We hope you enjoy learning about our products.

This demo was created solely with the macro facility available
only with VIP Professional. As you will see, the demo will run
all by itself, so long as you follow the prompts.

We offer you several choices of things to do with this demo.
You can learn about the world of spreadsheets in general, get
information about VIP Professional itself, get specific informa-
tion about the macro and database features in Professional, or go
into THE UNIVERSE OF DREW, an adventure tutorial for Professional.

Finally, you can end the demo to sample some of the features
of VIP Professional.

To get going with your choice, make your selection using
the arrow keys and press [Return]. Have Fun!

Spreadsheets have revolutionized the art of working with
numbers. No longer must we be tied to pencil, paper and
especially the eraser. The electronic spreadsheet can do it
all faster, more reliably, and ultimately more cheaply.
Spreadsheets allow the user to put numbers, formulas and
other data into the computer so that the computer can do the
messy part of doing the calculations. Once the data has been
entered, any number can be changed and the computer will
automatically calculate the new result - without you having to
erase a whole column of numbers and recalculate the new results,
and so on and so forth.
This makes spreadsheets great for things like:

Books and books and books and magazine articles and so on
have been written giving hints on how to use spreadsheets, and
providing models to do just about anything imaginable. You can
get models which can be typed right in so that you can do your
taxes, budgets, insurance planning, business plans, stocks,
investments and on and on. There's no other program that
can do so many things to help you!
After years of development, one spreadsheet program has come

to be acclaimed the best. It is called Lotus 1-2-3(tm) and it is
sold for the IBM computers. It is the best because it has the
most power. It has a powerful spreadsheet, graphing abilities,
and it includes an excellent database.

    It is also best because it incorporates a special macro
programming language. Macros have been used to turn the
spreadsheet into just about everything from a word processor
to a dedicated accounting program.

    VIP Professional gives you all this because it is identical
to Lotus 1-2-3 in every way!

    VIP Professional is a state-of-the-art, integrated
spreadsheet program which brings together a spreadsheet, a
database and graphing capabilities. Modeled after the
powerful and best-selling Lotus 1-2-3tm program which
dominates the business world, Professional will help you do
your home budget, loan schedule, financial planning,
accounting, inventory, payroll, business plan, check ledger
and bookkeeping.

    Professional is as easy to use as it is powerful. It
comes with a user-sensitive tutorial for the newcomer and help
is built right into the program. It offers a giant 256
column by 8192 row sheet for maximum performance.

    Nothing is left out of the power of the worksheet. Ranges
of cells can be named for convenience; column widths are variable;
the screen can be split into two windows; titles can be frozen;
contents of cells may be copied or moved; the list goes on.

    Over 45 special functions are included to simplify commonly
used formulas. For example, there are special functions for the
sum, average, minimum and maximum of a series; financial functions
for the internal rate of return, present value, future value,
and mortgage payments. Professional has date functions for
accurately calculating time periods; database functions for
statistical analysis, and on and on.

    The graphing capabilities of Professional are astounding.
Not only are there six completely different types of graphs
available, there are tens of ways to manipulate the data, titles,
grids, colors, legends, keys, and scaling of the size of the
graph. A special GraphPrint program is included for even further
customization of the graphs before printing.

Comparison of VIP Professional and the Competition

Since Professional is an exact work-alike of Lotus 1-2-3,
the most powerful spreadsheet available for any computer, it is
not surprising that nothing for the Amiga even comes close.
Only Professional is totally keystroke, feature and file
compatible with Lotus 1-2-3. Only Professional can read and
write WKS files created by Lotus and nearly every other
business program available. If you already know Lotus, you'll
know Professional. If not, welcome to serious software.
And none has the integrated functions of Professional:
No DATABASE, No GRAPHICS, No WORD PROCESSING and No MACROS.
They also lack the ability to extract and combine worksheets so
that your worksheets can be interactive.
Other features lacking are the split-screen function
necessary for comparing different parts of a worksheet, on-line
help (F1), for ease of learning, and hardware scrolling for
lightning display speed.
  AND THESE ARE ONLY THE MAJOR WEAKNESSES OF THE COMPETITION!

Welcome to the Demo for VIP Professional

INTRODUCTION

* Home Budgets   * Accounting
* Personal Finance   * Inventory
* Investment Planning   * Payroll
* Retirement Planning   * Check Ledger
* Home Purchase Decisions   * Bookkeeping

VIP Professional Means Power!

It's no wonder that Lotus 1-2-3, of which
Professional is a mirror-image, is acclaimed to be
the most powerful spreadsheet in the world.

/xgj3~
/xmk4~/xgj3~

/frdrew1~

THE UNIVERSE OF DREW   by Drew Henry

    Greetings!!!

    You are about to enter THE UNIVERSE OF DREW, a
template designed to enhance your skills at using VIP
Professional. Instead of meandering through some boring
tutorial, you will be able to test your Professional skills by
participating in a series of missions which require you to
utilize a number of the Professional's functions.

    Although the missions on this disk do not make up the
entire UNIVERSE, they do make use of many of the Professional's
commands. The purpose of it is to demonstrate the
Professional's many capabilities. Whether you can actually
complete a mission or not is therefore largely irrelevant.

At any time during a mission you can press the Alternate
key along with letter H key and the program will complete the
mission for you. If, however, you wish to start a mission
over, press the Alternate key along with the letter R key.

The following is a list of the missions on this disk
along with the Professional commands that each makes use of:

While in the adventure, remember that pressing [Alt] [A]
will usually get you back to the start menu. When you are
ready to work through any adventure, select: Let me Try.

VIP Professional also includes sophisticated macro programming
commands. With macros, the user can specify any series of commands,
such as printing and saving a worksheet, to be implemented auto-
matically with the press of a key. But that's just the beginning.

With several special macro commands, the user can actually
program Professional to be dedicated to a specific task such as
accounting. In fact, there are books and magazine articles giving
literally hundreds of macros which will work with Professional.
Plus, there is an outpouring of commercially available macros to
turn Professional into anything from a word processor to a profes-
sional accounting system. Macros have come to be recognized as
the essence of a power-user integrated spreadsheet.

This entire demo was created totally using the macro commands.
This should give you an idea of their power.

VIP Professional offers a feature-ladened database which can
handle up to 8192 records, with a possibility of up to 256 fields.
The records can be searched, sorted and analyzed to find your best
salesperson or your rarest stamp. Two kinds of data tables can be
set up to test multiple possibilities simultaneously. Sorts can be
done using multiple criteria, in ascending or descending order.
Finally, database functions can be used to do up to seven different
kinds of statistical analyses of your database.

A database makes true business applications possible!

The graphing capabilities of Professional are astounding.
Not only are there six completely different kinds of graphs
available, there are tens of ways to manipulate the data, titles,
grids, colors, legends, keys and scaling of the size of the
graph. And the graphing features are built right into the
program to be used right away on any data.
     Multiple graphs can be created using the same data,
each capable of being separately saved and reused at the
touch of a key.
     And when you like you can save a graph to disk for custo-
mization using the GraphPrint program included on the disk.
GraphPrint is a mouse-driven program that lets you alter most
every part of your graph, including colors, fonts and styles,
before sending the graph to your printer.
     We have included a special demonstration of the Graph
capabilities of Professional to give you a chance to see
its tremendous potential.

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Intro
Read this if you are not familiar with spreadsheets
{goto}a21~/xlRead This Page, Then Press [Return]~m1~
{pgdn}/xlRead This Page, Then Press [Return]~m1~/xgj3~

Puzzle 1
This Puzzle lets you get your feet wet with a simple database sort
/frdrew1~

 Graph Demo
This selection brings you to a lively demo of graphs
/frgraph~

1. Data Sort
2. Window
3. Formulas

Five Different Kinds of Graphs

VIP-Pro
This discusses the features of VIP Professional
{goto}a61~/xlRead This Page, Then Press [Return]~m1~
{pgdn}/xlRead This Page, Then Press [Return]~m1~/xgj3~

Puzzle 2
This Puzzle has to do with the split screen capabilities of Professional
/frdrew2~

 Main Menu
This selection takes you back to the main menu
/xg\a~

The Power of Macros

The Power of the Database

The Competition
Read how VIP stacks up to the Competition
{goto}a101~/xlRead This Page, Then Press [Return]~zzz~/xmk4~/xgj3~

Puzzle 3
If you need a sample of a basic home budget, try this puzzle
/frdrew3~

Macros
This discusses the Macro programming commands of Professional
{home}{goto}i69~/xlRead This Page, Then Press [Return]~m1~/xgj3~

Puzzle 4
Puzzle 4 lets you try your hand at making an XY graph
/frdrew4~

4. Graphs
5. Financial Functions
6. Graphs

Graphs
This selection lets you experience the graphic delights of Professional
{goto}i108~/xlRead This Page, Then Press [Return]~m1~
/xmk15~/xgo7~

Puzzle 5
This function shows you the power of Professional's financial functions
/frdrew5~

Database
This discusses the Database commands and features of Professional
{home}{goto}i88~/xlRead This Page, Then Press [Return]~m1~/xgj3~

Puzzle 6
This Puzzle takes you through completion of a simple 1040EZ form
/frdrew6~

UNIVERSE
Enter the UNIVERSE OF DREW to learn how to use Professional.
{goto}i29~/xlRead This Page, Then Press [Return]~m1~
{pgdn}/xlRead This Page, Then Press [Return]~m1~
/xmk10~/xgq8~

Main Menu
Let me get back to the main menu
/xg\a~

Use VIP
End demo, and clear the sheet so that I can use the program
/wey