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# THE GAME

You are now the proud owner of the one and only REAL darts game around. 180 has 8 different opponents waiting to take you on, in a two player match for when your friends want to join in and a practice game to help you win when they do!

Against the computer you'll play in a Championship knockout (coming in at quarter final stage) and to carry off the tournament you have to beat three opponents. The game selects who you'll play and in what order at random each time so that every game is different. Regardless of which of the 8 characters appear and when, they will get better as you progress towards the final. Each of the players has his own style of play, with 'favourite' doubles and finishing techniques. Working this out early in a match can often help you win through.

The practice game, which we suggest you try out first, is there to help you become more skilful at throwing the darts. There is (very) little luck in 180. To win you need to have a good eye and complete mastery of the throw. Practice is against the clock. You have to hit each number in sequence, from 20 down to 1, in a limited time. Easy if it is not, but it is a lot of fun and it will develop your skills for the big match!

## 501 AND ALL THAT

The main game is "standard" matchplay darts, where the two players compete to see who can score 501 first, on a best out of three basis (called sets). You can throw at any part of the board you like (see diagram) but you must finish by hitting a double, ie. if you need 4 to win, you aim for double two, not single four. The bulls-eye in the centre of the board counts as "double 20" and is thus a legal finishing shot.

With the maximum possible score being the (Infamous) 180 (three treble 20 hits) it follows that the highest number you can finish from is 170 (two treble 20, bulls-eye) and there are "preferred" (ie. easier) ways to score most of the possible winning combinations before that. To save you having to work them out in the middle of a game, we list here one such set of "finishes". There are, of course, alternatives to many of the suggestions, how most of the professionals play it is shown in the diagram opposite.

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In real life, the players in a match take turns throwing first – it is called "having the darts" – and thus the advantage is shared equally between them. The player who throws first should also be first to go for the winning double, all else being equal. However, in 180 you will always get the darts first – don't waste them!

## **CONTROLLING THE THROW**

Push up to start "your" hand into motion. You'll notice very quickly that up, down, left and right don't work! Only diagonal movements are responded to. In order to simulate the difficulty of lining up and successfully hitting the dartboard from nearly eight feet away. Push **FIRE** to throw. The control system feels a little odd at first, but you'll soon get used to it. Practice will make (nearly) perfect – honest!

Play the tune-up game a few times!

## **SCREENING AND THROWING**

What you are taking your turn at the board, the screen shows the hand holding your dart, the board itself and the automatic blackboard. Make your three shots and the score is automatically chalked up for you. At the bottom of the board it shows your opponent's score, ie, how many more he needs to win. This is updated each turn.

Once you've played, the screen will switch to an animated sequence as your opponent tries to defeat you!

Just as in the real world, there is nothing you can do here except watch and weep as all your well laid plans are shot to pieces ....

## **THE MAGNIFICENT EIGHT**

So that you will know what, or who, to expect here is the list of experts you might be called upon to play against in 180. Depending on what stage of the competition you meet their rating could be anything from fantastic upwards, although some are always better than others and all play differently. But we're not going to tell you any more than that – there have to be some surprises in life after all:-

*Quarter and semi-finals*

Mega Mick, Belly Bill, Cribby Doc, Devious Dave, Sure Shot Sidney, Limp Wrist Larry, Tactical Ted.

*Final:* Jimmy Jim, World Champion and ace dart player. To beat him you have to be more than just amazing.

## **LOADING INSTRUCTIONS**

*Joystick only*

Press **PLAY** on cassette recorder. Hold down **START** button while switching on the computer. Press **RETURN**, program will now load.

**FINISHING COMBINATIONS**

| No. | GART   |     |       | No. | GART |        |     | No. | GART |     |        |
|-----|--------|-----|-------|-----|------|--------|-----|-----|------|-----|--------|
|     | WANTED | 1   | 2     |     | 3    | WANTED | 1   |     | 2    | 3   | WANTED |
| 130 | T20    | T18 | SMALL | 136 | T18  | T20    | D12 | 142 | T20  | D12 | D20    |
| 131 | T20    | T18 | SMALL | 137 | T19  | T18    | S20 | 143 | T20  | D12 | D20    |
| 132 | T20    | T18 | SMALL | 138 | T20  | T20    | S8  | 144 | T17  | S20 | S20    |
| 133 | T20    | T17 | SMALL | 139 | T20  | T18    | D18 | 145 | T20  | D18 | D18    |
| 134 | T20    | T20 | S20   | 140 | T20  | T18    | S18 | 146 | T20  | D18 | D18    |
| 135 | T20    | T20 | D18   | 141 | T20  | T19    | S8  | 147 | T20  | D18 | D18    |
| 136 | T19    | T20 | S20   | 142 | T20  | T18    | D12 | 148 | T19  | D18 | D20    |
| 137 | T20    | T20 | D18   | 143 | T12  | T20    | D18 | 149 | T20  | D14 | D18    |
| 138 | T20    | T18 | D18   | 144 | T20  | T18    | S8  | 150 | T20  | D14 | D18    |
| 139 | T18    | T20 | S20   | 145 | T17  | T20    | D18 | 151 | T19  | D18 | D18    |
| 140 | T20    | T19 | D18   | 146 | T20  | T20    | S8  | 152 | T17  | S20 | D18    |
| 141 | T20    | T20 | D18   | 147 | T20  | T17    | S8  | 153 | T20  | D18 | D18    |
| 142 | T17    | T20 | D17   | 148 | T19  | T10    | D18 | 154 | T17  | D18 | D20    |
| 143 | T20    | T18 | D18   | 149 | T19  | T20    | S8  | 155 | T20  | D20 | -      |
| 144 | T20    | T19 | D18   | 150 | T20  | T18    | S8  | 156 | T19  | D18 | D18    |
| 145 | T20    | T18 | S20   | 151 | T12  | T20    | D12 | 157 | T20  | D19 | -      |
| 146 | T20    | T17 | D18   | 152 | T18  | D18    | D18 | 158 | T19  | D20 | -      |
| 147 | T18    | T20 | D18   | 153 | T19  | T18    | S8  | 159 | T20  | D18 | -      |
| 148 | T18    | T20 | S20   | 154 | T20  | S20    | S20 | 160 | T19  | D19 | -      |
| 149 | T20    | T20 | D12   | 155 | T19  | T18    | D18 | 161 | T18  | D20 | -      |
| 150 | T17    | T20 | D18   | 156 | T20  | D18    | D20 | 162 | T19  | D18 | -      |
| 151 | T20    | T14 | S20   | 157 | T19  | S20    | S20 | 163 | T20  | D19 | -      |
| 152 | T18    | T20 | D12   | 158 | T20  | S20    | D18 | 164 | T17  | D20 | -      |
| 153 | T20    | T20 | D18   | 159 | T20  | D18    | D20 | 165 | T18  | D18 | -      |
| 154 | T20    | T11 | S20   | 160 | T20  | D14    | D20 | 166 | T19  | D18 | -      |

| GART |       |     | GART |     |     | GART |     |    | GART |       |    |
|------|-------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|-----|----|------|-------|----|
| No.  | 1     | 2   | No.  | 1   | 2   | No.  | 1   | 2  | No.  | 1     | 2  |
| 66   | T18   | S20 | 69   | T12 | D18 | 88   | D14 | 05 | 13   | S8    | 04 |
| 67   | T17   | D18 | 70   | T18 | D18 | 89   | T20 | 06 | 14   | 06    | -  |
| 68   | T18   | D18 | 71   | T18 | 08  | 90   | D18 | -  | 15   | S2    | 04 |
| 69   | T18   | S20 | 72   | S20 | S20 | 91   | S8  | 06 | 16   | 06    | -  |
| 70   | T20   | D12 | 73   | S8  | D20 | 92   | D17 | -  | 17   | 07    | 04 |
| 71   | T17   | D18 | 74   | S8  | D20 | 93   | S8  | 06 | 18   | 04    | -  |
| 72   | SMALL | D18 | 75   | S17 | S20 | 94   | D18 | -  | 19   | S8    | 02 |
| 73   | T18   | D12 | 76   | S18 | S20 | 95   | S15 | 08 | 20   | 05    | -  |
| 74   | T20   | D12 | 77   | S18 | S20 | 96   | D18 | -  | 21   | S1    | 02 |
| 75   | T18   | S20 | 78   | S18 | S20 | 97   | D18 | 08 | 22   | 02    | -  |
| 76   | T18   | D12 | 79   | S18 | S20 | 98   | D18 | -  | 23   | 07    | 01 |
| 77   | T18   | D18 | 80   | S20 | D18 | 99   | S10 | 08 | 24   | 07    | -  |
| 78   | T20   | S8  | 81   | S18 | D18 | 100  | D12 | -  | 25   | SMALL | -  |
| 79   | T17   | D18 | 82   | S18 | D18 | 101  | S8  | 08 | 26   | 04    | -  |
| 80   | T18   | S8  | 83   | S18 | D18 | 102  | S7  | 08 | 27   | 07    | -  |
| 81   | T18   | D12 | 84   | S18 | D18 | 103  | D11 | -  | 28   | 07    | -  |
| 82   | T17   | D18 | 85   | S18 | D18 | 104  | S8  | 08 | 29   | 07    | -  |
| 83   | T18   | S20 | 86   | S12 | D18 | 105  | D18 | -  | 30   | 07    | -  |
| 84   | T17   | D18 | 87   | S12 | D18 | 106  | S8  | 08 | 31   | 07    | -  |
| 85   | T20   | D4  | 88   | S17 | D18 | 107  | D18 | -  | 32   | 07    | -  |
| 86   | T17   | S8  | 89   | S18 | D18 | 108  | D18 | -  | 33   | 07    | -  |
| 87   | T18   | D18 | 90   | S18 | D18 | 109  | D18 | -  | 34   | 07    | -  |
| 88   | T18   | D18 | 91   | S8  | D18 | 110  | D18 | -  | 35   | 07    | -  |
| 89   | T18   | D4  | 92   | S20 | -   | 111  | D18 | -  | 36   | 07    | -  |
| 90   | T18   | S8  | 93   | S7  | D18 | 112  | D18 | -  | 37   | 07    | -  |

T = Trestle  
 D = Double  
 S = Single