Instructions for 1638

VIDEO VERMIN

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General

Your once-peaceful garden is being invaded by a hoard of hungry Vermin. Shoot them and their fallen bodies sprout a barricade of mushrooms to conceal more swarming raiders. Snails oil path on which the Vermin slither erratically toward you. Dropping butterflies leave a trail of mushrooms in their wake, and pouncing spiders, ants, beetles, and fleas infest the area. One vigilant gardener strikes first. If he's destroyed by the fatal touch of the invaders, two more defenders lie in wait to take his place. If the third gardener succumbs, and you have 10,000 points, another gardener will emerge to help save the garden from devastation.

Game Requirements

To play Video Vermin you will need:

VIC-20
One joystick
Television set or monitor
Video Vermin Cartridge

To Load Program

With the VIC's power OFF, hold the cartridge label side up and slide it into the VIC's memory port. The cartridge connector should seat firmly into the receptacle.

When all the parts of the system are properly connected, turn power ON. Video Vermin starts automatically.

To Play

Begin Play by pressing the Function Key 1 (f1) on the upper right corner of the VIC-20 keyboard.

Use the joystick to move your defending gardener right, left, up or down. To fire use the fire button on the base of the joystick. For RAPID FIRE! hold the joystick button down.

Scoring

The goal of <u>Video</u> <u>Vermin</u> is to score as many points as you can by destroying the ever increasing hoards of Vermin. Each Vermin represents a particular point value:

VERMIN	POINTS
Snail	2000
Spider	500
Butterfly	200
Beetle	100
Flea	100
Ant	100
Mushroom	1

The number of remaining defending gardeners is displayed across the top of the screen. Begin with three gardeners, and earn another with each 10,000 points scored.

Skill Levels and High Score

The high score is retained from game to game. When all the Vermin at one level are eliminated, <u>Video Vermin</u> automatically attacks at an all new, fast-paced higher level. There is no practical limit to your challenge. Video Vermin will make your skin crawl and drive you buggy!