



## **Welcome to the February issue of What PC?**

This CD Help/Info file is a supplement to both the cover disk notes that are written each month in the magazine and the help notes that are located within the main What PC? CD-ROM interface. The aim of the file is threefold:

- (1) To provide you with a full contents **index** list for this months CD-ROM cover disk.
- (2) To give you the **locations** of the demos, PDF files, HTML files, videos etc in case you would prefer to access these things outside of our main interface.
- (3) To produce some **help** concerning the cover disk, and the main applications that are used.

# Help

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## Help: Buyers guide for Psion 3a

Mobile Software specialises in reference information that you can carry around in your palmtop computer. Guides currently available include Transmedia Pages: a worldwide restaurant directory, which includes savings of up to 25 percent in over 6,000 participating restaurants; and Expotel Pages: a hotel database and reservations service, with details on nearly 3,000 hotels worldwide.

Mobile Software, in collaboration with What PC?, now brings you the What PC? Pages - the PC tables that appear at the back of the What PC? magazine in a compact form that can be taken with you inside your Psion 3a palmtop computer.

We've included the Psion Series 3a emulator on this month's CD. Which means that, even if you don't own a Psion, you'll be able to try out the world's best-selling palmtop computer using your PC.

From the Resources section, download and run the installer file PSION.EXE. Please note that you will not be able to run the emulator using Windows. Instead, restart your computer, and run the emulator from Dos.

Make sure you read the documentation that's displayed when you install the emulator. This tells you how to install and run the software. You will also find a Word document giving detailed instructions on using the What PC? Pages for the Psion 3a.

You can contact Mobile Software on **0181 906 0002**.

## Help: Downloading and installing files from the Software Library section

Most files in the Software Library section are compressed Zip files or self-extracting archives. If you are using the Netscape browser on the CD, you will be able to download and decompress these files in one action. Alternatively, other types of files, for example midi files, or images can be downloaded in the same way as you would get them from the Worldwide Web (except that these are downloaded from the CD to your hard disk).

Downloading ZIP files and self extracting EXE files using Netscape on the CD:

Click on the hypertext link (underlined next the program's description). A box will appear notifying you of the name of the file being copied and requesting a destination directory. Accept the default destination or replace it with a new one of your own. It is recommended that you use a separate directory for each file as there is the possibility that files from different archives will overwrite each other.

Click on OK and another box will appear. This will give you the option to

- i) Copy the file only, from the CD to a destination of your choice, with no further action
- ii) Decompress the files contained in the archive into the destination of your choice

By selecting both of the above you can copy the file and decompress it into your chosen location.

Once the files have been copied, you will receive further confirmation of the actions performed. Click on OK and you will be taken back to Netscape.

If you have to abort the copy, and subsequent attempts to download the same file give an unexpected filename, go to c:\vnu\netscape and delete the copy of the file contained therein. Next time you click on the hypertext link the transfer should work OK.

Downloading Other type of files:

Click on the hypertext link (underlined next to the program's description). A file dialog box will appear.

Choose where you want to copy the file (make sure you don't try to copy the file to the CD itself, or you will get an error message). It's a good idea to create a directory or folder for it first (using Windows File Manager or Explorer). AVOID copying into your Windows directory or into the root of your C: drive.

### Installing a downloaded file:

Later, using File Manager or Explorer, locate the file on your hard disk. If you need to uncompress a zip file, then read [Installing PKUnzip](#). If the file is already uncompressed then run the program or its installer just by double-clicking the filename. The most likely filenames are SETUP.EXE or INSTALL.EXE. If you cannot find which file to double click in order to run the program, click on the associated readme file (if one exists).

Note: Once Netscape has launched in the Software Library section, there is a link to a help page explaining more about Netscape and downloading and expanding files.



## **Help: Hardware Requirements**

To run the CD-Rom you will need a PC with Windows 3.1 or later, and a colour VGA display. We recommend a multimedia 486 PC or Pentium, with a minimum of 8Mb of Ram. The optimum configuration is a Pentium PC with 16Mb of Ram

## Help: How to use the CD Rom

### If you've got Windows 95

Just put the CD-Rom into the drive. A few moments later the What PC? loader should appear. To run the main CD interface which gives you access to all the nine sections, just click the 'Main menu' button. The loader will detect if your PC has Quicktime, Video for Windows, and Acrobat Search installed. If not, it will offer you the chance to install them before proceeding. Just follow the instructions.

(If your CD doesn't auto-load, start Windows Explorer and double-click WPC.EXE.)

### Windows 3.1 users

From the menu in Windows' Program Manager, choose File/Run. Then type in

**<CD Drive>:\PCW.EXE** and press Enter. The What PC? loader will appear (as above). If you don't have Video for Windows or Quicktime, the What PC? loader will give you the option to install them before proceeding (follow the on-screen instructions).

## Help: Installing PKUnzip

PKUnzip is a valuable utility that is used to uncompress 'zip' files, a file-compression format widely-used on the Web and elsewhere. Before you can 'unzip' a file, you will need to install PKUnzip, as follows:

Go to the Software Library section and click the button marked 'Essential Utilities'. Click the link marked 'PKZip/PKUnzip' (a new page will appear). Click the link marked 'copy PKZip'.

A dialog box will appear, so that you can choose where to copy the file to. (The file to be copied is called **PKZ204G.EXE**, and it's a self-extracting archive file.) A good place for PKUnzip to reside is inside your **C:\DOS\** directory (where it's easy for your system to find it when it needs to).

Navigate through the directories window until you are inside the Dos directory, then click 'Save'.

At this stage, you might like to quit from Navigator, and from the What PC? menu (unless your PC has plenty of memory).

Next, using Windows File Manager (or Explorer if you have Windows 95), find your **C:\DOS\** directory, then double-click on the file **PKZ204G.EXE**. It will expand into sixteen separate files.

### Associating the file

The first time you double-click on a compressed file with the .ZIP extension, Windows won't know what it's supposed to do with that file, and will pop up a dialog box asking which program you want to use to run it. Browse until you find **PKUNZIP.EXE** (in Windows 95 you may have to press the 'Other' button to find it).

Once you've done this once, Windows will remember that all Zip files need to be extracted using PKUnzip.

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## **Help: Navigating and using the main CD Interface**

Unlike most CD-Roms, our CD is not based on the format of a book or magazine; consequently, there's no 'contents' or 'home page'. Instead, you can get from any one of the nine sections to any other by means of a single click of the mouse. Buttons representing the sections are displayed on the screen at all times. If you are not sure which section is where, roll over the buttons, and the name of that section will be displayed, along with a textbox that shows the content of that section. Exit the disk by clicking on the 'Q' in the bottom left of the screen.

## **Help: Technical Helpline**

If you have problems with the CD-Rom, you can phone for help on the VNU 24-hour Helpline on : **0891 715929**. Calls cost 50p per min.

## **Help: Using Acrobat**

In order to view the pages, in the Hands On section, it is necessary that you install the Acrobat Reader software (which includes the search plug in), from the What PC? loader. The loader will detect if it is already installed. This installation should be to the default location shown on the installer.

**IMPORTANT:** To go back to the main What PC? CD program, quit Acrobat using the File/Exit menu or by clicking the Quit button at the top of the screen.

## **Help: Using Netscape**

Netscape Navigator is used in several of the sections of the What PC? CD-Rom. It is a convenient way to deliver text, images, and downloadable files, and runs on top of the main What PC? menu program in the Software Library section, the Arts section (Literature subsection), the Indexes section (Features subsection) and the Room section.

Readers with access to the World Wide Web will be familiar with the way Netscape works. Just click on a hypertext or image link to jump from page to page. You can go backwards or forwards through the pages you have already visited by clicking the Back or Forward buttons on the toolbar.

Netscape has a special feature called 'frames', which divides the screen into separate areas. When frames are used, the Back and Forward buttons may not work. Instead, click the right mouse button, then select 'Back in Frame' or 'Forward in Frame', from the pop-up menu.

**IMPORTANT:** To go back to the main What PC? menu program, quit Netscape Navigator using the File/Exit menu or by clicking the Quit

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# Index

The main What PC? CD interface is divided into nine sections:

**Games**

**Multimedia**

**Arts**

**Getting Started**

**Focus On**

**Printshop**

**Software Library**

**Indexes**

## **Index: Arts**

This month the Arts section consists of:

### **Images**

32 top quality Images from The Image Bank

### **James Bond 007 Tomorrow Never Dies Trailer**

This month we have a full screen trailer for the new James Bond film Tomorrow Never Dies.

## **Index: CD Index**

A searchable index of What PC? cover disc content since the September 1996 issue.

## **Index: Focus On**

This part is where you will find news, views and videos to take you into the VNU Labs and find out what our reviewers really think about products tested in the magazine. This month we focus on AntiVirus software.



## Index: Games

This months games included on the CD cover disk are:

### **Joint Strike Fighter**(Windows 95 only)

JSF is the first flight-sim to give simulator fans the opportunity to try out the US military industry's latest weapons under development, such as the AGM-154 Joint-Stand-Off Weapon (JSOW) and the Lockheed Martin Wind Corrected Munitions Dispenser (WCMD) as well as the GPS-guided JDAM iron bomb.

### **Dark Reign**(Windows 95 only)

In the 27th century water is more precious than gold. The Imperium, with sole control of this scarce resource, commands the fate of a thousand worlds. For generations, the Freedom Guard has pioneered the galaxy for the human race, colonizing planet after planet in exchange for an autonomy the Imperium promised but never granted. Now a civil war rages across the galaxy. The Freedom Guard, out-manned and out-gunned, tries desperately to break the Imperium's grip on the all-important water supply. The Imperium meanwhile has developed a devastating new weapon: a chemical compound that when triggered consumes the water of an entire world in seconds, killing every living thing in its wake.

### **Ignition**(Windows 95 only)

You're about to enter a world of no-holds-barred auto racing - life in the really fast lane. Across exotic countries and around some of the most punishing race tracks ever devised you'll have to conquer a variety of other vehicles in a nitrous sprint for the finishing line.

### **Dilbert's Desktop Games**(Windows 95 only)

Scott Adams' phenomenally popular characters come to life in this hilarious and undeniably fun collection of ten games and activities - including BOSS EVADERS, PROJECT PASS-OFF, CEO SIMULATOR, THE JARGONATOR and more! The irreverent humor of Dilbert makes this collection of games a must for stressed-out cubicle-dwellers everywhere.

## **Index: Getting Started**

This section contains our easy-to-use interactive guide to PCs, printers and software. This month we cover the basics of the desktop PC, printers and notebooks. Just point and click for explanations of all the different parts, complete with buying tips.

## Index: Hands On

This section contains a selection from the magazine Personal Computer World's own regular Hands On feature and the last issue of Personal Computer World magazine. It enables you to fully search hundreds of pages of priceless hints, tips and solutions to technical problems. To return to the contents page, click on the top left corner of the page.

**Note:** the application that is used to enable you to search the files is Acrobat Search for CD. This must be installed to your hard disk and you should be asked to do this if the What PC? loader detects that it is not present. For more information about using Acrobat, see the [Help](#) page.

## **Index: Indexes**

Products Review Index

CD Index

Advert Index

## **Index: Multimedia & Featured Software**

This months multimedia included on the CD cover disk are:

### **Rhodes on ROM**(Windows 95 only)

The best way to enjoy a megabyte" Gary Rhodes

### **Hot Metal Pro 4**(Windows 95 only)

The Easy-to-Use Power Tool for Professional Web Publishing

### **The Magic world of Beatrix Potter**(Windows 95 only)

Classic Beatrix Potter characters come to life with the magic of multimedia in three CD-Roms to be released under a deal just signed between Frederick Warne, owner of the Beatrix Potter property and Europress, Europe's fastest growing publisher of CD-Roms.

### **Kaz Keyboard A-Z**

If you are one of the millions of people around the world, struggling to use their keyboards effectively, KAZ® is here to help you.

### **Taxi**(Windows 95 only)

TAXI is a personal web organiser designed to make the Internet easier to use. It's software that revolutionises the way people use the web - and it's FREE!

## **Index: What PC? Printshop**

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For more information about using Acrobat, see the [Help](#) page.

## **Index:Reference**

Glossary of computer terms.

A 15-month products and features searchable database.

This month's advert Index.

General Information about the CD.

# Index: Software Library

## **Hands On**

Programs, utilities, etc relating to this month's Hands On section in the magazine.

## **Essential Utilities**

Utilities you just can't be without.

## **Utilities**

Utilities you shouldn't be without.

## **Internet**

Programs to make your surfing more productive.

## **Kids**

Software for children, including games and educational programs.

## **Graphics**

Here you'll find image-editing and drawing utilities

## **General**

This category is for software that doesn't fit into any of the other categories.

## **Psion**

The Series 3a emulator, plus Mobile Software's Mobile Pages, the What PC? buyer's guide for Psion, and more.

## **Media**

This is where you will find any graphic images, MIDI files, etc included on the CD, ready for downloading.

**note:** The resources section of the CD is viewed through Netscape. If you are unfamiliar with this browser, or not used to uncompressing (unzipping) files, see the [Help](#) page. Alternatively, if you would prefer to use your own browser, see the [Locations](#) page to find out where the resources home HTML file is situated on the disk.



## Locations: Acrobat Files

The Acrobat Home Page that is used to introduce the Hands On section of the CD is: **WPCHELP.PDF** that is located in the directory **<CD drive>:\ACROFILE\WPCPDF\**

**Note:** if you would like to install Acrobat (which contains the search Plug-in required to be able to word search across files), and you do not wish to install it from the What PC? Loader (Which will detect whether it is present), then from Windows file manager or Explorer: double click on **SETUP.EXE** which is located in the directory **<CD drive>:\ACROREAD\ENGLISH\DISK1\**

For more information about using Acrobat, see the [Help](#) page.

## **Locations: Games**

Installing and/or playing the demos from outside of the Games section:

### **Joint Strike Fighter**

(Windows 95 only)

From Windows Explorer, Run:

<CD-DRIVE>:\GAMES\JSF\JSF\_DEMO.EXE

### **Dark Reign**

(Windows 95 only)

From Windows Explorer, Run:

<CDDRIVE>:\GAMES\DARK\DKRDEMO.EXE

### **Ignition**

(Windows 95 only)

From Windows Explorer, run:

<CDDRIVE>:\GAMES\IGNITION\IGN\_DEMO.EXE

### **Dilbert's Desktop Games**

(Windows 95 only)

From Windows Explorer, run:

<CDDRIVE>:\GAMES\DILBERT\SETUP.EXE

## **Locations: HTML Files**

If you would prefer to use your own browser, rather than the Netscape browser that is used on the disk, to access the sections that use HTML the home pages are:

### **Software Library :**

RESOURCE.HTM that is located in the directory <CD drive>:\HTML\RES\

## **Locations:Images**

This months images from the Arts section are located in the directory  
**<CD drive>:\IMAGES**

## **Locations: Multimedia & Featured Software**

Installing and/or playing the demos from outside of the Multimedia section from Windows file manager or Explorer:

### **Rhodes on ROM**

From Windows, Run:

<CDDRIVE>:\ANGLIA\SETUP.EXE

### **Hot Metal Pro 4**

From Windows, Run:

<CDDRIVE>:\MULTI\HOTMETAL\SETUP.EXE

### **The Magic World of Beatrix Potter**

From Windows, Run:

<CDDRIVE>:\MULTI\BEATRIX\PLAY.EXE

### **Kaz Keyboard A-Z**

From Windows, Run:

<CDDRIVE>:\MULTI\KAZ\INSTALL.EXE

### **Taxi**

From Windows, Run:

<CDDRIVE>:\MULTI\TAXI\SETUP.EXE

## **Locations: Music**

Although there is no music on this month's CD, music in the Arts section of the main What PC? interface is usually located in the directory

**<CD drive>:\MUSIC\**

## **Locations:Video**

This months videos from the main What PC? interface are located in the directory  
**<CD drive>:\VIDEO**

**Note:** Although we have made every attempt to ensure that the quality of the video is as high as possible for monitors that only have 256 colours, all video will look remarkably better when played with 16bit monitors.

## **Locations**

A fair proportion of the content of the CD can be accessed outside of the main interface:

**Games**

**Multimedia**

**HTML Files**

**Acrobat Files**

**Images**



