

CodeCracker Help

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About CodeCracker vTEST2-R1

History

CodeCracker was released about a year ago with a version of TEST1. It was available only on the internet at RidgeWeb's web site. After a few months of release it was removed because of disk space limitations. So, until now CodeCracker has sit on it's creators disk drive for over a year.

Now

CodeCracker vTEST2-R1 (Test version 2, release 1) makes use of some new technology and ideas that have come around since vTEST1 was released. The upgrade includes pop-up buttons, new graphics, fixed bugs, and options. Long promised features (sound, and level options) were finally added. But, as we all know, upgrades are never prefect. Thus it received the vTEST2-R1 instead of v1.0. We wanted to test it out first, to make sure all the bugs were worked out before we officaly attached the 1.0 version number.

Known problems

During our test, we have discovered a few glitches that might (or might not) happen on your computer.

- 1) When your speakers are active, CodeCracker does not load giving this big error about how it couldn't access the device. HMMM....
- 2) If you do not have speakers, you won't here sound and could possibly receive errors.
- 3) You might run into a 'bad' clue. Sorry.

If you do receive any of these errors or encounter more please report them to RidgeWeb at: <http://people.unt.edu/~jpr0002> or email the creator at jpr0002@jove.unt.edu.

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How to play CodeCracker

Object

The object of the game is to guess the computers code.

Game

The computer generates a code of 4 colors from the currently available colors. Then you have 10 tries to match the computers color code. After each try the computer gives you a hint that can help you crack the code.

Hints

A black circle means you have a correct color in the correct place.

A White circle means you have a correct color, but in the wrong place.

Playing the game

Follow the directions below to play the game.

1) Click the New button to start a new game (or press F2)

You will see 4 balls at the bottom of the CodeCracker window.

2) Select your colors.

To change colors, click the ball you want to change colors and select the color from the list.

3) Try your code.

Once you have selected your colors, right click and choose Try Code (or press F3).

If you did not win, a hint is given to you and you try again (up to ten times).

Good luck!

NOTE: Your points are decreased for each try.

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CodeCracker Options

CodeCracker provides you options that allow you to set the game level, and general game features.

Game Levels (Select the Options tab in the CodeCracker window)

CodeCracker provides 3 levels of play:

Easy (4 Colors to choose from)

Standard (6 colors to choose from)

Hard (8 colors to choose from)

To change levels click the circle next to the level you wish to play at.

NOTE: You will have to start a new game if you change the level.

General Game Features (Select the Options tab in the CodeCracker window)

CodeCracker provides you with 4 general game features.

Save Top Ten List - Save the top ten list after each game.

Allow Undo - Allows you to undo 1 move.

Remember Player - CodeCracker remembers who played last and keeps the name active.

Sound on - Plays cool little sound bits for your gaming pleasure.

NOTE: If the item is checked it is on or available.

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