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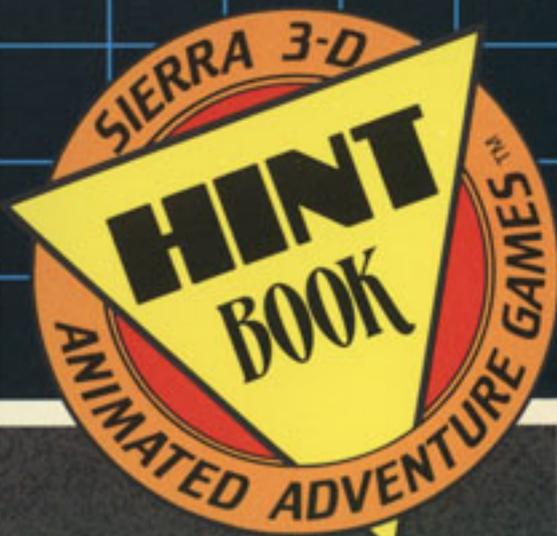
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THE PERFECT GAME ACCESSORY





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HINT BOOK

Introduction

Welcome to the world of *The Black Cauldron*!

I hope you are having as much fun playing it as all of us had creating it. As the game's head designer and programmer, you would think I'd know everything there is to know about *The Black Cauldron*. However, this game can be played in so many different ways, I'm sure players will be discovering new solutions to its puzzles for quite some time. I've tried to make this book all inclusive, but if you discover a different question, feel free to contact Sierra at (209) 683-8989.

How to use a hint book

The whole point of playing *The Black Cauldron* is to discover the puzzles and then solve them. However, this might be the first adventure game you've ever played, or, we may have made some puzzles so well hidden (or so obtuse) that you don't even know where to begin. Hence, this hint book. When you get stumped, just look for the question that is closest to your problem. Use your answer card to uncover the answers in sequence by placing the red window over the answer you wish to read. Hints progress from mildly helpful hints, to strong clues, to here's the solution. It's best to read them individually, and in sequence. Be sure to read only those hints you really need.

How NOT to use a hint book

Do *not* indiscriminately scan through the book reading hint after hint. Read only those hints pertaining to your problem. Don't think that every question in here is real: along with the legitimate questions, there are many fakes. Just because I mention a snake in a question near one that you're reading doesn't mean that snakes are important in this game, or even that you'll find a snake anywhere in the game.

If you've finished *The Black Cauldron*

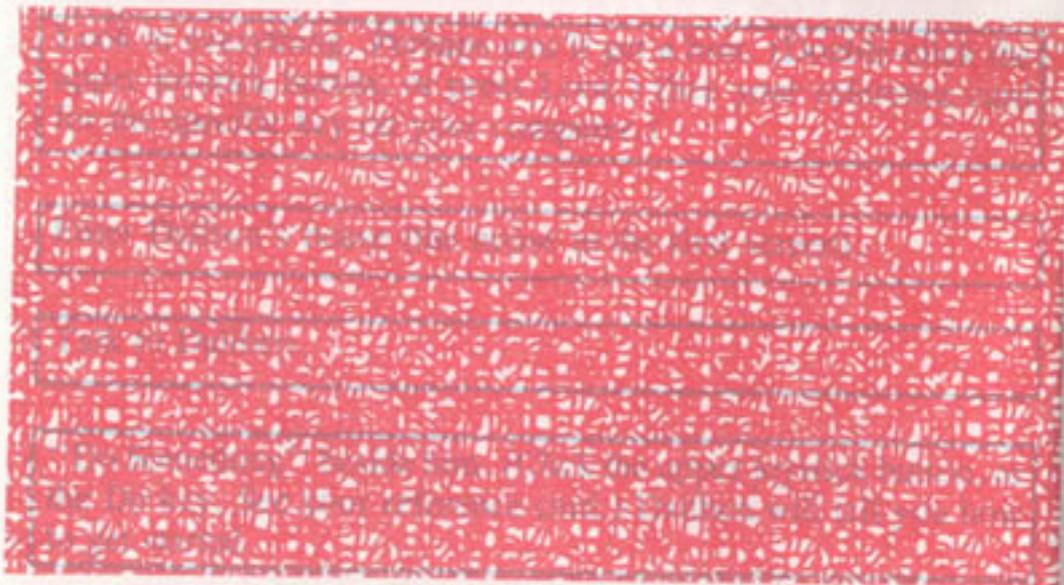
Even after you've "won" the game, I'm sure we can interest you in playing again. If your score is less than the maximum, start again from the very beginning, and try to find another solution to each of the major puzzles. To help you along, I've included a section at the very end of this book called "After The End of the Game." *But, be very cautious* using that section, it will ruin the game if you use it too soon!

If you enjoyed this game, be sure to play the other animated adventure games from Sierra: *King's Quest*, *King's Quest II: Romancing the Throne*, *King's Quest III: to Heir is Human* and *Space Quest*. They are similar to *The Black Cauldron*, but more advanced. Good luck in your adventuring, and here's hoping you enjoy *The Black Cauldron*!

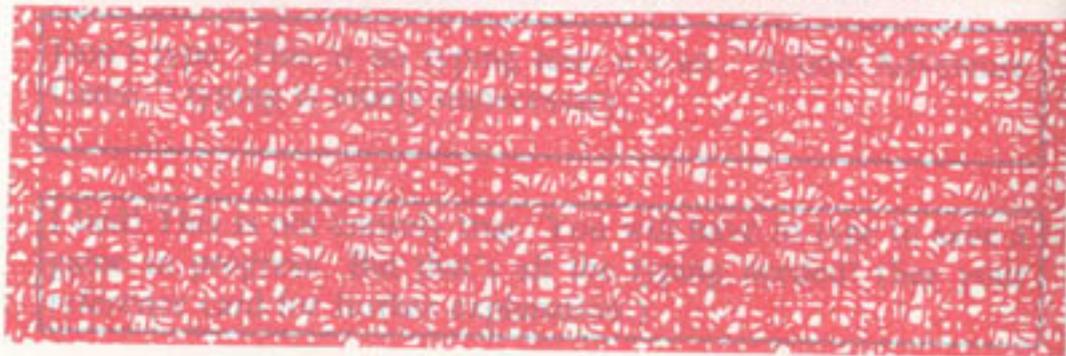
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General Questions

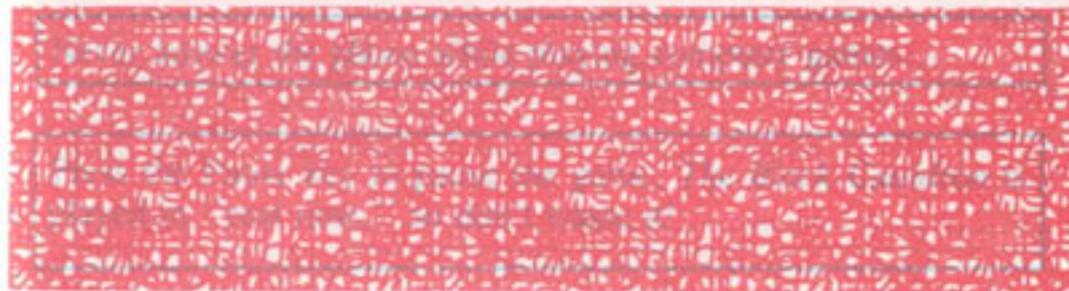
All I do is wander around! There must be more to (adventure game) life than this?!



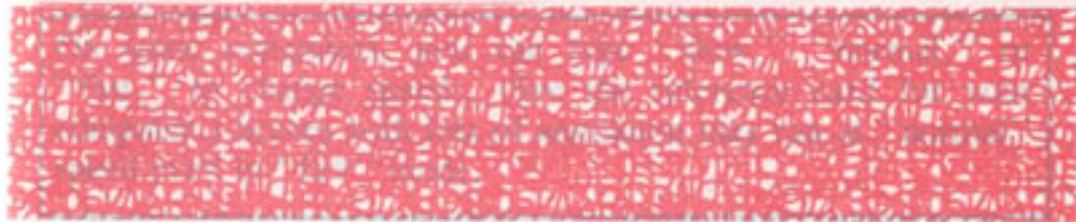
No matter what I type, all I get is "I don't understand that."



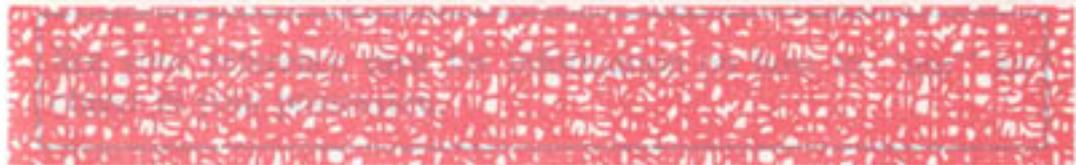
I answered the phone and when I hung up, Taran had died from lack of water!



This game is too fast! This game is too slow!



I've found some objects, now how do I use them?



General Questions

All I do is wander around! There must be more to (adventure game) life than this?!

Look at everything. Perhaps you'll get a hint. (Double-click the upper joystick button, or press Look.) (See your reference card for the specific key on your computer.)

Enter Dallben's house (the house in the first screen).

Talk to Dallben.

"Do Something" beside him. (Click the upper joystick button, or the Do key. See your reference card.) Dallben will tell you how to get started.

No matter what I type, all I get is "I don't understand that."

Don't type. This is no typing test, it's an "Action Adventure Game;" typing is totally unnecessary.

I lied! This is not entirely true. You will have to type to save a game in progress. But that's all the typing needed! (See your reference card for further explanation.)

I answered the phone and when I hung up, Tarzn had died from lack of water!

Never answer the phone while playing computer games.

Press the Pause key to pause the game. *The Black Cauldron* is played in "real time," so don't waste it!

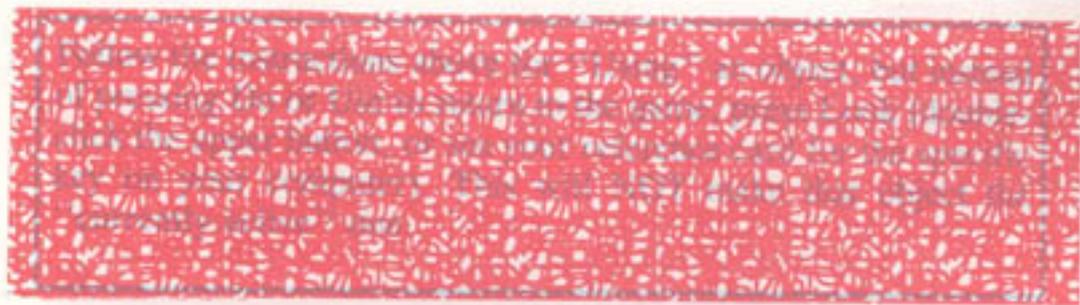
THE GAME IS ON! THIS GAME IS ON! THIS GAME IS ON!

On some computers, you can type "slow," "normal," or "fast," to change speeds. (See the reference card for your computer.) Scenes with lots of animation may run at "normal" speed even in "fast" mode.

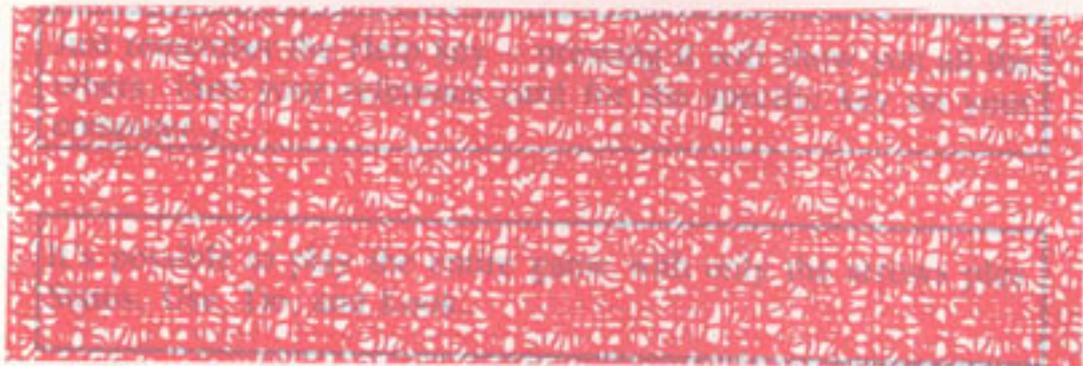
I've found some objects, now how do I use them?

See your reference card for information on how to "use" an object in your possession.

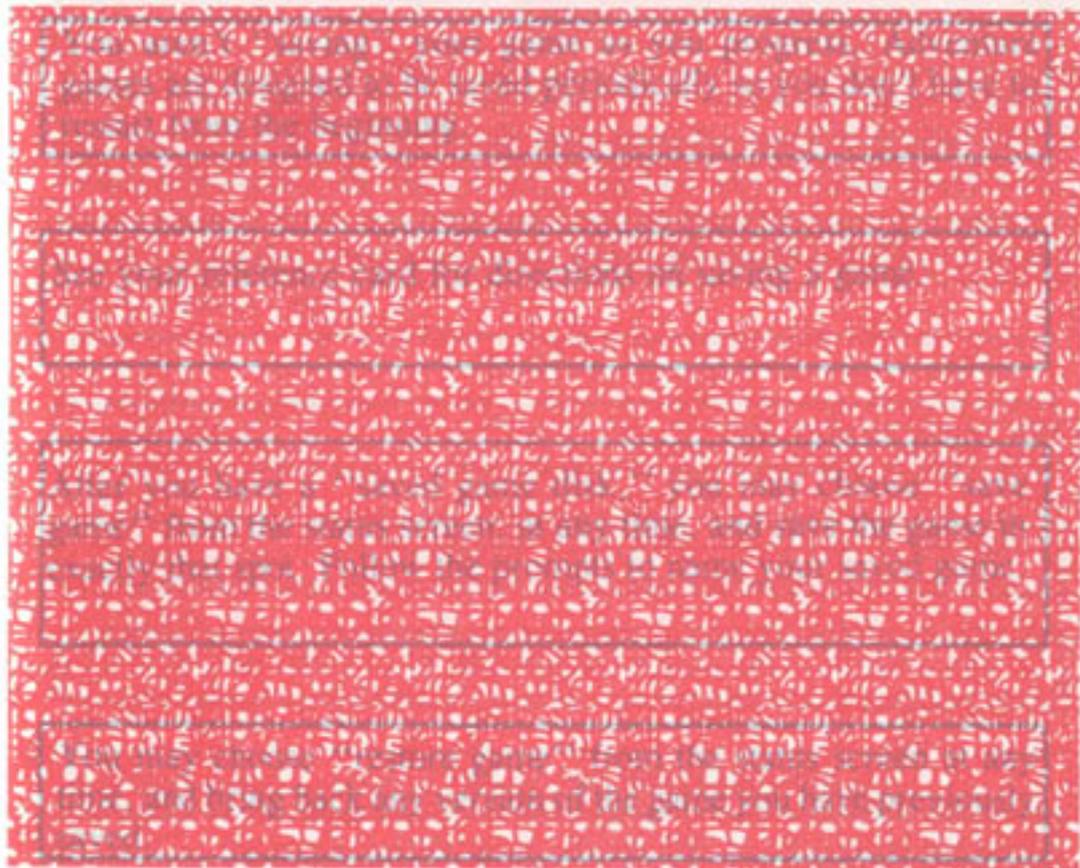
How do I "see" what these objects look like?



I can't remember all those keys!



I keep "failing in my quest" and have to start all over again from the beginning of the game? What am I doing wrong?



How do I "see" what these objects look like?

Follow the instructions above for "Using" an object, but instead of pressing Do or Use to return to the game, press Look (double-click the upper button, or see your reference card for the specific key on your computer). This will NOT make that object the "currently active" one.

I can't remember all those keys!

Just remember the Help key -- pressing it will show you all the others. (See your reference card for the specific key on your computer.)

It's possible to play the entire game with only the arrows plus Status, Use, Do, and Look.

I keep "failing in my quest" and have to start all over again from the beginning of the game? What am I doing wrong?

You aren't "saving" your game as you progress. Adventure games are designed to be saved periodically so you don't have to restart from the beginning.

See your reference card for directions on saving a game.

After you have a "saved game disk," you may choose "save game" from the status screen, at any time, and save the game in exactly that spot. Follow the prompts to name your saved game.

You may choose "restore game" from the status screen at any time, and bring back any version of the game you have previously saved.

Around Caer Dallben

How do I do what Dallben told me to do?

Handwriting practice area with red patterned background and horizontal lines.

Why does the goat keep butting me?

Handwriting practice area with red patterned background and horizontal lines.

Once I start the goat flying, how do I land?

Handwriting practice area with red patterned background and horizontal lines.

This just proves that even Dal of Dal's don't believe a tale
anymore.

This just proves that even Dal's don't believe a tale
anymore. First, how do you make promises that do to read him
and, secondly, like Dal, even a big Dal's don't one could will
be a story. Even a seemingly logical question may be wrong.
Now raise your hand and repeat after me: I will not look at him
to question I don't.

Why is there a footbridge, when I can walk right through the
water?

To keep your feet dry.

To help Dal's don't cross the water.

Perhaps there's a man in the bridge that makes the eye.

There's a magic foot wadler under the bridge. You can
only see it if you're standing in the water on the east side of the
bridge. With the magic foot wadler, you'll never go hungry
again.

Around Caer Dallben

How do I do what Dallben told me to do?

Look for food around Caer Dallben.

Use the pot of gruel hanging over the fireplace. Or:

Use the dried corn in the leanto behind Dallben's house.

Why does the goat keep biting me?

He wants to play tag.

I thought it was a cute animation sequence.

In other words -- no reason!

Once I start the goat flying, how do I land?

Congratulations! You fell for the first phony question!

Why are you reading this? There is no possible way to make the goat fly!

This just proves that even *lots* of hints don't validate a fake question.

This just proves that even *long* hints don't validate a fake question. From now on, you must promise me not to read hints indiscriminately like this. Even a big hint like this one could well be a phony. Even a seemingly logical question may be wrong. Now raise your hand and repeat after me: I will not look at hints to questions I don't...

Why is there a footbridge, when I can walk right through the gate?

To keep your feet dry.

To help Hen Wen cross the water.

Perhaps there's more to the bridge than meets the eye.

There is a magic food wallet hidden under the bridge. You can only see it if you're standing in the water on the east side of the bridge. With the magic food wallet, you'll never go hungry again!

What do I do with Gurgi?

You could be friendly.

Do what he asks.

Give him some food.

He likes apples and he likes the forest.

Gurgi won't appear if Hen Wen is with you.

How do I fix the gate to Hen Wen's pen?

You might see a hammer and some nails.

There is no hammer, and no nails to fix the gate.

Is there, you say?

I keep losing Hen Wen. How do I keep her with me?

If you have the pig leash, go to the piggery.

Don't worry. Pigs don't like water.

Go across the water by leading Hen across the scumbridge.

Don't change weapons while Hen is far from you.

Why are you residing here? There's no pig leash in this giste!

The gwythaint caught Hen Wen; now what?

Don't despair, just make your way to the Heroed King's castle and rescue her.

See "Inside the Heroed King's saddle!" and "On the Grounds of the King."

What do I do with Gurgi?

You could be friendly.

Do what he asks.

Give him some food.

He likes apples and cookies the best.

Gurgi won't appear if Hen Wen is with you.

How do I fix the gate to Hen Wen's pen?

You might use a hammer and some nails.

There is no hammer, and no nails in this game.

In short, you can't.

I keep losing Hen Wen. How do I keep her with me?

If you have the pig leash, go to * below.

Don't swim. Pigs don't like water.

Go around the water by leading Hen across the footbridge.

Don't change screens while Hen is far away from you.

Why are you reading this? There's no pig leash in this game!

How do I rescue Hen Wen?

Don't despair, just make your way to the Horned King's castle and rescue her.

See "Inside the Horned King's castle," and "On the Ground Floor."

The Hidden Cottage is appropriately named; it's certainly hidden from me!

Yes! I agree with hearing around the bush.

Love behind some bushes!

Go south from Hen with a pen. Short Hen with doesn't like water, like the mountains.

Go south again, then west, then west again in the Bush Maze. The Hidden Cottage is behind the bushes. To get through the Bush Maze.

Go behind the rocks, then behind the bush, not behind and east of the rocks.

Walk to the east end of the bush and head north until your feet are touching the large Spanish bush.

Then go west toward the center of the garden.

Morva Marsh

How do I get across the marsh?

There are two ways. Hen with me "baited".

Notice that there are snakes and rocks in the Marsh.

Some of them are poisonous.

Use the Die key to jump from rock to rock.

If you land in the quicksand, then turn face a different direction before you jump.

If you have the Fair Folk flying dust, use it anywhere in the Marsh. You can't see it at all, all over the Marsh.

What do I do with the Fair Folk flying dust?

It's

Always Nether Marsh.

The Hidden Cottage is appropriately named; it's certainly hidden from me!

You'd better *start* beating around the bush.

Look behind some bushes.

Go south from Hen Wen's pen. Since Hen Wen doesn't like water, use the footbridge.

Go south again, then west, then west again to the Bush Maze. The Hidden Cottage is behind the bushes. To get through the Bush Maze:

Go behind the rocks, then behind the bush just behind and east of the rocks.

Walk to the east end of the bush and head north until your feet are touching the large blueish bush.

Then go west toward the center of the screen.

Morva Marsh

How do I get across the marsh?

There are two hints. Hint #2 starts at *, below.

Notice that there are stones and rocks in the marsh.

Some of them are equidistant.

Use the Do key to jump from rock to rock.

If you land in the quicksand, next time face a different direction before you jump.

If you have the Fair Folk flying dust, use it anywhere in the Marsh. You can then fly at will, all over the Marsh.

What do I do with the Fair Folk flying dust?

Fly.

Across Morva Marsh.

Can you see the witches?

Do I have to jump in the cauldron to win the game.

No.

What are the warnings will about the cauldron.

Look for the cauldron in the Harried King's secret chamber.

Can you be able to get someone else to jump in it.

What do I do with the extra fairy dust?

You may want to make more than one island from.

How do I deal with the witches?

They are very interested in Magical Things.

The witches will spare your life if you give them the Magic Stone.

You must give the witch something of the greatest in order to get the Magic Cauldron.

If you give the witches your Magic Stone, they will give you the Magic Cauldron.

The Land of the Fair Folk

Where is the Land of the Fair Folk?

South of the Dathan.

Underground.

They live under the lake with the large waterfall.

How can I enter the Land of the Fair Folk?

There are two ways to enter. If you have not gotten Her Wren to safety yet, skip to the page next page.

To see the witches.

Do I have to jump in the cauldron to win the game?

No.

Wait, and someone will steal the cauldron.

Look for the cauldron in the Horned King's secret chamber.

You may be able to get someone else to jump in it.

What do I do with the extra fairy dust?

You may need to make more than one round trip.

How do I deal with the witches?

They are very interested in Magical Things.

The witches will spare your life if you give them the Magic Mirror.

You must give the witches something quite precious in order to get the Black Cauldron.

If you give the witches your Magic Sword, they will give you the Black Cauldron.

The Land of the Fair Folk

Where is the Land of the Fair Folk?

South of Caer Dallben.

Underground.

They live under the lake with the large waterfall.

How can I enter the Land of the Fair Folk?

There are two ways to enter. If you have not gotten Hen Wen to safety yet, skip to * on the next page.

If you have the Main word, skip to it below.

If King Wen's wife

Pig tracks will appear beside the lake.

Stand beside the lake on the pig tracks, facing the lake.

Pray Do to jump. If you stand on the correct spot, you'll find the
a rock.

Keep jumping from rock to rock, until you reach the large rock on
the corner of the lake.

★ Notice the large rock beside the waterfall.

Stand near the rock and use the Magic Wand.

★ You'll see Red Fox, King Wen's wife, and King Wen's son.

King Eiddileg keeps sending me away!

Stand on the large rock beside the waterfall.

Use your wand.

You'll see the lake on the bank.

Getting to the Horned King's castle

How do I climb the rock pile?

Stand on the large rock beside the waterfall, facing the lake.

Use your wand.

You'll see the large rock pile beside the waterfall, beside the
waterfall.

Stand on the large rock on the corner of the lake, facing the
the large rock pile on the bank. There will be a waterfall
beside you.

If you have the Magic word, skip to ★ below.

If Hen Wen is safe:

Pig tracks will appear beside the lake.

Stand beside the lake on the pig tracks, facing the lake.

Press Do to jump; if you stood on the correct spot, you'll land on a rock.

Keep jumping from rock to rock, until you're on the large rock in the center of the lake.

Notice the large rock beside the waterfall.

Stand near the rock and Use the Magic Word.

You can't find the Fair Folk until Hen Wen is safe.

King Eideard keeps sending me away!

Consider what Fair Folk would appreciate.

They enjoy music.

Offer him the Lute or the Harp.

Getting to the Horned King's Castle

How do I climb the rock pile?

They are too smooth to climb. Look for a path to walk up.

To find the path:

Go behind the pile of boulders on the lower right edge of the screen.

Move almost to the right edge of the screen; look for the "V" in the next row of rocks to the north. Taran will be completely behind a rock.

On the way, I saw many birds and trees. I was very happy.

As I was going, I saw a big bird. It was very big and it was flying very fast.

I was very happy to see it. I was very happy to see it.

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How can I get Hen Wen to go with me up the rocks?

Hen Wen is a very good bird. It is very smart.

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How do I get around the solid granite cliff?

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I keep falling off here!

I was very happy to see it. I was very happy to see it.

Why doesn't my flying dust work right?

I was very happy to see it. I was very happy to see it.

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At the "V," move north, then west; look for the "V" in the third row of rocks.

At that "V," go north, then west. Go north, then west once more. As Taran moves behind the left most boulder, turn north.

Keep going north as much as possible, then go east to the top-center of the rock pile.

Go north towards the dead twisted tree in the top-center of the screen.

How can I get Hen Wen to go with me up the rocks?

You can't.

There must be another way to get her to safety.

Anyway, why would you take Hen Wen toward the Horned King's castle?

How do I get around the solid granite cliff?

You can't get *around* it.

There is a tree far above you.

Dallben told you something might be useful.

Use the rope.

I keep falling off here!

To negotiate the rope, use the corners of your joystick, or the diagonal movement keys. (See your reference card for the specific keys on your computer.)

Why doesn't my flying disc work right?

It only works in certain places. This must not be the place.

Try Morva Marsh.

I've reached the end of my rope! Now what?

Don't panic! A rope is made of many fibers. It is possible to
cut through the fibers and climb by vertical movement.

Scrub the vertical surfaces by using the rope ends. Use

the rope ends to pull yourself up and down.

How can I untie the rope from the tree?

Use the rope to pull the knot loose. Use the rope to pull
the knot loose.

I'm climbing the (sheer rock) walls. But not very well!

Don't panic! Use the rope to pull yourself up.

Use the rope to pull yourself up. Use the rope to pull yourself up.

Use the rope to pull yourself up. Use the rope to pull yourself up.

I'm having trouble negotiating the bridges leading to the Horned King's castle.

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Around the Horned King's castle

How can I enter the castle?

Use the rope to pull yourself up. Use the rope to pull yourself up.

Use the rope to pull yourself up. Use the rope to pull yourself up.

I've reached the end of my rope! Now what?

You should be at the top of the vertical rock wall. It is possible to walk on the ledges, and climb the vertical surfaces.

Climb the vertical surfaces by simply moving onto them.

Get off the walls just by moving down onto a ledge.

How can I untie the rope from the tree?

You can't. Besides, you'll need it there, in case you ever have to return to Caer Dallben.

I'm climbing the (steeper rock) walls. But not very well!

Don't move off the sides or top of the walls.

Be sure you are squarely over a ledge before descending.

Watch the "natural" bridge. Do not touch the edge.

Typing "slow" may slow Taran down.

I'm having trouble negotiating the bridges leading to the Horned King's castle.

Sorry. It *is* tough at first. It will get easier with practice.

Make use of the diagonal movement keys. (See your reference card for the specific key on your computer.)

Typing "slow" may slow Taran down.

How can I enter the castle?

Two ways: across the moat by swimming through the alligators.
Or:

Go over the drawbridge.

How can I get across that moat?

Can you dig your way through the ground to get to the other side?

Can you fly over the moat?

Can you build a bridge over the moat?

Can you use a log to get across? Can you use a plank?

Can you use a rope to get across? Can you use a ladder?

Can you use a net to get across? Can you use a net to catch the water and use it to get across?

Can you use a net to catch the water and use it to get across?

Can I get across that drawbridge?

Can you use a net to catch the water and use it to get across?

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I can fly across the waterfall; now what?

Can you use a net to catch the water and use it to get across?

I'm climbing the (castle) walls. But not too well!

Can you use a net to catch the water and use it to get across?

Can you use a net to catch the water and use it to get across?

How can I get across that moat?

Notice that you and the alligators all swim at exactly the same speed.

Remember your trigonometry class.

OK, remember your geometry class.

So you don't know geometry or trigonometry! Just wait until the alligators are far apart, then swim between them.

The alligators must also be on the near side of the moat. Then, if you swim between them, they'll never catch you, since you all travel at the same speed!

Can I get across that drawbridge?

Yes.

Henchmen sometimes appear at the drawbridge, waiting to take supplies into the castle.

If you do happen to see a henchman here, move quickly to his wagon.

Jump into the wagon. He'll take you into the castle.

Once you're inside the castle, don't jump out too soon or he'll catch you.

If you jump out, it is possible to jump back into the wagon. Henchmen are not too bright; he'll probably be unable to figure out where you went!

I can fly across the waterfall, now what?

Oh no, you can't!

I'm climbing the (castle) walls. But not too well!

If you fall, you can swim out (if you're lucky enough to avoid landing near an alligator).

Don't let the rocks hit you.

Inside the Horned King's Castle

On the Upper Floor

What are the tapestries for?

So you have something to look at when you're bored.

Is the staircase negotiable?

Yes, it is.

What can I do on the balcony of the Horned King's throne room?

Well, you can see the king and his subjects when they're out there.

I'm on the throne room balcony and can see Hen Wen -- what do I do?

Well, you can talk to him.

How do I?

You must Do a jump to get onto the wall.

Don't touch the large, smooth stones in the wall. They're too slick to grasp.

I'm at the top of the wall, and don't know what to do.

Move to the upper-left corner and "Look."

Try cutting the vines.

Use the dagger you found in the trees by Caer Dallben.

Inside the Horned King's Castle

On the Upper Floor

What are the tapestries for?

You can hide behind them, if a henchman finds you.

Is the staircase negotiable?

Yes. Very carefully.

What can I do on the balcony of the Horned King's throne room?

You can overlook the throne room without being seen.

I'm on the throne room balcony and can see Hen Wen -- what do I do?

Are you sure you want to read this?

Save her!

Run to her and grab her before her vision is finished -- you'll break the spell -- then run like heck!

You must leap off the balcony first, of course.

Hen Wen has "told everything" to the Horned King! Now what?

Hen Wen can only hold out so long. Once her vision has started, or you've spent too long wandering around, she is forced to reveal the Cauldron's location.

The world is doomed. Better luck next time.

Croquet wants to "try out the Cauldron." What do I do?

Find the Horned King's skeleton army.

They're below the dungeon.

In the southeast corner.

On the Ground Floor

I'm in the throne room. Where is everybody?

Try entering from the balcony upstairs; they may appear.

How do I drink the wine from the casks?

Are you kidding? This is a *family* adventure game! (I've always assumed those casks are filled with skim milk anyway.)

How do I get out of the castle?

There are three ways: one is to jump off the parapet.

If you entered by scaling the wall by the moat, climb out where you came in.

Go over the drawbridge, if it is down.

Can I lower the drawbridge?

Sure. Just cut the chain that holds it up.

After I free the gwythaint from his perch, what next?

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After I free the gwythaint from his perch, what next?

I keep getting caught by the henchmen!

I keep getting caught by the henchmen!

I keep getting caught by the henchmen!

That cook reminds me of someone!

That cook reminds me of someone!

Dungeon

How do I get past the guard?

How do I get past the guard?

Help! I'm being held prisoner in the Horned King's dungeon!

Help! I'm being held prisoner in the Horned King's dungeon!

With your Magic Sword.

After I free the gwythaint from his perch, what next?

Call me and tell me how you did it.

Post no bills.

This space reserved for Infocom's graphics.

I keep getting caught by the henchmen.

Notice that the henchmen travel exactly as fast as you.

You can avoid them by just walking away.

Henchmen aren't highly intelligent. Hide behind something. They'll think you vanished into thin air, give up and leave.

You can use your Magic Sword to stun them.

They're no problem while they're stunned. But, be careful when they awaken!

That look reminds me of someone!

A certain game designer and programmer, of course.

Dungeon is a really scary world!

How do I get past the guard?

You don't.

...unless you have the Magic Sword.

Help! I'm being held prisoner in the Horned King's dungeon!

Look around.

Don't you ever watch any old gangster movies?

How could you attract attention to yourself?

Use the tin cup.

By the cell door.

Talk with the girl.

Follow Princess Eilonwy downstairs.

Walk into the open flagstone in the floor.

If the opening has closed, a Do will open it again.

How do I get out of the dungeon?

You must get past the guard at the end of the dungeon.

Having a Magic Sword helps a lot!

What is the significance of Fflewder Fflammi?

He's a nice harp player.

What do I do with Fflewder's instrument?

Find someone who loves music.

Someone with wings.

No, not the gwythaint!

Give it to the King of the Fair Folk, King Eiddileg.

Below the dungeon

How do I find the magic sword?

Keep your eye on Eilonwy's bauble.

Go to the northwest corner of the tunnels.

I've found the Horned King's Army of the Dead, but nothing happens.

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How can I escape from these tunnels?

Near the End of the Game

In the Horned King's Secret Chamber

I walk into the Secret Chamber and the Horned King is putting skeletons into the Cauldron. He sees me, and chases me out! This happens over and over again. What do I do now?

Look for another entrance you could use to sneak upon him.

It's in the dungeon outside Fledgling's cell.

Go through the grate on the east wall.

I jump to the floor, but the Horned King always chases me away!

Jump at the end of the walkway.

Or remember that what he does in the Horned King's

Secret Chamber is evil. The inner self must surely be frightened!

Show him the Magic Mirror.

Look through the hole in the back wall.

Move the stones, and enter the Burial Chamber.

The dead king is holding the ancient magic sword.

I've found the Horned King's Army of the Dead, but nothing happens.

They remain lifeless until the Horned King activates the Black Cauldron at the end of the game. See "At the End of the Game" section.

How can I escape from this tunnel?

Go to the center room of the south hallway.

Examine the gargoyle on the wall.

Turn the gargoyle.

Climb the ladder.

Near the End of the Game

In the Horned King's Secret Chamber

I walk into the Secret Chamber and the Horned King is pulling skeletons into the Cauldron. He sees me, and chases me out! This happens over and over again. What do I do now?

Look for another entrance you could use to sneak up on him.

It's in the dungeon outside Ffleddur's cell.

Go through the grate on the east wall.

I jump to the floor, but the Horned King always closes me away!

Jump at the *end* of the walkway.

Do something that would frighten even the Horned King.

Since he is *so* evil, his inner self must surely be frightening!

Show him the Magic Mirror.

Dealing with the Witches

I feel like something is wrong. No matter what I try to offer the witches, they give me the same thing.

I tried to give them the corn that was in the basket behind Dalibed's house.

I tried to give them the dried corn that was in the basket behind Dalibed's house.

After "The End" of the game

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Did you do this? Or did you do that?

Sample: What did you feed Hen Wen at the beginning of the game?

The dried corn that was in the basket behind Dalibed's house.

The dried corn that was in the basket behind Dalibed's house.

Did you make Gurgi your "Friend for Life?"

I did not make Gurgi my "Friend for Life."

How did you make friends with Gurgi?

I fed him the apple.

I fed him the apple.

How did you get to the Land of the Fair Folk?

After getting Hen Wen to safety, I leaped from stone to stone in the lake until I reached the large rock in the center of the lake.

I crossed the large rock beside the waterfall by using the Magic Word.

What Magic Word? You receive the Magic Word from the Fairy watchman (Gwystyl) when you get Hen Wen to the Hidden Cottage.

Dealing with the Witches

I feel like something is wrong. No matter what I try to offer the witches, they give me the same thing.

Patience is the key.

Don't Do or Use anything. Wait for them to make their best offer.

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Did you do this? Or did you do that?

Sample: What did you feed Hen Wen at the beginning of the game?

The gruel that was hanging in Dallben's fireplace.

The dried corn that was in the leanto behind Dallben's house.

Did you make Gurgi your "Friend for Life?"

(You can win the game either way, and each ending is different.)

How did you make friends with Gurgi?

I fed him the apple.

I fed him the cookies.

How did you get to the Land of the Fair Folk?

After getting Hen Wen to safety, I leaped from stone to stone in the lake until I reached the large rock in the center of the lake.

I lowered the large rock beside the waterfall by using the Magic Word.

What Magic Word? You receive the Magic Word from the Fairy watchman Gwystyl, when you get Hen Wen to the Hidden Cottage.

What did you give King Eiddileg in order to receive the Flying Dust?

The hair from the hole in the tree

Flavoured Eiddileg's hair

How did you get to the witches?

Took the magic Flying dust from the Fair Folk

Tricked them into giving it to me

How did you enter the castle?

I swam through the alligators in the moat, climbed the castle wall while avoiding the falling rocks and smooth stones, and used the dagger to cut away the vines covering the window. (Whew!)

I got a free ride by jumping into the wagon of the henchman waiting to cross the drawbridge.

How did you enter the tunnels below the dungeon?

Followed Princess Eilofwy through the hole in my cell door

I fell down the garbage chute behind the ward towers

I went through the trap door behind my cell door

How did you get Hen Wen to safety?

Took her to the Hidden Cottage

I hung her off the parapet over the moat

She left with Eilofwy, going through the hole in the rear wall of the Good King's burial chamber

She left alone, through the hole in the wall in the Good King's burial chamber

What did you give King Eddileg in order to receive the Flying Dust?

The lute from the hole in the tree.

Fflewddur Fflamm's harp.

How did you get to the witches?

I used the magic flying dust from the Fair Folk.

I jumped from stone to stone.

I swam through the alligators in the moat, climbed the castle wall while avoiding the falling rocks and smooth stones, and used the dagger to cut away the vines covering the window. (Whew!)

I got a free ride by jumping into the wagon of the henchman waiting to cross the drawbridge.

How did you reach the dungeon below the dunge on the roof?

I followed Princess Eilonwy through the hole in my cell floor.

I fell down the garbage chute behind the wine barrels.

I went through the trap door outside my cell door.

How did you get Heri Wen to safety?

I took her to the Hidden Cottage.

I threw her off the parapet, over the moat.

She left with Eilonwy, going through the hole in the rear wall of the Good King's burial chamber.

She left alone, through the hole in the wall in the Good King's burial chamber.

I took her across the drawbridge, after cutting the chain with my Magic Sword.

How did you free Fflewder Fflamm?

I untied the knots in his ropes.

I used the dungeon keys to release the locks holding him.

I sliced his ropes with my Magic Sword.

Did you also try:

using the key as soon as you found it? Did you use it twice while still near that tree?

winning the game without making Gurgi your "Friend for Life"?

forcing Gurgi anything other than the apples and cookies?

using the Flying Carpet in Mervin Marsh?

climbing into the Well at the top of the rock pile? Did you hang your head on the top of the castle wall?

treating the witches in Mervin Marsh by swinging your Magic Sword before you spoke to them?

showing the Magic Mirror to Gurgi?

swinging the Magic Sword near Dathin?

climbing into the Black Cauldron as soon as the witches gave it to you?

jumping into the Black Cauldron after the Horned King had it bubbling?

I took her across the drawbridge, after cutting the chain with my Magic Sword.

How did you free Kilewder Pflamm?

I untied the knots in his ropes.

I used the dungeon keys to release the locks holding him.

I sliced his ropes with my Magic Sword.

using the lute as soon as you found it? Did you use it twice while still near that tree?

finishing the game without making Gurgi your "Friend for Life?"

feeding Gurgi anything other than the apple and cookies?

using the Flying Dust in Morva Marsh?

bumping into the cliff at the top of the rock pile? Did you bump your head on the top of the castle wall?

threatening the witches in Morva Marsh by swinging your Magic Sword before you spoke to them?

showing the Magic Mirror to everyone?

swinging the Magic Sword near Dallben?

jumping into the Black Cauldron as soon as the witches gave it to you?

jumping into the Black Cauldron after the Horned King had it bubbling?

Points

How and where earned

Number of points

Creating Heron Wood	1
Reaching the Hidden Cottage	1
Getting Heron Wood to safety	20
Making Gargi your friend for life	10
Joining the Land of the Fair Folk	15
Giving King Haddock a suitable gift	10
Cracking Melva Marsh	10
Discovering the route through the rock yule	10
Completing the sheer rock face	10
Scaling the rock	0
Crossing the narrow bridges leading to the Horned King's castle	5
Entering the Horned King's castle	10
Discovering the area below the castle dungeon	5
Exploring the area below the dungeon	10
Finding the Great King's Burial Chamber	10
Getting the Magic Sword	5
Taking the Magic Sword out of the stone	10
Rescuing Eberhard Plumm	0
Traveling for the Black Cauldron	10
Jumping into the Black Cauldron in Starva Marsh	10
Jumping into the Cauldron during the Cauldron Party sequence	25
Having Gargi jump into the Cauldron to save your life	20
Showing the Magic Mirror to the Horned King	25
Waiting for the witch's final order	15

Maximum possible score is 250

Location of all objects

Objects

Where found

Where used

Apple	Dadben's fireplace	Heron Wood's Sun
Dried onion	found behind Dadben's	Heron Wood's Sun
	stove	
Resonance	Esberd's fireplace	the mirror you use to
	break the fireplace	take your clothes
Snow	Edwin's room	away from the
		witches to give it to
		Gargi
Wool	Dadben's fireplace	anywhere where you
		are not hungry
Water Bag	Dadben's fireplace	fill it with
		"small" water
Wine	any water source (ie. wells)	to use a griffin's help
	to get	the keys
Yule	given to you by Dadben	after rock wall
	following Heron Wood's	
	travels	
Yule	mentioned in the rock wall	after you
	is the only one you	give it to King
	possess of Dadben's	Esberd at the Fair
	house	Folk
Yule	in the Hidden Cottage	anywhere that
	night	you're at home
		with
		Heron
Yule	Horned King's dungeon	at any stage in your

Points

How and where earned

Number of points

Feeding Hen Wen	5
Finding the Hidden Cottage	4
Getting Hen Wen to safety	20
Making Gurgi your "Friend for Life"	10
Entering the Land of the Fair Folk	13
Giving King Eiddileg a suitable gift	10
Crossing Morva Marsh	15
Discovering the route through the rock pile	5
Conquering the sheer rock face	5
Scaling the rock	6
Crossing the narrow bridges leading to the Horned King's castle	5
Entering the Horned King's castle	18
Discovering the area below the castle dungeon	6
Entering the area below the dungeon	10
Finding the Good King's Burial Chamber	10
Getting the Magic Sword	8
Taking the Magic Sword out of the castle	13
Rescuing Fflewddur Fflamm	9
Trading for the Black Cauldron	18
Jumping into the Black Cauldron in Morva Marsh	10
Jumping into the Cauldron during the Cauldron-Born sequence	25
Having Gurgi jump into the Cauldron to save your life	20
Showing the Magic Mirror to the Horned King	25
Waiting for the witches' final offer	15

Maximum possible score is 230.

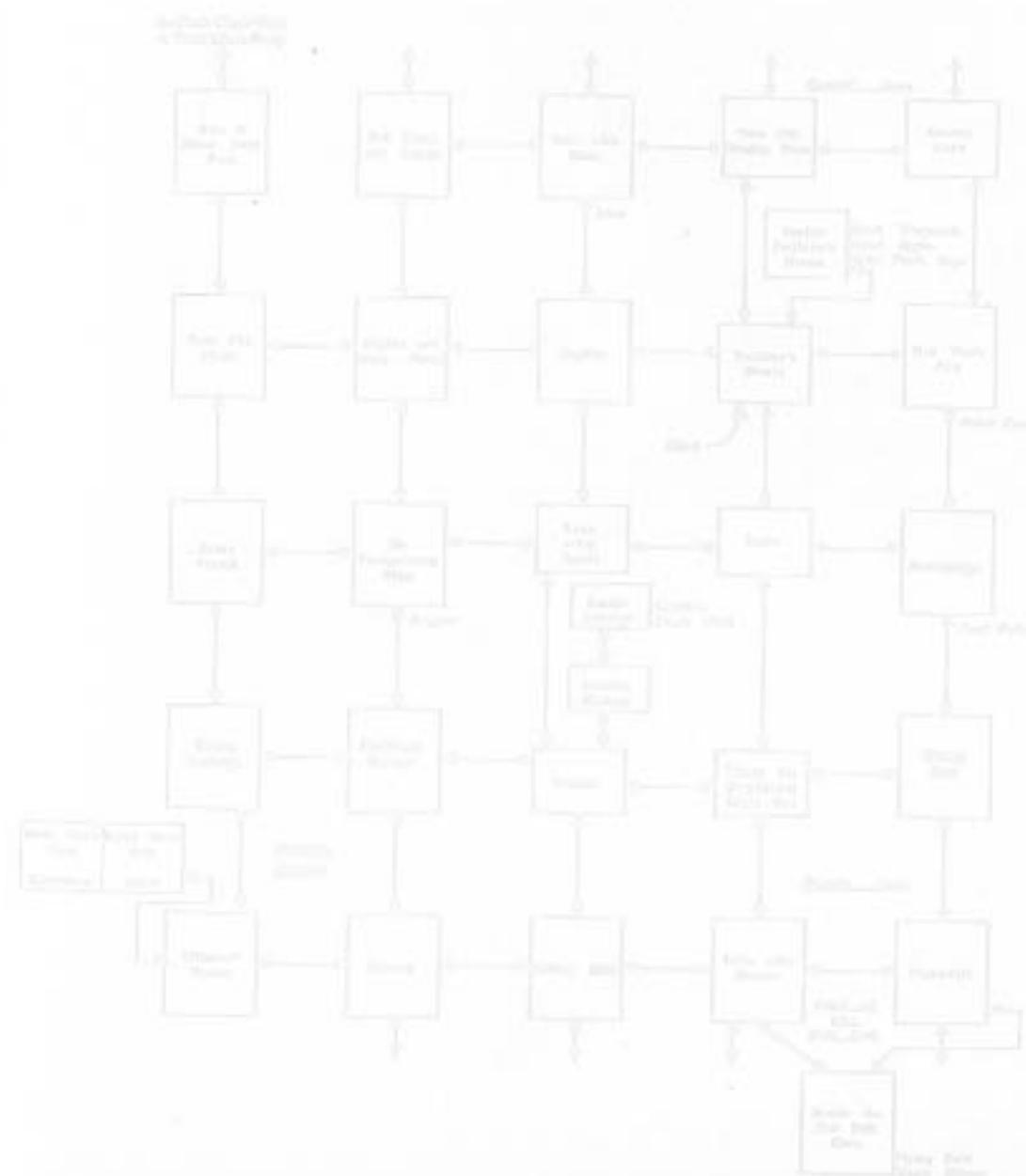
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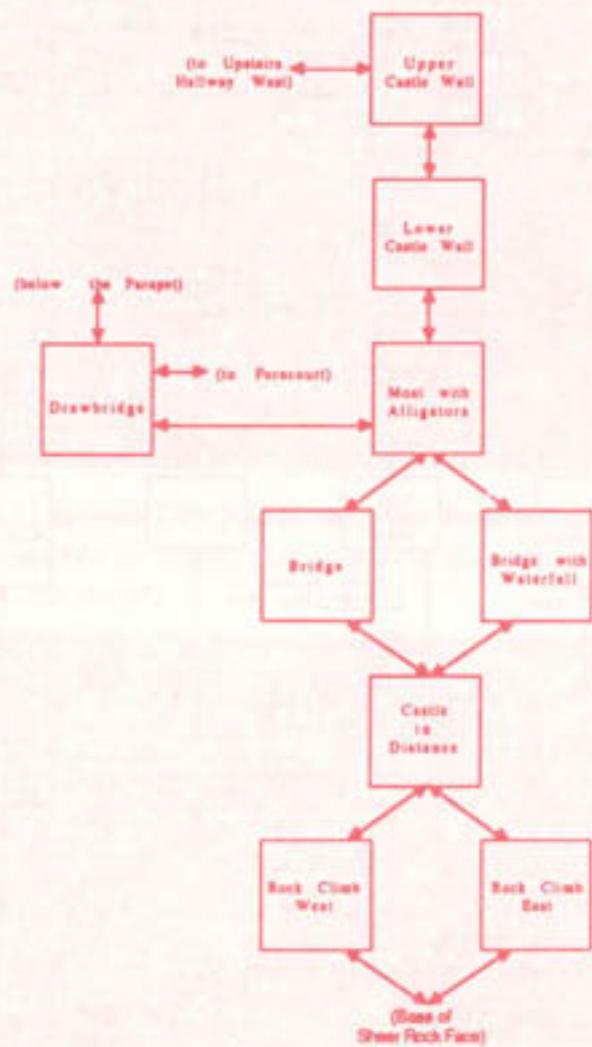
Object	Where found	Where used
Gruel	Dallben's fireplace	Hen Wen's pen
Dried corn	leanto behind Dallben's house	Hen Wen's pen
Knapsack	Dallben's cupboard (beside the fireplace)	throughout game to hold your objects
Apple	Dallben's cupboard	anywhere; eat it yourself or give it to Gurgi
Bread	Dallben's cupboard	anywhere; whenever you get hungry
Water flask	Dallben's cupboard	fill it at any "potable" water
Water	any water except the castle moat	drink it anytime you get thirsty
Rope	given to you by Dallben, following Hen Wen's vision	sheer rock wall
Dagger	southeast of the rock maze	castle wall
Lute	in the hole in the tree, northwest of Dallben's house	give it to King Eiddileg of the Fair Folk
Cookies	in the Hidden Cottage cupboard	anywhere; eat them yourself or give to Gurgi
Keys	Horned King's dungeon	at any dungeon lock

Harp	Ffewddur Fflamm's cell (in the Horned King's dungeon)	give it to King Eiddileg of the Fair Folk
Flying dust	given to you by King Eiddileg	Morva Marsh
Tin cup	Horned King's dungeon	rattle on cell door to summon Eilonwy lowers rock blocking Fair Folk cave
Magic Word	Hidden Cottage	
Magic Mirror	Fair Folk	use it throughout the game to reveal the inner self of the characters

(CAUTION! DO NOT read the following line unless you find it impossible to finish the game on the amount of food you can find on your own!)

Food wallet	under the footbridge (south of Hen Wen's pen)	anywhere; it solves your food problems forever, as it is always filled with food!
Book of Knowledge	witches at the end of the game	
Pot of gold	witches at the end of the game	
Warrior's shield	witches at the end of the game	
Invincible armor	witches at the end of the game	

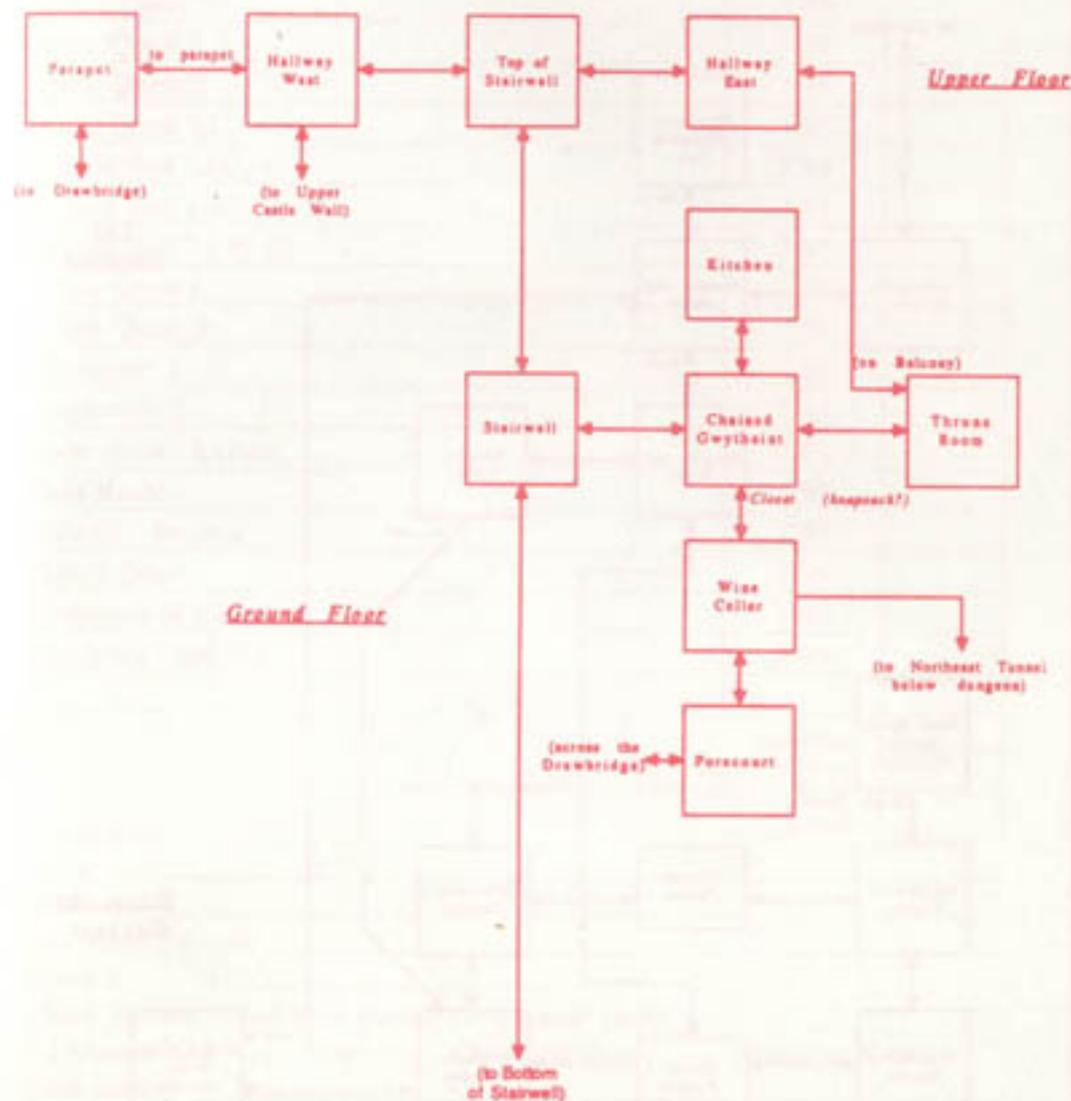




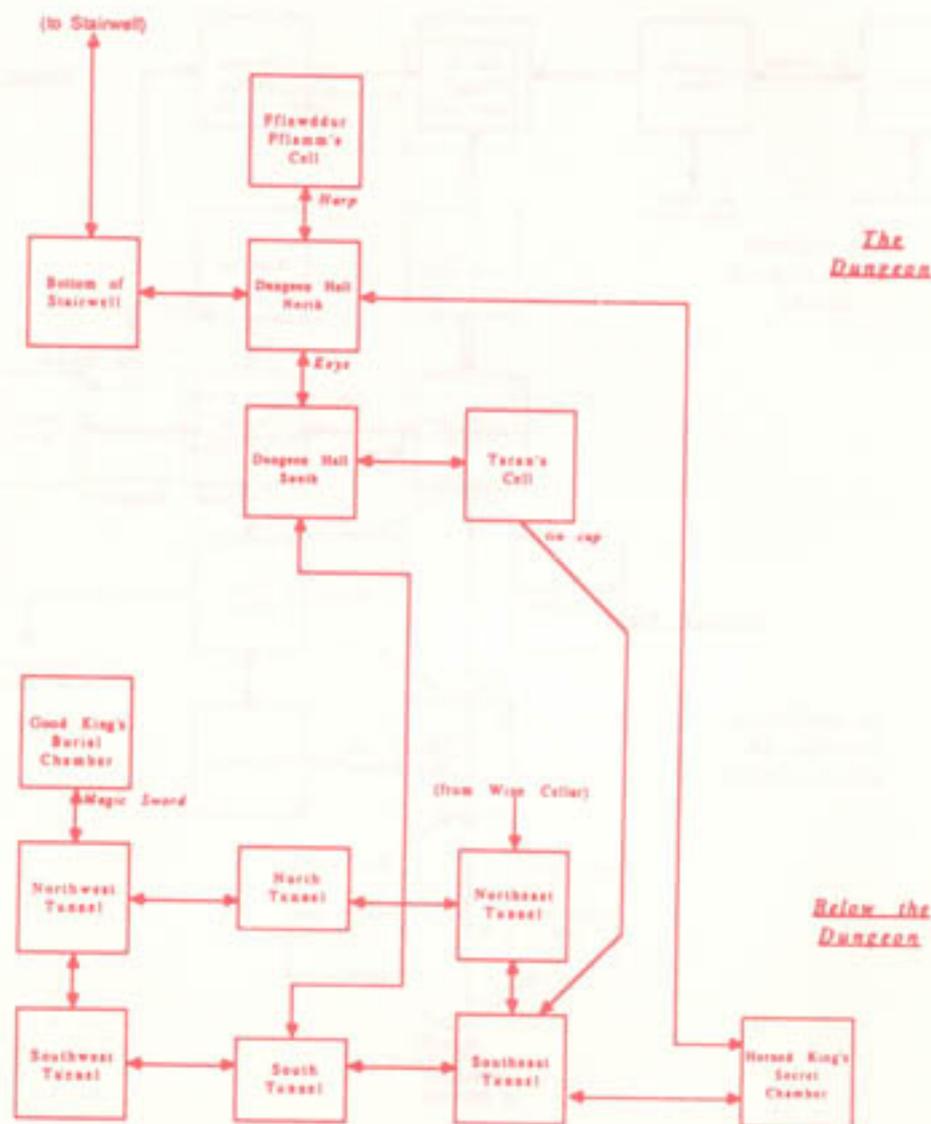
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