

Cribbage For Windows

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Introduction

Welcome to Cribbage for Windows. This game was written as an exercise in my attempt to teach myself how to program for Windows as well as to try and teach a computer how to play a decent game of cribbage. Any criticisms, comments or suggestions would be very welcome.

How to play

The object of the game is to complete 2 circuits of the crib-board before your opponent. Moves are made by scoring points during running out or from your hand. Full instructions on how to score and the rules of the game are included as part of the help system.

Levels of play

Easy

In easy mode the computer is a very poor opponent. It does not try to choose the best cards from the 6 available to it and will probably miss every opportunity to score when running out.

Hard

In hard mode the computer should be a fairly good player. It will select, if it has them, some good scoring cards and take every point it can when running out. It will not however try to stop you getting points as well.

Harder

In Harder mode it should be a worthy opponent for the best of players (I think). It will always choose the highest scoring cards available and take every point during running out as well as giving you as little chance to score as it can. Obviously the run of the cards is important and the very good player should be able to win in the long term by using the box to it's full. The computer in this version takes no account of the cards it is throwing to the box. The harder play mode is disabled in unregistered copies.

Game Control

This is strictly a mouse only game. The player moves the mouse over the card to be played and single/double clicks the left button. The cursor will change to a thumbs-up when over a card. During running out the same is true except the cursor will change to a stop-sign if

the current card would take the total over 31. If this card is played a warning is displayed.

The Program

The Cribbage for Windows program will not run in Windows V3 Real Mode and an warning will be displayed if this is attempted.

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