

300 Favorite Games

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ERRORS

This program works under Windows 3.1 and Windows 95. It does not support long file names. Therefore when choosing a directory please specify a short name directory.

The interface is made to work under Windows 3.1, but not all the games will work under 3.1. If you are using Windows 3.1 only a percentage of the games will work.

If are using large fonts under Windows 3.1 you must switch to small fonts.

If you receive the following error:

"Warning-can not copy file D:\ddeml.dl_ since the destination file is already in use" User should not worry, but click on OK and proceed with the installation.

If you receive the following error:

"Another VB application running..."

Please close the 300 Favorite Games menu and any other program written in Visual Basic, then you can run that particular game.

300 Favorite Games Trouble-Shooter:

1) Running DOS Games:

(Note: before running any of the games on the CD, you should click on View Manual. This will give you an idea of what the game is about, and how to run it.

2) Some games require you to go to the DOS prompt directly. To go to the dos prompt please do the following:

1) click on START

- 2) Select programs
- 3) Select DOS PROMPT
- 4) Change the directory where you have installed the program
- 5) Type the program executable file

How to backup files:

Before editing any system files, it is always a good idea to backup files. This is so that if anything goes wrong with your system as a result of the changes you make, you can simply restore the file. To backup your system.ini file (the first file you need to make changes to), do the following:

- 1) Go to a DOS prompt.
- 2) Type in "cd\" (without the quotations) and hit Enter.
- 3) Type in "cd windows" and hit Enter. You should get the c:\windows> prompt.
- 4) Type in "copy system.ini c:\windows\system.bku" and hit Enter. You will now have a new file, system.bku, in your windows directory. It's contents will be exactly the same as your system.ini file. With this file backed up, it is now safe to edit your system.ini file.

To edit your system.ini file, do the following:

- 1) Go to a DOS prompt.
- 2) Type in "cd\" and hit Enter.
- 3) Type in "cd windows" and hit Enter.
- 4) Type in "edit system.ini" and hit Enter. You should now get a blue screen with writing on it.
- 5) Notice how this file is divided up into different sections, with the headings of the various sections being in square brackets (ie []). Scroll down this file (you can use the down arrow key on your keyboard) and see if you can find a section with the heading: [386Enh]. If you find this heading, look through this section carefully and see if it has a line that says: Device=vshare.386 If this line is missing, add the line to the beginning of this section of the system.ini file (right under the [386Enh] heading). Now save the file by hitting Alt-F and choosing Save. Exit the file by hitting Alt-F and choosing Exit. Reboot your system and try the CD once more. If you are still getting the same error message, go to Step 6.
- 6) Open your system.ini file again, following steps 1 to 4 above. Go to the [386Enh] section of the file again. Look through this section of the file again to see if it has a line that says: Device=*vshare If this line is missing, add the line to this section of the system, under the line that says device=vshare.386. Now save the file again. Exit the file. Restart the computer and try the CD. If it still is not working, go to Step 7.
- 7) Go to a DOS prompt.
- 8) Type in "cd\" and hit Enter.
- 9) Type in "copy autoexec.bat c:\autoexec.bku" and hit Enter. This will back up your autoexec.bat file.
- 10) Type in "edit autoexec.bat" and hit Enter. You should now get a blue screen with writing on it.
- 11) Look for a line that has the word "share" in it. If you do not see it, add the following new line to your autoexec.bat file:
c:\dos\share.exe /L:500 Once this line has been added, save the file and then exit the file.
- 12) Reboot your system and try the CD. It should now work.

If you are having problems with your system as a result of the changes you made and want to restore your original system files, do the following:

To restore your system.ini file:

- 1) Go to a DOS prompt.
- 2) Type in "cd\" and hit Enter.
- 3) Type in "cd windows" and hit Enter.
- 4) Type in "copy system.bku c:\windows\system.ini" and hit Enter.

If you are prompted to Overwrite, choose "y" for yes. Your original system.ini file will be restored and you can reboot your system.

To restore your autoexec.bat file:

- 1) Go to a DOS prompt.
- 2) Type in "cd\" and hit Enter.
- 3) Type in "copy autoexec.bku c:\autoexec.bat" and hit Enter.

If you are prompted to Overwrite, choose "y" for yes. Your original autoexec.bat file will be restored and you can reboot your system.

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To view the Expert Software product catalog that is included with this program you must have an Internet browser installed on your system. If you are having difficulty viewing the browser then you may not have an internet browser correctly installed on your system. We have included an internet browser on the CD ROM for this program that you can install to allow you to view the catalog. The Files to install the browsers are located in a folder called BROWSER on the CD ROM. There are browsers for Windows 95 and Windows 3.1 included in seperate directories in the Browser folder. Just run the file in the folder to install the browser.

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