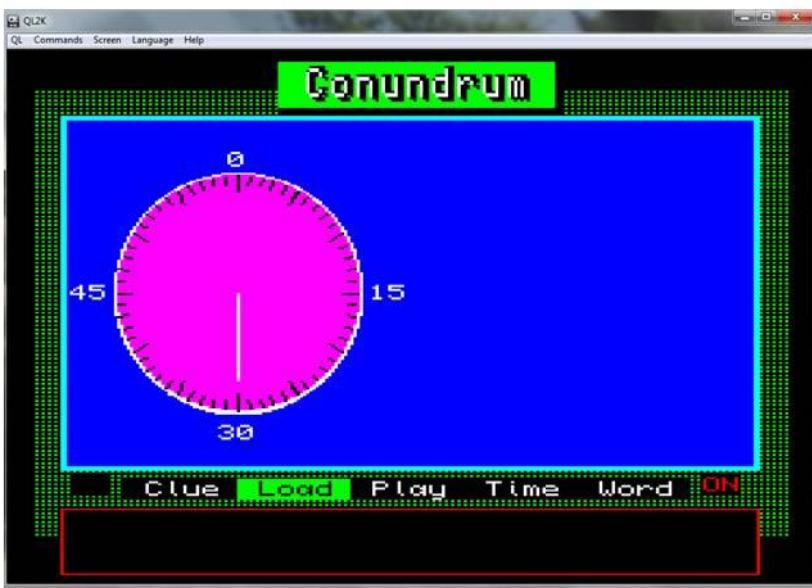


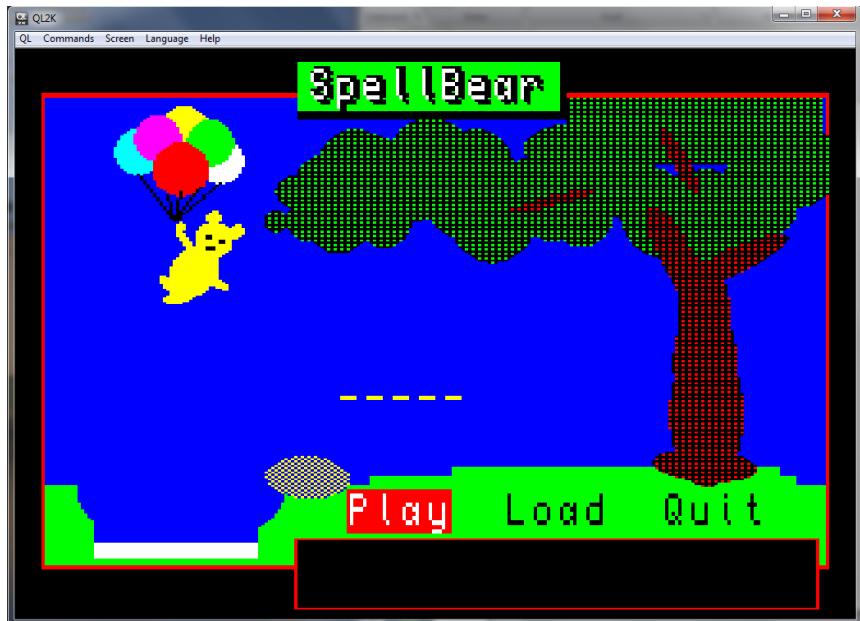
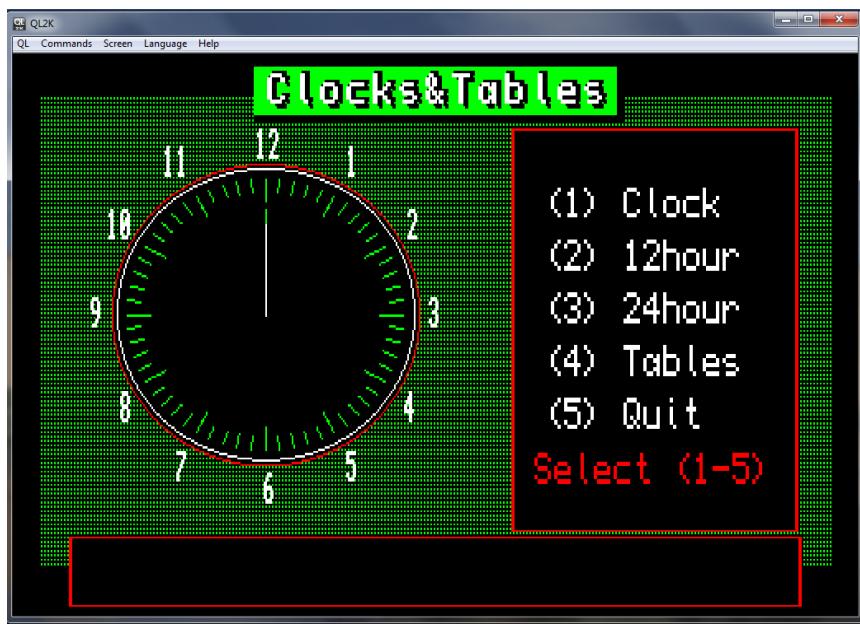


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### **QL Retro Gaming**

The QL design was aimed at the business world and as a gaming platform I fear in its short production life was always to reside in the shadow of the Spectrum. Not to say that a large number of games were developed by enthusiasts experimenting with the SuperBASIC interpreter my own included.

### **QBITS**

My contribution was a short list of programmes mostly written between 1987 and 1990. Becoming a member of QUANTA introduced me to shows and gatherings and in the early nineties I was persuaded to offer some of my games to other members under the banner of QBITS.

What follows are what I refer to as my early learning phase. That is to say being a father and having an interest in child education I set about writing a few simple programs to help them in that respect.

### **Clocks\_Tables**

Having just started infant's school, I spent some hours one Sunday morning with my daughter getting her to read different times from a cardboard clock face. Moving the hours and minutes hands presented no problem, she did well, but the second hand was something of a mystery.

I asked her what seconds were, several frowns and thoughtful expressions danced across her face. After a long pause, her face suddenly lit up. she replied, 'when its dinner time at school you sometimes get a second helping of pudding'.

Clocks was my attempt to help understanding the analogue clock face as opposed to that shown on a digital clock covering both twelve and twenty four hour cycles. Tables was as you'd expect simple arithmetic aimed at improving the learning and use of the times tables 1 to 12.

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### **SpellBear**

The origins of Hangman the word game are obscure, but mostly likely began in Victorian times. The word represented by a line of dashes for letters are guessed at and completed or Not as the case may be within so many turns. The Gallows with hanged man drawn in body parts each time a letter is incorrect. There are many variants a common alternative for a young child is to draw apples on a tree, removing them for each incorrect letter.

For me I chose a bear flying high holding a set of balloons. An incorrect letter and the bear floated earthwards losing his balloons eventually dropping into a pond of water.

### **Conundrum**

Wanting to take this to another level Conundrum was inspired by the popular UK TV program – Countdown, another game involving word play. The display was going to be somewhat obvious, a clock face with a countdown second hand, then a row of jumbled letters to be sorted into the correct order.

How was this to be done, it seemed logical for a second row to be set below with the same number of underlines to represent the missing letters. The player would then attempt to type in letters in the correct order before the clock countdown and so score maximum points. For scoring, two score lines one showing the accrued maximum points that could have been won, the other to show the player's accrued points.

An added option at this point was TIME to allow the increase or decrease of the countdown second hand. An adjustable variable used to create more tension dependent on an individual's ability.

It would be heavy going having constantly to change an embedded word list within the Conundrum program. So what was needed next was a method of expanding and developing future word lists for the Conundrum game.

The main requirement was going to be a line editor, one that would be capable of adding, inserting and deleting characters within a line of set length. At this point a further idea to expand to the capabilities of the Conundrum Game was to use word clues. Instead of showing the jumbled up letters, an option would be to replace them by coloured block. The Conundrum game would now have options to switch Clues and/or Word options On/Off.

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**Conundrum Options    Clue Load Play Time Word**

- Clue**    **Off/On** Default Off - Clue only shown if available.  
**Load**    Select drive and then Wrd\_filename from a list presented.  
**Play**    Activate a word, then play against countdown  
**Time**    **Default 30** seconds - allow countdown to be increased or decreased.  
**Word**    **On/Off** Default On - cannot turn Off unless clue turned On

## **QBWord\_Gen**

This accompanying program to Conundrum was the outcome in generating the necessary word and clue lists. A simple two column layout, typed in words on the left with any clue definitions to be placed on the right.

**QBWord\_Gen Options    New Edit Find Load Save**

### **New**

Maximum number of Words and Clues 96.  
Set out as 6 pages with 16 Words / Clues to a page  
Maximum Word length 15 characters  
Maximum Clues length 32 characters including spaces

### **Edit**

Edit the line editor. Tab between word and Clue, also up/down cursors to work within the page. To move along the edit line use of left/right cursors. Add to end of line, insert or delete a character within the line at the cursor position with any subsequent overspill being automatically deleted from end of line.

### **Find**

Select a page and any line within the page.

- Load**    Select drive device, then choose from Wrd\_filenames presented  
**Save**    Select drive device, then type name i.e. flp1\_Wrd\_**filename: Save**

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100 REMark Conundrum (QBITS □1992)

102 :

104 Init:Title:Clk\_Face:Menu

108 DEFine PROCedure Init

110 WTV:MODE 8

112 OPEN #3,scr\_480x230a16x4 :PAPER #3,32:CLS #3:CSIZE #3,2,0

114 OPEN #4,con\_444x32a34x220:PAPER #4,0:CLS #4:BORDER #4,1,2

116 OPEN #5,scr\_444x170a34x32:PAPER #5,1:CLS #5:BORDER #5,2,5

118 DIM Title\$(10),Command\$(30),key\$(16),str\$(36),k\$(1)

120 DIM Sort\$(16),Con1\$(16),Con2\$(16),DR\$(6,5),SDR\$(5)

122 INK #4,7:RESTORE :FOR i=1 TO 6:READ DR\$(i)

124 DATA 'mdv1\_','mdv2\_','flp1\_','flp2\_','ram1\_','ram2\_'

126 max\_score%=0:per\_score%=0:count%=0:D% =3:SDR\$=DR\$(3):key\$="-"

128 END DEFine

132 DEFine PROCedure Title

134 Title\$="Conundrum":BLOCK #3,480,15,0,0,

136 BLOCK #3,180,22,156,6,0:BLOCK #3,176,22,156,2,4

138 CSIZE #3,3,1:OVER #3,1

140 INK #3,0:FOR i=0 TO 3:CURSOR #3,176-i,2 :PRINT #3,Title\$

142 INK #3,0:FOR i=0 TO 3:CURSOR #3,176-i,5-i:PRINT #3,Title\$

144 INK #3,7:FOR i=0 TO 1:CURSOR #3,172+i,3 :PRINT #3,Title\$

146 CSIZE #3,2,0:OVER #3,0

148 END DEFine

152 DEFine PROCedure Clk\_Face

154 INK #5,7:FILL #5,1:CIRCLE #5,48,50,35:FILL #5,0

156 INK #5,3:FILL #5,1:CIRCLE #5,48,50,34:FILL #5,0

158 INK #5,0

160 FOR j=3 TO 5 STEP 2

162 FOR i=0 TO 360 STEP j\*12-30

164 x=34\*SIN(RAD(i)):y=34\*COS(RAD(i))

166 x1=(34-j)\*SIN(RAD(i)):y1=(34-j)\*COS(RAD(i))

168 xx=x+48:xx1=x1+48:yy=y+50:yy1=y1+50

170 LINE #5,xx,yy TO xx1,yy1

172 END FOR i

174 END FOR j

176 INK #5,7

178 CURSOR #5,100, 14:PRINT #5,'0'

180 CURSOR #5,190, 78:PRINT #5,'15'

182 CURSOR #5, 95,145:PRINT #5,'30'

184 CURSOR #5, 1, 78:PRINT #5,'45'

186 Time%=180:Sech%=180:Sec%=180:Countdown

188 END DEFine

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### 192 DEFine PROCedure Menu

```
194 STRIP #3,0:CSIZE #4,0,0:F=0:Clue%=0:Word%=1
196 Command$=' Clue Load Play Time Word '
198 REPeat Comm_lp
200 x=S*72+58:y=202:INK #3,7:CURSOR #3,58,y:PRINT #3,Command$:INK #3,0
202 STRIP #3,4:CURSOR #3,x,y:PRINT #3,Command$(S*6+1 TO S*6+6)
204 STRIP #3,0:CLS #4:Set_Word:Set_Clue
206 STRIP #3,0:INK #3,4:k$=INKEY$(#4,30):k=CODE(k$)
208 SElect ON k
210 =192:S=S-1:IF S<0:S=4
212 =200:S=S+1:IF S>4:S=0
214 = 27:MODE 4:STOP
216 = 10:SElect ON S
218 =0:IF Clue%=1 AND Word%=1:Clue%=0:ELSE Clue%=1
220 =1:Sel_Dev:CLS #4:S=2
222 =2:IF F:count%=count%+1:Play:Score:ELSE S=1
224 =3:Set_Time:CLS #4:S=2
226 =4:IF Word%=1 AND Clue%=1:Word%=0:ELSE Word%=1
228 END SElect
230 END SElect
232 END REPeat Comm_lp
234 END DEFine
```

### 238 DEFine PROCedure Set\_Clue

```
240 INK #3,2:IF Clue%=1:CURSOR #3,24,200:PRINT #3,'ON'
242 INK #3,0:IF Clue%=0:CURSOR #3,24,200:PRINT #3,' '
244 END DEFine
```

### 248 DEFine PROCedure Set\_Word

```
250 INK #3,2:IF Word%=1:CURSOR #3,424,200:PRINT #3,'ON'
252 INK #3,7:IF Word%=0:CURSOR #3,424,200:PRINT #3,' '
254 END DEFine
```

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```
258 DEFine PROCedure Sel_Dev
260 CLS #4:CURSOR #4,10,5:PRINT #4,'Select Device name <_34>:'
262 REPeat Dev_lp
264 CURSOR #4,300,5:PRINT #4,DR$(D%)
266 k$=INKEY$(#4,20):k=CODE(k$)
268 SElect ON k
270 =208:D%=D%-1:IF D%<1:D%=6
272 =216:D%=D%+1:IF D%>6:D%=1
274 =10 :EXIT Dev_lp
276 =27 :RETurn
278 END SElect
280 END REPeat Dev_lp
282 SDR$=DR$(D%):FList
284 END DEFine

288 DEFine PROCedure FList
290 n%=-1:num%=-20:ftot%=0
292 DIM Volumn$(11),Sector$(24),file$(20,36),df$(36)
294 CLS #4:CURSOR #4,10,5:PRINT #4,'Files being selected...'
296 DELETE SDR$&'FList'
298 OPEN_NEW #6,SDR$&'FList':DIR #6,SDR$:CLOSE #6
300 OPEN_IN #6,SDR$&'FList':INPUT #6,Volumn$,Sector$
302 REPeat DIR_lp
304 IF EOF(#6) OR n%>num%:ftot%=n%-1:CLOSE #6:EXIT DIR_lp
306 INPUT #6,df$
308 IF 'Wrd_' INSTR df$<>0:file$(n%)=df$:n%=-n%+1
310 END REPeat DIR_lp
312 IF ftot%<1
314 CLS #4:CURSOR #4,10,5:PRINT #4,'No Word Files found...'
316 PAUSE:CLS #4:RETurn
318 END IF
320 Sel_File
322 END DEFine

326 DEFine PROCedure Sel_File
328 CLS #4:CURSOR #4,10,5:PRINT #4,'Select Wrd File <_34>':n%=-1
330 REPeat File_lp
332 str$=file$(n%,4+('Wrd_' INSTR file$(n%)) TO)
334 CURSOR #4,270,5:PRINT #4,str$:CLS #4,4
336 k$=INKEY$(#4,20):k=CODE(k$)
338 SElect ON k
340 =208:n%=n%-1:IF n%<1:n%=-ftot%
342 =216:n%=n%+1:IF n%>ftot%:n%=-1
344 =10 :EXIT File_lp
346 =27 :RETurn
348 END SElect
350 END REPeat File_lp
352 Wrd_Load
354 END DEFine
```

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### 358 DEFine PROCedure Wrd\_Load

```
360 DIM Word$(100,14),Clue$(100,32):F=1:w%=1:CLS #4
362 CURSOR #4,10,5:PRINT #4,'Loading Word File...'
364 OPEN_IN #6,SDR$&file$(n%)
366 REPeat Wrd_lp
368 INPUT #6,Word$(w%),Clue$(w%)
370 IF EOF(#6):CLOSE #6:EXIT Wrd_lp
372 CURSOR #4,300,5:PRINT #4,w%:CLS #4,4:w%=w%+1
374 END REPeat Wrd_lp
376 END DEFine
```

### 380 DEFine PROCedure Set\_Time

```
382 Sec% =Time%:Countdown
384 CLS #4:CURSOR #4,10,5:PRINT #4,'Set Count Down Time: 1/4 ½'
386 REPeat Time_lp
388 k$=INKEY$(#4,20):k=CODE(k$)
390 SElect ON k
392 =192:Sec% =Sec% +6:Countdown
394 =200:Sec% =Sec% -6:Countdown
396 =10:Time% =Sec%:EXIT Time_lp
398 = 27:RETurn
400 END SElect
402 END REPeat Time_lp
404 END DEFine
```

### 408 DEFine PROCedure Countdown

```
410 INK #5,3
412 LINE #5,48,50 TO 48+26*SIN(RAD(Sech%)),50+26*COS(RAD(Sech%))
414 INK #5,7:Sech% =Sec%:BEEP 200,10
416 LINE #5,48,50 TO 48+26*SIN(RAD(Sech%)),50+26*COS(RAD(Sech%))
418 END DEFine
```



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```
422 DEFine PROCedure Play
424 RANDOMISE:n%:=RND(1 TO w%)
426 IF Word$(n%)=key$
428 IF INKEY$(#4,5)=CHR$(27):RETurn :ELSE GO TO 424
430 ELSE
432 Wrd_Sort
434 END IF
436 Count=DATE:Sec%=Time%:Countdown
438 ch%=1:pos%=1:key$=FILL$('_',lgth%)
440 CURSOR #5,190,125:PRINT #5,key$:CLS #5,4
442 REPeat Wrd_lp
444 STRIP #5,5:CURSOR #5,174+16*ch%,125:PRINT #5,key$(ch%)
446 k$=INKEY$(#4,20):k=CODE(k$)
448 SElect ON k
450 =192:ch%=ch%-1:IF ch%<1:ch%=1
452 =200:ch%=ch%+1:IF ch%>lgth%:ch%=lgth%
454 =32,48 TO 57,65 TO 90,97 TO 122
456 IF Set(ch%)<>3:key$(ch%)=k$:ch%=ch%+1:ELSE ch%=ch%+1
458 IF ch%>lgth%:ch%=1
460 END SElect
462 STRIP #5,1:CURSOR #5,174+16*pos%,125:PRINT #5,key$(pos%):pos%=ch%
464 IF key$(ch%)==Word$(n%,ch%):Set(ch%)=3
466 IF key$==Word$(n%) OR Sec%<0:EXIT Wrd_lp
468 IF Count<>DATE:Sec%=Sec%-(6*(DATE-Count)):Count=DATE
470 END REPeat Wrd_lp
472 FOR ch=1 TO LEN(key$):IF key$(ch)==Word$(n%,ch):per_score%+=per_score%+5
474 key$=Word$(n%):CURSOR #5,190,25:PRINT #5,key$
476 CSIZE #5,2,0:CURSOR #5,190,100:PRINT #5,'Score points: ':per_score%:CLS #5,4:CSIZE
#5,3,1
478 END DEFine
```



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```
482 DEFine PROCedure Wrd_Sort
484 CSIZE #5,3,1:INK #5,7
486 CURSOR #5,190,25:PRINT #5,FILL$(' ',15)
488 Sort$=Word$(n%):lgth%=LEN(Sort$)
490 DIM Set(lgth%)
492 FOR Sort=1 TO lgth%-1
494   r1=RND(1 TO lgth%):r2=RND(1 TO lgth%)
496   Con1$=Sort$(r1):Con2$=Sort$(r2)
498   Sort$(r1)=Con2$:Sort$(r2)=Con1$
500 END FOR Sort
502 IF Sort$=Word$(n%):GO TO 492
504 IF Word%=1:CURSOR #5,190,25:PRINT #5,Sort$
506 IF Word%=0
508   FOR blk=1 TO lgth%
510     BLOCK #5,14,20,174+blk*16,25,7
512     BLOCK #5,10,18,176+blk*16,25+1,(blk MOD 8)
514   END FOR blk
516 END IF
518 IF Clue%=1:CURSOR #4,10,5:PRINT #4,Clue$(n%):CLS #4,4
520 max_score%=max_score%+5*lgth%
522 CSIZE #5,2,0:CURSOR #5,190,55:PRINT #5,'Max points: ',max_score%:CLS #5,4:CSIZE
#5,3,1
524 END DEFine

528 DEFine PROCedure Score
530 INK #5,3:FILL #5,1:CIRCLE #5,48,50,28:FILL #5,0
532 INK #5,0:ARC #5,28,60 TO 44,60,-PI/2
534   ARC #5,28,60 TO 44,60,-PI/2.3
536   ARC #5,52,60 TO 68,60,-PI/2
538   ARC #5,52,60 TO 68,60,-PI/2.3
540 IF Sec%<6:ARC #5,30,40 TO 66,40,-PI/2:ARC #5,30,40 TO 66,40,-PI/2.2
542 IF Sec%>0:ARC #5,30,40 TO 66,40,PI/2:ARC #5,30,40 TO 66,40,PI/2.2
544 INK #5,1:FILL #5,1:CIRCLE #5,36,58,2.5:FILL #5,0
546 INK #5,1:FILL #5,1:CIRCLE #5,60,58,2.5:FILL #5,0
548 CLS #4:CURSOR #4,25,5:PRINT #4,'Press ENTER to continue..'
550 k$=INKEY$(#4,-1):IF k$<>CHR$(10):GO TO 550
552 INK #5,3:FILL #5,1:CIRCLE #5,48,50,28:FILL #5,0
554 CURSOR #5,190,25:CLS #5,4
556 CURSOR #5,190,125:CLS #5,4
558 IF count%>=100
560   CLS #4:CURSOR #4,25,5:PRINT #4,'Counters are to be reset...'
562   PAUSE 100:count%=0:max_score%=0:per_score%=0
564   CURSOR #5,190,50::CLS #5,4:CURSOR #5,190,95:CLS #5,4
566 END IF
568 END DEFine
```

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100 REMark QBWord\_Gen (QBITS Word Generator □1992)

102 :

104 **Init:Title:Menu**

108 **DEFine PROCedure Init**

```
110 MODE 4:OPEN #3,scr_512x256a0x0:PAPER #3,0:CLS #3:CLOSE #3
112 OPEN #3,scr_480x230a16x4 :PAPER #3,32:CLS #3:CSIZE #3,2,0
114 OPEN #4,con_444x34a34x220 :PAPER #4,0 :CLS #4:BORDER #4,1,2
116 OPEN #5,con_128x164a38x38 :PAPER #5,0 :CLS #5:BORDER #5,2,0
118 OPEN #6,con_264x164a208x38:PAPER #6,0 :CLS #6:BORDER #6,2,0
120 CSIZE #4,1,0:INK #4,7:CSIZE #5,1,0:INK #5,7:CSIZE #6,1,0:INK #6,7
122 DIM DR$(6,5),SDR$(5):RESTORE :FOR i=1 TO 6:READ DR$(i)
124 DATA 'mdv1_','mdv2_','flp1_','flp2_','ram1_','ram2_'
126 D=3:SDR$=DR$(3)
128 END DEFine
```

132 **DEFine PROCedure Title**

```
134 DIM Title$(12):Title$=' QBWord_Gen '
136 BLOCK #3,480,15,0,0,0 :BLOCK #3,172,22,152,6,0
138 BLOCK #3,168,22,152,2,4:CSIZE #3,3,1:OVER #3,1
140 INK #3,0:FOR i=0 TO 3:CURSOR #3,144-i,2:PRINT #3,Title$
142 INK #3,0:FOR i=0 TO 3:CURSOR #3,144-i,5-i:PRINT #3,Title$
144 INK #3,7:FOR i=0 TO 1:CURSOR #3,140+i,3:PRINT #3,Title$
146 CSIZE #3,2,0
148 INK #3,7:FOR i=0 TO 1:CURSOR #3,22+i,22 :PRINT #3,'Words'
150 INK #3,7:FOR i=0 TO 1:CURSOR #3,392+i,22:PRINT #3,'Clues'
152 OVER #3,0
154 END DEFine
```

158 **DEFine PROCedure Menu**

```
160 STRIP #3,0:DIM Command$(36),k$(1):S=0:W%=0
162 Command$=' New Edit Find Load Save Quit '
164 REPeat Comm_lp
166 x=S*72+24:y=202:INK #3,7
168 CURSOR #3,24,y:PRINT #3,Command$:INK #3,0
170 STRIP #3,7:CURSOR #3,x,y:PRINT #3,Command$(S*6+1 TO S*6+6)
172 STRIP #3,0:k$=INKEY$(#4,30):k=CODE(k$)
174 SElect ON k
176 =192:S=S-1:IF S<0:S=5
178 =200:S=S+1:IF S>5:S=0
180 = 27:STOP
182 = 10:SElect ON S
184     =0:WNew           :CLS #4:S=1
186     =1:IF W% :WEedit :CLS #4:S=2
188     =2:IF W% :WFind :CLS #4:S=1
190     =3:DSel   :FList   :CLS #4:S=2
192     =4:IF W% :DSel :WSave:CLS #4:S=0
194     =5:STOP
196 END SElect
198 END SElect
200 END REPeat Comm_lp
202 END DEFine
```

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206 **DEFIne PROCedure WNew**

208 CURSOR #4,40,5:PRINT #4,'Create NEW WORD File (y/n) ';

210 IF INKEY\$(#4,-1)=='y'

212 DIM Word\$(96,15),Clue\$(96,32),str\$(36)

214 CLS #5:CLS #6:W%=1:l=1:k=49:Pg\_Prn

216 END IF

218 **END DEFIne**

222 **DEFIne PROCedure WEdit**

224 ch%=-5:c%=-1:Str\_Chk:BCol%=-7:ICol%=-0:CURSOR #4,15,5

226 PRINT #4,'(TAB) WORD/CLUE : (CTRL\1/2) DEL : (%4c) UP/DOWN Line'

228 REPeat Edit\_lp

230 CCol%=-2:**Str\_Clr:Ln\_Prn:Ln\_Cur**

232 k\$=INKEY\$(#4,-1):k=CODE(k\$)

234 SElect ON k

236 = 9:Ln\_Prn:Str\_Clr:c%=-1

238 IF ch%=-5:ch%=-6:ELSE ch%=-5:END IF :**Str\_Chk**

240 = 10:BCol%=-0:ICol%=-7:**Ln\_Prn:Str\_Clr:Wrd\_Chk:RETurn**

242 =32 TO 126:**Ln\_Prn:Add\_chr**

244 =194:CCol%=-7:**Ln\_Cur:IF c%>1:c%=-c%-1:Del\_chr**

246 =202:CCol%=-7:**Ln\_Cur:Del\_chr**

248 =192:CCol%=-7:**Ln\_Cur:IF c%>1:c%=-c%-1**

250 =200:CCol%=-7:**Ln\_Cur:IF c%<cLen%+1:c%=-c%+1**

252 =208:Ln\_Clr:IF r%>0 :r%=r%-10:l=l-1:c%=-1:**Str\_Chk**

254 =216:Ln\_Clr:IF r%<150:r%=r%+10:l=l+1:c%=-1:**Str\_Chk**

256 END SElect

258 END REPeat Edit\_lp

260 **END DEFIne**

264 **DEFIne PROCedure WFind**

266 CURSOR #4,40,5

268 PRINT #4,'Select WORD (%4c) or PAGE (1 - 6)'

270 REPeat Find\_lp

272 BCol%=-7:ICol%=-0:**Ln\_Prn**

274 k\$=INKEY\$(#5,-1):k=CODE(k\$)

276 SElect ON k

278 =49 TO 54:**Pg\_Prn**

280 =208:BCol%=-0:ICol%=-7:**Ln\_Prn:IF r%>0 :r%=r%-10:l=l-1**

282 =216:BCol%=-0:ICol%=-7:**Ln\_Prn:IF r%<150:r%=r%+10:l=l+1**

284 = 10:BCol%=-0:ICol%=-7:**Ln\_Prn:RETurn**

286 END SElect

288 END REPeat Find\_lp

290 **END DEFIne**

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```
294 DEFine PROCedure Str_Chk  
296 IF ch% = 5:clen% = LEN(Word$(l)):cmax% = 15:str$ = Word$(l)  
298 IF ch% = 6:clen% = LEN(Clue$(l)):cmax% = 32:str$ = Clue$(l)  
300 END DEFine
```

Checks on Word and Clue string lengths

```
304 DEFine PROCedure Str_Clr  
306 IF LEN(str$) > cmax%:str$ = str$(1 TO cmax%)  
308 IF ch% = 5:Word$(l) = str$:ELSE Clue$(l) = str$  
310 END DEFine
```

Word and Clue boundaries for characters

```
314 DEFine PROCedure Ln_Clr  
316 Str_Clr:BCol% = 0:ICol% = 7:CCol% = 0:Ln_Prn:BCol% = 7:ICol% = 0:c% = 1  
318 END DEFine
```

Clear redundant Character form line

```
322 DEFine PROCedure Ln_Prn  
324 STRIP #5,BCol%:INK #5,ICol%  
326 CURSOR #5,0,r%:PRINT #5,Word$(l)&FILL$(',15-LEN(Word$(l)))  
328 STRIP #6,BCol%:INK #6,ICol%  
330 CURSOR #6,0,r%:PRINT #6,Clue$(l)&FILL$(',32-LEN(Clue$(l)))  
332 END DEFine
```

Line print

```
336 DEFine PROCedure Pg_Prn  
338 INK #3,4:BCol% = 0:ICol% = 7:r% = -10  
340 FOR l = (k-48)*16-15 TO (k-48)*16:r% = r% + 10:Ln_Prn  
342 CURSOR #3,22,5:PRINT #3,'Page ':k-48:r% = 0:l = l-15  
344 END DEFine
```

Page print

```
348 DEFine PROCedure Ln_Cur  
350 BLOCK #ch%,8,1,c%*8-8,r%+9,CCol%  
352 END DEFine
```

Underline cursor

## **QBConundrum 2017**

```
356 DEFine PROCedure Add_chr
358 IF clen%<cmax%
360   IF clen%>0
362     IF c%=1:str$=k$&str$(1 TO)
364     IF c%>1 AND c%<=clen%
366       str$=str$(1 TO c%-1)&k$&str$(c% TO)
368     END IF
370     IF c%=clen%+1:str$=str$&k$
372       c%=c%+1:clen%=clen%+1
374   END IF
376   IF clen%=0:str$=k$:clen%=clen%+1:c%=c%+1
378 ELSE
380   IF c%<cmax%:str$(c%)=k$:c%=c%+1:ELSE str$(cmax%)=k$
382 END IF
384 IF c%>cmax% OR clen%>cmax%:c%=cmax%:clen%=cmax%
386 END DEFine

390 DEFine PROCedure Del_chr
392 IF clen%>1
394   IF c%=1:str$=str$(2 TO clen%):clen%=clen%-1:END IF
396   IF c%>1 AND c%<clen%
398     str$=str$(1 TO c%-1)&str$(c%+1 TO):clen%=clen%-1:RETurn
400   END IF
402   IF c%>1 AND c%=clen%
404     clen%=clen%-1:str$=str$(1 TO clen%)
406   END IF
408 ELSE
410   str$="":clen%=0:c%=1
412 END IF
414 END DEFine
416 :
418 DEFine PROCedure Wrd_Chk
420 IF Word$(l)<>":str$=Word$(l):c=LEN(str$):ELSE RETurn
422 FOR i=c TO 1 STEP -1:IF str$(i)=' ':str$=str$(1 TO c-1)
424 END DEFine
```

## **QBConundrum 2017**

```
428 DEFine PROCedure DSel
430 CLS #4:CURSOR #4,40,5
432 PRINT #4,'Select Device < 3/4 >'
434 REPeat Dev_lp
436 CURSOR #4,230,5:PRINT #4,DR$(D)
438 k$=INKEY$(#4,20):k=CODE(k$)
440 SElect ON k
442 =208:D=D-1:IF D<1:D=6
444 =216:D=D+1:IF D>6:D=1
446 = 10:SDR$=DR$(D):EXIT Dev_lp
448 END SElect
450 END REPeat Dev_lp
452 END DEFine

456 DEFine PROCedure FList
458 DIM file$(20,36),Volumn$(12),Sector$(24),str$(36):f%=1:ftot%=0
460 CLS #4:CURSOR #4,40,5:PRINT #4,'Files being selected...'
462 DELETE SDR$&'FList'
464 OPEN_NEW #8,SDR$&'FList':DIR #8,SDR$:CLOSE #8
466 OPEN_IN #8,SDR$&'FList'
468 INPUT #8,Volumn$,Sector$
470 REPeat DIR_lp
472 IF EOF(#8) OR f%>20:ftot%=f%-1:CLOSE #8:EXIT DIR_lp
474 INPUT #8,str$
476 IF 'Wrd_' INSTR str$<>0:file$(f%)=str$:f%=f%+1
478 END REPeat DIR_lp
480 IF ftot%<1
482 CLS #4:CURSOR #4,40,5:PRINT #4,'No Word Files found...'
484 PAUSE 100:CLS #4:S=0:RETurn
486 END IF
488 FSel
490 END DEFine

494 DEFine PROCedure FSel
496 f%=1:CLS #4:CURSOR #4,40,5
498 PRINT #4,'Select Word File < 3/4 >'
500 REPeat File_lp
502 str$=file$(f%,4+('Wrd_' INSTR file$(f%)) TO)
504 CURSOR #4,230,5:PRINT #4,str$:CLS #4,4
506 k$=INKEY$(#4,20):k=CODE(k$)
508 SElect ON k
510 =208:f%=f%-1:IF f%<1:f%=ftot%
512 =216:f%=f%+1:IF f%>ftot%:f%=1
514 =10 :EXIT File_lp
516 =27 :RETurn
518 END SElect
520 END REPeat File_lp
522 WLoad
524 END DEFine
```

## **QBConundrum 2017**

528 **DEFine PROCedure WLoad**

530 DIM Word\$(96,15),Clue\$(96,32),str\$(32):l=1:CLS #5:CLS #6

532 CURSOR #3,22,5:PRINT #3,'

534 CLS #4:CURSOR #4,40,5:PRINT #4,'Loading Word File...'

536 OPEN\_IN #8,SDR\$&file\$(f%)

538 REPeat Wrd\_lp

540 INPUT #8,Word\$(l),Clue\$(l)

542 REMark CURSOR #4,220,5:PRINT #4,l:CLS #4,4

544 IF EOF(#8)OR l=96:CLOSE #8:W%=1:EXIT Wrd\_lp

546 l=l+1

548 END REPeat Wrd\_lp

550 l=1:k=49:**Pg\_Prn**

552 **END DEFine**

556 **DEFine PROCedure WSave**

558 CLS #4:INK #4,4:DIM str\$(24):str\$=SDR\$&'Wrd\_ '

560 CURSOR #4,100,20:PRINT #4,'<CTRL>/4> Delete character <ENTER> to quit'

562 INK #4,7:CURSOR #4,20,5:PRINT #4,'Enter Filename ':**Ed\_Str**

564 IF 'Wrd\_' INSTR str\$=0 OR LEN(str\$)<10:RETurn

566 DELETE str\$:OPEN\_NEW #8,str\$:chk=96

568 FOR n=1 TO 96

570 IF Word\$(n)<>":PRINT #8,Word\$(n)\Clue\$(n):chk=chk-1

572 END FOR n

574 CLOSE #8:IF chk=96:DELETE str\$

576 **END DEFine**

580 **DEFine PROCedure Ed\_Str**

582 lstr%=LEN(str\$)

584 REPeat Str\_lp

586 CURSOR #4,150,5:PRINT #4,str\$:CLS #4,4

588 lstr%=LEN(str\$)

590 k\$=INKEY\$(#4,-1):k=CODE(k\$)

592 SElect ON k

594 =48 TO 57,65 TO 90,95,97 TO 122:IF lstr%<20:str\$=str\$&k\$

596 =194:IF lstr%>5:str\$=str\$(1 TO 4)&str\$(5 TO lstr%-1)

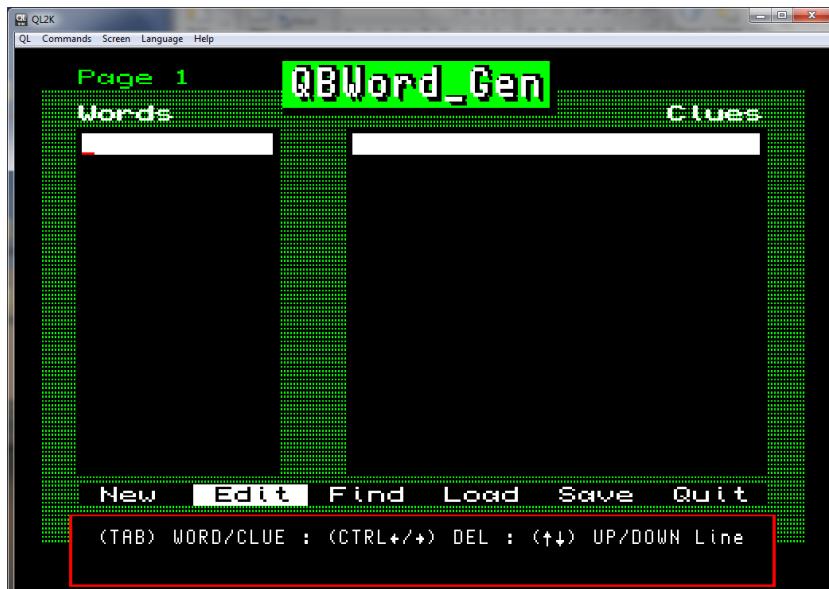
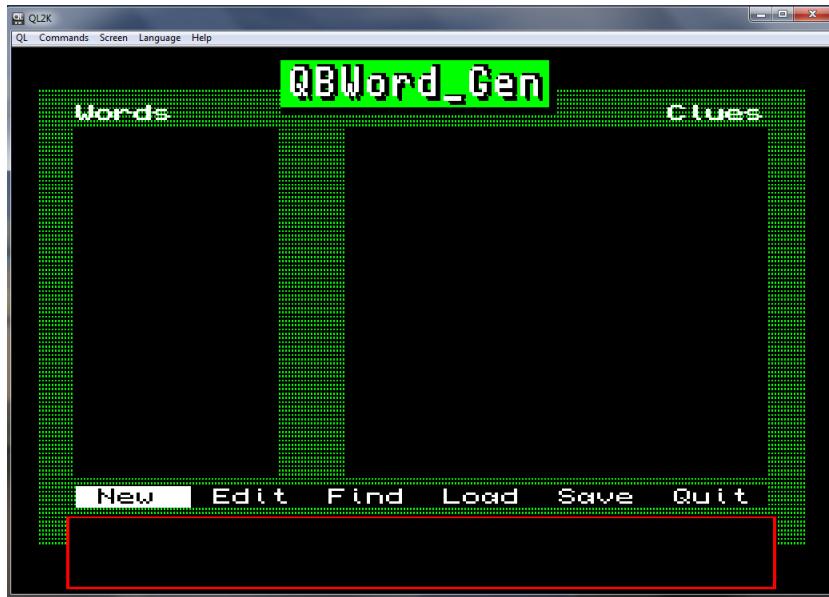
598 = 10:RETurn

600 END SElect

602 END REPeat Str\_lp

604 **END DEFine**

## QBConundrum 2017



## **QBConundrum**

Having obtained a copy of **QBConundrum** SuperBASIC code and loaded it and the accompanying files into a recognised QL device. Use the QDOS command LRUN, as shown:-

**LRUN flp1\_QBConundrum.**

All being well the Conundrum Game will direct you to select and load a Wrd\_file, then test your knowledge of words against the clock face countdown.

## **Notes on QL2K emulator**

Both the **QLAY & QL2K emulators** use an application tool to create a QDOS directory file and append or delete files in it. Creating a new qlay.dir file first open a Windows **Command Prompt** (Win 7 Press Start button in *search programs and files* box type **command prompt**: Win 10 in *ask me anything* box type **command prompt**.)

Activate the command prompt window then navigate with DOS commands to the drive and Windows File Directory folder that holds your QL Files.

i.e C:\>**chdir H:\QL\FDIR\WIN1\_**                           H:\QLFDIR\WIN1\_>dir

This will list the files as a DOS directory. This needs to also contain a copy of **QLAYT-86.EXE** or **QLAY-X64.EXE** downloaded with **QLAY** or **QL2K**

At the DOS prompt now enter this command: -

i.e. H:\QL\FDIR\WIN1\_>**qlayt-x64.exe -c qlay.dir**

This should create a directory file qlay.dir to which you can now append files. For example:-

i.e. H:\QL\FDIR\WIN1\_>**qlayt-x64.exe -i Boot**

This will append the File named '**Boot**' to the qlay.dir .

Once you have appended your files you can use the following command to list them:-

i.e. H:\QL\FDIR\WIN1\_>**qlayt-x64.exe -l**

A list of files should now be shown contained within the qlay.dir

```
0% Command Prompt
H:\QL\FDIR\WIN1_>qlayt-x64.exe -l
boot
FList
Golf
QBFTidy
QBGolf
QBGolf_04_12_16
QBGolf_data
Found 7 files in directory qlay.dir
H:\QL\FDIR\WIN1_>
```

To remove a file at the DOS prompt type:-

i.e. H:\QL\FDIR\WIN1\_>**qlayt-x64.exe -r Golf**

This will remove the File named '**Golf**' from the qlay.dir .

Running the **QL2K emulator** the files listed in WIN1\_ should now be readable by the QDOS DIR command; however these files will not be loadable or run if not compatible with the QDOS operating system you have. This even applies to QL software that does not work with or only works with certain versions of QL ROM's or with added Toolkit extensions.



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# QBWord\_Gen

Words	Clues
BEHIND	In the rear or later than.
JOIN	To put things together.
POUND	A measure of weight.
PUPPY	A young dog.
FLUTTER	A venture at betting.
RAINBOW	An arch of Prismatic colours.
POKER	Stir the fire or play the game.
GLOBE	A body of spherical form.
SUDDEN	Happening without warning.
THUNDER	A loud crash with great force.
MOMENT	An point of time, an instant.
HONEY	It be the nectar of flowers.
STOCKINGS	Covering of the leg and foot.
SUNDAY	A Christian day of rest.
MONDAY	A day of work at the beginning.
TUESDAY	A day for Roman Mars.

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