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# **How To Play Halloween Match**

You start the game with ten pieces of candy corn. Each time you win a hand you get to eat one piece of candy corn. The player that eats all their candy corn first wins the game.

To win a hand, you need to match as many tiles as you can in your hand. You and the computer will select tiles one at a time. As you select tiles, they will be placed in your hand. After both hands have five tiles, you will be told who won the hand.   The hands are scored as follows, from highest to lowest:

Five of a kind
Four of a kind
Full house (3 of one kind and a pair of another)
Three of a kind
One pair
No match

# File New

This commands starts a new game, returning ten pieces of candy corn to each player.

# **File About**

This shows information about Halloween Match, including its creator, version number, and copyright date.

# File Exit

This allows you to exit Halloween Match.

# What Is Shareware

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Anyone distributing Halloween Match for any kind of remuneration must first contact Glen DeBiasa for authorization. This authorization will be automatically granted to distributors recognized by the Association of Shareware Professionals (ASP) as adhering to its guidelines for shareware distributors, and such distributors may begin offering Halloween Match immediately (However, Glen DeBiasa must still be advised so that the distributor can be kept up-to-date with the latest version of Halloween Match.).

You are encouraged to pass a copy of Halloween Match along to your friends for evaluation.   Please encourage them to register their copy if they find that they can use it.   All registered users will receive a copy of the latest version of Halloween Match.

**Other Topics**
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# How To Register Halloween Match

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If you enjoy this product and wish to receive additional puzzles, you must register it. To register, send a check or money order in U.S. funds for five dollars ($5.00) to the address below:

Glen DeBiasa
Halloween Match
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When you register the product, you will receive the latest version of Halloween Match. Registered users will automatically receive any minor upgrades of the program. Be sure to indicate which disk size you prefer.

Should you experience any difficulties with this product, please do not hesistate to contact me at the address above. I can also be contacted on America Online (GlenDB) or on CompuServe (UserID 70602,3257). Comments and suggestions on improving this product are always welcome.

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# Other Available Products

**CrossWords** (Version 1.2, Registration fee $10)

CrossWords is an entertaining game for 1 to 3 players. The object is to guess the theme of a crossword puzzle. Players are given clues to special hint words. The hint word is revealed one letter at a time while players compete to guess the word. Once the word is solved, the letters of the word are placed into the crossword puzzle. The player who correctly solves the word controlls the board and can guess at words on the board to increase the points in the jackpot. The player who guesses the puzzle's theme wins the round and takes the points in the jackpot.

**Equatron** (Version 1.1, Registration Fee $7.50)
Equatron is a challenging strategy game played against the computer. The computer randomly generates a mathematical equation, which it fills in with numbers from the game board. Your task is to beat the computer, scoring more or less than the computer, depending on the round.

To help you in your task are special tiles including Zap (which remove the last number entered into the equation), Negate, Double, Triple, and the unpredictable Any Number.

As the rounds progress, the stakes grow higher, as the equations become more complicated, and more variable, operators, and parenthesis. Want to try a particular equation? Just specify the round number and you can play it! Over 30 different equations!

For a more challenging game, set the number of rounds needed to win the game and see if you can beat the computer before it beats you!

## About the Author

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