

COLECO ENTERTAINMENT SOFTWARE

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THE BEST OF BRÖDERBUND™ A.E.™ and Choplifter!™†

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SETTING UP THE GAME



POWER SWITCH

INSERT DIGITAL
DATA PACK

COMPUTER RESET
SWITCH

Turn ADAM on. Insert Game Pack into either drive; then pull the Computer reset switch.

CAUTION

1. Do not remove a digital data pack from its drive while the drive is operating. This could damage the storage medium or the drive itself.
2. Do not turn the power on or off when a digital data pack is in a drive. This could affect stored data.
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CHOOSING YOUR GAME

The Game Choice Screen appears on your TV or monitor. If you want to play A.E., press Keypad Button 1 on either hand controller. The Game Loading Screen appears followed by the Title Screen. See A.E., following, for instructions on how to play the game.

If you want to play CHOPLIFTER, press Keypad Button 2 on either hand controller. The Game Loading Screen will appear followed by the CHOPLIFTER Title Screen. See page 8 for instructions on how to play CHOPLIFTER.

A.E.TM

A.E. is an anti-environment encounter – an agility exercise in automaton elimination!

The AE were designed as pollution-fighting robots, intended to save the world. However, the AE prototypes have a bug which makes **them** the polluters. The AE somehow slipped through quality control, out into the unsuspecting universe. Out of control, they have quickly become a menace and are in danger of contaminating large areas of the cosmos.

The AE must be stopped! You must use your anti-AE blaster missiles to drive these pestering, polluting squadrons deep into space where they can do no harm. Annihilate every AE in a wave to make a perfect attack. Three perfect attacks in a battlefield moves you to the next encounter zone. After you have eliminated the AE in all four encounter zones, you return to the first battlefield, where the AE have become even more troublesome!

Environmentalists everywhere are counting on you to stop the AE! Clean up their act and do your part to help keep the universe pollution-free!



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GETTING READY TO PLAY

One-Player Game

Use the Port 1 Controller.

Two-Player Game (Alternating Players)

Player 1 uses the Port 1 Controller. Player 2 uses the Port 2 Controller. Player 1 goes first and each turn lasts until a player loses an anti-AE missile launcher.

CHOOSE YOUR CHALLENGE

Press Keypad Button 1 to choose A.E. The Game Loading Screen appears, followed by the Title Screen. Wait for the Game Option Screen to appear. It contains a list of eight game options.

- Skill 1** (Game Options 1 and 5) is the easiest, just right for beginning pollution-fighters.
- Skill 2** (Game Options 2 and 6) is a little harder. The AE move faster and fire more aggressively at your missile.
- Skill 3** (Game Options 3 and 7) is even harder! The AE are tough to track and move in unpredictable patterns.
- Skill 4** (Game Options 4 and 8) is exceptionally challenging! Wiping out the AE at this level calls for super-quick reactions!

Select a game option by pressing the corresponding number on your Controller Keypad.

USING YOUR CONTROLS

Control Stick

Push the Control Stick left or right to move your anti-AE missile launcher to a good firing position.



Side Buttons

Press either Side Button to fire your anti-AE blaster missiles at the AE. A short press of the Side Button shoots short blasts. A long press fires the missiles at a longer range.

Keypad Buttons.

Press Keypad Buttons 1-8 to select a game option before beginning a game. Press * after a game to replay the game option you have just completed. Press # after a game to return to the Game Choice Screen.

PAUSE FEATURE

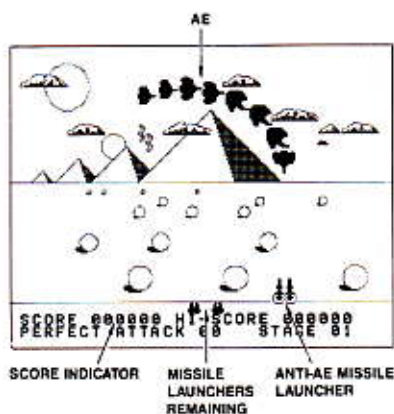
To pause the action during a game, press * on your controller. The game screen disappears. Press * again and the game screen reappears at the point at which you paused. There is a brief delay for you to size up the situation before play begins again.

BLAST IT!

An eerie landscape is before you; pyramids off in the distance, strange green spheres strewn on the terrain, and on the horizon, two planetoids. This is the first AE encounter zone.

The AE appear, moving in their peculiar patterns, eight to a formation. They swirl and dip over the landscape, looking for unspoiled areas to contaminate with their deadly pollution. Your work is cut out for you—blast the AE away! Use your Control Stick to move your missile launcher into position, then fire! But be careful—the AE are not put off easily. They return your fire with their own artillery and if your launcher is hit, it's lost! Also, you must avoid contact with any low-flying AE to avoid disaster!

To leave one encounter zone and move to the next, you must make three perfect attacks on the AE.



A perfect attack means wiping out all eight AE in a wave **before** any of them can evade and escape your missiles.

WIPE OUT!

Now that you've been successful on the first battlefield, you can move on to the next endangered area. Again, you'll find waves of AE searching for new territory to spoil. Keep firing away, avoid AE return fire and you'll be sure to clean up! Annihilate the AE in all four encounter zones and you will then return to the first scene of conflict. The AE have come back in full force,

trying to confuse you with their erratic movement patterns.

Force the AE into the infinite regions of space where they are no threat to any life in the universe! Each wave you eliminate saves another precious natural resource from contamination. It's a dirty job, but someone's got to do it!

SCORING

ACTION	POINTS EARNED
Each AE eliminated	100
Perfect Attack	400
3 Perfect Attacks in the same encounter zone . . .	2000

At all Skill Levels, each player has three game lives, represented by anti-AE missile launchers. The game is over when all missile launchers have been lost.

RESET

The Computer Reset Switch on the console stops the game and returns you to the Title Screen. It can be used to start a new game at any time or in the event of game malfunction.

CHOPLIFTER!™

PILOT ALERT!

The following orders have been classified confidential—Top Secret. A crisis situation has developed in the cold war between the United States and the Bungeling Empire. The 64 delegates to the United Nations Peace Conference have been kidnapped by the militaristic Bungelings near their territorial border. Escalation must be avoided! The U.S. has launched a mission to rescue these hostages, and the call has gone out for a heroic but level-headed pilot to command the rescue helicopter—you!

Your mission begins at the U.S. Command Post just east of the Bungelling border. After your chopper lifts off and heads into the hostile territory, you'll see barracks where the prisoners are being held. Your goal—release and rescue! It won't be easy! The Bungelings are not going to give up the hostages without a fight and will use all the weapons at their disposal to thwart the rescue mission. Success depends on your valiant effort. There can be no rest as long as lives are in peril and a threat to world peace exists!



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GETTING READY TO PLAY

One-Player Game

Use the Port 1 Controller.

Two-Player Game (Alternating Players)

Player 1 uses the Port 1 Controller. Player 2 uses the Port 2 Controller. Player 1 goes first and each turn lasts until the player's helicopter has been eliminated, or until all 64 hostages have been rescued—or killed.

CHOOSE YOUR CHALLENGE

Press Keypad Button 2 to choose Choplifter. The Game Loading Screen appears, followed by the Title Screen. Wait for the Game Option Screen to appear. It contains a list of eight game options.

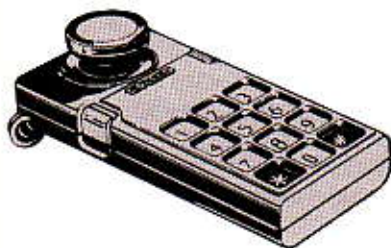
- SKILL 1** (Game Options 1 and 5) is the easiest, a good assignment for beginning pilots.
- SKILL 2** (Game Options 2 and 6) is a little harder, with more frequent enemy attacks.
- SKILL 3** (Game Options 3 and 7) is even tougher, requiring quick reactions and skillful maneuvering.
- SKILL 4** (Game Options 4 and 8) is a real challenge, for experienced pilots with nerves of steel!

Select a game option by pressing the corresponding number on your Controller Keypad.

USING YOUR CONTROLS

CONTROL STICK

Move the Control Stick left, right, up or down to make your helicopter move in the selected direction.



SIDE BUTTONS

Left Side Button: As your helicopter lifts off from the Command Post, it is facing right. Press the Left Side Button once to make your helicopter face toward you. Press it again and the helicopter faces left. Another press and it faces toward you again. One more press and your helicopter faces right.

Right Side Button: Press the Right Side Button to have your helicopter fire at enemies or barracks. Hold down the Right Side Button and your chopper fires continuously.

You can fire on a tank only when your helicopter is facing toward you. To aid the hostages' escape, you can fire on barracks **only** from the left or right of the helicopter position. You can shoot down jets from any chopper direction.

KEYPAD

Press Keypad Buttons 1-8 to select a game option before beginning a game. Press * after a game to replay the game option you have just completed. Press # after a game to return to the Game Option Screen.

PAUSE FEATURE

To pause the action during a game, press * on your controller. The game screen disappears and the chopper sound continues. Press * again and the game screen reappears at the point at which you paused. There is a brief delay for you to size up the situation before play begins again.

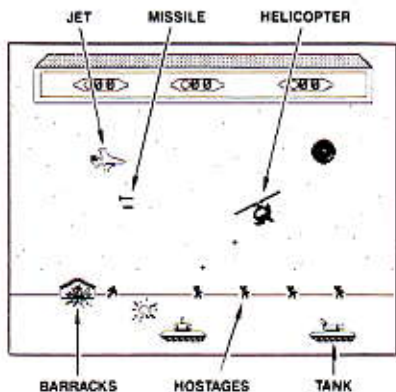
RESCUE MISSION UNDERWAY

Bungelings Hold 64 Hostages

Your chopper is fully armed and ready to go! The governments of the nations involved have given assurances that if the hostages are returned safely, the peace talks can continue. It's time to lift off from the helicopter pad at the Command Post and begin your heroic but hazardous mission!

Fly west, crossing the boundary line into the Bungeling territory. For security reasons, you are working under cover of darkness, but it's a starry night with a full moon, which should help you get your bearings. Suddenly, you catch sight of frantic activity below. One barracks has been blown open so the

hostages can get free, and the prisoners are running in the direction of your chopper.



waving to attract your attention. Bring that 'copter in for a landing to pick them up, but use extreme caution!

COPTER PILOT RETALIATES

Bungeling Tanks Attack Fleeing Delegates and Chopper

Now you've got trouble! As you're jockeying for a safe landing position, Bungeling tanks appear, firing their deadly artillery at your chopper and the vulnerable hostages, jeopardizing the rescue attempt! Destroy those tanks by turning your helicopter to face toward you and fire down on them until they've been demolished. Don't rest on your laurels, though! The Bungelings have a large tank battalion and more keep rolling in. Get them before they get you!

Once you land, the hostages run toward the chopper—and freedom! There's room inside for 16. If, unfortunately, some of the escapees have been

lost, you can either return to the Command Post with fewer than 16, or open another barracks to release more prisoners and take on additional passengers until you've filled your quota. Others will have to be left behind until you've evacuated those aboard at the Command Post and can return to the militarized zone to save more lives!

To release 16 more hostages, approach an unopened barracks with the chopper facing left or right and fire down on the building. The barracks bursts into flame, and the prisoners rush outside, to be picked up immediately or to wait for rescue at a later time.



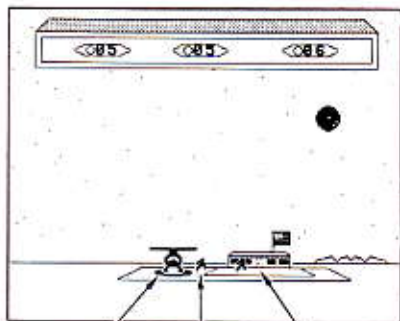
JET FIGHTERS POSE THREAT

Liberation of Hostages Uncertain

Don't think you're out of danger just because you've reached the hostages and gotten them on board the chopper! At any time and without warning, a Bungeling jet may come streaking out of the sky, shooting air-to-air missiles at you—a vicious attack! Shoot down these deadly enemies from any chopper position—if you can! Sometimes evasive action is the only way to get out of this sticky situation.

At the Command Post on your return trip, set down your chopper, gently. The hostages swiftly leave the 'copter and

hurry into the safety of the Command Post. Battle-weary



HELICOPTER PAD HOSTAGES COMMAND POST

but determined, you must set off once again into the militarized zone!

PEACE TALKS RESUME

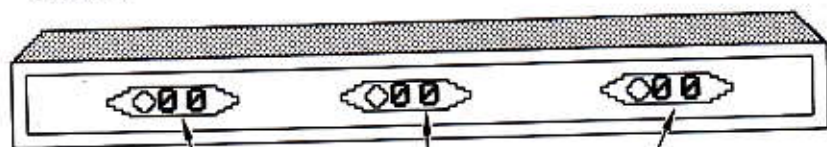
Rescue Mission Complete—Kudos to Chopper Pilot

Your mission ends when all hostages have been accounted for, or when you have lost three choppers. The number of captives that you have successfully saved appears in the right scoring indicator. The number that have been lost in the

hostilities is shown in the left scoring indicator. Whatever the outcome, your bravery as the catalyst in this risky mission is praiseworthy, and you have won the admiration of all liberty-loving citizens of the world!

SCORING

There are three scoring indicators at the top of the game screen.



HOSTAGES LOST HOSTAGES ON CHOPPER HOSTAGES SAVED

- The left indicator shows the number of hostages lost in the rescue attempt.
- The center indicator shows the number of hostages on board the chopper before they have been returned to the Command Post.
- The right indicator shows the number of hostages who have been safely returned to the Command Post.

At all Skill Levels, each player has three game lives, called sorties, to rescue and return the hostages to safety. The game is over when all the hostages have been accounted for, or when all three game lives have been lost.

RESET

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THE FUN OF DISCOVERY

This instruction guide provides the basic information you'll need to start playing Best of Brøderbund, but it is only the beginning! You'll find that these games are full of special features that make them exciting every time you play. Experiment with different techniques and enjoy the games!

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