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Apparently some peocle have checked with T. I. and found thät it would cost up to fer to replace their Mini Memory battery. However for those brave souls who are willing to replace the battery themselves, it can be done for $\$ 1.79$ To find if your cattery needs to be replaced, aeasure the Gattery voltage, it should be J volts, if it's much less than that, replace it with Fiadio Shack CR20S2 (CRTH2S-1t2) These cells have a shalf life of between 5 to 10 years and should last almost that long in the circuit. The case is the positive terminal just like the original but unlike it the CR20?? doesn't have leads and must be soldered or.

WARNIN Lithiun batteries can be destroyed by heating then and certain types can explode !!!
Don't try to make this modification if you don't think you're competent, you aight destroy your Minimea. or worse. Ser ape the center of thie case where you are to solder a solid $\$ 20$ wire. A lead tromi a or 2 watt resistor is ideal Melt a sma!! glob of solder orito the end of the wire and quickly solder it to the battery case. This is best ocne with a 100 watt soldering gun. Ee sure the gun's hot before you try to solder the wire on. Soldering stiould nily take 1 second. Have a wet paper towel ready to prese on the battery as soon as you remove the soldering gun. Insulation between terninals nay be thermal plastic and could deforn allowing the battery to short' if you aren't quick. Cut the soldered lead close to the resister body and flip the battery over anc solder a lead on the other: side, naling sure that it deesn't touch the positive terminal. Se sure that this lead points i80 degrees andy from the other lead sc the battery will aount the sane way 35 the original כne. Eend the leads so they will fit inte the slots for the or iciral battery. Eefore you remove the original, note that the positive lead is connected towerd the eutside of the soarc. duichiv soloer the replacement in the same way. Chat the yoltage arioss the batterv. if it reads 3 volter you're all set.





1 ! WHEW4
2 CALL CLEAF : : FFIINT "SET C OLOFS" : : FOF $A=1$ TO $12:$ : ALL COLDF (A, 16, 4): : NEXT A 3 FFINT "BIILLI THE STF末":
 (A):: NEXT A

4 FFIIMT "SHOW ALL CHAFS" : : FOF $A=0$ TO 31 STEF $2: E=1+$
(A*E): : IISFLAY AT $(\hat{A} / 2+3, Z):$

( $\mathrm{B}+\mathrm{B}, \mathrm{Q}):$ : NEXT A
5 FRINT "AUY KEEY TO TEST CAL
LLOAI"
b CALL KEY(O,K,S): : IF $\mathrm{S}=0 \mathrm{~T}$
HEN 6
7 FOR $\mathrm{E}=31$ TO 125: CALL IN
IT : : CALL LOATIC $-31078, \mathrm{E})$
Q IISFLAY AT (14, 5 )SIZE -5 ) BE
$E F: B:$ : NEXT $E$
9 ! CALL LOALIC-3187e, O!
10 ACCEFT ATC 14,14 )


# A HAHDS DAHDY TI-MRITTER USERS REFEREICE GUIDE 

SUBMITTED BY EOB STEPHENS

The following handy TI-WFITEF commands are reprinted for the June issue of the 99*er News published bv the TI Users Groun of Will County, Fiomeoville, Il. This puts the most used commands on one page for handy access at your computer.


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IIJ
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8JIF
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The above is a long division probles in the proper forsat, with each nuseral replaced by a letter. Can you solve it?

My progras TC-4! Long Division Cryptograss, mill generate an infinite nuaber of such puzzles for you, and help you to solve thes - and it only costs 13.00 . It took ee a meek to progran, and I've sold 12 copies in 2 years! Doesn't anyone like to exercise thetr orams anysore?

Tleefcub Challenge

106 FOR $\mathrm{J}=1 \mathrm{~T} 07:$ FEAD A :: FRINT M\$ :: NEXT J
30000 dATA AAARAAAAAAAAAGAAA
AAAA AAAAAAAA, BEBBGB88BBBBE,BB HBBEEBEREBBS, CCCCCCCCCCCCCC, DODRODDDDODDDD
30010 DATA 'IESTING*.,......, w.,.,.,.............."'TESI ING"
TRUN
AAAAAAAAAAGAGAAAGAȦAAAGAGAAAAAG
 СССССССССССССС

DDDDDDEDDDODOD
"TESTINE"
"'TESTING"'

## 1 FEADY 1

Can you run this progran and get these results? You won't even be adie to key in that last DATA iten! So, how was this prograsied? No, there are no redefined characters!

Do you need sosething educational? Here 15 a little routine to give the plural endings for cost mords. I mill leave it to you to develop further - and see if you can teach the computer the plurals of PANTS, TOOTH, MAN, FUNGUS, DATA and the other inconsistencies of the English language.

1 AO REM PLURAL ENDINGS by Ji Feterson 110 IMPUT WS


140 ON FOS("EFHSXYZ", 21,1$)+1$
6010 270, 150, 190, 180, 250, 25 0,220,256
 $>^{\prime}$ IF' THEN 270

\&"VES"
1706010286
180 IF $\left(\mathrm{Ys}={ }^{\circ} \mathrm{CH} \mathrm{C}^{*}\right)+\left(\mathrm{Y} s={ }^{\circ} \mathrm{SH}{ }^{\circ}\right) \mathrm{TH}$
EN 250 ELSE 276

 270

$\&^{2}$ VE5'
2108070280
220 If $\left(Y s={ }^{\prime} A Y^{\circ}\right)+\left(Y s={ }^{*} E Y^{*}\right)+($

230 PL $\$=5 E 6 s($ Ks $, 1, L E N(H s)-1)$
\&'IES'
2406070286
250 FL S=H5\&' ES "
200 E0T0 280

286 FFINT FLS
2906050110
If you want to turn that into a quiz, change line 110 to FEAD Ws, change line 280 to PriNT hs;" FLUFAl?": :. Add lines -
281 INPUT QS
282 if QS $\langle$ )FLS THEN 285
28 FFI INT : : "KIGHI!': :
2846070110
285 FFilHT : : WKONG! FLURAL
OF "; Ki;" is '; FL": :
3 OO DATA BOX, WATCH, WIFE, BOY
(fing as ouch more as you mant)

Just one are optional refinement to ay Menu Loader. If you mant to use a falenase ending in an asterisk for those Basic prograns which will not run in XBasic, this change will keep you tros loading and crashing then.

420 CLOSE 11 :: IF SE5s(P6s
k), LEN(PGs(k)), 1)='1' THEN D

1SPLAY GT(12,1)EKASE ALL: "RE

TURA TO BASIC AND LDAD EY':' TYFING OLD DSK1.'tPEs(K):: S Top

The idea of a prograe that writes a progran has stirred up a little interest, so here's another. This routine mill aid you in foratting your screen text into neat 28 -colum lines, and will save the text in progras lines of DATA stateaents. When you are ready to save, type gee and enter as the last line, then NEH and MEREE DSKI.LINEFILE

100 !LINEWRITER

- by Jia Peterson

136 CALL CLEAK : : OFEN $1:{ }^{2}$ SK1.LINEFILE', VARIABLE 163: : $\operatorname{LN}=30000$
140 FOR R=1 TO 24 :: DISPLAY AT(R, 1)SIIE(1): " : : ACCEP T AT(R, 0 )SIZE (-28):AS:: IF
As="E日E' THEN 180:: Bs=BstC HK\$(20b) \&CHR (LEN(As))\&As
156 $x=x+1::$ IF $x / 4=1 N T(x / 4)$
THEN 166 ELSE $B s=B S L C H R \$ 1179$
1:: 6070170
160 605us 210: : $L N=1 \times+10$
170 NEXT F:: $X=0:$ : CARLL CL EAR : : $60 T 0140$
1Bb IF BS=' THEN $280:$ IF
SESS(85,LEN(B3), 1)=CHFs(179)
THEN ES=SEES(Es, 1,LEN(Es)-1)
190 605UE 210
200 FFINT 1:CHFI(255)dCHES(
255):: CLOSE 11:: EMI

216 FRINT $1:$ CHESIINTULN/256
114CHRS(LN-256tINT(LN/256) \&
 Ls :: FETURN

Here's sonething for "JET" and Danny and Eenie and all the rest of ay iriends in Alabasa - and in all the rest of Dixie. You've nerer seen fireworks quite l:ke these before!

106 CALL CLEAR : : FRIKT ThÓl
5); 'ALABAMA 4th of JLK.': :
: : : : : : : "prograseed by
Ji Peterson' : : FOR $\mathrm{I}=1$ to
206
116 NEXI D :: FANDOAI:E
120 OIM 5\$(12), As (10). S(10)

Sxs (15)
130 DATA $196,220,247,262,294$
, 330, 349, 392, 440, 494, 523,587
, 659
140 FOR $J=4$ TO $16::$ READ SI J): : NEXT J :: FOR SET=2 TO

14 :: CALL COLOR(SET,1,1)::
NEXT SET : : CALL SCREEN(2)
150 DATA $60,18,24,3 C, 42,5 A, 6$ $6,7 E, 81,99, A 5,8 D, C 3, D B, E 7, F F$ 160 FOR $J=1$ TO 16 :: READ A (J):: NEXT J

170 FOR CH=40 TO 136 STEP 8 : : FOR L=1 TO 4 : : $X=$ INT (16 RND +1$):$ : $B s=8 s \& A s(X):$ : $C s=A s$ (x)\&CS: : NEXT L

180 Sxs (CH/8-4)=8skCs::CAL LCHAR(CH, EstCS): : GOSUB 350
 XT CH
190 FOR J=1 T0 $12:$ : FOR $L=1$


EXS\&C\$:: NEXT L
$206 \mathrm{Ss}(\mathrm{J})=\mathrm{Bs}+\mathrm{Cs}:$ : Bs=RULS: : CS=NUL $:$ : NEXI J :: CALL MAGNJFY(2)
210 FOR $J=1$ TO $12:$ : DISPLAY AI(J, J):Ss(J): : HEXT J : : $x$ $=1::$ FOR $J=13$ TO $24::$ DISP LAY AT(J, J):5s(J-X):: $x=x+2$ :: NEXT J :: CALL DELSPRITE ALL): : FDR D=1 TO 200 :: NEX T 0
220 DATA $1,11,7,1,9,7,2,7,4$, $2,4,7,1,7,4,1,4,8,1,4,9,1,4$, $10,2,11,7,2,7,11,2,11,7,2,9$, 4

230 DAIA $2,12,5,2,5,12,3,12$, $7,1,11,7,3,12,5,1,11,7,1,12$, $5,1,13,4,1,14,5,1,15,10$
240 DATA $6,16,7,1,14,9,1,11$, $7,6,14,4,1,11,7,1,9,4,6,1.1,6$ ,1,8,6,1,9,7,6,7,4
250 DATA $1,11,7,1,13,4,2,14$, $9,2,16,11,3,15,4,1,14,9,2,12$ $, 10,4,14,10,2,12,7,6,15,16,2$ ,12,8
260 DATA $6,15,6,1,11,6,1,13$,
$4,2,14,9,2,16,14,3,15,11,1,1$
$4,9,2,12,10,2,13,7,3,14,10,1$
, 12,10
276 OATA $2,11,7,2,9,4,3,14,9$
$, 1,9,5,2,9,4,4,8,4,2,9,4,6,7$ , $4,2,9,4,6,8,4,2,12,5$
280 DATA $2,11,7,2,9,4,3,14,7$ $, 1,16,7,2,15,16,4,14,9,2,9,1$ $, 6,7,4,2,9,4,6,8,4,2,12,10$ 290 DATA $2,11,7,2,9,4,3,16,1$ $1,1,14,9,2,15,4,2,14,7,2,14$,
$9,6,14,11$
360 FOR $M=1$ TO 96 STEP 3 ::
READ $T, A, B:$ : CALL COLOR $1 A-2$ , $A-2,1):$ : $\operatorname{CALL} \operatorname{COLOR}(B-2, B-2$ , 11:: FOR $\mathrm{T}=1$ TO $\mathrm{T}:$ : CALL
SOUND (-999, S(A), 6,S(B),5)::
NEXT IT
310 CALL COLOR(A-2,1,1):: CA LL COLOR (B-2,1,1)
320 MEXT $\mathrm{N}:$ : RESTORE 220 : :
FOR $\mathrm{N}=1$ TO 252 STEP 3 : : RE $A D T, A, B:: \operatorname{CALL} \operatorname{COLOR}(A-2, A$ $-2,1):$ CALL COLOR $(B-2, B-2,1$ ): : FOR TT=1 TO $\mathrm{T}:$ : CALL SO UND (-999, $5(A), 0,5(B), 5):$ : NE XT IT
330 CALL COLOR(A-2,1,1):: CA LL COLOR(B-2,1,1)
340 NEXT $N:$ : FOK $\mathrm{J}=51030$
:: CALL SOUMD $(-999, S(A), J, S 1$
B), J): : NEXT $\mathrm{J}:$ : RESTORE 22 $0::$ FOR CH=40 TO 136 STEP 8 : GOSUB 350 :: NEXI CH :: 6050190
350 CALL MAGMIFY(1):: CALL S PRITE 1 : $C H / 8-4, C H, 13: K N D+3,20$ 0, 128,-30, FND 20 -RMDI20): : R ETURN

The Hoae Conputer Magazine, Vol. 4 No. 3, had a progra called Elementary Addition and Subtraction. which generates randon numbers between 1 and 5 for elementary ath practice.

The first tise I tried it, it asked se for the answer to $1+1$. When 1 answered correctly, it produced another randos proble - $1+1$ agan!

This is known as the idiotic computer syndroae, and it helps us to renenber that our conputers are still no sarter than their prograsers!

Fortunately, this bit of idiocy is easy to cure. Try this -

## 100 RANDORIIE

$110 x=$ IMT ( 5 (RND +1 )
120 IF $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{x} 2$ THEN 110
$130 \times 2=x$
140 PRINT X;
15060 TO 110

Do you see hom it works? The first tiae you
get a nubber, $x 2$ wall equal 0 because it has never been gaven a value. $x$ will be selected as a nuaber between 1 and 5. Let's suppose it is 2. Line 120 coapares it with 12 ; 2 is not equal to 0, so the progras continues to line 130, where $x 2$ now picks up the value of 2 , then on to print the value, and back to 110 . Kom, suppose that the randon factor in line 110 picks 2 again. Line 120 finds that $2=2, x=12$, and sends the progras back to 110 to pick a different nuaber.

If you want to avoid a repeat until after two tises, change line 120 to read 120 IF $(x=x 2)+(x=x 3)$ THE N 110 and add a line $125 \times 3=$ $x 2$.

For a longer series xithout repeating, it aight be better to use this aethod.
100 As="ABCDEFGHIJ'
110 FOR J=1 TO 10
120 FANDOMIEE
$130 \quad Y=1 \mathrm{NT}(\operatorname{RND} \operatorname{LLEN}(A S)+1)$
$140 x=A S C$ (SEES (As, Y, 1) )-64
150 A $\$=$ SEE $(A), 1, Y-1)$ SSEE $(A$ \$, Y $+1, \operatorname{LEN}(A)$ )
160 PRINT $X$
170 NEXT J
185. 6070100

That wlll give you a randon series of 1 through 10 and then repeat with a dafferent randon series. Adjust the nuaber of letters in the string $A s$, and the corresponding "TO" value in 110, for whatever you require.

Several newsletters recently have published articles on the progran that you never run" because it consists entirely of REM statesents!

For instance, you can keep a list of the sesbers of your users group, using their eesbership number for the progran line nuber,
followed by REM for ! in XBasic) and their naee and address. For a printed list, just LIST the progran to the printer. To change someone's address, or to delete a deadbeat who doesn't pay his dues, just edit the progras. You can also LIST the prograt to disk to create a DIS/YAR 80 file which you can then load into TI-Writer and use its editing features, FindString, etc.

The sace aethod can give you a tickler file, or appointeent calendar, which is just as good as sone rather coaplex disk filing prograns written for this purpose. Just use the aonth nuaber (1-12) and date (always in two digits, (1-31) for the line nueber 1008 !buy birthday pres sent for wife!
1009 !wite's burthday!
1010 !apologize to wife for forgetting birthday

You can senedule several things in one prográ line -
101! !get harcut/change oil in car/panch secretary......

- but it aight be better to add an extra digit ( $A-9$ ) to the line nutber ind schedule separately -
10110 ! get haircut
10111 !change oil
Then, if sonething doesn't get done, just use the REDO key to change the line nusber and reschedule it for another date. you can print out a list of the day's chores by suaply LIST "P10":7010-7019 (did you know you could do that?)

MEMORY FULL IN LINE 470

- Ji Peterson



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* KLINGN ATTACK *
$1-\$ 15$
2-\$20
You control 5 sateliteff on their lonely vigil
3-\$ $\$ 5$
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