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# THE MYSTIC SLOT MACHINE R A N D A M N

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**Welcome.** You have been expected...because the Mystic Slot Machine randomly selected you as a possible candidate to replace RANDAMN, the Demi-god of random events.

In your quest to become a Demi-god, the High Gods themselves watch your progress. Pay attention to their words - for their comments help prepare you for the ordeals which face you.

To achieve success is difficult indeed. But, not impossible. You must journey through 7 entirely different worlds—facing different opponents within each world. Fair enough? If you believe so, you are truly unfamiliar with the wicked ways of the High Gods!! They have decreed that on each world there are 7 action stages—and your opponents at each stage are not known but **are randomly selected by the Wheel of Fate!**

This means, ambitious candidate, that on action-stage #1 of World #1 you will fight 1 opponent (perhaps the ghost)...randomly chosen from a deadly group of 7. At stage #2, the Mystic Slot Machine spins, and randomly turns up the

2 opponents you must overcome, perhaps the dark birds, and the assassin. Until at the 7th stage of World #1, you must defeat 7 opponents at once.

And since they are all randomly chosen, you might have 7 identical opponents, perhaps 7 entirely different ones, or any mixture the mind can conceive! Thus, no game is entirely the same—and every game is a new challenge!

This same procedure is followed on each of the 7 Worlds! But...

ahhhh, but, if you succeed in mastering the web of randomness in all the worlds there is true victory for you! And a marvelous reward!

## Entering Randamn

Simply insert your Randamn disk and turn on your computer. After the title screen appears, press SPACE BAR. At the bottom of the screen you will be asked whether you wish to use a JOYSTICK, PADDLES or the KEYBOARD. Press the appropriate key, and follow the screen-directions for your selections.

**KEYBOARD** The screen will show you how keys may be changed to suit your preference. During play, after pressing a key to pick your direction, press it again to move in that direction.

**PADDLES** The #1 paddle moves your arm in any of 8 directions. Press its button and you will run in that direction. Press the button on Paddle #0 to fire in the direction the arm is pointed.



**JOYSTICK** Move the Joystick control to move your arm in any of 8 directions. Press one button and you will run in the direction the arm is pointed. Press the other button to fire in that direction.

Select the method you are most comfortable using. However, the High Gods feel a Joystick provides the most playing magic.

**Note:** The ESC key will pause the game. Press any key to start again. Do not remove the disk from your disk drive during play. With Apple IIe put the CAPS key in lock position.

## The Play

After the above choices are made, press SPACE BAR and you will enter the RANDAMN mysteries. Read the screen text for an explanation of your mission, and for special hints. Remember the Gatekeeper area—for it is here that you can enter your secret Incantation words (as you earn them). They will allow you, if you wish, to bypass worlds you have already mastered. When you type in a secret Incantation word your typing will not show on the screen. This is a security feature to prevent others from learning your secret words and taking advantage of your success!

**Wheel of Fate.** (Also called the Mystic Slot Machine) When you enter a world (and each time you move to a new action-stage) the Wheel of Fate at the top of the screen will spin. When it stops it will display the opponent(s) it has chosen for you to fight. The choice is totally random. You may dispatch the enemy by shooting it, him or them—or outsmarting them so they kill each other.

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**Action-stages.** There are 7 in each world. You must destroy all opponents on a stage before moving to the next higher action-stage. And you need to overcome all 7 stages (28 opponents) before you are permitted to move to the next world.

**Lives.** You start with 7 lives. You gain an additional life when you win through any world and go to the next one. With extraordinary skill and luck you may have as many as 9 lives. The number of lives you have remaining, at any moment, are displayed just to the left of the point scoreboard at the bottom right of the screen.

**Points.** Each enemy is worth a different amount of points, depending upon its deadliness, and how hard it is to destroy. The point totals are recorded at the bottom right of screen. High score is also displayed at a game's end. However, the aim of Randamn is not just to amass points, but to conquer all 7 worlds and earn your reward.

**The opponents.** Each world has its own group of 7 different opponents. As you progress, various opponents will become faster, smarter, more deadly...or all three!

**Reward.** You must successfully conquer all seven worlds to reach the reward display.

## A Hint from the High Gods

To join us in our mystical existence is difficult indeed. It was last accomplished 11,000 years ago. If you desire to become our new Demi-god, RANDAMN...lord of all random events...you must use your wits as well as your speed. Many of the previous candidates failed because they believed that all enemies can be seen...that all enemies die the same way. Be not deceived. We wait to welcome you to our conclave, oh mortal.

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