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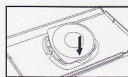
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### PARENTAL CONTROL LEVEL

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7  
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### AGE GROUP

**Restricted to 18 and over**

**Not suitable for under 15 unless accompanied by an adult**

**Recommended for mature players**

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## getting started

Set up the PSP™ system according to the instructions in its instruction manual. Turn the PSP™ system on and the POWER indicator will light up green. The Home Menu will be displayed. Press the OPEN latch to open the disc cover. Insert the FRANTIX disc with the label side facing the rear of the PSP™ system and then securely close the disc cover.

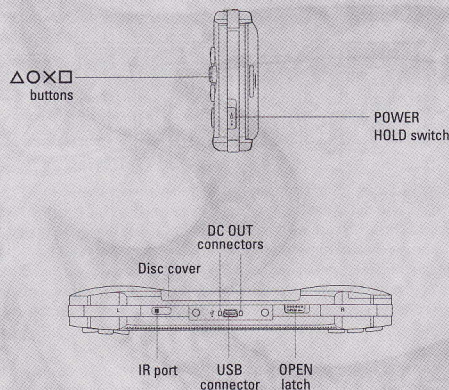
Select the  icon from the Home Menu and then select the  icon. An image of the software will be displayed. Select the image and press the  button to commence loading.

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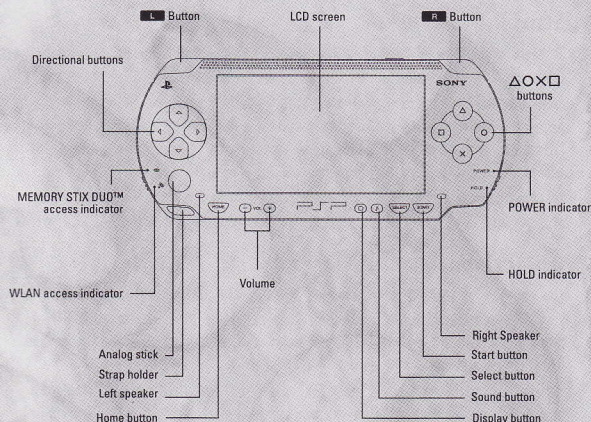
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## Main Menu



1. World Name
2. Level
3. Total number of gems collected
4. Total number of gold gems earned.
5. Number of gems collected on this level
6. Best time for completing this level
7. Hero name
8. Hero image
9. Credits
10. Total time played

# gameplay

## Starting a Game

To begin a game for the first time, you will start in the World Tutorialandia on the level Gems & Exit. In Tutorialandia you will learn the basics of solving puzzles in **FRANTIX**. From the main menu, select your hero by highlighting the name and pressing the left or right directional buttons. There are four heroes in **FRANTIX**, though some may be locked and require a certain number of gems collected in order to play them. The heroes are Bear, Kaz, Uri, and Meeper.

To begin the selected level, press the **X** button. The main menu will display your progress and allow you to choose your hero and level to play.

## Objectives

The objective in **FRANTIX** is to gather gems in the strange, dream-like puzzle worlds your hero ventures through, before time runs out. These gems can unlock different areas of the current level, higher levels and worlds, with more complex puzzles and new themes, as well as new heroes to play.

Each level of each world has a gem requirement you must have reached in order to play that level. In the main menu you can see what is required to unlock a level by scrolling through, using the left and right directional buttons. Next to the gem icon below the level name you will see the number of gems needed to unlock that level.

## Controls

Move your hero using the directional buttons.

- ← button** Moves your hero one step to the left.
- button** Moves your hero one step to the right.
- ↓ button** Moves your hero one step backward.

Note that you may also use the analog stick to control your hero.

Adjust your camera view by using the following buttons:

- △ button** Toggles the camera view between far behind, directly over-head, and close behind your hero.
- L button** Rotates the camera view 90 degrees clockwise around your hero.
- R button** Rotates the camera view 90 degrees counterclockwise around your hero.

To pause the game, press the **START** button. This will open the Pause menu. From here, you may resume play when ready, restart the current level, or quit to return to the main menu.

## Puzzles

**FRANTIX** requires quick thinking, a cool head, and good problem-solving abilities. Each level of the game will challenge you with puzzles to solve that will allow your hero to move through it and escape to the next level or world. But don't dawdle; you have a limited amount of time in which to make it through each level.



1. Countdown clock
2. Gems remaining to be collected
3. Level title
4. Your hero
5. A gem
6. Question mark clue
7. Enemy creature
8. Switch
9. Object

## Question Mark Clues

In some levels you will see question mark symbols on the ground. Move your hero over these symbols to receive a clue for solving that level. Be sure to read all clues in a level as they provide invaluable information, including tips on how to traverse hazards or unlock sealed off areas.

## Collecting Gems



To progress through **FRANTIX** you must collect gems. In order to successfully complete a level, you must collect the number of gems indicated in the upper right corner of the screen and reach the exit portal before the time limit expires.

To pick up a gem, simply maneuver your hero over the gem. It will be picked up automatically and added to your collection. The more gems you collect, the more levels and other game features you can unlock.

## Time Limits

You have a limited time to solve the puzzles and maneuver your hero through levels. In the upper right corner of the screen is a clock icon with a countdown in seconds. If the countdown reaches zero, you will have to replay the level.

## Gold Gem Time Limits



Completing a level in an exceptionally short time can earn you a special reward: a gold gem.

## Pickups

You may find pickups that grant special temporary effects to your hero. Not all effects may be beneficial, so be prepared when you run into them. To take a pickup, simply run into it with your hero. Here are some pickups that you might find, and their effects:

- **Haste Boost:** Doubles your speed for five seconds. Unless your hero hits a wall, you won't be able to stop your forward movement while under this effect.
- Note** — You can still change your direction of movement while under this effect, but it will be very difficult to do so.
- **Haste Minus:** Reduces your speed by half for five seconds. You can't stop your forward movement while under this effect unless your hero encounters a wall.
- Note** — You can still change your direction of movement while under this effect, but it is very difficult.
- **Time Boost:** Increases your remaining time by 30 seconds.
- **Invincibility:** Allows you to walk safely on any hazard, trap, or enemy for five seconds.

## Hazards

Hazards can end your journey through the dream world of **FRANTIX** very quickly. Lava and water, for example, cannot be crossed without a bridge of some sort, including boxes you can move that allow you to cross safely. Quicksand requires that you cross it quickly, no turning back. If you do, your hero is sunk, literally!

## Creatures

You will encounter a host of strange creatures as you explore the dream-scapes of **FRANTIX**. They can spell trouble for your hero, sometimes frustrating your progress by merely blocking your way, but often seeking to end your time in their world, so be careful. Pay attention to their behaviour. In some cases, how they move and react to your hero can be used to your advantage.



## Objects

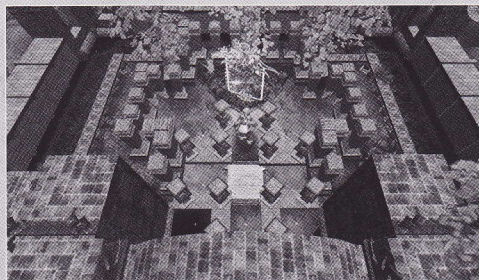
Throughout many levels you will find objects such as boxes, bombs, and more, that can help you pass obstacles. For example, boxes can be pushed into dangerous hazards, such as water or lava, allowing you to gingerly cross and avoid the obstacle.

To push an object, maneuver your hero into position next to the object and push it in the direction you wish it to go.

If an object you need is against a wall or in a corner and you're no longer able to push it into a certain position, you may "pull" the object out of the corner. To pull an object, position your hero next to it. Push against the object by pressing the direction button toward the object and then quickly press the opposite direction button away from the object. Your hero will then pull the object one space away from the wall or corner.

Note that some objects (for example bombs) have special effects and moving them may initiate their effect. Moving a bomb will ignite the fuse, so make sure you know what you're going to do with it before you push it!

## Portals, Doors, and Walls



There are a variety of walls and portals in many levels of **FRANTIX**. Portals will move your hero instantly to different locations within the level, often to locations unreachable by other means.

Doors and walls function in different ways in many levels. Some allow you only to pass through one direction, others will allow you to pass through only one time. You may also need to unlock walls or doors by collecting gems.

## Completing and Replaying a Level

To complete a level, you must collect all required gems and make your way to the exit portal before the time limit expires.

As you play through higher and higher levels in **FRANTIX**, the puzzles will become more complex. Successfully completing a level on your first try is an exceptional achievement; however, if you're not able to solve a level before the time limit expires or your hero perishes because of a creature or hazard, don't worry.

You can replay levels as often as you like to figure out the best and fastest way to complete them.

You may also wish to replay a level you've already solved, to get a better time. If you complete the level within the gold gem time limit, you will earn a gold gem as well! (See *Gold Gem Time Limits* — page 6).

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