

PLATINUM EDITION

GEO SAFARI[®]

MULTIMEDIA GAMES



PLAYER'S GUIDE

WELCOME TO GEOSAFARI MULTIMEDIA!

Ready to go on a GeoSafari? Get set for a spectacular learning adventure that will bring the whole family together.

Each of the four GeoSafari Multimedia titles offers a unique learning experience that's fun and challenging for kids of all ages. Look into the past with **GeoSafari History** or explore today's world with **GeoSafari Geography**, **GeoSafari Science** brings you the wonders of nature and technology, and **GeoSafari Animals** will introduce you to some fascinating wildlife.

GeoSafari is easy to use. Just follow the Start-up instructions on page 2 of this guide. As soon as your program is installed our narrator, Richie Havens, will tell you everything you need to know to get started on your first game--right away.



Parents! GeoSafari is a game for the whole family, but it also offers advantages for kids in school. To help you make the most of GeoSafari with your child, we've included Parents' Pages on pages 23-28 of this guide. You'll also find additional "GeoNotes to Parents" highlighted throughout that give helpful tips and information.

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START-UP INSTRUCTIONS

The first time you play GeoSafari, follow the set-up instructions. This will ensure that all the software necessary to run GeoSafari video & audio has been installed. After that, simply follow the start-up instructions every time you play GeoSafari.

Important: Keep the GeoSafari disc in your CD-ROM drive during all game play.

Windows^(R) Set-up Instructions

1. Insert the GeoSafari disc into the CD-ROM drive. Choose **START** and then **RUN**. Before installing the software, make sure that there are no other programs running.
2. In the command line box, type **D:SETUP** and click on **OK**. (If your CD-ROM drive is not drive **D**, type the appropriate letter.)
3. Follow the on-screen prompts until the installation for GeoSafari and QuickTime[™] is complete.
4. When the installation is complete, **exit** Windows^(R) and **restart** your computer. When the machine is ready, continue with the start-up instructions.

Windows^(R) Start-up Instructions

1. Insert the GeoSafari disc into the CD-ROM drive.
2. Click **Start**, select **Programs**, select **GeoSafari** and click on the **Geography, History, Science or Animals** icon.

Macintosh Set-up Instructions

1. Insert the GeoSafari disc into the CD-ROM drive. Before installing the software, make sure that there are no other programs running.
2. Double-click on the GeoSafari disc icon. This will open the disc and show an icon for the GeoSafari Installer. Double-click on the icon to start the installation.
3. Follow the on-screen prompts until the installation for GeoSafari and QuickTime[™] is complete.
4. When the installation is complete, you will be prompted to **restart** your computer. When the machine is ready, continue with the start-up instructions.

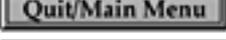
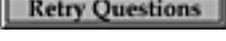
Macintosh Start-up Instructions

1. Insert the GeoSafari disc into the CD-ROM drive. Find your GeoSafari folder on the hard disk and open it.
2. Double-click on the **Geography, History, Science or Animals** icon in the GeoSafari folder.

If you need help, call **(310) 884-2000** and ask for Software Technical Support.

LEARNING YOUR WAY AROUND GEOSAFARI

GeoSafari is so easy to use you probably won't need this page. But if you do, remember, the Options button  is a good way to move around the game. When you click on Options, you can . . .

-  Meet GeoSafari's creators.
-  Give younger players a head start in their scores.
-  Change the time you have to answer questions.
-  Learn more about the subjects covered in the games.
-  View your Awards Case.
-  Choose to play Takeover or Free-for-All games.
-  Pick a new game or restart the one you're playing.
-  Change names or number of players, or quit GeoSafari.
-  Replay questions you missed in a game.

Some options are not available during a game and can only be used before and/or after a game. If an Options button is grayed out, you'll know it isn't active at that time.



GEOSAFARI GAME RULES

- GeoSafari can be played by 1, 2, 3 or 4 players--or up to 4 teams.
- This GeoSafari disc contains 15 different games.
- Each game has up to 25 questions. In a standard game, you get 3 chances to answer each question correctly.
 - A correct answer on the first try earns 3 points.
 - A correct answer on the second try earns 2 points.
 - A correct answer on the third try is worth 1 point.
- If you miss a question on the third try--or run out of time--GeoSafari tells you the correct answer, but you receive no points for that turn and the game moves on to the next question. Points are added up next to your name on the screen.
- The number of questions you have left is shown on the left-hand side of the screen.

A Perfect Score Game!

If you answer every question in a game correctly on the first try, you'll earn a perfect score, receive a personalized fireworks display and a gold medal.

(See pages 5-6 for more information on earning medals and your trophy.)



There are some special games just for 2 players or 2 teams. See pages 12-14.

GeoTip #1

Earn GeoSafari Awards

... and watch your personal Awards Case fill up with glittering prizes!

Here's how to go for the gold:

EARNING MEDALS

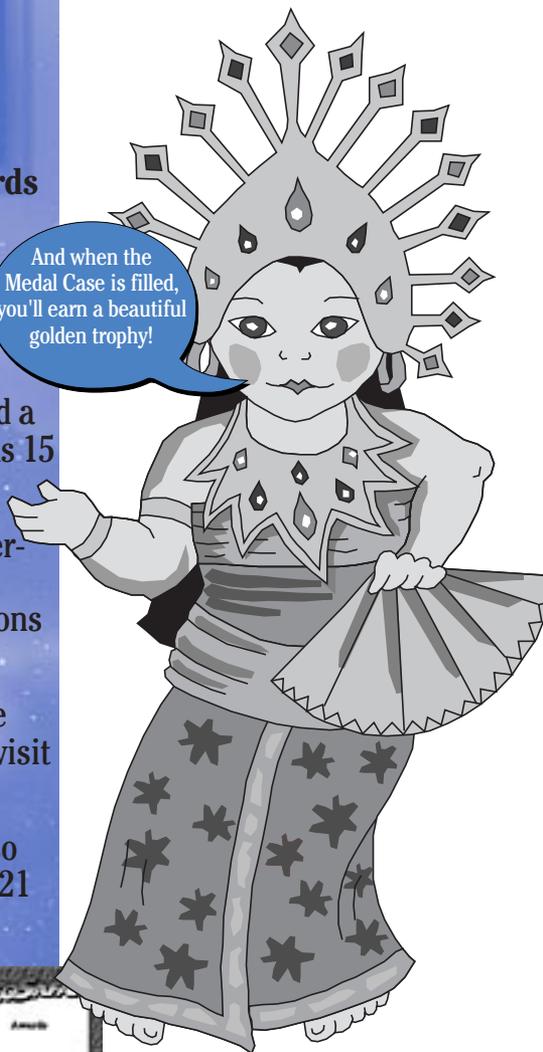
When you sign on for a 1-player game, you'll automatically be assigned a personal Awards Case. Your case holds 15 medals.

You'll earn a medal when you get a perfect score in a 1-player game. (That means you answered all of the questions correctly on the first try.)

Every time you earn a medal, it will be placed in your Awards Case. You can visit your awards any time you like.

Every time you earn a medal you'll also earn an Awards Certificate. See page 21 for printing instructions.

And when the Medal Case is filled, you'll earn a beautiful golden trophy!



Meet this Indonesian girl in the **World Greetings** geography game.





EARNING A TROPHY

Earn all 15 medals and you'll receive your GeoSafari Trophy. This trophy will be permanently displayed in your Awards Case. When you earn your trophy you'll also receive a special Trophy Certificate. See page 22 for printing instructions.

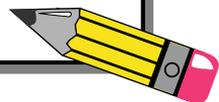
Visit Your Awards Case!

You can visit your personal Awards Case any time you want. Just sign into GeoSafari under your Single Player Name (the name that your scores are recorded under) and click on **Options** and then on the **Awards** button.



GeoNote to Parents

Help your child get started filling his or her Awards Case right away.



GeoTip #2

Beat the Clock and Collect Best Time Ribbons

Here's how to win a Best Time Ribbon:

1. Whenever you start a 1-player game, a special timer will appear under your name. You'll also see the best time ever earned for that game printed on the lower portion of the game screen. If you want to "beat the clock"--and go for a ribbon--this is the time you're trying to beat.
2. As you play, your timer will add up the seconds it takes you to answer each question. Your goal: Beat the time shown on the screen!

GeoSafari records "best times" for all 1-player perfect-score games. Whoever has the best time in a game gets to keep a red "Best Time" Ribbon on that medal in his or her Awards Case.

But that red ribbon is always up for grabs! Beat another player's best time and take the ribbon away to your own Awards Case--until it's taken away again!

Miss a question when playing for time?

"Best times" are recorded only for perfect-score games. If you miss a question on the first try during a 1-player game, the timer will immediately disappear. You can continue your game, but you're out of the running for a Best-Time Ribbon--until you try again!



The time to beat

GeoTip #3

Try All the Games!

Your GeoSafari CD-Rom includes 15 great games. You might want to try out other GeoSafari CD-Rom titles, too. They're available at a store near you.

GEOSAFARI GEOGRAPHY GAMES

USA Attractions--*A photo journey across the United States.*

World Landmarks--*Your whirlwind tour of the world's most famous sights.*

Canada--*The provinces & capitals of Canada.*

USA States 1--*25 of the 50 USA states.*

USA States 2--*The other 25!*

USA Capitals 1--*USA state capitals.*

USA Capitals 2--*And here's the other half!*

Middle America--*From Mexico to Panama--a great trip!*

South America--*Can you identify all 12 countries?*

Europe--*Russia is the largest country . . . what are the rest?*

Africa--*Featuring 25 African countries.*

Asia--*From tiny Singapore to immense China.*

World Greetings--*Say hello to children from around the world.*

World Flags--*Colorful flags from 20 countries.*

World Currencies--*Money makes the world go 'round. Check it out!*

GEOSAFARI HISTORY GAMES

The First Americans--*Native American artifacts.*

Armaments on Land--*From the long bow to nuclear weapons.*

Great Inventions--*Innovations that changed our lives forever.*

Armaments at Sea--*Sea weaponry that turned the tide in battle.*

Great Leaders--*Kings, queens, conquerors and heroes.*

Great Artists--*The GeoSafari Art Gallery.*

Arms & Armor--*Battle gear from the days of brave knights & fair ladies.*

Great Civilizations--*The origins of our world's cultures.*

Great Writers--*Words that endure the ages.*

Who Wore It?--*Who was wearing what and when.*

Great Disasters--*Horrifying episodes in history.*

Decades in Review--*Top events of the 50s, 60s, 70s and 80s.*

U.S. Presidents--*Headline happenings in U.S. history.*

World War II--*People, places & events of the deadliest war ever.*

Who Said That?--*Famous quotes from famous folks.*

GEOSAFARI SCIENCE GAMES

- Our Solar System**--*A comet's eye view of Earth's neighbors.*
- Trees**--*Don't "leave" this one out!*
- Flower Families**--*Beautiful blossoms from around the world.*
- The Human Skeleton**--*From the cranium to the tarsals!*
- The Bee**--*A real honey of a game.*
- Amazing Inventions**--*How did they do it? Find out here!*
- The Weather**--*And now . . . the GeoSafari Weather Report!*
- Rocks & Minerals**--*Glittering treasures from inside the earth.*
- Insect Defenses**--*They're small but they take care of themselves!*
- History of Aircraft**--*Aviation's greatest achievements.*
- Exploring Space**--*Great moments from the Space Race.*
- Dinosaur Details**--*Who's who in the dino world.*
- Volcano!**--*An explosive journey inside a volcano.*
- Animal Classes**--*Mammal, bird, fish, reptile or amphibian?*
- Earth's Extremes**--*Hottest to coldest. Largest to smallest. And more.*

GEOSAFARI ANIMALS GAMES

- GeoSafari Dog Show**--*What's your pick for Best in Show?*
- Animal Hall of Fame**--*Top performers in the animal world.*
- Micro Mysteries**--*Strange things come in small packages.*
- Animals Sound Off!**--*Identify animals by their sounds.*
- Horse Round-up**--*Saddle up for a great ride.*
- Animal Eye-D**--*Can you ID these animals?*
- Animal Tracks**--*A back-country adventure.*
- Name That Bird Call**--*A real "tweet" game.*
- Weird World of Animals**--*Odd but true!*
- Endangered Animals**--*The real stories.*
- Animal Art Gallery**--*Tour the museum.*
- Reptiles**--*A cold-blooded competition.*
- Whale Watch**--*This is the BIG game.*
- Shark!**--*Sink your teeth into this one.*
- Skulls**--*More than meets the eye.*

GeoTip #4

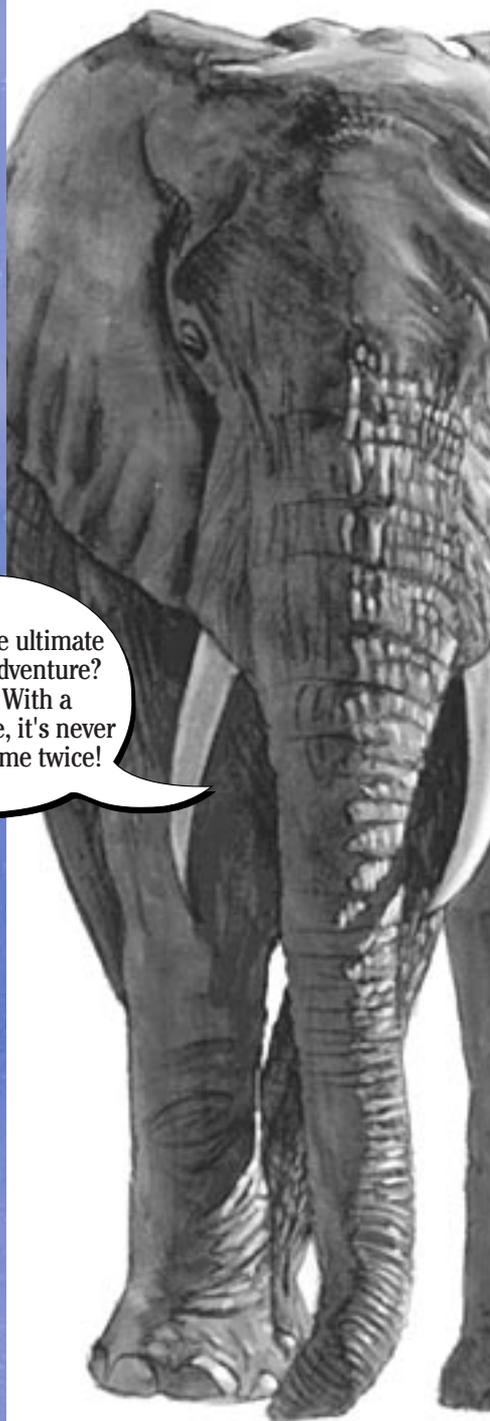
Take the GeoChallenge!

This is the tough one! In the GeoChallenge we'll create a brand-new game made up of questions taken from each of your 15 GeoSafari games. You'll never know what's coming up next.

In standard games, the rules are explained before play begins. Because GeoChallenge games are created from many different games, there may **not** be a full explanation of how to play each question. Players will have a better understanding of GeoChallenge games if they become familiar with the standard games first.



Ready for the ultimate GeoSafari Adventure? Hang on. With a GeoChallenge, it's never the same game twice!



Here's how to set up a GeoChallenge game:

On the game menu click on "GeoChallenge."
GeoSafari will begin putting together your customized game.

Note: Because GeoChallenge games are never the same, scores aren't recorded, medals aren't earned, and best times are not kept.



GeoTip # 5

Go for 2-Player Competition

FREE-FOR-ALL

What's a Free-for-All Game?

It's a game just for 2 players or 2 teams.

In Free-for-All, each question is up for grabs! When you start a Free-for-All game session, each player will be assigned a special tap-in key on the keyboard.

The player whose name appears on top always uses the number 1 key to tap in. The second player's tap-in key is number 9.

After a question is given, the player or the team who "taps in" first gets to answer--for 3 points. But watch out! If you tap in and are wrong, you'll lose 3 points. Your opponent can then tap in and give the question a try. If correct, he or she gets 2 points. If incorrect, 2 points are lost.

Playing with 2 players or 2 teams? GeoSafari has 3 different ways to play!

1. **Standard** is the way GeoSafari is normally played.
2. **Takeover** lets you "take over" the other player's question if he or she gets it wrong.
3. In **Free-for-All** the questions go to the player who "taps in" first.

You can change 2-player game modes by clicking on **Options**, then **2-Player Options**. On pages 12-14 we'll show you how to set up and play Takeover and Free-for-All.

"Will,
your tap-in
key is 1."

"John,
your tap-in
key is 9."

Meet Will Rogers and John Paul Jones in the **Who Said That?** history game.



TAKEOVER

What's a Takeover Game?

Like Free-for-All, it's a game just for 2 players or 2 teams. In a Takeover game each player or team gets only one chance to answer a question correctly and earn 3 points. But watch out! If the question is answered incorrectly, the other player or team "takes over" and can earn 2 points for the right answer.

Here's how to set up a Takeover game:

1. Once 2 players or 2 teams have selected their names—but before a game starts—click on **Options**, then click on **2-Player Options**.



You'll see this menu: →



2. Click on the **Takeover** button. It will light up yellow, letting you know that you've changed the game format.



3. Click on **Back to Game** and you're all set.



Until you make a change, every 2-player or 2-team game you play in this GeoSafari session will be a Takeover game.



This Viking warrior is one of 20 historical characters you'll meet in the **Who Wore It?** history game.

GeoTip #6

Retry Your Missed Questions

Whenever you finish a 1-player game you'll have the chance to replay any questions you missed.

Here's what to do:

1. At the end of a game, the Options menu will automatically appear on your screen.

2. Click on the **Retry Questions** button.



3. In just a moment, GeoSafari will replay the questions you missed during the game.

Remember: "Retry" questions aren't scored—and you can't earn a medal if you get them all correct—but it's a great way to make sure you get that medal next time around!

GeoNote to Parents

The "Retry Questions" option is great for helping kids learn those questions that they find most difficult.



This is a great way to brush up on the toughest questions, and get a better score next time around!



You can meet this Argentine boy, and his friends, in the **World Greetings** geography game.

GeoTip #7

Adjust the Answer Clock Time

When you play GeoSafari, you're automatically given 45 seconds to answer each question. Some players may want more time, some may want less.

Here's how to adjust a player's answer clock time:

1. Click on Options before a game begins (or even during a game).

Options

2. Then click on the Adjust Game Time button.

Adjust Game Time

3. Now click on either the "up" or "down" arrow to change the number of seconds you want for answering questions. When you return to game play, this will be the number of seconds the player has to answer a question.
4. Adjusting the timer does not affect your ability to earn medals. A perfect score is a perfect score--regardless of the time set on the clock.



Chandra	▼	45	▲
Matthew	▼	30	▲
Lakisha	▼	20	▲
Kelly	▼	15	▲

GeoTip # 8

Give Bonus Points

Sometimes less experienced players need a little help when competing with more experienced players. When more than one person is playing, you can give another player a head start by giving him or her some Bonus Points to make the game more even. The maximum number of bonus points any player may receive is 20.

Here's how to give bonus points:

1. After all players have chosen names, but before you actually begin a game, click on **Options** and then the **Adjust Bonus** button.



Adjust Bonus

2. You'll see a listing of all players. Click on the **up** arrow to add points for any player that you wish.



Kelly

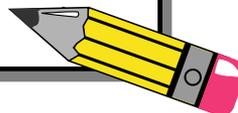
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You can individualize GeoSafari games for all ages and all levels of players . . . and give younger players a head start!

GeoNote to Parents

This is a great way to make family GeoSafari games more fun and more fair. Up to 4 players can play, and you can adjust bonus points for any or all players.



GeoTip #9

Use the Same Name or Nickname Each Time You Play

It's fun to hear yourself called by different names or nicknames during a game, but if you want to collect medals and a trophy, use the same name each time you play. Every time you earn a perfect score, your medal or Best Time Ribbon will be placed in your Awards Case under the name you are using.



In multiple-player games, scores aren't recorded and medals and the trophy aren't earned. So, choose any name or nickname you want! You can be Blondie during one game and Avenger in another. And if you've ever wanted a different first name, here's your chance to try it on. Have fun with nicknames and names during multiple-player games.

Previous Players

- Becca
- Blondie
- Jessy
- Superstar
- Professor
- Joshua
- Grandpa
- Dude
- Cindy
- Cool Kid
- Flash
- Mom
- Avenger
- Danielle
- Safari Star
- Wizard
- Lakeisha



GeoTip #10

Visit the GeoSafari Glossary

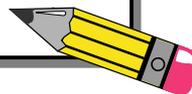
The Glossary contains an entry for every one of the questions in all of the 15 games on your CD-ROM. To visit the Glossary, first click on **Options**, then on the **Glossary** button. Now just select a game name and you'll see a menu of everything that's included for that game. Click on the title tab at the top of the menu to return to the complete list of games.

Click here to return to the list of games



GeoNote to Parents

Don't forget the GeoSafari Glossary when it's report time at school. See page 22 for printing instructions.



GeoTip #11

Check Out the GeoBytes

What's a GeoByte?

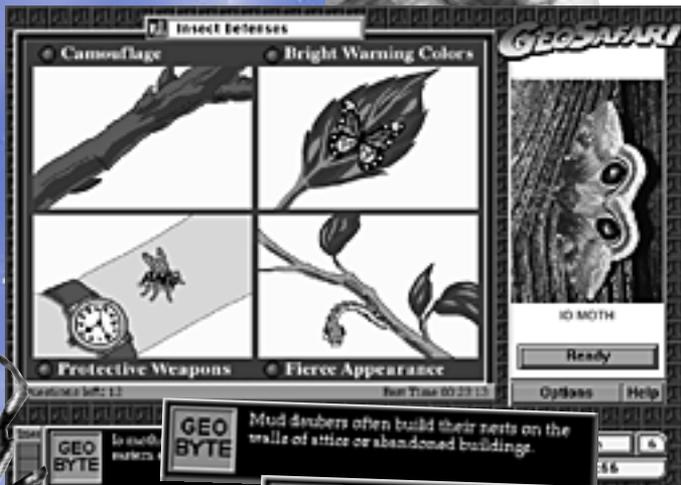
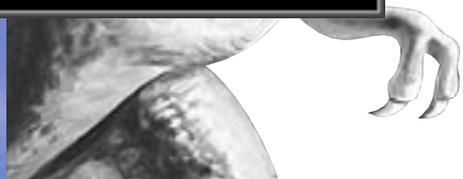
Every time you get a correct answer during a GeoSafari game, an extra fact called a GeoByte will appear in the box at the lower part of the screen.



**GEO
BYTE**

Many shield bugs are called stink bugs because they give off a foul odor when alarmed.

GeoSafari has over a thousand of these fun factoids—and you'll never know which one will pop up next. Take time to read them. You'll be surprised at what you'll learn!



**GEO
BYTE**

to earth
markets

**GEO
BYTE**

Mud daubers often build their nests on the walls of attics or abandoned buildings.

GEO

The queen of a honey bee colony can lay up to 2,000 eggs a day.

**GEO
BYTE**

Dragonflies can fly up to 60 miles per hour (97 km/h).

GeoTip #12

Print!

Printing a Medal Certificate:

When you win a medal, you may want to print out a certificate celebrating your achievement right away. You can also print the certificate in a future session of play: Just make sure you're playing in one-player mode and using the same name under which you earned the medal.

1. Click on **Awards** in the **Options** menu. Your Awards Case will display all the medals you have earned.
2. Click on **Print Certificate**.
3. Click on the medal for which you would like to print a certificate.
4. Your certificate will be displayed. If you want your name to appear just as it does on the screen, click **Print**.
5. If you want your certificate to be printed with a different name, or if you would like to add your last name, click **Change Name**. Type in your name as you would like it to appear on the certificate, then click **OK**. Your certificate will be displayed with the new name. Click **Print**.



Printing a Trophy Certificate

Earning a GeoSafari trophy by scoring 100% on all fifteen games is quite an accomplishment. Follow these steps to print your special trophy certificate. (Make sure you're in the one-player mode using the name under which you earned your trophy.)

1. Click on **Awards** in the **Options** menu.
2. Click **Trophy**.
3. Click **Print Certificate**.
4. Your trophy certificate will be displayed. If you want your name to appear just as it does on the screen, click **Print**.
5. If you would like your certificate to be printed with a different name, click **Change Name**. Type in your name as you would like it to appear, then click **OK**. Your certificate will be displayed with the new name. Click **Print**.



Printing from the Glossary

The GeoSafari Glossary includes lots of valuable information. For easy reference, it's simple to print a page from the glossary.

1. Click **Glossary** in the **Options** menu.
2. Click on the game title.
3. Click on the entry you want to print.
4. Click **Print**.

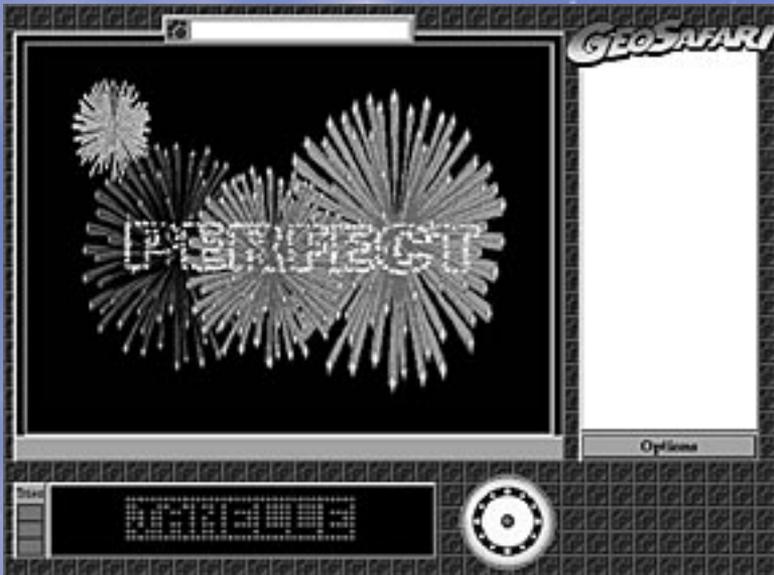
PARENTS' PAGES

Here are some things you can do
to help your child make the
most of GeoSafari:

1. Help your child experience success right away!

One of the most popular rewards in GeoSafari is the personalized fireworks "celebration" a player is treated to at the end of a perfect-score game. It's a dazzling surprise and a great motivator for earning perfect scores in other games.

It's important then to help your child experience the full GeoSafari "star treatment" as soon as possible. For this reason, we suggest you guide your child toward specific games that will be easier for him or her to master. What's easier? Probably those subjects that reflect your child's own strong interests.



PARENTS' PAGES

Fourteen medals,
Jason. You've
almost earned your
trophy. Way to go!

2. Praise your child's success.

Kids love to share their successes with the people that matter most in their lives--their parents. GeoSafari offers many opportunities to let your child know how much you value learning--and his or her accomplishments.

Here are some things you can do:

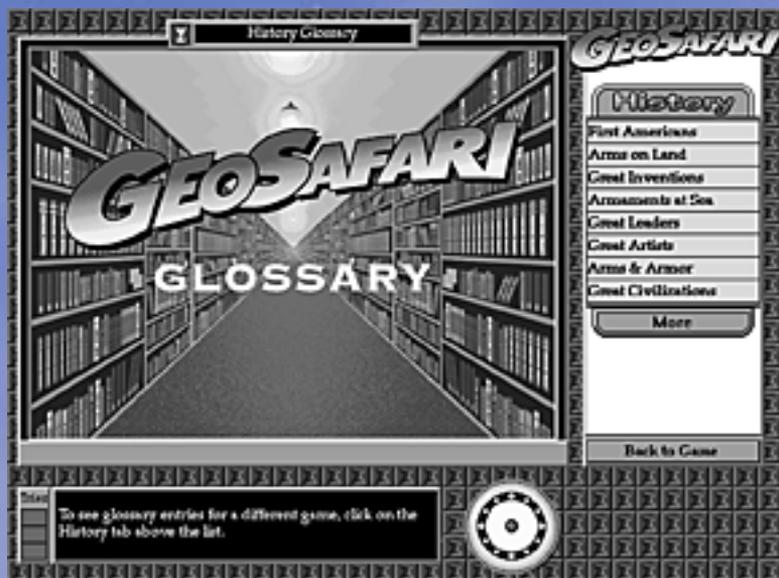
- **Ask to see your child's Awards Case.**
Give your child the chance to "show off" his or her prizes. Watching the Awards Case fill up is a great incentive for further achievement.
- **Praise your child during a game.**
The best opportunity to shower your child with genuine praise is while a game is going on. Your praise will be immediate and specific, and therefore most meaningful. You'll have to compete with Richie Havens, our ever-encouraging narrator, but that's just fine. No child can ever hear too many words of praise.
- **Talk to your child about games that he or she especially likes.**
GeoSafari's broad range of subjects guarantees that many of your child's favorite topics will be covered.



PARENTS' PAGES

3. Visit the GeoSafari Glossary together.

Browse through the Glossary together to show your child the range of information available. Point out that GeoSafari can also be a helpful resource for school reports. There's an entry for every GeoSafari question--and that covers a lot of ground.



PARENTS' PAGES



BEST TIME 1:32:53

4. Encourage your child to go for Best Time Ribbons.

Get some friendly family competition going--and help keep your child brushed up on what he or she has learned. Once your child has earned a medal, keep the Best Time Ribbon moving from one player to another.

5. Make GeoSafari time family time.

GeoSafari's variety of games makes it perfect for family play and family discussion. Everyone benefits. The very nature of GeoSafari game play encourages spirited conversation and lively competition. Your child will be learning and the family will be having fun--together.

6. Use GeoSafari to help with schoolwork.

GeoSafari's broad range of topics will come in handy when your child needs to review specific subjects for school or write a report. Use the print function to make copies of Glossary entries. (See page 22 for instructions.)



PRINTING GEOSAFARI ACTIVITY SHEETS

Your Platinum Edition GeoSafari includes special worksheets with puzzles, word games, and other activities that reinforce and extend the knowledge and skills learned in the games. Answer keys appear at the end of the activity sheets.

Follow these instructions to view and print out the GeoSafari Activity Sheets.

Macintosh Users

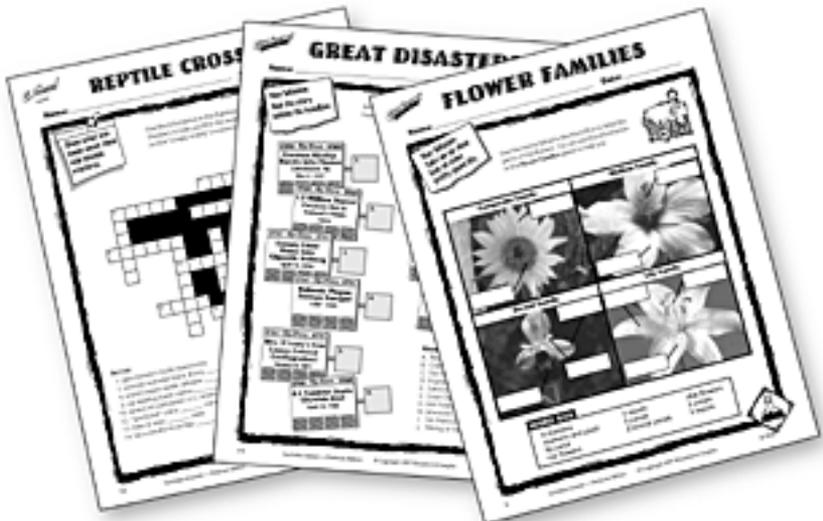
1. Locate the GeoSafari folder on your hard disk and double-click on it.
2. For information on how to use the activity sheets in the classroom or home, double-click on the Activity Sheets - Read Me icon.
3. To install Acrobat Reader, double-click on the CD-ROM to open it. Then double-click on the Install Acrobat Reader icon. Follow the on-screen instructions.
4. To view the activities, double-click on the Activity Sheets pencil icon. Activity sheets for all the games are included in this document. Use the scroll bar to turn pages.
5. To print activity sheets, select Print from the File menu, choose which pages you want to print, and click on the button labeled Print.





Windows Users

1. Click Start, then highlight Programs.
2. Highlight GeoSafari.
3. For information on how to use the activity sheets in the classroom or home, click on the Activity Sheets - Read Me icon.
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