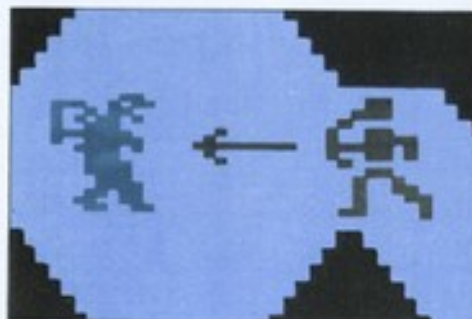


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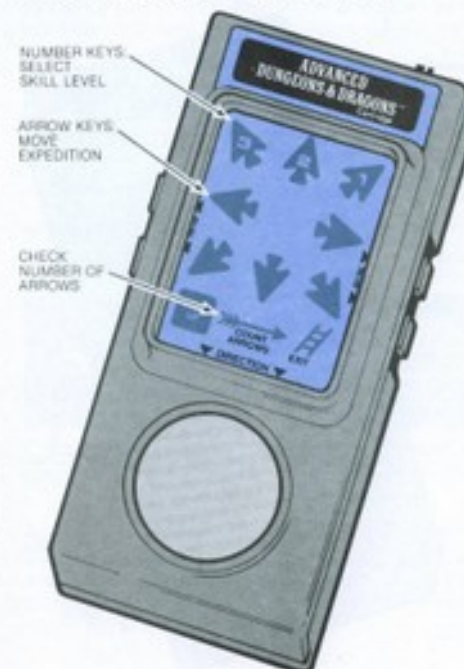
You control a 3-man expedition of adventurers. Your object is to acquire the two halves of the ancient Crown of Kings, hidden deep within the caverns of the legendary Cloudy Mountain. To reach the treasure, you must cross a hostile land. The obstacles are numerous. Your resources are courage, cunning and three arrows. The rest you must find and fight to obtain. If you survive the wasteland and the creatures of the caves, you will have traveled out of danger into even greater peril. For each half of the Crown of Kings is guarded by terror — the Winged Dragons keep their endless watch.

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CHECK YOUR CONTROLS

CONTROLS USED IN STRATEGY MAP



CHECK YOUR CONTROLS (CONT'D)

CONTROLS USED IN CAVES



USE OF DIRECTION DISC

Press outside edge of Disc in direction you want the man to WALK. Hold down ANY side action button, while pressing the Disc in the direction you want the man to RUN.

IMPORTANT: RELEASE THE DISC, SIDE BUTTONS AND ANY OTHER KEY, BEFORE PRESSING A KEY TO SHOOT AN ARROW!

WHEN YOU SEE THE GAME TITLE, SELECT A SKILL LEVEL.

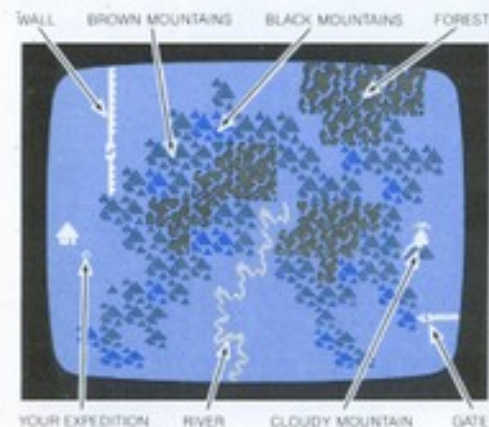


As the skill level gets harder, monsters move faster and there are fewer arrows in each quiver that you find (from 11 on easy level to 5 on hard level). Only by mastering the art of monster tracking can you easily win at the hardest level.



AFTER YOU SELECT A SKILL LEVEL, THE STRATEGY MAP APPEARS.

Your expedition is represented by 3 BLINKING SQUARES. You start out at home. In the background, you can hear the Winged Dragons of Cloudy Mountain snoring as they wait for their next meal to arrive.



The COLOR of Cloudy Mountain reflects the skill level of the game:



OBSTACLES between your expedition and Cloudy Mountain include:



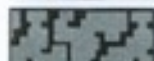
BROWN MOUNTAINS —
Impassable



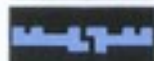
BLACK MOUNTAINS —
Contain caves that permit passage



RIVERS —
Can be crossed by **BOAT**



FORESTS —
Can be cleared by **AXE**



WALLS —
Contain gates that can be opened
by **KEY**

A **TOOL** (boat, axe or key) can be used repeatedly. **ONCE ACQUIRED**, it stays with you, appearing when you start to cross the corresponding obstacle. Without the right tool, you are unable to pass an obstacle.

BLACK MOUNTAINS contain:

- Monsters and other nasty creatures
- Tools needed to cross obstacles (one per cave)
- Arrows needed to slay monsters
- One exit



MOVE YOUR EXPEDITION OUT!

Use the **ARROW** keys on the keypad, to move your 3-man expedition. As you move next to a black mountain, it changes color to reflect the type of cave and its contents.



GRAY — **EASY**. Quivers of arrows only



BLUE — **MEDIUM**. Boat and arrows



RED — **MEDIUM HARD**. Axe and arrows



PURPLE — **HARD**. Key and arrows

ENTER THE MOUNTAIN!

Move your expedition **ON TOP OF** a colored mountain. Screen changes to the **CAVE SYSTEM**. Only one warrior enters at a time.



There are 2 sizes of cave systems. One is 4 rooms vertically by 8 rooms horizontally. The other is 4 rooms by 4 rooms. Rooms are different sizes and are connected by winding passages of different sizes. A cave system is like the surface of a sphere. If you walk long enough in any direction, you wind up back where you began.



Use the **Disc** to move your warrior through the cave system. Rooms and passageways light up as the warrior moves into them, and remain lit behind him. As a rule, you cannot see very far ahead of the warrior, so move carefully.

ARROWS



Each warrior is armed with a bow. This is his only weapon. The group starts with a **TOTAL** of 3 arrows. The warrior in the cave has all 3 arrows. Quivers of arrows must be found in the caves and picked up, for additional ammunition.

TO **PICK UP A QUIVER**, move your warrior to cover it, then press the **[PICK UP]** key. To find out how many arrows you have, press the **[COUNT ARROWS]** key and count the number of clicks that you hear.

TO SHOOT AN ARROW

Press the **[ARROW]** key that points in the direction you want to shoot. Arrows follow corridors and bounce off cave walls, even in the dark. This allows you to shoot around corners. It also allows you to shoot a monster without ever seeing it or waking it up, once you determine where it is. Be careful! A bouncing arrow can ricochet back and shoot your own warrior.



A monster must be on screen (but not necessarily visible) to be heard or shot. If you hit but do not kill a monster that is not visible, it will come after you. A sleeping monster may be awakened by shooting an arrow nearby.

Watch and listen as you move through the cave system. With practice, you will learn the unique characteristics of each monster type. This is critical to winning the game.



BAT



SPIDER



RAT



SNAKE



BLOB



DEMON



DRAGON



WINGED DRAGON



ATTACK ON A WARRIOR



seriously hurt. If killed, a warrior disintegrates.

If a warrior is killed, another takes his place (unless he was the last warrior left in the party). The new man appears at the point where the first warrior entered the cave system. He automatically gets possession of any tools or arrows that the previous warrior had.

If all 3 warriors are killed, the game ends. The Strategy Map appears with a tombstone on the spot where the last warrior died.

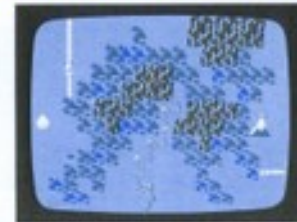
EXIT



A warrior cannot get out of a mountain the same way he got in. You must find the exit. The SINGLE exit in each cave system is marked by a LADDER and guarded by a dangerous monster. To get out, kill the monster, move your warrior over the ladder, then press the **[EXIT]** key.



RETURN TO STRATEGY MAP



After you have fought your way through a mountain, the Strategy Map appears. The entire expedition automatically joins your warrior on the other side of the mountain. This mountain remains clear of monsters, until you pass through 4 more mountains. After that, monsters re-claim the first mountain.

When a mountain is clear, you can cross it without re-entering its cave system. This means you can retreat if the way ahead is blocked. Or you can return to a mountain along the way, that you did not enter before, to get the tool inside. You **CAN NOT** re-enter the cave system of a clear mountain, until it is claimed by monsters again. If you need a tool contained in a mountain, get it while you are inside that mountain the first time around.

THE LAST 4 MOUNTAINS YOU HAVE PASSED THROUGH are always clear. However, they do not remain colored. Type information is lost when you return to the Strategy Map, but can be regained by backtracking.



CLOUDY MOUNTAIN



When you have fought your way to Cloudy Mountain, enter its cave system by moving onto the mountain. Find the TWO SEPARATE HALVES of the Crown of Kings and you win! No need to find an exit. You are magically returned to the Strategy Map, with the Crown.

Beware! Each half of the Crown is guarded by one of the deadliest monsters of all — the Winged Dragons!

STRATEGY TIPS

- 1 Start with an Easy game, until you learn the characteristics of different monster types. Learn which sight and sound clues go with which monsters.
- 2 Approach all of the accessible black mountains, before entering any of them, to find out which tools are in which mountains.



3

After entering your first cave system, look for arrows before taking on any of the really nasty monsters. 3 arrows do not last long against dragons and snakes.

4

Move slowly in the caves and LISTEN. Many beasts can be heard as you approach.

5

When you find a monster guarding a tool or exit, be prepared to RUN in retreat, until you reach a place where you can get off a clear shot or two.

6

Practice bouncing arrows off cave walls, to learn how they ricochet. The ability to shoot around corners gives you a distinct advantage over the monsters.

7

Learn to find and shoot monsters in the dark. Remember that your arrows follow corridors and bounce off walls in the dark. Only by shooting dangerous monsters from a safe distance, can your warrior avoid being eaten, especially on the harder levels.



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