

A Fork in the Tale Demo 10/17/96
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INTRODUCTION

This is a demonstration of a 5 CD action adventure game. The controls are on-screen, just click with a mouse or other pointing device. Press Escape to stop the game and get to the display and sound controls. The space bar toggles pausing the game.

HARDWARE/SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

OS: Windows 95. This is a native 32-bit application which will not run with Windows 3.x.

CD-ROM: 2x speed or better. For drives slower than 4x, set the Win95 CD-ROM cache to at least 720KB and "No read-ahead." For drives 4x or better, set the cache to at least 720KB and "Quad-speed or higher."

Memory: 8 MB RAM.

CPU: Pentium with local bus video.

Display: 640x480 pixel, 256 color mode, using Microsoft DirectX drivers (included).

Mouse: Windows 95 compatible pointing device.

Hard disk: 10 MB of available disk space.

Sound card: Windows 95 compatible sound card required.

INSTALLATION

To manually start the installer, run Setup.exe in the Fork folder of the CD.

The installer will setup a directory on your hard disk with files to run the program. This will usually be placed in "Program Files\A Fork in the Tale Demo" on your C: drive.

The installer will run Microsoft's DirectX 3 installer to configure your machine for DirectDraw. This is the most recent version of DirectX available at the time of this demo. If DirectX 3 causes problems with any of your older games that use previous versions of DirectX, reinstall the older game.

The game warns about setting the Win95 CD-ROM cache settings properly. The cache settings are part of the "System Properties" sheet, available from the "System" control panel. Select the "Performance" tab, then the "File System..." button, then the "CD-ROM" tab. The "Supplemental cache size" should be set to at least 720KB. The "Optimize access pattern for" setting should be "No read-ahead" or for fast drives use "Quad-speed or higher". Changing the cache settings requires rebooting.

NOTES FOR RUNNING THE GAME

Press Escape to get to the user interface.

Press the space bar for pause.

VIDEO OR AUDIO PROBLEMS?

If the video pauses or gets out of sync with the audio, then you should try Low Resolution mode found in the Options.

If the graphics flicker over the video, then try Compatibility mode.

UNINSTALL

To uninstall the demo, select "Add/Remove Programs" from the Windows 95 control panel. In the "Install/Uninstall" tab of the dialog box, select "A Fork in the Tale Demo" and then press the "Add/Remove" button.

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