

WELCOME TO THE **MAY 1999** PERSONAL COMPUTER WORLD CD-ROM

## May COVER DISC

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If you are an aspiring Delphi programmer, look no further. This month, we bring you a *full version* of Delphi Developer 2. This version of the popular development tool contains all the functionality you will need to create exciting and complete applications. But if programming is not quite your cup of tea, everyone should be able to find a use for the *full version* of Quicken 6 SE that is also on our disc. Additionally, there's an amazing collection of trial and free Internet Service Provider software, so if you are contemplating going online, get that disc loaded now and see what's on offer.

### The Employment & Personnel Desk (version 1.2 special)



If you run a small business and employ staff, you will appreciate the importance of keeping accurate personnel information. So Employment and Personnel Desk's extensive range of tools may be just what you need to maintain all that staff and employment data. But this package offers many facilities in addition to the the option of keeping individual detailed records for each employee. A range of recruitment tools will

help you prepare job descriptions, employee specifications and job advertisements, or you can develop and maintain company practice documentation for output as handbooks or statements. And you can produce detailed customisable reports on members of staff, automatically. All functions are password protected so only those who 'need to know' will have access to the data.

The version of Employment and Personnel Desk on this month's disc is limited to ten current employees and does not support 24-hour legal help, but it is fully functional in all other respects.

#### PCW DETAILS

**Platform** Windows 95/98 and NT  
**Limitations** Up to ten employee records.  
**Sales Contact** 01483 888608  
**Technical Support** [tech@risk-management.co.uk](mailto:tech@risk-management.co.uk)

## Technical information to help you use the CD

### ✓ System Requirements

You will need a PC running Windows 3.1 or Windows 95. The disc will run under Windows NT but functionality may be reduced. Please check individual products for specific system requirements. For best results, run the CD on a Pentium PC with at least 16Mb of memory.

### ✓ How to use our CD-ROM

Put the disc into your CD drive.  
**Win95** — If you've got Windows 95, the PCW interactive loader will appear on your screen. If your CD doesn't autoloading, go to Start/Run and type

in <CD Drive>:\pcw.exe  
**Win3.1** — From Windows Program Manager choose File/Run, then type in <CD Drive>:\pcw.exe and press enter.

### ✓ Faulty Discs

If you get messages like 'Cannot read from drive D:', or your drive continually scans the disc without starting, you may have a faulty disc. In this event, please return the disc with a covering note bearing your name and address, and clearly marked 'PCW CD MAY 1999', to: TIB plc HelpLine Returns Unit 5 Triangle Business Park

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A replacement disc will be sent to you by post. Please use only the above address, as replacement discs cannot be supplied from our VNU offices.

### ✓ Technical Support

If you have technical problems with individual products, please check in the magazine or on the CD for the manufacturer's support contact details.  
For general problems with the CD, our Technical Helpline is open weekdays from 10:30am - 12:30pm and 1:30pm - 4:30pm, on 01685 354726.

A live technical help page is also available via CD Online, direct from our CD (see p20).  
For replacement disc information, please see *Faulty Discs*, above.

### ✓ Getting software onto our PCW CD

Personal Computer World magazine is keen to promote quality software and would like to hear from you if you are interested in having your product included on a future cover disc.  
For cover-mounted disc enquiries, please telephone Afshan Nasim on 0171 316 9592 or email [afshan\\_nasim@vnu.co.uk](mailto:afshan_nasim@vnu.co.uk).

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The publisher, VNU, has checked the Personal Computer World CD-ROM for known viruses at all stages of production, but cannot accept liability for damage caused either to your data or your computer system, which may occur while using either the disc or any software contained on it. If you do not agree with these conditions, you should not use the disc. It is good practice to run a virus checker on any new software before running it on your computer, and also to make regular backup copies of all your important data.

Unless otherwise stated, all software contained on the CD is for demonstration only. This means it may be restricted in some way: for example, it may be time limited or have certain functions disabled.

## Macromedia Shockwave 7

If you spend a lot of time surfing the web you will no doubt have come across sites using this very popular and widely-used utility for enhanced graphics and functionality. You need to have the plug-in installed in your browser to view Shockwave content, otherwise you will be restricted to a company's more 'restrained' pages.



Unfortunately, the plug-in is normally only available from Macromedia's own site, and being so popular it can be quite a long

process getting connected and then downloading the software. So, this month we've got it on our CD to save you download time and to give you a hard copy to keep. If you want further information about Shockwave technology, you

should visit the Shockwave Technology section on the Macromedia web site at [www.macromedia.com](http://www.macromedia.com).

➤ **Shockwave 7** has been redesigned to work more closely with today's browsers and includes an option to auto-update, so you will not have to download the player each time a new version is released.

### PCW DETAILS

**Platform** Windows 95/98

**Limitations** None

**Sales Contact**

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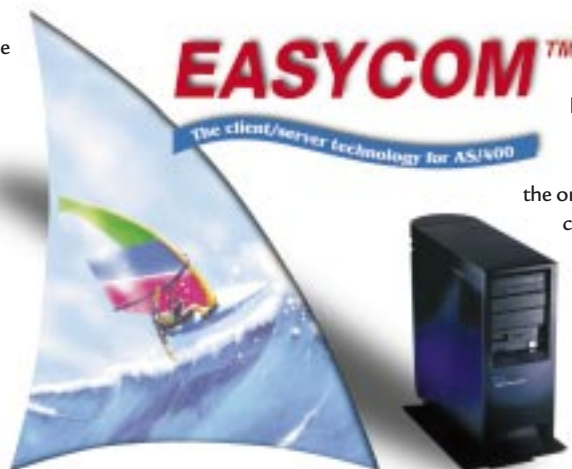
[www.macromedia.com/shockwave/download/](http://www.macromedia.com/shockwave/download/)

**Technical Support**

[www.macromedia.com/support/shockwave/](http://www.macromedia.com/support/shockwave/)

## Advanced Client EASYCOM/400 for VB

Some people might think that computers begin and end at the humble desktop PC but seen as an intelligent workstation attached to a larger computer, the PC takes on a very different role. Enter Advanced Client EASYCOM/400 for VB, a complete set of tools, controls and functions for accessing AS/400 databases and resources from Visual Basic or Visual C++ applications. Built on existing EASYCOM Technology, it provides fast access to an AS/400 over native TCP/IP or APPC protocol connections. Key features include native access to any physical or logical file with no ODBC required, support for keyed and non-keyed reads, database



update, delete, and insert record, the facility to open SQL

statements, execution of AS/400 commands, and calls to existing AS/400 programs written in languages like RPG, COBOL and CL.

➤ **Methods provided** by Easycom Data Control are compatible with the original Microsoft DAO control so you can write the same statements that you use for an MS Access table.

Wizards assist in generating the Visual Basic code and forms needed to

access the AS/400 resources.

### PCW DETAILS

**Platform** Windows 3.1/95 and NT

**Limitations** Fully-working version, 14 days limited on a new AS/400 machine.

**Sales Contact**

0033 1 690 70145

**Technical Support**

[tech@easycom-aura.com](mailto:tech@easycom-aura.com)

# Software Library

Unless otherwise stated, new versions of software featured are not upgrades but standalone installations. If you wish to install the latest version of a product onto your machine, please ensure that you first uninstall/remove the older version.

## NEW THIS MONTH

### Assorted Games Patches

Includes Grim Fandango, Heretic II, Starcraft, Wargasm and the Tomb Raider 3DFX Patch.

### Audition It! 2.02

(Win95 and 98)  
If you're sick of going through Wav samples

for your current musical or multimedia project, having to select each one manually and play it until you find what you are looking for, Audition IT! provides the answer.

### Axialis Cursors 4.5

(Win95/98/NT)  
Axialis Cursors is a cursor editor and manager for Windows 95.

It is a fully integrated multi-document application. Ax-Cursors creates all kinds of static and animated cursors with sizes up to 72 x 72 and up to 16.8m colours. It also features numerous

editing tools. (Shareware).

### Budgeteer 1.5a

(Win95, 98 and NT)  
Budgeteer is a software package which helps you keep track of your personal finances. If you ignore your bank balance you will quickly incur charges for exceeding credit limits. But, with a little time and effort, Budgeteer will tell you exactly when you need to curb your spending. (30-day trial).

### Knightsmith's Bits & Bobs 2000

(Win95/98)  
A suite of Windows desktop utilities including Midi/Wav Player, BMP Viewer and Printer, Clock, Calculator, Calendar, Quick Notes, Video

Player, Quick Acronym Reference, Lottapicka, Junk Sweeper and more. (Evaluation copy).

### Microsoft Office 97 Service Release 1 & 2

The Office 97 Service release patches combine Office 97 product updates into a single installation providing you with various new viewers, converters and enhancements.

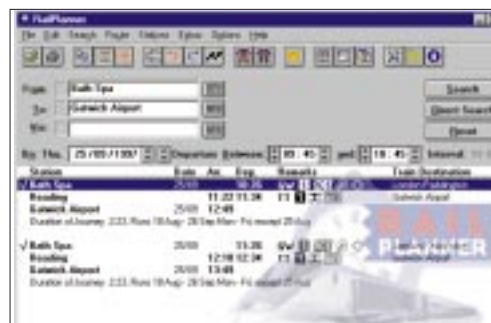
### Net Proxy 3.03

(Win95/98/NT)  
NetProxy is a secure, reliable and highly cost-effective way to provide simultaneous internet access to multiple network members using just a

single dialup account with only one internet connection of almost any type, including a dialup modem account, ISDN, leased-line, etc. (30-day time-limited use for multiple users, reverting thereafter to single-user mode).

### Rail Planner 4.04

(Windows)  
You will need this serial number to run the software: 9QPM-G3NX  
Rail Planner is an 'Autoroute' equivalent for trains, ferries and the Underground. It is ideal for personal and corporate use and displays all essential journey information. It will establish the optimum route alternatives and connections, with information such as availability of on-board refreshments and whether reservations can be made. Your PC can then print a copy of the journey information and train details. (Time-limited demo).



CD-ROM

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## PCW CD OnLine

ACCESS THE INTERNET DIRECT FROM OUR OPENING SCREEN!



**CD Online** offers an extension to the normal content contained on the disc by taking you directly to the on-line web sites of the companies featured. Find out more about their products or about the company itself, or send

CD-Online section. If you don't already have a browser installed, you can install the latest version of Netscape straight from the disc.

**To access CD Online**, click on the banner at the top of the main screen.

them an email and talk to them direct. If you're connected to the internet, you can visit these sites via the Content Links of the

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## JOBWORLD.CO.UK

WWW.JOBWORLD.CO.UK

[Jobworld.co.uk](http://Jobworld.co.uk) provides you with access to thousands of new IT, business and finance vacancies every day. Updated by the minute, 24 hours a day, Jobworld also offers links to job sites overseas, a guide to IT contracting, and comprehensive lists of jobs from the top recruitment agencies in the UK. Browse the site by job sector, search on a specific set of job skills or requirements, or make use of the Jobworld Email Alert service. This service enables you to specify your preferences as a jobseeker and have those jobs delivered direct to your mailbox every day! Registration takes seconds.





## Win a Sony Trinitron Flat Screen KV28 FX60 monitor!

PCW and Demon Internet bring you a great prize draw. Amongst the thousands of our cover discs distributed this month, one is unique. By installing the FREE 30-day trial of Demon Internet from the 'Lucky CD', you could win a fabulous Sony Trinitron Flat Screen KV28 FX60 monitor!

➤ **To discover** whether your cover disc is the lucky one, run Demon Internet's FREE 30-day trial online registration from the disc. Once Demon has processed your details, you will see a message informing you if you are the winner. If the prize is not claimed within 90 days, every person who tries Demon Internet using the software on the disc will be entered into a second prize draw and the first name 'out of the hat' will be awarded the prize.

➤ **In addition** to the main prize, one out of every 25 people who use the free trial will, instead of the standard 30 days, receive **90 days' FREE subscription** to Demon Internet. Winners will be notified by email.

### ➤ Your 30-day trial includes:

- Unlimited access to the web, email, newsgroups and other Demon Internet services.
- 15Mb web space for your own web pages.
- An unlimited number of email addresses.
- Nationwide 0845 local call access.\*



- Experienced Helpdesk support 24 hours a day, 365 days of the year, on a local-rate 0845 number.
- Access to fast, online games servers.

### ➤ What do I need for the free trial?

A PC with Windows 95, 98 or 3.1, a modem installed and connected to a phone line and a credit card (your card will not be charged if you decide to cancel your Demon Internet account before the 30-day trial period has elapsed). Put the disc in your CD drive and follow the on-screen instructions. If you need help, call Demon Internet's Technical Support Help Desk on 0845 272 4244.

\*Demon provides 0845 numbers for connectivity, described by Ofcom as 'BT local call rate'. Contact your phone company for details of their pricing structure. Demon Internet Standard Conditions of Use apply. Calls to the Sales & Enquiries Team and the Technical Support Help Desk may be monitored for training purposes.

Full membership is £11.75 (inc VAT) per month with a one-off joining fee of £14.69 (inc VAT). If you decide Demon Internet is not for you, call the Sales & Enquiries Team on 0845 272 2666 during the trial period and they will cancel your subscription.

## SoftNET Free

**Software Warehouse** offers free internet access with no hidden charges, setup costs, time charges nor monthly fees. Your calls are charged at local call rate throughout the UK. SoftNET Free also guarantees a fast and reliable connection at all times, 10Mb of

web space and multiple email addresses. Load it from our cover disc. SoftNET is compatible with 56K and V.90 modems as well as ISDN lines.

Technical Support  
0890 120 4000.

Calls charged at 60p  
per minute at all times.



## MSN

MSN.CO.UK brings the best of the web into one place. The demo on this month's CD shows how easy MSN makes it to get to the information that you want on the internet. Get the latest news delivered from sites like the Electronic Telegraph, Megastar, FT.com and vnunet.com. Keep up to date with football news, reports and scores as they happen at SoccerNet and Football365. Plan and book your travel with MSN Expedia UK and Thomas Cook, or keep in touch with your free web-based email service from Hotmail.

➤ **The demo** features a fully-animated guide with step-by-step instructions on personalising your MSN. If you have an internet connection you can then go straight to MSN, allowing you to get on with creating your own personalised home page!



## AOL 4.0i GOLD

AOL 4.0i GOLD has a new look, easier navigation, and many new features. With one-step web access, enter the web address/URL in the input box, click the forward button, and you're there! A customisable toolbar allows you to go straight to web sites, and to any AOL area. Add or remove buttons, move the bar to the bottom of your screen, or collapse it to display text labels only. Specify favourite areas, and keep track of the last 25 areas or web sites you visited. Send emails with pictures & images contained in the text of the message, or with up to nine files attached.

### AOL 4.0i GOLD includes:

- FREE — One month's membership!
- FREE — 100 hours online time!
- FREE — 5 email addresses!
- FREE — Technical support!
- FREE — 10Mb of web space!
- PLUS**
- 100% local access
- Up to 56K access speeds nationwide



## FreeZone Internet

FreeZone Internet offers you a FREE fully-fledged internet service with no subscription or online charges. It really is free, and ready for you to use right NOW.

Install the software included on this month's CD and you can start using your FREE access account today.

FreeZone Free Access account gives you:

- FREE UNLIMITED internet access.
- FREE Unlimited email addresses.
- 100% UK wide local call access.
- FREE 20Mb of personal web space.
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- Full newsgroup access.
- 7-day Technical Support.



## Global Internet

Global Internet provides low-cost, high-quality connectivity to the whole internet for a fixed subscription fee, with no hidden costs or hourly charges. Try a one month FREE trial\* from the CD. The software will get you on-line straight away for:

- Unlimited internet access.
- Unlimited email addresses.
- 50Mb FREE web space.
- All this for the cost of a local BT phone call.

Once the software has installed from the CD, click on 'Internet Explorer' on your desktop and follow the instructions on-screen. Credit/debit card details will be required to create your account.

### ➤ FREE Technical Support 0870 909 8181

\*Free trials only available on single-access dial-up accounts created on-line by credit card. One free trial per household and you must be 18 years or over.



## Quicken 6 Special Edition



On this month's CD you will find a free, full-working copy of **Quicken 6 Special Edition**, the well known, best-selling accounting software. Quicken lets you track your day-to-day transactions in a register that looks just

like a bank statement, with each transaction being categorised, letting you create reports and graphs that show you where you spend your money. The software can balance your accounts in minutes, print cheques, keep accurate tax and expense records and even track VAT for business use.

Quicken is enjoyable to use, with a colourful graphical interface and sound effects. Multimedia tutorials help you use the program efficiently.

**Note:** The installation of the software on the May cover disc does not contain the accompanying multimedia files; they will be included on next

month's disc. However, you can still install the actual program from this month's disc and use it fully. The multimedia files are only required if you click any of the tutorial icons from within the software. Get next month's

cover CD and simply make sure it is present in

your CD drive when you run Quicken 6 SE to access the sound and video. *You will not have to reinstall the program.*

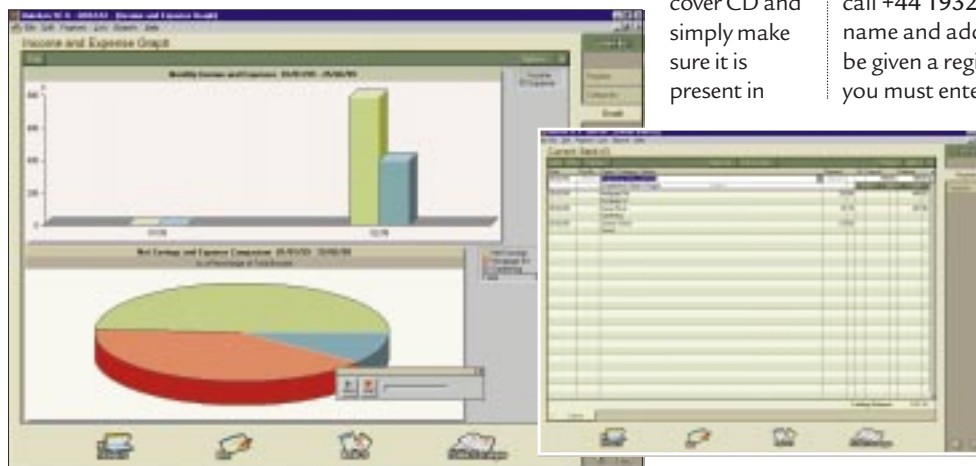
### Note for existing Quicken users

It is NOT recommend that you install the version of Quicken on the CD on to a machine where an older version of Quicken is already in use. It will upgrade your existing data files to Quicken version 6 and you will then need this or another current version to access them. If you're currently using an older version, try the version from the PCW disc on a different PC first, or call Intuit on 0800 585058 to discuss upgrade details.

### Registering

You may use this software a number of times before you have to register it. You can either register via your modem on 01932 578525 or via the phone on 0800 585058 (this is the preferred number; the actual software also indicates 0800 072 7433 as a telephone registering number). If you are calling from outside the UK, please call +44 1932 578433. After supplying name and address information, you will be given a registration number which you must enter to continue using the full product.

• This offer is not available in South Africa.



## Upgrade offer

Intuit, in association with *Personal Computer World*, offers you the opportunity to upgrade to Quicken 98 Deluxe for just £44.95 including VAT, post and packing. After trying Quicken 6 SE the benefits of the software will be apparent, but you may wish to consider the extra features of Quicken 98 Deluxe, the latest version. These features include:

- **SmartAlerts** to prompt you when a specific share hits a certain price or if you're about to exceed your overdraft.
- **Faster, easier invoicing** as an integrated feature with three available invoice formats.
- **Emergency Records Organiser** for important addresses,

telephone numbers and policy details.

- **QuickTax '98** to complete your self assessment tax return in minutes.
- **Payslip Wizard** to keep track of your gross earnings and key deductions.
- **Online Currency Rate Download** to download share and unit trust prices at the click of a mouse.

■ To upgrade to Quicken 98 Deluxe just call Intuit on its hotline 0800 585058, quoting Reference No. PCW99MY, with your debit or credit card details.

### PCW DETAILS

**Platform**  
Windows 95 & 3.1  
**Limitations**  
FULL VERSION  
**Sales Contact**  
0800 585058  
**Technical Support**  
None available



# Borland Delphi Developer 2

**Borland Delphi Developer** is a rapid application development tool for building 32-bit professional multi-user applications for Windows 95 and Windows NT. It is targeted at professional programmers who need to develop high-performance desktop applications accessing local and LAN databases quickly.

**One of Delphi's most interesting characteristics** is its full support for object-orientated programming, including encapsulation, polymorphism and inheritance in the Object Pascal

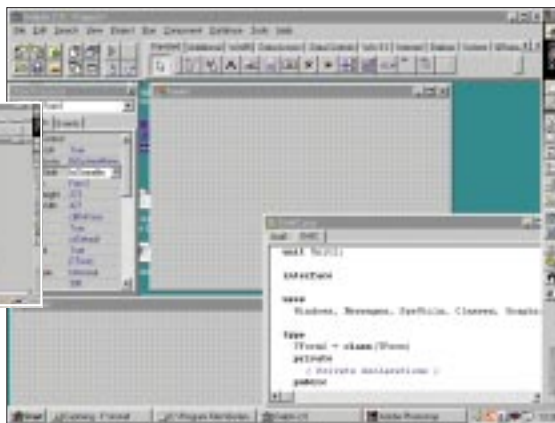
language, allowing developers to create their own custom



objects either from existing visual components in Delphi, or creating entirely new abstract business objects. And because Delphi is written in Delphi, there is no distinction between the types of objects developed by a second party or those written by Borland itself.

**In addition to** 32-bit support for long filenames, multi-threading and the Windows APIs, Delphi has a complete built-in suite of Windows 95 controls including TreeViews, Header controls, Status Bars and Progress Meters.

**Plugging your new application** into a database is straightforward. By using objects from a Data Access page, programs can be developed for Sybase,



Microsoft SQL Server, Oracle, InterBase, Paradox, dBase and the Local InterBase Server.

Any ODBC-compliant server such as Access can be accessed, too.

**What you ultimately get out of Delphi** is quick-to-develop, high-performance client/server applications.

## PCW DETAILS

### Platform

Windows 95, Windows NT 3.51 or a 100% compatible operating system

### Limitations

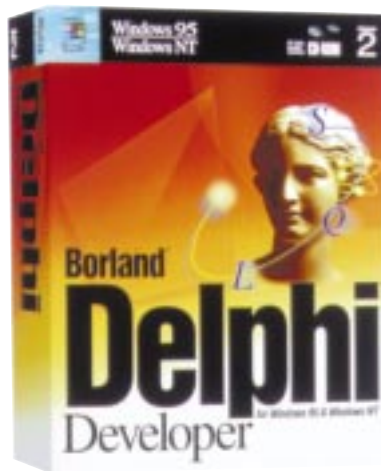
FULL VERSION software for personal use only. The software may not be used for deployment, development or teaching in a commercial or educational environment until a copy is purchased.

### Sales Contact

0800 454065 (credit card only)

### Technical Support

None available



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This software can only be installed onto a PC once: it is not shareware. Applications developed using the software may not be deployed. The software is for personal use only by software developers and may not be used for development or teaching in a commercial or educational establishment. Programs and applications that have been constructed with the software may not be distributed. The software is provided only with the aim of allowing the owner to learn the use of it. For distribution rights of owner-generated applications, the owner will additionally have to purchase a copy of one of the following: Borland Delphi 2 Developer, Borland Delphi 4 Client/Server, Borland Delphi 4 Professional or Borland Delphi 4 Standard as offered through this magazine. No resale of the CD is permitted. No support is available with this software.

## Upgrade offer

After using Delphi 2 from this month's disc, you may want to take advantage of the special upgrade offer to Delphi 4, available from Inprise through *Personal Computer World*. Delphi 4 comes in three different versions: Standard, Client/Server and Professional. The many new features include an AppBrowser IDE and fully customisable IDE with task window and docking and floating toolbars. There's a suite of advanced debugging tools and an MS Office-style interface that supports window resizing component anchors, and a one-step ActiveX object. See order coupon below for prices. These upgrade offers and prices are only valid for the UK and Ireland.

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