TROLL'S TALE



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By selecting Troll's TaleTM, you are providing your child with a quality learning experience. No help or supervision on your part is needed if your child can read at third grade level. The vocabulary is controlled, the instructions are on the disk, and no typing skills are required. The entire game is played with the space bar and return or enter key. In the game, a wicked troll has stolen 16 treasures from the Dwarf King. The player must find the treasures and return them to the king. From time to time the player encounters the troll on guard. The player must then leave the scene and return to the search later when the troll has gone.

Troll's Tale is designed to help your child develop reading comprehension skills. These skills include identifying details, making inferences, predicting outcomes, and drawing conclusions.

The process of recalling stated facts, or identifying details, involves having your child pay attention to important details, remembering them, and relating them to the larger ideas of the author. Places where the treasures are hidden would fall into this category.

Making inferences is the ability to see implied ideas for which there is substantiating evidence and acting upon those ideas. When your child ascertains that certain actions involve magic movement and, (even though it has not been explained in the text) that care must be taken in the choices made, your child is demonstrating the ability to draw inferences.

Predicting outcomes is a skill wherein your child takes all the factors seen in the game up to a certain point and is able to make a needed selection. When approaching a magical ring, after already having experience with magic in the game, the player must be able to see what the consequences of an action might be. When your child does this successfully, the skill of predicting outcomes is being demonstrated.

To draw conclusions, your child must understand the relationship between the details and identify the central idea of the story. When your child understands the concept of looking for the treasures he or she is drawing conclusions about his or her role in the game.

It generally takes a long time for children to develop skill in mapping a region. They need lots of practice. To give your child a head start, we have enclosed a large outline map of the troll's territory. Your child can map the journey by labeling the circles (with words or drawings) and adding lines to connect them. Each time a treasure is found, your child can mark the location with a peel-off sticker. In addition, the compass decal will serve as a direction guide throughout the game. Simply peel it off and place it on the monitor near the screen.

Encourage your child to use the map and treasure stickers as an aid to remembering where he or she has been in the game. On subsequent adventures, encourage your child to make his or her own map. In this way map making, directionality, and note taking skills are increased.

APPLE LOADING INSTRUCTIONS

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INTEGER APPLE WITH APPLESOFT LANGUAGE CARD

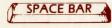
- 1. Insert DOS 3.3 Systems Master, label side up, into the drive and close the door.
- 2. Turn on power to the computer and monitor.
- Remove the DOS Systems Master and insert Troll's Tale disk into the drive and close the door.
- 4. Type FP, press RETURN.
- 5. Type RUN HELLO, press RETURN.

APPLE II+, IIe, IIc

- 1. Insert the disk, label side up into the drive and close the door.
- 2. Turn on power to the computer and monitor.
- 3. Apple IIe and IIc users must have the Caps Lock on for the program to operate.

COMMANDS

To move the cursor press



To enter a choice press



To turn the sound ON or OFF press



(at the same time)

To find out how many treasures have been found press



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