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THE STORY SO FAR...

The Year is 3050 A.D.,
The Planet is Alfa-Ren,
The Race is Human!

Earth is no more than a dead *desolate rock floating in space. Just before the war between the Super Powers in 2039, a number of people were sent to the distant planet of Alfa-Ren. Among these people were Scientists, Doctors and all people needed for Human Life to survive. The big mistake in the selection of the chosen few was to include Professor Deemus who is extremely clever, but turns out to be an evil megalomaniac, determined to rule Alfa-Ren or destroy it.

No one has taken any notice of threats made by The Power-crazed Professor. The Governing Federation has already laughed off the ludicrous antics of the insane Professor.

However his threat to destroy the planet has proved to be only too real!

He has exploded a massive bomb - the time is YESTERDAY ... half the planet has been destroyed and the other half is doomed to perish horribly of radiation.

But there is hope; at this very moment Professor Ferric has nearly completed his prototype TIME MACHINE.

Will IT WORK? It must, it's the only hope of salvation of the last of the human race.

Professor Ferric plans to travel back in time before the insane Deemus caused the catastrophic devastation on Alfa-Ren and to find him, but most of all to destroy THE DOOMSDAY PAPERS.

THE DOOMSDAY PAPERS are the work of some of the top Scientists, kidnapped by professor Deemus. He forced them to design a bomb, the most powerful bomb ever to exist. They had no choice, their lives were at stake.

Only one person believed he was making this bomb, Professor Ferric, who like so many others was powerless to stop him; the destruction of the Southern Hemisphere was accompanied by the disappearance of Deemus.

Professor Ferric must succeed in finding THE DOOMSDAY PAPERS.

I am Prof. Ferric's apprentice. He has given me strict orders: "When I leave wait for one whole day. If I do not return, YOU must find THE DOOMSDAY PAPERS."

DAY 1

Professor Ferric set off on his mission.

DAY 2

Professor Ferric returned. He has located the area where he thinks the mad Professor Deemus is building the bomb. He has set the coordinates on the TIME MACHINE and embarks on his race against time.

DAY 3

Professor Ferric fails to return.

DAY 4

Radiation levels increase. Great loss of life. Still no sign of the Professor.

I MUST CARRY OUT THE PROFESSOR'S INSTRUCTIONS TO FIND THE DOOMSDAY PAPERS AND, I PRAY, THE PROFESSOR HIMSELF - BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!

HOW TO PLAY

'THE DOOMSDAY PAPERS' is a graphic adventure where you must give commands to Professor Ferric's apprentice.

You may use most normal adventure commands E.G. GO NORTH (N for short), GET, DROP, WEAR, REMOVE AND MANY MORE! (after typing in each command, press ENTER).

If you wish to SAVE your progress to TAPE at any point type the word: SAVE and press ENTER.

To LOAD a saved position type: LOAD and press ENTER. You can also Store your progress without using the tape recorder by using the command: RAM SAVE. To LOAD a RAM SAVED position use the command: RAM LOAD. Please remember to SAVE to TAPE before turning your computer off, if you wish to continue a SAVED position at a later date.

To find how well you are progressing type: SCORE then press ENTER. Your SCORE is out of 100%.

To find out how many TURNS you have taken, use: TURN.

To see what you have with you, type: INVENTORY (I for short).

You find many problems on your quest. With a little thought, you should be able to save Alfa-Ren!

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