

SPECTEXT

The Spectrum

Word Processor

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The SPECTEXT suite actually consists of four programs. These are all recorded on **SIDE ONE** of the tape. They are:

“spectext”
“specfile”
“specmerge”
“printmod”

On **SIDE TWO** of the tape are the instructions for using the SPECTEXT programs. The instructions are in two parts:

“instruc1”
“instruc2”

The first step in using SPECTEXT is to print out the instructions. This can be done on the screen, ZX printer, or a full-sized printer, according to the facilities available. Although it is possible to use the Sinclair Interface 1, Kempston Microcentronics port or Hilderbay centronics port, SPECTEXT is set up initially to print out on the screen, ZX printer, or a printer using the Kempston Microcentronics interface.

To print out the instructions, proceed as follows:

1. Set up the Spectrum in the usual way.
2. Load the first program on **SIDE ONE** of the tape in the usual way, typing **'LOAD "spectext"'** (lower case) and **ENTER**. The SPECTEXT program will load and automatically start, displaying the main menu.
3. Turn the cassette to **SIDE TWO** and rewind it fully.
4. Select option **'2) Load text'** from the menu by pressing key **'2'**.
5. You will be asked for the name of the text file. Type **'instruc1'** (without the quotes) followed by **ENTER**, and confirm by pressing **'c'** followed by **ENTER**. When asked if you are using the microdrive, press **'n'** followed by **ENTER**.
6. Start the tape, set to play. When the file has loaded, the program will once again return to the main menu. Stop the tape at this stage, but do not rewind it.
7. **IF YOU ARE NOT PRINTING ON A FULL-SIZE PRINTER, GO TO STEP 8 BELOW.** If you are using a full-size printer with the Kempston port, select menu option (6), press **ENTER** in answer to the first three questions, and **'y'** followed by **ENTER** to the question about changing the print format. Now change the line length by typing the line length you require (not more than 165 characters at this stage), and pressing **ENTER** again. Finally, press **'z'** followed by **ENTER** to return to the main menu. Now select menu option (7) and engage the printer by typing **'yes'** (without the quotes) followed by **ENTER**. If, when printing, the printer tries to put all the text on the same line, stop by holding down **'z'** until the menu reappears, then return to option (7) and press **'f'** to add the extra linefeed character that your printer needs.
8. Select menu option **'3) Print text'**, followed by **'y'** and **ENTER** if you are using a printer, or **'n'** and **ENTER** if you want to print on the TV screen. Note that the first part of the instructions is quite long, and if you are using a ZX printer, you will need over 8 feet of listing paper! As initially set up, SPECTEXT will print out the text in pages that are 58 lines deep, with an inter-page gap of 11 lines. When printing is finished, the main menu will reappear.
9. After printing, select option **'6) Reorganize'** and answer **'y'** followed by **ENTER** to the first question, followed by **'yes'** and **ENTER** to empty the text file. Steps 4, 5, 6, and 8 should be repeated, using **'instruc2'** as the file name, to print out the second part of the instructions.

HELP!

If you have problems . . .

Just fill in the enclosed card, stamp and post it. We provide a quick (and free) advice/exchange service. If you bought this software from a shop, please don't take it back; *use the card*, but *keep your receipt*. **DON'T send the tape back at this stage**, it could delay our dealing with the problem.

IMPORTANT: this tape has been recorded to the highest possible technical standards, and the recording is unlikely to be faulty. If you have loading difficulties, by far the most probable cause is the cassette recorder. Even if the cassette recorder saves and loads your own programs, this is no guarantee that it is correctly adjusted. You are therefore strongly advised to try an alternative recorder before reporting difficulties to our Software Support service.