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THE NEVERENDING STORY

Insert the game tape into your tape deck, select Tape Loader from the main menu on the Spectrum 128 (for further instructions consult the section on loading in your manual), and press play on the tape deck. The game will now load automatically. When it has finished loading the credits page will appear and the theme tune will begin to play. Press space to enter the game properly. The computer will now ask you whether you want to restore an old game or not. If you do then press the "Y" key and then follow the procedure for loading as below. If you wish to start a new game

Saving/Loading a Game:

Insert the tape you wish to use into the tape deck and then follow the on - screen instruction.

The Story

The computer game follows the main theme of the film and is set in "Fantasia", a world of the imagination facing extinction by the "All consuming Nothing", eroding its very fabric and condemning it to oblivion. It is in desperate need of a hero from the "Real World someone to believe in it and thus renew its life.

That someone is a small boy, Bastian Balthazar Bux, who discovers a dusty old book on the shelves of an antique bookshop. The title is "The Neverending Story" and it chronicles the ever changing fortunes of the people of "Fantasia" Bastian takes the book and blowing the dust from its jacket reveals the front cover depicting "Auryn" the silver and gold medallion symbolizing the strength of "Fantasia". On reaching school he avoids his teachers, climbs into an abandoned attic and setting himself down on an old rug begins to read the compelling tale. The many peoples of "Fantasia" are gathered to seek audience with their Empress, but are dismayed to find her ill and weak. "Cairon", the physician gives them encouragement, telling of a hero, a small boy from the plains by the name of Atreyu - the only person who can find the saviour of "Fantasia". In the game you take the part of Atreyu and only through your endeavours will the Kingdom be restored to its former glory The main characters that you will encounter are listed below and you must judge whether they will help or hinder your quest.

7. Javelin

10. Cycling

8. I I 0m Hurdles

11. Spring Board Diving

9. Pistol Shoot

12. Giant Slalom

Rockbiter. Teenyweeny and Nighthob, these three friends are on

their way to the Ivon: Tower, home of the Empress, to see her

Gmork the Werewolf -The main servant of the "Nothing". He will use all his powers to catch the one person who can stop his master from destroying

The Empress -The eternal, ever youthful, ruler of Fantasia. She lives at the very

top of the Ivory Tower Morla - The Ancient One -

The oldest inhabitant. Morla is an enormous earth covered tortoise

"Fantasia" – so don t dawdle

who lives in the "Sy amps of Sadness"

Engywook and Urgl., live in the Southern Lands.

Falkor -

The Luckdragon, a huge white dragon who will lend assistance to anyone who carries Auryn

Artax -

The faithful steed of Atreyu

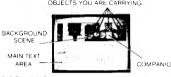
The Game

"The Never Ending Story" is a graphic text adventure with illustrations for some locations, some "Events" and all objects. Experienced Adventurers may not wish to read the following explanation but for all others it will enhance the understanding and enjoyment of the game

If you haven't played an adventure game before, don't be put off. it's not difficult and will give hours of enjoyment. You are embarking on a voyage of discovery with problems to solve, obstacles to avoid, characters to meet and an ultimate goal (in this case to save

Fantasia from the "Nothing"). The computer will describe to you, in words, your current location, the characters and any objects that are there. Once you have decided what to do (in this game you take the role of the hero, Atrevu) you instruct the computer by typing in your request in a limited form of English. The format of the words that the computer understar ds is explained later in "The Language", but it has been deliberately kept simple to allow more room for game data. If the computer can understand what you have typed it will perform the required action and describe the results to you. The game is split into three parts which must be played in order you cannot begin Part II until you have completed Part I and so on. The three sections are divided up by storyline and any objects that you are carrying when you finish a part will be retained for possible use in the next one. It is important to remember this if you come

across an object, but can find no use for it in the current par The use of graphics in this game is guite different to some adventure games. Firstly every object has a small illustration; up to five can be carried at one time and they will be displayed at the top right-hand of the screen. If at any time, you have a companion with you (either Falkor or Artax) then their picture will appear at the bottom of the object display area. Larger illustrations for locations or depicting events appear in the top left of the screen and approximately one third of these are of the "Event" type. It should be noted that none of the graphics are designed to replace the text but to enhance it! OBJECTS YOU ARE CARRYING



The Language

You control Atreyu by instructing the computer in a restricted form of plain English, however there are a few simple rules to bear in

Every instruction must have a verb. Some of the "verbs" that the computer understands are not strictly English verbs, so it is helpful if you regard a "verb" as a word which causes an action

Some "verbs" need a "noun" to operate on - e.g. GET AURYN "Get" is the verb and "Auryn" is the noun.

The program will pick out the words it "understands" from a sentence and if it finds a word that isn't in its vocabulary, the computer will tell you what it is:

If you wish to type in more than one sentence at a time you can separate them with the word "and" e.g. Get the apple

You need only type the first three letters of a word for it to

The following is a list of "Verbs" (Action Words) which the computer will understand.

Acceptable "Verbs"

	INVENTORY SOUTHEAST NORTH WEST ATTACK	NORTHEAST SOUTHWEST DOWN ENTER	IEAST WEST IDROP IN	PULL GO BLOW
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CLOSE TIF **Special Verbs**

READ REMOVE TAKE GET LOOK LOCK UNLOCK CLIMB FLY FASTEN HIT SMASH RIDE

WAIT - Lise if you want to just let time pass. PAUSE - To Pause the game. If you leave the game unattended without doing this "Time" will still continue. SAVE - To save the current state of play LOAD - To restore a saved game. QUIT - To end the game in progress.

We wish you many hours of enjoyment with "The Neverendina

Here are the most commonly used words to get you started. For picking up or dropping an object.

GET/DROP -INVENTORY -

This instruction displays in text format a list of the objects that you are carrying. (You can also see this on the objects illustration display).

Look (or L) To look around. This re-displays the

description of the current location (it is done automatically if you move to a new location).

North (or N) North East (or NE) East (or E) South East (or SE) South (or S) South West (or SW) West (or W) North West (or NW)

These are movement verbs that are used most often. You can type just the direction or place the word "Go" in front, (it makes no difference). Of course the program will only let you move in a specified direction if it is possible

If you spend too long contemplating your next move (and the game is not on pause), then "Time" will pass and anything which you have typed in will be acted on .

General Advice

Draw a map - Unless you have an unusually good

memory it will be enormously helpful to chart your progress. Everything you come across in the Adventure will have a

use - you only have to find out what it is!

DALEY THOMPSON'S SUPERTEST 128

Daley Thompson's Supertest is a twelve event game. You have three lives and must pit your skills and agility against the computer and the clock. Failure to "qualify" in any of the events will forfeit a life.

LOADING

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Select Tape Loader from the main menu on the Spectrum 128 (for further instructions consult the section on loading in your manual). Now press PLAY on the recorder. The screen message should appear and the game will load automatically. At the end of the loading process follow the screen instructions. The screen menu will now appear with 3 types of joystick options or user redefinable keys for control.

The game can be controlled by keyboard or joystick and most interfaces are compatible. The keyboard controls are user-definable and are selected by an on-screen menu. Upon selecting your choice of controls the "lettering" will appear; this enables you to input your initials before commencing. Use the left and right controls to move the pointer and press fire to select the chosen letter.

To enter your name upon finishing place the pointer on the end letter (a lower case "e") and press fire or leave your controls alone. Both will result in your name being entered and the game will restart.

EVENTS

- Rowing
- 2. Penalties
- 3. Ski-lump
- 4. Tug O War
- 5. Triple Jump

6. 100m Sprint

ROWING Wait for the starting pistol! Use continuous left/right movement to increase your speed. You are racing against both the clock and your CPU opponent. You must beat the

PENALTIES

Your player will run towards the spot, use alternate left/right keys to build up the power for the shot.

clock to qualify but coming in first gives extra bonus points.

When the ball is reached, press fire to kick.

The direction of the ball is determined by the timing of the kick and the angle is altered by the length of time that the fire button is depressed.

You have 5 shots and to qualify you must score 3 goals.

The goalkeeper will respond to save the ball - but he is susceptible to the same kind of shots that score in a "live" game.

SKI IUMP

The pistol signals the gate to open and you begin to ski down the slope. You must use this period to increase your energy store (continuous left/right movement) enabling the jump to be sustained for a longer time.

As you reach the end of the slope press the fire button to enable the skier to leap into the air (the nearer to the end of the slope the better).

As your man touches down on the snow press the fire button again but be careful, good timing is all - important to avoid a nasty fall!

You have 3 chances to qualify.

TUG O'WAR

First choose your opponent (point with the cursor hand and press fire to select). To qualify you must select an opponent with matching ability

(or above) as indicated on the screen. Now to do "Battle" - Use continuous left/right controls to

increase the overall power and drag your adversary over the boundary!

You have 3 chances to qualify.

TRIPLE IUMP

Co-ordination is the key to success in this event, use left/right controls to gain the maximum approach speed - and press the fire button as close to the take off line as possible. For each part of the jump keep the fire button pressed to increase the angle of the trajectory and release as close to 45° as possible. Your score is a combination of the correct speed, angle and distance.

100m SPRINT

Wait for the starting gun - you're off; now alternate the running controls for maximum speed in this sprint against time. Only one chance to qualify in this test of speed.

Use the running controls to gain speed then press fire before the line. Keep the fire button pressed until an angle of 45° is

110 m HURDLES

Wait for the starting gun then press the left and right controls

alternately to run. When a hurdle appears press fire to jump.

Try to anticipate the hurdles.

PISTOL SHOOT The game is designed to test finger co-ordination and fast response is required particularly as you reach more difficult

Wait until one of the six targets turns towards you, aim the sight using the two running keys (one vertical, one horizontal), and fire at the red cross-wires at the centre. Points are awarded for accurate shooting (600 for a bullseye)

There are three chances to qualify and you are allowed 10 shots per qualification round.

It is easier if you move the sight diagonally towards the target allowing more time for fine correction.

CYCLING

Wait for the starting gun – you're off; now alternate the running controls for maximum speed in this sprint against time. Only one chance to qualify in this test of stamina.

SPRING BOARD DIVING

You are allowed 3 attempts at each dive. When ready press the fire button to begin bouncing (to gain more height press again as you touch the board). The diver springs 3 times before diving off, when repeated left/right control action will make him somersault.

Cease movement when the diver is about to enter the water, head first for maximum score.

Four judges give marks (0-9) for:-

(a) Take off (c) Dive finish (b) Number of somersaults (d) Overall grace

On take off (bouncing) pressing the fire button at the lowest position gives maximum points and also extra height for

Overall grace depends on the position of entry into the water.

GIANT SLALOM

Wait for the green starting light.

Push off – you have a short run to increase your speed until the first flag appears (use left/right control alternately). Now press fire button to transfer control to skier's movement guiding him down the course, through the sets of flag poles, by using the appropriate left or right controls. To complete the run correctly you must pass through all gates in a specified

You have 2 chances to qualify.

Skiing directly down the slope will give you maximum speed, sharp turns will cut your pace dramatically, as will contact with the flag poles.

Avoid any objects on the side of the slope as these can prove

When you complete all the tests the day restarts and you can compete again at a more difficult level.

GOOD LUCK

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Yie Ar KUNG~FU

THE GAME

Yie Ar Kung-Fu is a test of skill development in the traditional Martial Arts. It features Oolong in his attempt to become a Grandmaster in the ancient skills in honour of his father, a kuna-fu master before him.

Your ultimate goal is to become a grand-master but to achieve this you must defeat a variety of opponants each more deadly than the last. They are armed with differing skills and weapons and must be overcome with a combination of 16 different attack moves.

The controls are by means of joystick or keyboard (which is user definable) and the game has a one or two player option.

The fun and excitement of Kung-Fu is about to begin as you face your foe. Your honourable opponents are...

BUCHU – A huge kung-fu fighter who can attack by flying through the air.

STAR – A beautiful girl warrior who is expert at throwing deadly stars or SHURIKEN.

NUNCHA – Master of the NUNCHAKU – beware his

POLE – Attacks with the ancient rod or BO.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH DAY

elcome to International Match Day, the soccer arcade game, it is no ordinary soccer game but a 3-D action arcade style game where you control the action.

The game is seen from a 'camera eve' view. The camera automatically scans the pitcl Each team has its own colour strip (in the normal game this is white shirt white shorts and vellow socks for team 1 and yellow shirts, yellow shorts and white socks for team 2) and is made up of a goalkeeper. defenders, midfield players and attackers. During the game, each player moves into position according to the standard football rules (ie. according to which side has possession, where the ball is, what position

You have control of the player in possession of the ball or that player who is best placed to tackle or intercept the ball. This player is indicated on-screen by his socks turning the colour of the rest of his strip. With this player you can dribble, tackle, pass, head, block, trap, take comers and throw-ins and perform



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Whilst your player is in possession of the ball, dribbling is automatic. The ball is always a short distance in front of your player in whichever of the

It is important to note that a player will not be able to run as fast with the ball as without due to the need to control the ball. Hence it is important to learn how to pass quickly and accurately



To pass the ball use the kick control key (or the FIRE button if you are using a joystick). The ball will go in the direction you are facing. There are two types of pass: along the ground and through the air. To pass along the ground you

must be stationary when you kick. If you are moving the ball will fly up and bounce along the ground. This pass will be the longer of the two types

your feet on the spot where you estimate the ball and shadow will meet (le. where the ball hits the



udge its path and time your interception, so that the ball arrives at your feet. This is most important if you wish to trap a bouncing ball. It is important to keep your eye on the shadow which is always directly beneath the ball. Notice how the shadow shrinks as the ball rises and grows as it falls. To accurately trap a bouncing ball you must place FEEDLE – An unarmed gang of vicious Kung-Fu experts. CHAIN - Skilled in the art of fighting with a deadly chain.

CLUB – ...This fighter is armed with a shield to deflect your blows and a club to strike back.

FAN – Another female adversary, this time an exponent of the NINJAFAN.

SWORD - Sword carrying apponant, a firesome and deadly foe.

TONFUN – Skilled in the art of fighting with flailing sticks or TONFA.

BLUES – The Kung-Fu master himself, has all the skills and moves of Oolona, but faster. If you can win this final battle you truly will become a Grand Master.

LOADING

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CONTROLS

Oolong is controlled as follows:

ground). If you intercept a bouncing ball too early if will be deflected off your legs, body or head. How the ball then bounces depends on the relative speed and direction of ball and player on contact Such deflection can, of course, be used to areat advantage. In particular heading the ball on can agin much grouna quickly



crouching. You then have the option of

making a diving save to the left or right by using the appropriate direction control with



These include comer kicks, centres and goal kicks It is possible to control set pieces very accurately by proper use of the controls. In addition to being able to kick or throw the ball in different directions

To vary the strength of kick from soft to hard the general rule is: Press keys/joystick to move your play forwards gives a hard kick/long throw etc.

Press keys/joystick to move your player backwards gives a soft kick/short throw etc

The direction of the kick/throw/header can be changed by using the controls that would normally move the player in that direction as you press the kick/FIRE button. To fully appreciate the very high degree of control you have over the ball requires much practice. Practice combined with accurate timing

can throw towards one of nine possible positions.

When the ball leaves the field and crosses either touch line a member of the appropriate team automatically crosses over to take the throw. You now control this player who will take the throw when you press the kick (or fire) button. You

CORNER-KICK

Comer kicks operate in a similar way to throw-ins. the ball travelling towards one of nine positions Note that with the three 'soft' kicks the ball runs along the ground Goal kicks operate in a similar way to comer kicks with the



As in the rules of association football, at a centre the ball must travel forwards across the line. A 'soft' centre to the left or right will therefore move slightly forward of the centre line.

three 'soft' forms running along the ground.

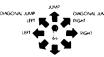


When the program has successfuly loaded you will be presented with the MAIN MENU which reads as

PLAY INTERNATIONAL MATCH DAY (1 Player Game) PLAY INTERNATIONAL MATCH DAY (2 Player Game) PLAY INTERNATIONAL MATCH DAY SPECIAL

CHANGE MATCH DETAILS

Jovstick control plus FIRE button creates the attack moves. SPACE bar switches between KICK and PUNCH. JOYSTICK

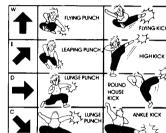


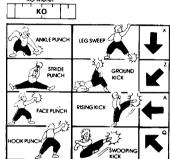
KEYBOARD

Key controls without the FIRE key pressed emulate the joystick controls. The keyboard control substitutes are indicated on each move as the KFY LETTER, but can be redefined if required. The S key represents FIRE.

CAPS SHIFT - Pause SPACE - Restart **ENTER** – Return to Menu.

When KO meter reaches 0 player is knocked out





Match Day offers three game play options: Play International Match Day (1 player game) Play International Match Day (2 player game)

Notice that the first line is highlighted in white and has a SYMBOL SHIFT key along side. By referring to the on-screen instruction 'Press ENTER to select' if you now press ENTER you will start the normal one player

Play International Match Day Special In International Match Day Special you can compete with your friends and with or without the compute in a three stoge International Cup Competition.

Before starting a match you will probably need to set up the various game options. Amonast other thinas, these options allow you to change the length of each match, after the team colours, change the control kevs. select a jovstick and set up the game so you and your friends can compete in the International Cup

These options are altered by using the following 'Meni CHANGE MATCH DETAILS CHANGE TEAM N

versus the computer game.

CHANGE TEAM NAMES CHANGE GAME CONTROLS SET HANDICAP

On each menu the options can be offered by using the following keys: SYMBOL SHIFT move 'down' ENT ENTER for use see on-screen CS CAPS SHIFT exit from meni move 'un' instructions

These four keys are used throughout and with a little practice enable the game options to be changed

CHANGE MATCH DETAILS

To access this menu press SYMBOL SHIFT until thi choice is highlighted. Notice that the SS market on the screen moves to indicate your current choice. When you have highlighted 'Change Match Details' press ENTER to go to the menu. You will see

four options: Number of Players (Cup only) Computer Opponent (Cup only)

Length of Each Half Difficulty Level

Length of Each Half: In a standard football match play lasts for 45 minutes each way. In International Match Day you can vary the actual time for each half to 5, 15 or 45 minutes. Note that during the match the on-screen clock will always run from 0-45 and 45-90 minutes.

If there is a draw after 90 minutes then two 15 minute periods of EXTRA TIME are played. The actual length of each period of extra time is proportional to the 'Length of Each Half' which is selected Difficulty Level: When you play against the computer in a one player game you can select one of hree levels of skill for your opponent

Amateur In the Cup competition the computer begins the quarter finals at the level set here. The computer difficulty increases by one in the semi-finals and by one again in the finals. This means that a Cup-Final

against the computer is always played at International standard. Number of Players (Cup Only): Up to eight persons can take part in the Cup competition. A random draw decides the quarter final stage and matches are played and replayed if necessary to find the four emi-finalists. These are then randomly drawn and the two games played out to decide the finalists. Computer Opponent (Cup Only): If less than eight persons are contesting the Cup competition then vou have the option of lettina the computer make up the remaining teams. If 'Computer Opponent' is et to YES' then the cup draw will, whenever possible, match a player with a computer controlled opponent. If it is set to "NO" then player is drawn against player and any "spare" player will be given a "bye" into the next round. Use SS to highlight the Match Detail you wish to after. The use SP to step along the options as required. When you have set up the Match Details to your satisfaction press <u>CS</u> to return

CHANGE TEAM NAMES

You can type in any name you wish for the eight Cup teams with the 'Change Team Names' menu. To do this go to the Main Menu and use SS to highlight the

The attack moves are illustrated above and the KO meters for you and your opponent indicate the state of play at each level. You have 5 lives to begin vour task...GOOD LUCK!

STATUS and SCORING

On screen scoring indicates your current score the high score and number of lives vou have remaining. Bonus life is awarded at 20,000 points and the score for each move is as follows.

1500 FIYING KICK 2000 **ANKLE PUNCH** FLYING PUNCH 2000 STRIDE PUNCH 1500 **LEAPING PUNCH ROUND HOUSE KICK 500** 1500 **LUNGE PUNCH** 1000 LUNGE PUNCH 500 **FACE PUNCH** 500 **LEG SWEEP** 500 1000 **GROUND KICK ANKLE PUNCH** 1000 **RISING KICK** 1500 **SWOOPING KICK 1000**

HINTS and TIPS

HOOK PUNCH

* Seek and attack each opponent's weak point.

1500

* Remember Oolong can jump over his foes and put them offauard.

HIGH KICK

1000

* Try hit and run tactics and keep your distance from armed opponents.

Chanae Team Names' option Now press ENTER. You can now re-type the team name (using DELETE CAPS SHIFT AND 0 as necessary). Finish by pressing ENTER

Note 1: If a single motch is played the team names are the first two in the 'Change Team Names' menu. Note 2: (Competition only). For clarity, computer controlled opponents are written on a red background, players teams are on a blue background.

When you have changed all the names you wish, press CS to return to the Main Menu

CHANGE TEAM COLOURS: This menu, along with the next (Change Game Controls') is available at the start of every game. To test it, start a single player game by selecting the top option

- 'Play International Match Day (1 Player Game)' -- from the main menu The display will now show the current match scoreline and team strips. Note that the team which

appears on the left of the screen has its goal at the left end of the field You will also see the following menu. KICK-OFF

CHANGE GAME CONTROLS SWAP CONTROLS To change the team colours firstly highlight this option (by pressing $\frac{SS}{S}$ – SYMBOL SHIFT) and now press ENTER. You can now use SS to select from a choice of field, line, backboard and team strip colours and

SP the change the border colour When you have changed the colours to suit your taste press, CS (CAPS SHIFT) to return to the 'start of the game' menu You will notice that the SS marker has returned to the kick-off option. If you now wish to after ne game controls, press SS until this choice is highlighted Now press ENTER

CHANGE GAME CONTROLS

on the keyboard or any joystick There are five 'player' controls: UP, DOWN, LEFT, RIGHT and KICK (also used to make goalkeepers DIVE There are also two PÁUSE GAME keys. Pressing both PAUSE GAME keys together during the match

produces the following on-screen message CS to Abort International Match Day. Any other key to continue game

If the game aborted is a cup match then the following rules apply.

1. If the match is against the computer, the computer will go through to the next round (on the assumption that the person wishes to leave the competition if he aborts the game.) 2. If the match is against another player then the current scoreline stands unless it is a draw in which

case one of the players is randomly chosen to go through to the next round. Note: You must choose separate keys for 'PAUSE'

To change a particular control, use SPACE to highlight the appropriate symbol and press ENTER. If you are redefining a key you will be presented with the ZX Spectrum key layout. Use SYMBOL SHIFT and SPACE to change the flashing key to the one you want and finish with ENTER. If you are selecting a joystick use space to highlight your choice and finish with ENTER.

Notice that the controls as currently selected are printed out in the two bottom 'STATUS' lines When you have defined the controls to your satisfaction press CS to return to the match Notices that the 'STATUS' line is reproduced at the bottom of the screen

The last option on the 'Start of Game' menu allows you to simply swap the controls for each player. This is particularly useful in two player games if you only have one joystick. As stated this menu will be presented at the end of each period of the game. For now, with the 'Kick-Off'

option highlighted, press ENT to start the game.

If you wish to set a handicap you can increase either score before the match starts. Use the SPACE BAR to select the team, ENTER key to increase the score and SYMBOL SHIFT to decrease the score. When you have

completed the score adjustments press CAPS SHIFT to return to the match. The game will then start with the score adjusted SHOOT TO WIN!