folder and choose the folder named HPI. This contains all 505 images. Press Ctrl, A to select them all and click Open



↑ The images will take a few seconds to be transferred to your new collection. To view thumbnails of all images, check the box next to the name of your new collection in the top righthand pane of the window. The thumbnails will now be displayed in the bottom lefthand corner of the screen



↑ Double-click on an image to export it to another program. We have chosen a word processing application. The full-sized image will appear in a new window



↑ Resize and crop the image to suit your needs, then choose whether to drag and drop it into the new program, or to copy it to the Clipboard. To insert in a program, open the new program then drag and drop it in. To copy to the Clipboard press Ctrl, V. Alternatively you can right-click on the area you want to insert the image and choose Paste from the menu



SureThing Labeller LE

EXCLUSIVE FULL PROGRAM

If you didn't get the DVD edition of the last *PC Advisor*, you will have missed SureThing Labeller LE, a great program for creating professional looking labels for the CDs you burn at home.

Fortunately, this month we have put SureThing Labeller LE on the cover disc. This program will have you designing eye-catching CD labels, jewelcase inserts and more in just a few clicks.

Using SureThing Labeller LE's features, such as SmartDesigns, Design Sets, and Text Effects, means you can concentrate on the creativity of your design while the mechanics is taken care of.

The CD Wizard lets you create a new design quickly and easily just by answering a few questions. CD Label Maker automatically fills in everything for you

when it creates the design. After that, you can modify text, backgrounds and so on, to your own specific needs.

You'll need special label sheet paper on which to print your designs, so we are offering you a great deal – 25 sheets of special label paper, with two CD labels on each, for only £6.99. See page 256 for more details.

To install:

SureThing Labeller LE

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SureThing Labeller LE should autorun from the CD menu. If not, go to Start, Run. Type d:\surething\setup.exe (where D is the letter of your hard drive).

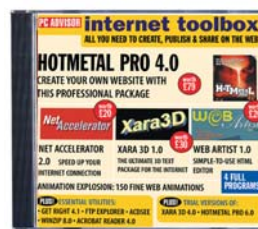
System requirements

233MHz Pentium II; Windows 98/Me/NT4/2000/XP; 64MB RAM; 50MB hard disk space.

→ Demonstrate your creative flair when designing your own CD labels



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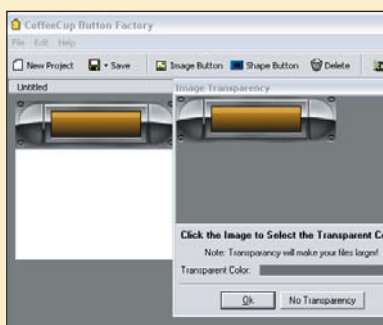
CoffeeCup Software selection

This month on our cover disc we have brought you a wide selection of packages from CoffeeCup Software to help you design your own website. Included is one free full program, in the shape of CoffeeCup Button Factory, and trials of three other programs.

You'll be able to use these trial programs for a limited amount of time only, but if you decide you like the packages and want to buy them you can go to the CoffeeCup Software site and purchase them. Details of how to do so are in the box on the right.

CoffeeCup Button Factory: full program

This great full program will help you make buttons for your site, either in Flash or Java format. Everything you could possibly want from a button can be done with this program – you can create custom buttons with your own images, add sound effects and even include enhancements such as scrolling text on your buttons.



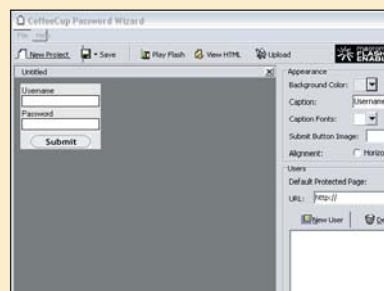
← Create great buttons from your desktop with the free full program, CoffeeCup Button Factory

↓ FireStarter will certainly make your website burn with amazing Flash effects from its huge library



↑ HTML Editor is very easy to use. The split screen enables you to see your page change as you work

→ No need for Java experience with Password Wizard. Create and edit usernames with ease



EXCLUSIVE PROGRAMS

Want more?

If you decide that you like the three trial versions of CoffeeCup software on this month's cover disc, you can purchase the full versions online without having to download anything from the CoffeeCup website or install any further software.

The trial software you have already installed can be unlocked by adding your credit card details to the wizard that appears when you start up the CoffeeCup programs. Alternatively, you can call 0800 917 2110 for free.

you can upload your page – a process HTML Editor makes very straightforward.

CoffeeCup Password Wizard: trial version

You will be able to create as many password pages as you wish with CoffeeCup Password Wizard. There's also no limit to the amount of usernames you can have, so whether it's one or 100 people who you might want to give access to the various areas of your site you'll be able to provide usernames for them all. In addition, you'll find that adding and modifying user details is a breeze and no previous experience of Java is needed to use it.

To install:

CoffeeCup selection

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The various CoffeeCup programs should autorun from the CD menu. If not, go to Start, Run. Type d:\trial\editor.exe for HTML Editor, d:\trial\firestarter.exe for FireStarter, d:\trial\wizard.exe for Password Wizard or d:\button\btnfactreg.exe for Button Factory (where D is the letter of your hard drive).

System requirements

Pentium PC; Windows 95/98/Me/2000/XP; 32MB RAM; 20MB hard disk space.

PC Advisor reader voucher page

SPECIAL OFFERS

We've an exclusive deal on CD labelling kits for use with this month's SureThing Labeller LE, plus there's a treat for science buffs from FirstScience.com. Simply follow the links on the cover disc for video footage of sharks and over 130 in-depth science articles

It's a SureThing

To get the best out of the SureThing Labeller software (free with this month's DVD edition of *PC Advisor*) get yourself a SureThing Starter Kit, which contains around 50 CD labels with applicator and eight jewelcase inserts. Prices are £6.99 plus £3 shipping and VAT, for either the Starter Kit Full Face

(stock number 20405) or the Starter Kit Standard (stock number 20403). Send your order to The Thompson Partnership at Lion Buildings, Market Place, Uttroter ST14 8HZ. Alternatively call 01889 564 601, fax 01889 563 219 or email sales@surething.uk.com. Log on to www.surething.uk.com.

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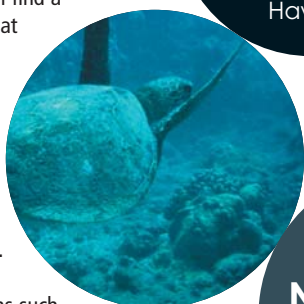
The site is updated weekly and we send out a subscriber-only newsletter, which includes links to a new poem, article, or book of the week – there's even the opportunity to enter a competition.

Webcams from around the world including a VolcanoCam on Mount Etna, Sicily and a SharkCam in Waikiki Zoo, Hawaii.

A four-part video history of the Nasa space program including the dynamite moment when Neil Armstrong first set foot on the moon and uttered his immortal words

SCIENCE NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Over 130 in-depth science articles on topics ranging from earth sciences to space and atomic clocks



Access the following video links from this month's cover disc:

- **Memories are Made of This**
Explore why it is that we can remember some things with ease, while others just seem to be a blank.

- **The Science of Shark Attacks**
Every year there are over 100 shark attacks worldwide. Those who come face to face with the ultimate predator rarely escape unscathed. Understanding how and why they attack is our only chance of surviving this natural born killer. But can we predict their behaviour and avoid their attack?

- **Wizard Science**

On the movie screen, Harry Potter and Gandalf can take us to worlds where children compete on flying broomsticks and sorcerers can slip on a cloak of invisibility and disappear from sight.

But are such feats of wizardry possible in the real world?



DVD Fury in the Skies

EXCLUSIVE VIDEO

Along with everything that's on the cover CD, our DVD brings you a spectacular film that follows the world's most powerful and destructive weather systems. There's also a range of exciting titles to be had in the Games domain

This month we have a video full of exciting and dramatic footage of extreme weather conditions from all over the world. *Fury in the Skies* doesn't just follow the weather though – it also interviews the people who make their living from filming and photographing storms. This interesting and informative video explains many phenomena we just don't see in this country.

• **Hurricane hell** You may remember the great storms of October 1987, but you haven't experienced a hurricane unless you've been to Florida – this part of the USA has had some of the fiercest storms ever seen. Almost 50 million tourists go to Florida every year for its many attractions as well as for the hot weather but from June to November it's hurricane season. One person who is there all year round is Jim Leonard, a storm chaser. He has filmed 45 major hurricanes in Florida, and he and his apprentice Mike Theiss employ



→ As fascinating and horrifying as the extreme weather is, it has nothing on the bravery of the men who chase it

← Blow wind and crack your cheeks: our video includes some mad weather



To install:

To watch the video, load your desktop DVD player and press Play to bring up the chapter menu. To load the PC Advisor software interface, follow these instructions.

Go to Start, Run. Then type d:\master.exe (where D is the letter of your DVD drive). Or go to Start, Programs, Windows Explorer to locate the relevant EXE file. Follow the onscreen instructions to install the program. Read the licence and any Read Me files for any special instructions that may relate to the individual products.

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a number of techniques to help them capture remarkable footage of the storms. They've even put a shower cap over the camera to keep it dry.

• **Lightning Alley** Florida isn't just a hotbed for hurricanes though – the strip of land running from Tampa in the west to Titusville in the east is known as Lightning Alley. It is estimated that there are more than 20 million lightning strikes in the USA each year and many of these occur in this narrow strip of land. David Stilling is the top lightning photographer in America, but despite regularly exposing himself to lightning storms he's never actually been struck by a thunderbolt. Neither does he have any special equipment – a fairly basic camera and standard film are all he uses. He believes that "if you can see it, you can photograph it".

• **Water spouts** Water spouts are an incredible phenomenon, sucking up gallons of water in pillars swirling at great speed. Again, Florida is a hotspot for these extreme weather conditions due to its high temperatures. From Miami to Key West runs a 100-mile highway, US 1, that is a great vantage point for seeing water spouts, but it is only the true professionals that hunt them down in the air and on the sea. It's a dangerous but

highly lucrative business. You'll see some truly incredible footage of two separate water spouts rotating around each other.

• **Cyclone Down Under** New Zealander Geoff Mackley is prepared to catch a plane to anywhere in the world at short notice to experience and film extreme weather conditions. He'll fly out and hire a car, dodging the red alerts and police roadblocks to get to where he thinks he'll find the perfect place to film a storm. All he needs is his laptop, a global positioning system tracking device and a spare camera, because: "if your camera breaks down then you're just another idiot standing in a hurricane".

Games domain

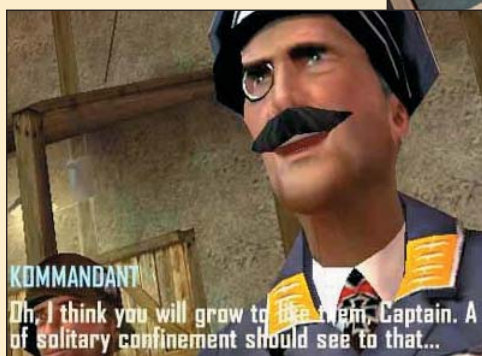
• **Operation Flashpoint: Resistance** This is the official expansion pack for Operation Flashpoint, so if you have the original then it's well worth a look. It forms a prequel to the plot of Operation Flashpoint: you play a retired soldier trying to protect the island of Nogova from Soviet invaders.

• **NewNovelist** Reviewed in this month's Lifestyle section, NewNovelist is a creative writing software program. You'll find out just how fun and easy composing your own novel is, so if you think you have a book or two inside you then give this demo a try.

- **Tomb Raider to go** Ever fancied having Lara Croft in the palm of your hand? Well, with Tomb Raider to go, you can have her on your handheld PC. This playable demo works on your desktop PC, too, so check it out before downloading the full version. Works with the Pocket PC operating system.
- **Sid Meier's SimGolf** This is both a sim and a golf game. You must design and run a successful golf course, but you can also play 18 holes. This great demo will appeal to those of you who like management sims and sports games.
- **Delta Force Black Hawk Down** This trailer previews a game based on the story of the American military missions in Somalia in 1993. Due to be released soon, enjoy this sneak peek at what promises to be one of the biggest games this year.
- **Prisoner of War** Set during the Second World War, this game requires stealth and cunning for you to be victorious. It's an adventure game but doesn't involve violence, which is a rarity, so enjoy this trailer of Prisoner of War, due to be released in late September.



←↕ Contrast the lifelike action in Operation Flashpoint: Resistance (left) with the superheroics of Freedom Force (below)



← Watch prisoners escape without using violence or, hopefully, hackneyed racial stereotyping, in Prisoner of War

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