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If you're not quite sure you're getting the best out of your office applications then look no further than this month's cover disc. We've got two comprehensive tutorials for Word and Excel, along with a file management system that will tidy up your documents in no time



## Professor Teaches: Word XP

## EXCLUSIVE FULL PROGRAM

If you want to get the best out of your office suite then we have the perfect programs on this month's cover disc. Our first, Professor Teaches: Word XP, is an easy-to-install and use guide to using Word, presented in an understandable way.

Many people use Word every day without realising what the application is capable of – there are dozens of timesaving functions that we miss out on, as they are hidden away in submenus. That's where Professor Teaches can help. This comprehensive tutorial will show you

the ins and outs of Word, guiding you through the maze of options at your disposal. There's a voiceover that works as an effective memory aid, and tests at the end of each section assess how well you're doing. There's even a tutorial section that tells you how to get the most from this program.

Whether you're a novice or a dab-hand at Word, Professor Teaches will certainly uncover some handy hints that will make your word processing skills stronger, faster and more efficient. ■

### To install:

Professor Teaches: Word XP 95 98 NT Me XP

**Professor Teaches should autorun from the CD menu. If not, go to Start, Run. Type d:\wordxp\setup.exe (where D is the letter of your CD drive).**

### System requirements

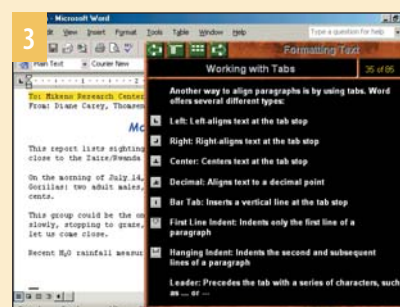
**Pentium PC; Windows 95/98/NT 4.0/Me/XP; 16MB RAM; 50MB hard disk space.**



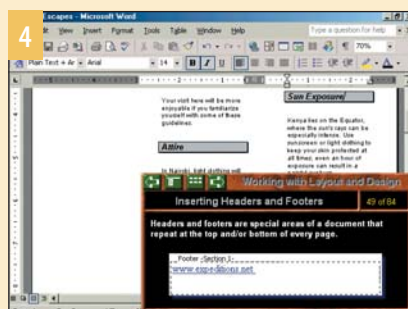
↑ If you're an inexperienced user, the Introduction to Word section will help you get to grips with the basics of this program. Even if you think you know Word backwards you might find a few helpful tips here



↑ The Creating and Editing Text section is where the specifics begin. In this chapter you will learn how to make your text document more eye-catching



↑ Once you've typed in the bulk of your text, you'll need to put it in a format suitable for your purposes – for example, if you're creating a report, this section will show you how



↑ A good layout, including headers, footers and columns, can make the difference between a professional-looking document and an uninspiring one. Find out the best way to design your documents in this section



↑ The Enhancing Documents section is all about adding the finishing touches to a document and making sure they look the best they can



↑ The Tables, Printing and Web pages section guides you through the correct procedure for completing these three actions

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# Professor Teaches: Excel XP

## EXCLUSIVE FULL PROGRAM

Despite the vast number of people in offices and homes all over the UK who use Office XP's ever-popular spreadsheet application, Excel, not many of them have had any formal training on it. Indeed, many people learn how to use this somewhat complicated program by trial and error. This shows commendable determination, but it also means that a large number of Excel users have gaps in their knowledge of the program.

Our second full program, Professor Teaches: Excel XP, is the ideal solution for both business and home users. It enables you to learn about and improve your knowledge of Excel without forking out for an overpriced one-day course.

Spreadsheets are incredibly handy for storing various types of data and information, so if you've never used them before then let the Professor show you how to do it. Even if you are a complete novice where Excel is concerned, this tutorial will give you the confidence you need to begin using the program.

This indispensable tutorial is very much like Professor Teaches: Word XP, which is also on the cover disc this month. It's easy to install and understand, and you'll even be taught how to use the program efficiently before you begin the course.

Excel can seem like a dauntingly complicated application to the uninitiated – and even if you use it on a day-to-day basis you may still not be confident using every single function it has to offer. This is the ideal program for beginners or occasional users of Excel as it will take you through all the functions from the most basic to the more advanced. ■

### To install:

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**Professor Teaches should autorun from the CD menu. If not, go to Start, Run. Type d:\excelxp\setup.exe (where D is the letter of your CD drive).**

### System requirements

**Pentium PC; Windows 95/98/NT 4.0/Me/XP; 16MB RAM; 50MB hard disk space.**

← The first section, Introduction to Excel, will give you a general overview of the application and why it is so useful for storing data

→ Getting started with workbooks is a doddle when you know how, as you'll find out in this section

↑ The Formatting Workbooks section teaches you how to go about formatting and improving the documents you have created

↑ It's always handy to have printouts of your spreadsheets as well as digital copies

↑ Using formulas and functions: if you need to perform calculations on your spreadsheets then this tutorial will show you how

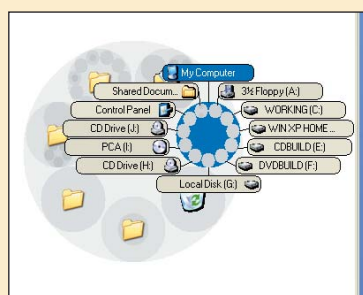
↑ Charts and pictures will add colour, emphasis and impact to your spreadsheets



## Fractal PC Personal 1.1 FULL PROGRAM

Fractal PC's file management system is much easier to use than Windows Explorer. Instead of the conventional tree structure which can be confusing, it's based on an easy-to-use circular format. Simply load it on to your PC and it will automatically generate a map of your Windows file structure, including all its directories, folders and files. Version 1.1 adds network access to its predecessor so now you can enter a corporate network

and view other people's file directories in the same clear format. Fractal PC lets you carry out all the management functions that Windows Explorer performs, allowing you to manipulate files in the usual ways – create, delete, rename, cut and paste and so on – but with much less effort. You can also set up Fractal PC to start every time you power up your PC, so you'll be able to access important documents even more quickly. ■



↑ Fractal PC is more intuitive than Windows Explorer, making it easier to manage your files

### To install:

Fractal PC Personal 1.1



**Fractal PC Personal 1.1** should autorun from the CD menu. If not, go to Start, Run. Type d:\fractal\setup.exe (where D is the letter of your CD drive).

### System requirements

**200MHz Pentium processor; Windows 95/98/Me/XP; 32MB RAM; 50MB hard disk space.**

## Liquid Player 6.1 for Windows

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It offers you the ability to record digital audio to CD and it also lets you convert your favourite audio CDs into high-quality digital tracks with the AAC CD encoder, although it's limited to 96Kbps (kilobits per second). Once recorded, you can then use the music organiser to assemble tracks into whatever order you like.

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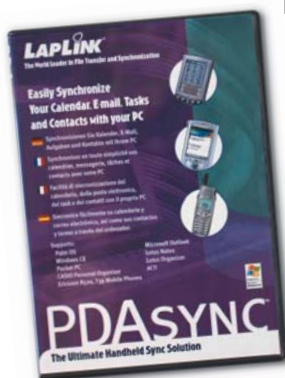
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## DVD Death defying feats

EXCLUSIVE VIDEO

Fearless thrill-seekers fly, fall and – mostly – defy death for over 50 minutes in our DVD movie this issue. Elsewhere there's an exciting selection of demos in our Games domain plus, of course, all the programs, tutorials and links that come with the CD version

**W**hether you fancy yourself as a bit of a daredevil or you'd rather just leave it to those who do, you'll find this month's exclusive DVD compulsive viewing. Watch as people risk their lives in pursuit of adventure – a subject which has never failed to enthrall us over the years. From movie stuntmen to intrepid explorers, this DVD shows men and women who have pushed back the boundaries of human achievement. It combines footage of some daring feats with some interesting facts about the lives of those who have chosen to undertake them. Brave or foolish, these adventurers are certain to keep you glued to your seat.

### Chapter 1: On the edge of death

We tell the story of those who have challenged themselves to the limit. Take Frenchman Alain Robert who has earned the nickname 'Spiderman' for crawling up skyscrapers without safety gear of any kind, or Eddie Kidd's famous motorcycle

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← You'll be glued to your PC screen as you watch daredevils and risk-takers galore



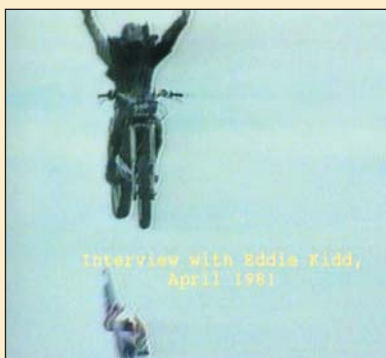
→ Don't look down! This man decided to tightrope walk between two hot air balloons



← Some of these intrepid explorers take to the sea in a bid to conquer the ocean



→ Do you fancy running in front of an extremely irritable bull? No? We'll leave it to the Spanish then



↑ Hang time: these stunts aren't covered in the Highway Code



↑ Bringing the house down: Hollywood films try to set the world alight



↑ Complete nutter: a raging bull gives this punter his own version of a Glasgow kiss

stunts. We also show some breathtaking parachute jumps – some of which didn't go entirely according to plan. An interactive link shows tightrope walkers who have taken some unbelievable risks, including a man who walked on a tightrope hitched between two hot air balloons and a Beijing tightrope walker who made the journey between two 400ft buildings.

## Chapter 2: Dangers of the wild

Wild animals have always fascinated man, so we talk to those who have encountered them at close quarters. Watch as Spaniards put their lives on the line and attempt to outrun bulls and see other daredevils go swimming with sharks. There's always risk in dealing with wild animals and sometimes they bite back: hear all about the elephant that ran amok through a US town and a woman who had a nasty encounter with a shark. The interactive link follows explorers who have pitted themselves against nature to climb Everest or participate in expeditions to the North Pole.

## Chapter 3: Great flights

Since the days of the Wright brothers, men have shared the vision of gliding through the sky like a bird. We follow the journey of those who have set themselves daring aviation challenges. From Colonel Joe Kittinger's first solo crossing of the Atlantic in a balloon to Brian Milton's flight to the north west coast of Australia in a microlite, this chapter offers a glimpse of the lives of those who take on the world from above. The interactive link shows the perilous risk involved in performing stunts in planes and the dangers of formation flying.

## Chapter 4: The next challenge

This chapter looks at those who have tried to conquer the ocean. Some have swam, some have sailed and others have crossed vast distances in the tiniest vessels.

There's also footage of Donald Campbell's world speed record on water and our interactive link features an attempt to break the land speed record in Nevada.

## Games domain

This month's selection of games includes fantastic new demos of Spider-Man and Jedi Knight II, brought out hot on the heels of this summer's two blockbuster movies.

Plus there are some trial versions of a number of games gracing our Lifestyle pages this month. Check out what our reviewers think on pages 239 to 246.

- **Atrix** In this classic battle game the Createase slog it out against the Intelion and the last humans on Earth in a battle known as the Atrix war.
- **GP4 trailer** This trailer for the latest Grand Prix game features some great graphics.
- **Jedi Knight II** Kyle Katarn returns to the *Star Wars* series as a hero who seeks to recapture his powers of the force and vanquish the dark side.



← MonsterVille sees various ghouls wanting your election vote



↑ Check out that power walking: Spiderman takes time out from rescuing damsels in distress



← Next Generation Tennis – you know the score



- **MonsterVille** Take on the role of a monster at election time and terrify the local population into giving you their votes.
- **Next Generation Tennis** If you're a tennis fan, you're certain to enjoy improving your game in this demo. You'll play alongside the world's best and use five different shots to outwit your opponent.
- **Spider-Man** Swing between skyscrapers in this demo which recreates the world of the friendly neighbourhood geek-turned-superhero, Spiderman.
- **Sudden Strike 2** Wipe your enemies off the face of the planet with this exciting game where soldiers fight with weapons modelled on those used in World War II.
- **The Sum of All Fears** A lead member of a specialised FBI Hostage Rescue team, you witness a catastrophic terrorist attack. Join forces with the CIA to discover who is responsible.
- **X-Plane 6.12** Experience life as a pilot with this extremely realistic flight simulation game, which accurately recreates the sensation of flying. Choose your favourite plane and fly anywhere in the world. ■



← Atrix: this means war

↓ Calling all Schumachers: get your driving gloves on for the trailer of GP4



← Seen the movie yet? Well, now it's time to become a Jedi Knight

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