

TRANSYLVANIATM

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This adventure game is set in Transylvania. The computer shows you where you are, what you see, and where you can go. You travel around and do things by giving the computer two-word commands, a noun and a verb, such as "Go North" or "Look Tree". Other useful verbs (but not all that can be used) are "Move", "Take", "Drop", and "Inventory". You should always inspect your surroundings closely, and try doing things with whatever you see. The computer shows you the result of your action and waits for your response. The object of Transylvania is to find and rescue the Princess Sabrina.

Make a Map

In wandering around Transylvania, you may find it useful to make a map that tells you which direction you went to get where. The paths are unkept and winding, so occasionally you'll follow a path in one direction, and twist around slightly so that the return path is in another direction. The pictures on the screen are drawn so that in each location you are facing north. East is to the right, west to the left, and south is behind you.

Vocabulary

Transylvania has a large vocabulary of words so you should be able to communicate quite well. If you happen to use a word which is not in the computer's vocabulary, you will be told so. If it's the noun, the response will be "I don't know that word." If it's the verb, the response will be "I don't know that command."

The computer only checks the first five letters of each word, so you can abbreviate commands like "Search Cemetery" as "Searc Cemet" if you want. Of course the longer form works fine also.

You can also abbreviate commands used to go in different directions. Instead of, for example, "Go North" you can use "North", or just "N". You can use N, S, E, W, U, and D, for North, South, East, West, Up, and Down, respectively. "Enter" and "Exit" also work as substitutes for "Go In" and "Go Out". "Inventory" or "Inven" is the way you find out what you are carrying for all versions except the Macintosh.