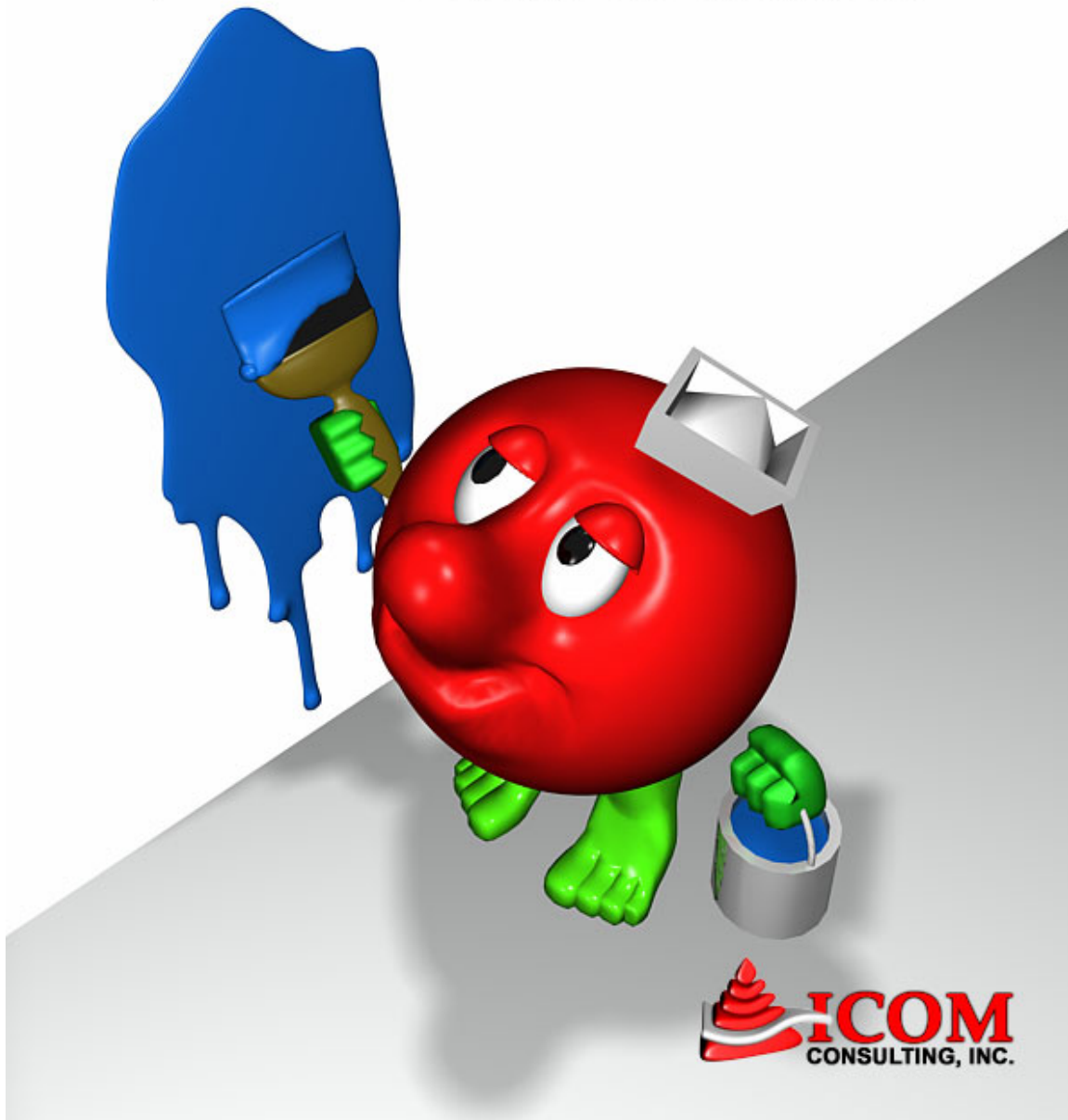


Qubix



USER GUIDE



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Getting Started

System requirements

To install and run Qubix you will need a Pocket PC device running Microsoft Windows CE, Version 3.0 or newer and at least 5 MB of free system storage memory.

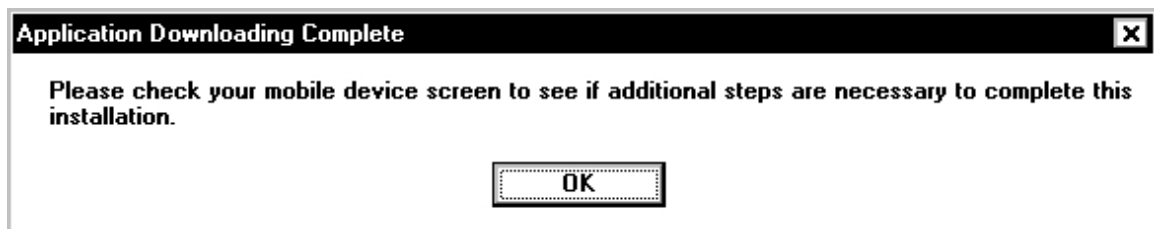
“Arm” and “Regular” Version Of Qubix:

Qubix comes to you in two versions – “Arm” and “Regular”. The “Arm” version is optimized for best performance on the new Pocket PC devices that use “Arm” processors. Both versions are included in the “Qubix.exe” file that you have downloaded from Internet and the installation software will automatically detect your Pocket PC and choose which version to install. So don’t worry about installing the correct version – it will be done automatically.

Installing Qubix

To install Qubix:

1. Put your Pocket PC in the cradle and make sure you have a connection with the Desktop PC.
2. On the Desktop PC start the installation program **Qubix.exe** by either double-clicking on the file Qubix.exe or by selecting Run from the start menu of Windows98/95/ME/NT/2000/XP and typing the path to Qubix.exe.
3. When the installation program starts simply follow the instructions on the screen.
4. At the end of the installation process you will see a screen captioned "Application Downloading Complete":



On your Pocket PC screen, please, confirm the installation of Qubix and click the OK button on the PC screen.

This should properly install Qubix for Pocket PC on your device.

Uninstalling Qubix

To uninstall Qubix for Pocket PC:

1. Please, make sure that Qubix is not started on your Pocket PC.
2. Using the stylus tap invoke the menu of your Pocket PC and choose "Settings -> Remove programs".
3. Find "**Icom Consulting Inc Qubix**" in the list of installed applications, tap on it to highlight it, and then tap the **Remove** button. Confirm the deletion by tapping on the **Yes** button.
4. Tap the **Done** button to finish uninstalling **Qubix for Pocket PC**.

Running Qubix

To start Qubix:

1. Using your stylus invoke the menu of your Pocket PC and go to "Programs -> Games".
2. Then tap the **Qubix** icon.



Purpose of the game

Qubix for Pocket PC is an arcade Pocket PC game with puzzle elements, which offers you amazing graphics, funny sounds and a really addictive game play.



Meet Mr. Q, the painter. Or shall we say Mr. Q, the artist?

Whether Mr.Q is painting as a worker or as an artist, he has a pretty tough job to do. He has to paint all the cubes of his pyramid with the same color. This would not be so tough, was there not for the army of pests, bothering our hero and making his painting job as hard as possible.

The main challenge for you lies in the increasing difficulty of the “painting conditions” on each new level, as well as the number of your enemies which will multiply as you pass through the levels.

So, you've got 14 pyramid levels each one having 4 stages = 56 rounds in total - come and paint them!



How to Play

Controls

You will have to navigate Mr. Q really quickly while jumping all over the pyramid if you want to paint all the levels without being caught. There are two ways to navigate Mr. Q.

- 1) You can navigate by tapping with the stylus anywhere on the screen – the painter will jump to the square that you have tapped on. If you tap on a cube which is not right next to the painter, our hero will automatically jump to the next cube in the same direction – all you have to do is tap on the cube in order to get Mr. Q jumping. This is the easiest way to control Mr. Q, but it has its bad sides. In “hot” situations it will be more difficult for you to avoid the enemies, because you don’t have such a good control over your painter.
- 2) You can navigate the painter using the buttons of your PDA. To configure the button controls to your liking, please, choose “Options” from the game menu. Using this type of navigation is not so easy, but once you get used to it you will have better control over Mr. Q and be able to react fast in complicated situations. The button navigation is recommended for the upper levels of the game.

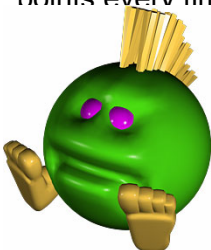
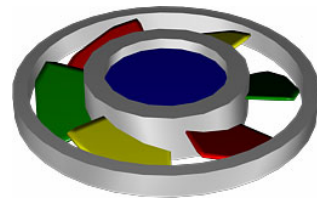
Creatures

Mr. Q is not alone in his heroic adventure...unfortunately. Painting the pyramid would be very easy if there weren't all other creatures trying to disturb the work of our hero in every way that they can.



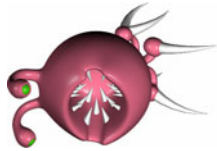
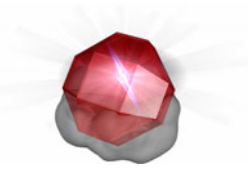
First comes the pink (and not so smart) Snake. Snake hatches from a **pink egg**, which falls onto the Pyramid every round of the game. The pink egg bounces down the Pyramid and when reaches the bottom, the snake embarks on its deadly pursuit of our hero. You have to control Mr. Q's path along the pyramid so that he avoids the unpleasant (to say the least) rendez-vous with Snake.

Snake is not exactly a rocket scientist, so you will be able to make him jump off the Pyramid to its doom pretty easily - just step onboard one of the **"flying saucers"** conveniently located on both sides of the pyramid and waiting to save your ... (you guessed it!). You get a bonus of 500 points every time you do that too.



Another pretty annoying character is **the Critic** - a greenish fellow, who paints the cubes back to their original color in an obvious disapproval of Mr. Q's painting talent. You can get rid off the Critic for a while by jumping over him, but he will appear again at a later time. The more often you kill him, the more often he shall appear.

Let's move on to the **deadly rubies**. They are red, they are fast, and they are deadly. The deadly rubies drop onto the top of the Pyramid and randomly bounce down the cubes. They cannot follow Mr. Q like Snake can, but they come in large numbers, so you'd better pay attention. The bottom of the Pyramid is a dangerous place.



The **Nasty Jumping Buddies** enter Mr. Q's peaceful creative life from the uncharted territory below the Pyramid. As the name suggests, they are nasty and they can jump in all directions. So they jump up the pyramid and to avoid them you have to put some real effort into navigating Mr. Q across the Pyramid.

So many enemies and not a single friend? Mr. Q is a painter and not a politician, right?

Right. While Mr. Q. may be alone in his heroic adventures, he can actually control Time. How does he do it? By catching the **Hourglass**, which occasionally drops down from heaven. The Hourglass does a darned good job as a Guardian Angel, freezing all the other ill-minding characters on the Pyramid, so that Mr. Q can finish his painting job and move to the next level in his artistic achievements.



You will have to play it really hard in order to avoid all your enemies and paint the pyramid, so choose your path through the cubes wisely.

Completing Levels

Completing all the levels in Qubix and getting into the Hall of Fame is the main object of this game.

The game is divided into 14 levels and each level has 4 rounds. That makes 56 rounds that have all to be completed (and the pyramid fully painted). Each level has different rules for painting the pyramid – at the first two levels Mr. Q just paints the cubes by jumping on them, but the higher levels are more difficult to pass because Mr. Q can erase the already painted cubes. The higher through the levels you go, deadlier the rubies will be, faster the snake will become, and more critical the Critic will be.

At the beginning of each level you will see a small movie showing you the painting rules for the current level.

To complete a round you will have to paint all the cubes on the pyramid in the color, shown in the upper left-hand corner of the screen. When all the cubes are painted, you will progress to the next round. When you complete all the 4 rounds of a level, you will pass on to the next level. And when you complete all the 14 levels... well, it is you who must find out what happens then!

Points and Lives

Points

Achieving as big a score as possible will let you enter in the Hall of Fame for painting achievements. There are three ways to earn points in Qubix.

- 1) You earn points by simply painting the cubes on the level. Each time you jump on a non-painted cube you will receive a small amount of points, because in order to pass through the level you will have to paint it all. Please note: You will not lose points if you erase an already painted cube.
- 2) The second way to earn points is killing some of the creatures or catching the hourglass. Each time you kill the Critic you will be rewarded 300 points and if you kill the snake using the flying saucers – 500 points. But, be careful when catching the Critic – the more often you kill him, the more often he will reappear. The hourglass will bring you 100 points each time you catch it. (It stops the time also, so don't be greedy asking "Only a 100 points?!?").
- 3) After each successfully completed stage you will receive bonus points for the well done painting job. The bonus starts from 1000 points for the first level and increases with 250 points for every level thereafter.



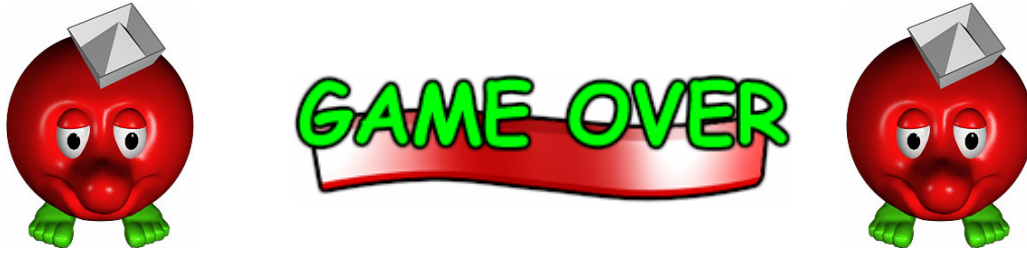
Lives

You start your game with 5 lives. Each time you fall down off the pyramid or get killed by some creature, you will lose one life and when you lose them all - you die. However, there is a way to receive an extra life. This happens when you reach a certain amount of points. You will receive an extra life when you reach your first 10 000 points, then 20 000 points, 35 000, 50 000, 65 000 and after that for each next 20 000 points you make.

Your lives are shown in the upper left-hand side of the screen. They are visualized as small figures of Mr. Q. For each life, there is a figure. When you have six lives and you gain a seventh one – it will not be visualized as a figure, but it will however be counted before you die. So if you have more than six lives and you want to know how many lives exactly you have – you will have to count them while playing. Don't lose the number of your lives – it is important for your strategy to know it.

Progressing through the levels and earning points are related in Qubix – you will receive more points when you paint more levels. Earning points by killing the critic or the snake is a little bit risky on the upper levels. If you use all your flying saucers it becomes very difficult for you to pass on the next level - the critic will appear more often and there will be no way to escape from the snake. Of course, playing risky will assure you more points for each level, but may cost you many lives. So, it's all up to you to find the perfect

balance between these two strategies in order to receive as many points as possible and pass through all the 56 rounds of the game.



GAME MENUS AND SCREENS

Accessing the Main Menu

For easier access to the Main Menu, there is a “menu” tab located at the right-hand side of the screen. Just tap anytime on it and you will get access to the menus of the game. When the “Menu” is open, the game will be automatically paused.

Game menus

The Main Menu of Qubix for Pocket PC consists of the following sub-menus: “Resume”, “Level”, “New”, “Help”, “Options”, “Hall Of Fame”, “Registration”, “About” and “Exit”.



Resume: When you entered the game menu, the game was automatically set on pause and the menu appeared on the screen. Tap on the “Resume” option to go back playing. When you get back to the game screen, the pause will still be “on” – tap anywhere on the screen to turn it off and continue playing. (Note: The “Close” button of the main menu



has the same function as “Resume”).

Level: Here you can choose the Starting Level for the game. For instance, if the Starting Level is set to “Level 2”, the next time you start a new game, it will begin straight out from level 2. The available starting levels are limited to the highest level you have been able to reach so far.

New: Tap here if you want to stop your current game and launch a new one.

Help: Here you will find the main information about how to play Qubix.

Hall Of Fame: In the “Hall Of Fame” screen you will find a listing of the best Qubix players along with their scores. Tap on the “Close” button to return to the game. If you want to reset the high-scores, tap on the “Reset” button and confirm that you want to erase the high-score list.

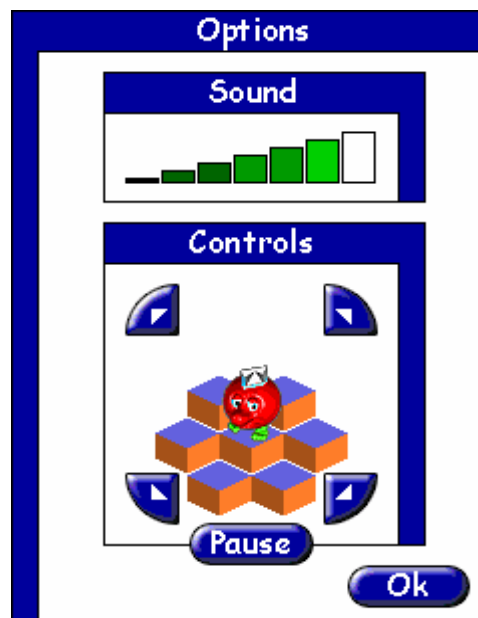
About: Here you can receive more information about the version of Qubix.

Exit: Exits Qubix.

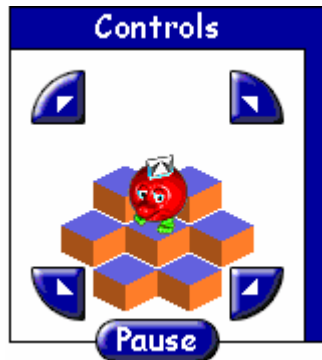
Options: Tap here to open the “Configuration” screen of Qubix.

The Configuration Screen

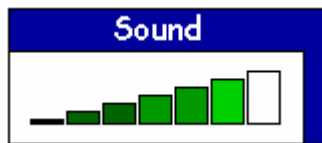
In the Configuration screen of Qubix you can adjust your button controls as well as the sound settings of the game.



Configuring the Button Controls: Just tap on a direction arrow and then press the Pocket PC button you want to use for that direction. You can set a button for the “Pause”, as well.



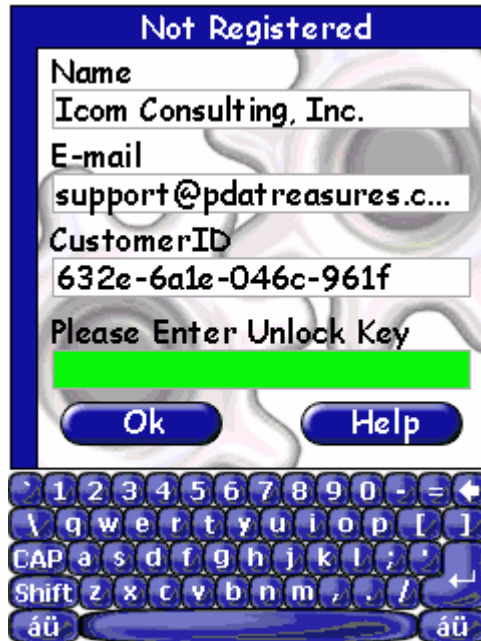
Configuring the Sound Settings: Use the “Sound Volume” bar to increase or decrease the volume of the sounds in the game. If the bar is set most on the left - there will be no sound during the game.



When you have configured your controls and sound, just tap on the “Ok” button to confirm the changes you have made.

The Registration Screen

To invoke the “Registration Screen” of Qubix you have to choose “Registration” from the main menu. The registration screen will appear and here you will find the information necessary for purchasing Qubix for Pocket PC:



Name: This section represents the “Name” from the “Owner Information” system screen of your Pocket PC.

E-mail: This section represents the “Email” from the “Owner Information” system screen of your Pocket PC.

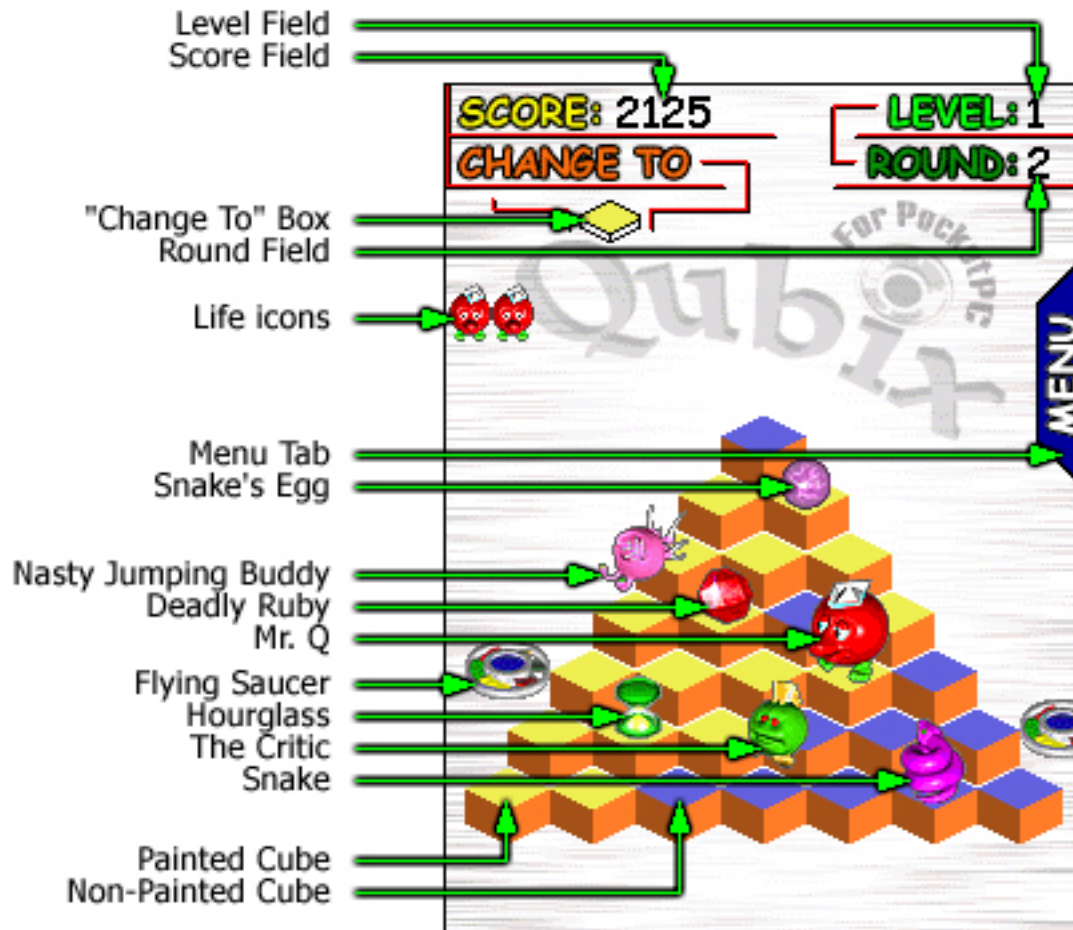
CustomerID: A unique customer identification code, which you will have to supply at the time of purchase.

Please Enter Unlock Key: In this field you will have to enter the unlock key, which you will receive via email after purchasing Qubix for Pocket PC.

Please note: The unregistered version of Qubix allows unrestricted play only in Level One (4 rounds). You must pay the license fee and register your copy to be able to play without any level restrictions.

Please note: After entering the unlock key, press the “OK” button and wait. The game will close and reopen again. The registration screen should now state “Registered”.

The Main Game Screen



This is the screen where you will pass most of your time while playing Qubix. On the main game screen there are several objects that will give you information about how the game is going on or will help you while playing. We have already mentioned about most of them, so here's a list with a small explanation for each one of the objects situated on the main game screen.

Level Field: This field shows the current level.

Round Field: Shows the current round.

Score Field: Shows the amount of points you have.

“Change To” Box: Shows what color the cubes should be painted on.

Mr. Q: Our Hero!

Flying Saucer: Use it to fly on the top of the pyramid and lure the snake to fall down.

Menu Tab: Tap on it to easily access the game menus.

Painted Cube: The cubes that you have already painted. You will have to paint all the cubes on the pyramid in order to complete the level.

Life Icons: Here you can see how many lives you have left. When you lose all your lives – the game is over. On the game screen there is a place for only 6 life icons. When you get more than six lives, they will be no more visualized as icons and you will have to count them manually.

Snake's Egg: This is where the Snake hatches from. It drops down from the top of the pyramid and when reaches its bottom – the Snake appears.

The Snake: A nasty enemy that follows you all over the pyramid. When the Snake catches Mr. Q, he will lose one of its lives.

The Critic: The Critic is always displeased with Mr. Q's painting job and it appears from the top of the pyramid to change the cubes' color.

Deadly Rubies: They appear on the top of the pyramid, falling down to its bottom. If they catch you – you will lose a life.

Nasty Jumping Buddies: They appear on the bottom of the pyramid and jump on it trying to catch Mr. Q. If they catch you – you will lose a life.

The Hourglass: Your only friend in the Mr. Q's heroic adventure. Catch the Hourglass and it will stop the time for you.

REGISTRATION

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You can easily purchase and register Qubix online at www.pdatreasures.com.

At the time of purchase you will be asked to supply your CustomerID in order for the sales transaction to complete and the "Unlock key" to be issued.

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5DiceCorsair

5DiceCorsair is inspired by the old dice game Generala (or General) played in bars, clubs, and ports of Puerto Rico and the whole Caribbean!

The objective of the game is to roll the five dice and choose the hand category (e.g. three of a kind, 1's, 2's etc.) that will yield you the most points. Each of the fifteen possible hands can only be used once. The game is over when all fifteen categories have been used.



“Quick” list of the game features:

I New and original game rules – your strategy is now more important than your luck.

II Play against up to three human or computer generated opponents.



III Amazing High-Resolution color graphics getting you deeper into sea waters.

IV Cool Pirate Sounds.



V Feel the real corsair atmosphere and enter in the Hall Of Fame of the Mighty Corsairs...

VI ...try 5DiceCorsair and discover all of its secrets.



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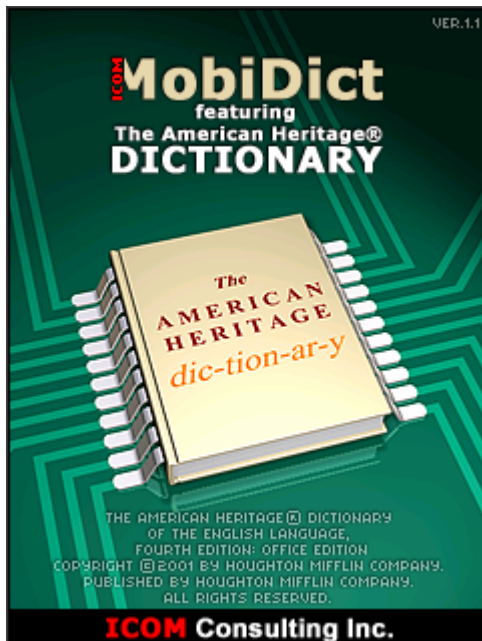


Key features:

- Unique password-matching mechanism completely automates the login process to all of your password-protected accounts (web banking, web e-mail, any web site, password-protected documents, login screens of different software programs on your PC, etc.)
- A state-of-the-art strong-password generator included at no additional cost. Multiple-level encryption (up to five levels, with 128-bit encryption at each level) using different passwords and with the option of using different encryption algorithms for each level.
- Password protection for the whole database, groups of accounts, and individual accounts with different passwords and encryption algorithms
- Up to 30-character (!) password support. Your personal information is only stored in a heavily encrypted secure database on your own PDA (not on any of the PCs you connect to).
- The PC software acts to automatically match your login names/passwords to the Login screens where you use them and to manipulate the Pocket PC secure database from the desktop in real time.
- Your bookmarks can be imported from your browser (Internet Explorer and Netscape are supported), protected, and used automatically from within MobiPassword.
- You can legally install the included desktop software on your work, home, and notebook PCs, thus automatically using the same secure personal information database at work, at home, and on the road.



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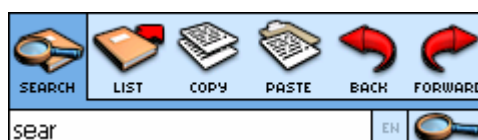


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- The **fast and easy-to-use search engine** is especially optimized for fast searches into heavily compressed dictionary databases for Pocket PC.



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We hope you will enjoy playing it!

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