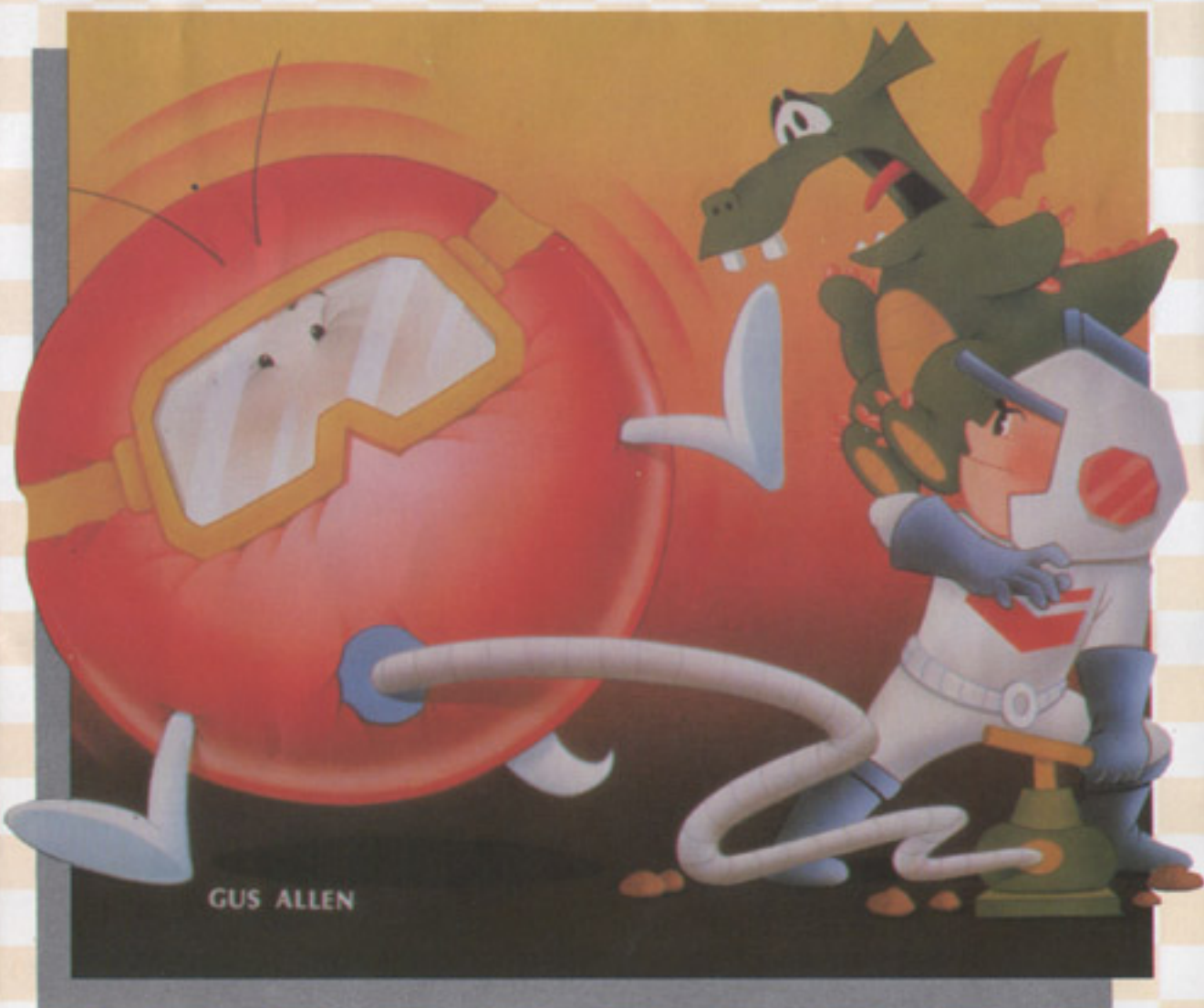


# DIG DUG<sup>\*</sup>

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# HOW MANY VEGGIES CAN A

**L**oad the Dig Dug cartridge into your Commodore 64 Home Computer as explained in your computer owner's guide, and turn on your computer. Plug a joystick controller into Control Port 1 and use the same joystick. If two people are playing:

Press F3 to choose a one- or two-player game.

Press F5 to choose one of 10 difficulty levels. Each time Dig Dug finishes a round, he moves to the next higher level.

Press F1 or the red button on the joystick to start the game.

Press the SPACE BAR to pause during a game, to reactivate the game, move the joystick.

Dig Dug starts each game with three lives. After he burrows to the center of the earth on his own, use your joystick to send him where you want. When he enters a tunnel where Pooka\* is lurking, the monster begins to chase him. Explode Pooka\* quickly by pressing and holding the red button, or by pumping it repeatedly. Pumping the button just once or twice will stun the monster so that Dig Dug can slip past. But Dig Dug can't reach monsters through veggies or fruits — touching Pooka when he's not stunned will knock Dig Dug out.

You can handle Fygar\* in almost the same way, but dragons breathe fire, so be careful if you approach him while he's looking at you. It's not enough to be just outside his tunnel when he's looking, either, because his fire is so powerful that it burns a short distance through the earth. Still, attacking him from the side is worth more points than attacking from above or below.

# A DIG DUG DIG?

Another way to handle the monsters is to drop rocks on them. To do this, tunnel underneath a rock when one or more monsters are chasing you. If you're tunneling upward, make a sharp turn just before you reach the rock and let it fall on them! If you're tunneling sideways, time yourself so that the rock falls just as they run underneath!

After two rocks have fallen in any round, a veggie or fruit appears at the center of the earth for ten seconds. If Dig Dug can gobble it up, he earns extra points.

But there's something very strange about Pooka and Fygar. Unless you destroy them quickly, they turn into GHOSTS and move through the ground directly toward Dig Dug. As soon as they enter a tunnel completely they become solid again.

The last monster left in any round gets scared of Dig Dug and runs to the surface, turning into a ghost if necessary to make his trip as fast as possible. Once on the surface he scampers to the left side of the screen. To catch him, Dig Dug has to race toward the surface himself.



# SCORING

## Gobbling Fruits and Veggies



Carrot..... 400



Rutabaga..... 600



Mushroom..... 800

(From the Mushroom on, each food appears twice.)



Cucumber..... 1,000



Eggplant..... 2,000



Bell Pepper..... 3,000



Tomato..... 4,000



Onion..... 5,000



Watermelon..... 6,000



Galaxian..... 7,000



Pineapple..... 8,000

(The Pineapple continues to appear until the game ends.)

The flowers at the top of the screen represent the number of the round you are currently playing. Each small flower counts as ten.

You and Dig Dug score points in several ways:

Each chunk of dirt Dig Dug digs ..... 10

|   |                                       |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Blowing up Pooka<br>and Fygar from<br>above or below: | Blowing up<br>Fygar from<br>the side: |
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|                              |      |
|------------------------------|------|
| 200 ..... Surface            | 400  |
| 200 ..... Top level of earth | 400  |
| 300 ..... Second level down  | 600  |
| 400 ..... Third level down   | 800  |
| 500 ..... Bottom level       | 1000 |

Dropping rocks on monsters (score per rock)

|                          |       |
|--------------------------|-------|
| One Monster              | 1,000 |
| Two Monsters             | 2,000 |
| Three Monsters           | 4,000 |
| Every Extra Monster      | 2,000 |
| Bonus for Eight Monsters | 1,000 |

Bonus lives:

At 10,000 points, 40,000 points, and every 40,000 points thereafter, you earn an extra life.

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