

Purple Moon™



Secret Paths



in the
Forest™

Adventure Guide

Friendship Adventures for Girls

Shhh! It's a secret!
But we want you to know about
our secret place - we can hang
out, talk, and share stories about
personal stuff. Plus, we
need your help!

Darnetta

Viva

Jessie

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Here's all you need
to start your *Secret Paths*
adventure!



Windows 95 System Requirements

- IBM®-PC or compatible with 486/66 MHz or faster processor
- Windows 95
- 8 MB RAM or more (16 MB recommended)
- Hard disk with 10 MB or more of free disk space
- Double-speed (2x) or faster CD-ROM drive
- SVGA monitor and graphics card (640x480, 256 colors or better)
- 16-bit Windows-compatible sound card with speakers or headphones
- Mouse

Windows 95 Installation

1. Insert the *Secret Paths in the Forest* CD into your CD-ROM drive.
2. If the AutoPlay feature on your computer is enabled, installation of the program will begin automatically; just follow the onscreen instructions. Otherwise, continue with the steps below.
3. On your desktop, double-click on the icon for My Computer (or your computer's icon).
4. Double-click on the CD icon.
5. Double-click on the Setup *Secret Paths* icon and follow the onscreen instructions.
6. When the installation is complete, you may be asked to restart your computer.

Starting the Adventure

1. If the AutoPlay feature on your computer is enabled, the adventure begins automatically when you insert the CD into your CD-ROM drive. Otherwise, in the Start menu, select Programs, select Purple Moon, and select *Secret Paths in the Forest*. Then click on the *Secret Paths in the Forest* icon to start the adventure.
2. If you've never played before, type in your name at the first screen and click on OK. If you have played before, choose your name from the list, then click on OK.

The ReadMe File

Browse the ReadMe file for more tips and troubleshooting information on running *Secret Paths in the Forest*. In the Windows 95 Start menu, select Programs, select Purple Moon, and select *Secret Paths in the Forest*. Then click on the ReadMe icon.

Getting Started-Macintosh

Macintosh System Requirements

- Macintosh 68040/33 MHz or faster processor
- System 7.1 or later
- 8 MB RAM or more (5 MB available)
- Hard disk with 10 MB or more of free disk space
- Double-speed (2x) or faster CD-ROM drive
- 256-color monitor
- Speakers and mouse

Macintosh Installation

1. Insert the *Secret Paths in the Forest* CD into your CD-ROM drive.
2. Double-click on the Install *Secret Paths in the Forest* icon and follow the onscreen instructions.
3. When the installation is complete, you may be asked to restart your computer.

Starting the Adventure

1. Double-click on the *Secret Paths in the Forest* folder in the Purple Moon folder on your desktop. Then double-click on the *Secret Paths in the Forest* icon.
2. If you've never played before, type in your name at the first screen and click on OK. If you have played before, choose your name from the list, then click on OK.

The ReadMe File

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Your Adventure Begins Here

You're invited to a secret, girls-only tree house. Here, you'll meet some friends who need advice about personal stuff – like families, feelings, and friendships. Help each girl by exploring her secret path, solving puzzles and gathering Secret Paths Stones along your way. Each Stone has its own special meaning that will help the girl you've befriended. Collect all the hidden stones to create a magical Garland Necklace that will give your friend a message for her alone.

Keyboard & Mouse Controls

Use your mouse to move the **cursor** over different things you'll see in your travels. Click the mouse button once to select something. Drag objects to move them from one place to another. Different cursors give you clues as you go:



The **Ladybug** helps you explore each scene along your journey. When the Ladybug changes color, click there for something special.



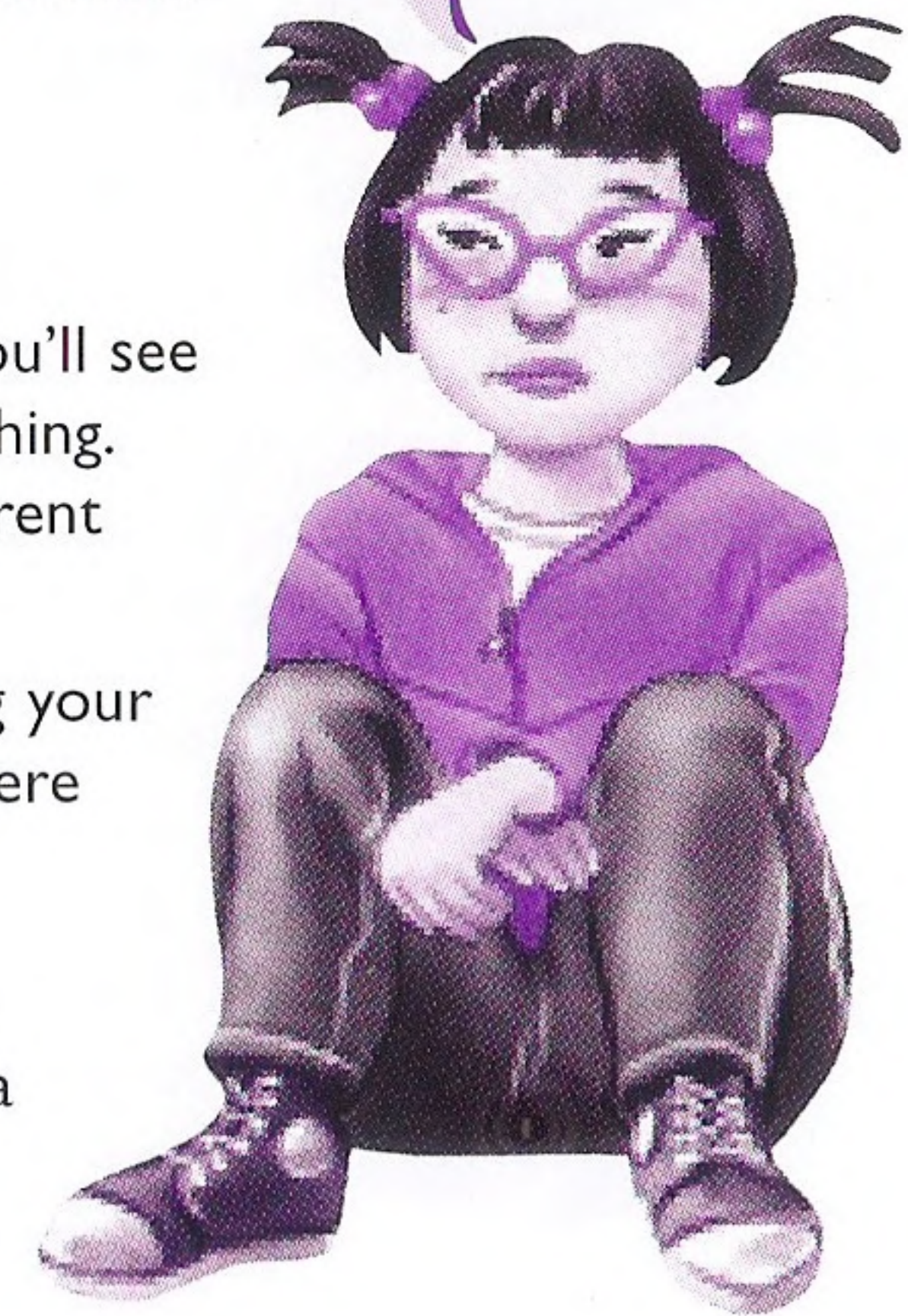
The **Butterfly** is your navigator, showing you the way forward or backward. Click at the far end of a path to move ahead. Click at the near end of a path to go back.



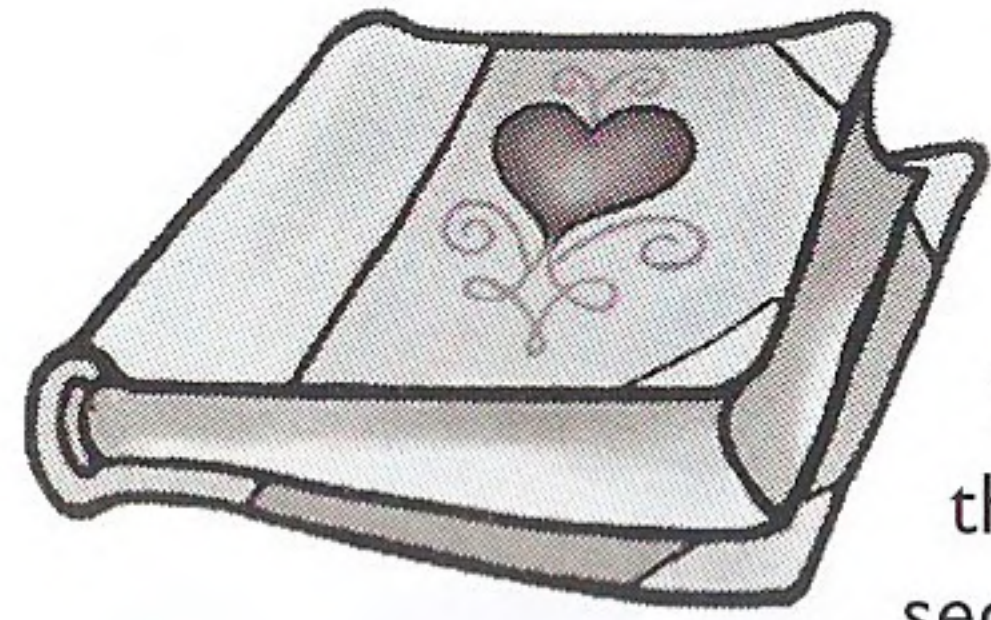
The **Heart** lets you explore everything else: the girls, the Friendship Box, the Purple Pouch – and more!

To **skip** any story, just press the **spacebar** while the story is playing.

There are
so many paths
to explore!

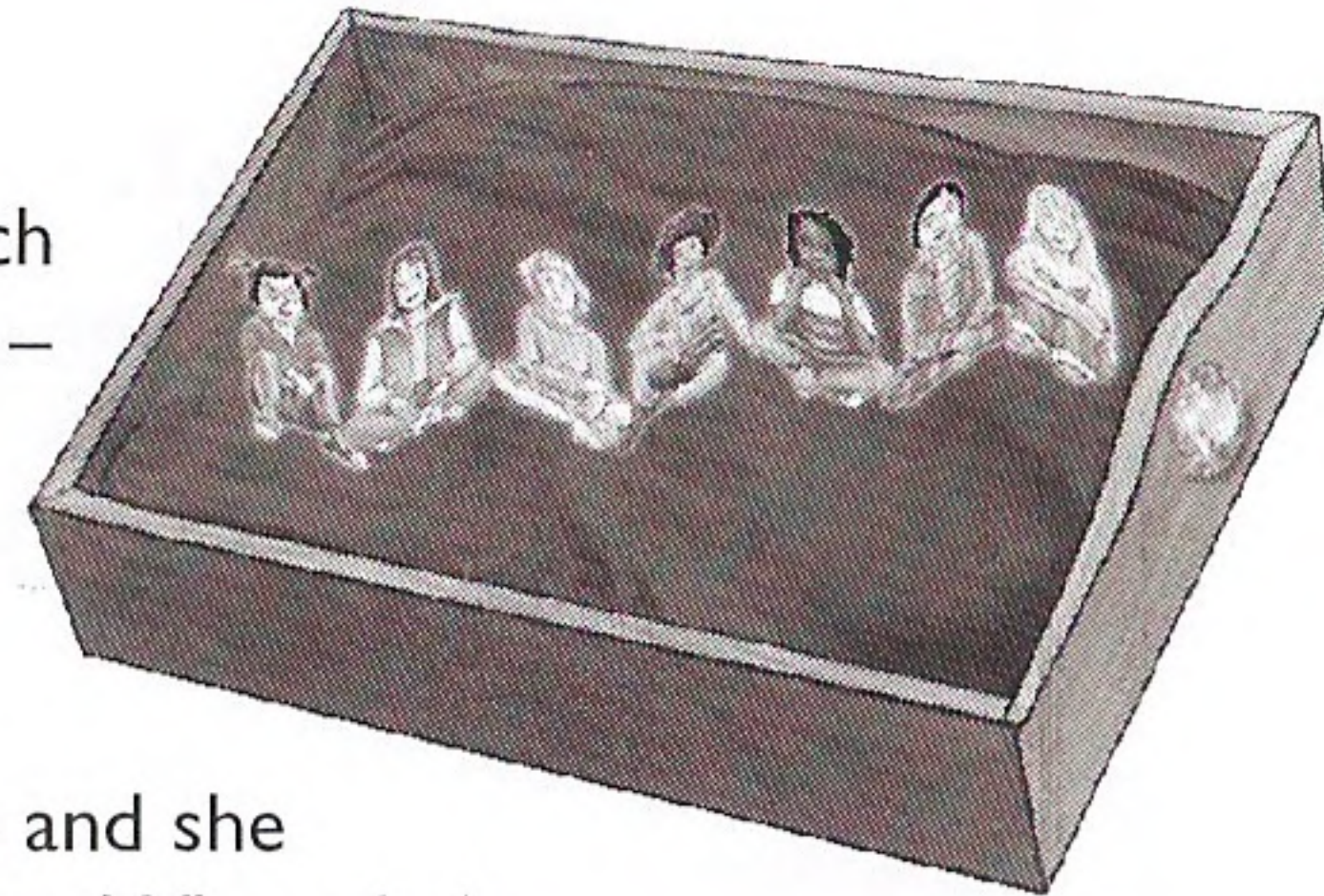


Meeting Your Friends in the Tree House



In the tree house, you'll meet seven girls, each with a different story to tell. Waiting for you in the tree house is a journal of mysterious origin – **The Book of the Secret Paths**. Who left it there? What does it contain? Read its contents (just click on the book), and you'll learn the history and hidden details of the secret paths.

To meet the girls who need your help, click on the **top drawer** of the **Friendship Box**. Then click on each girl to hear what she has to say. You can invite the girls – up to three at a time – to the tree house. Click anywhere off the girls to close the drawer, and the girls will greet you in the tree house.



Click on a girl in the tree house and she will tell you more of her story. When she's finished, you can choose to help her by clicking on the **Purple Pouch** in the bottom right corner of the screen. When you do, you will begin your journey down the enchanted pathways of her inner world. Or you can return to the tree house by clicking on the **tree house icon** in the top left corner.

Making the Tree House Your Own

Try clicking on the **"Girls Only" sign**, the sun-moon in the **dream-catcher** or its **ornaments**, and the **pillows** to make the tree house your own special place.

Exploring Secret Paths



As you travel the Secret Paths, be sure to explore every scene! Hidden creatures, magical lights and sounds, and many other surprises await you.

Look carefully, and you will find Secret Paths Stones. Not every scene may contain a stone, and not all stones are easy to find! You may need to solve a puzzle in order for a stone to be revealed. If you see a **blossoming flower** in the bottom left corner of the screen, that means you can make a puzzle more challenging. Click on the blossoms to add more flowers: the more flowers, the harder the puzzle.

When you find a stone, click on it to see its hidden message. Drag the stone to your **Purple Pouch** for safekeeping. You can open your Pouch at any time by clicking on it. The stones inside will spill out for you to see. Click anywhere else to put the stones back in the Pouch and return to exploring the path.



Returning to the Tree House



You can return to the tree house at any time – just click on the **tree house icon** in the top left corner of the screen.

If you see your Pouch wiggling in the tree house, that means you've collected all of the hidden stones on the path you've traveled. Click on the Pouch and watch the stones magically transform into a beautiful **Garland Necklace**. Place the Necklace around the neck of the girl you've been helping, then watch what happens next!



Storing the Stones

After you've explored a girl's path, your Pouch will magically empty its contents into the **Friendship Box**. Whether you've collected a few stones or have created a complete Garland Necklace, your stones and Garlands will be kept safe here, even if you quit the adventure. In the tree house, open the **bottom drawer** of the Box and you'll see, in the circle that surrounds each friend, how many stones you've gathered and how many you have left to find.

Click on any stone to see its message whenever you like. If you've completed a Garland Necklace, it will be in the bottom drawer too. Click on the clasp of the Necklace to see its message again.



Special Options



Click on the Purple Moon icon in the top right corner to get in and out of your adventure. A screen appears that lets you choose any one of these options:

- **Change Players** lets you leave your adventure and let a friend play.
- **End** stops and automatically saves your adventure.
- To adjust the volume, click on a volume button from Soft to Loud.

Tip: You can also quit your adventure at any time using these keyboard shortcuts:

- Windows 95: press Ctrl + Q
- Macintosh: press Command + Q



Dannetta's Path

The Court of the Ancient Statue

The book holds the clue to the Ancient Statue of Transformation. How many different statues can it become? Find the combination that will give forth a Secret Paths Stone.

Dana's Path

The Bustling Bee's Meadow

Don't worry – this bee won't sting. It's too busy carrying pollen from one flower to the next. Only the bee knows the secret of the white blossom: discover it, and a purple flower will reward you.

Granite Pass

Explore the tumbled boulders on this mountainside and you'll find that they contain a riddle. To solve it, you need to discover the links between the mysterious pictographs.

Whitney's Path

The Macaw's Bright Blooms

Watch as the jungle foliage blooms: is there a pattern? The macaw will be your guide.

Sparkle-Lily Lagoon

A magical sphere of light holds the key. Capture its sparkles and you'll be shown the mystery of the Sparkle-Lilies.

Minh's Path

The Owl's Roost

When the full moon shines brightly, the lake's surface is like a mirror. And when the owl takes flight above the shimmering water, her reflection takes on magical properties.

Shadow Grove

In the darkness of night, let your ears be your guide. A hidden owl will show you the way. But be careful: the cricket's chirp might steer you wrong.

The Moonflower Vine

By the light of a firefly, you may discover the mystery of the moonflower vine. Can you repeat the pattern of the blossoms?

Jessie's Path

The Fawn's Shady Dell

Careful! The fawn is easily startled. But if you're unhurried and gentle, the fawn will show you a secret stone.

The Bird's Nest

What can you feed the hungry baby birds before the mother bird returns?

Spider Serenade

Believe it or not, these spiders can make beautiful harmonies when they find their rightful place on the web.

Miko's Path

Tumbleweed Valley

When the breezes blow, the tumbleweeds roll, and Coyote laughs at it all. One tumbling briar will lead you to a secret stone.

Cacophonous Cactus Curve

Old Lizard loves to dance to the beat of the desert plants. Create a rhythm that he likes, and a Secret Paths Stone will be yours!

Blue Stone Bend

Special rocks in this sun-washed landscape know the secret of the path stone. The closer you come to a hidden stone, the more the rocks will glow.

Viva's Path

The Marsh of Mysteries

Listen carefully: the sounds of the marsh are your clues to finding a hidden stone. Hear a frog? You're getting warm! Hear a mosquito buzz? Go the other way!

The Copper-Fish Pool

When the copper fish frolics in her pool, what can you give her in exchange for a Secret Paths Stone?

Viva's Path (cont.)

Walkway of the Twin Lanterns

The lanterns guard the secret: discover it and several charmed objects will appear! Closer investigation will show you their hidden sounds. Can you find each object's mate?

The Flashing Lantern

What's the secret of the flashing lantern? Watch as the colored lights glow, then look to the path. Can you pick a familiar pattern in the stepping stones?

The Lion's Enchanted Bowl

Summon your courage to entice a stone lion to reveal the secret of his singing bowl. Using the song stick, can you coax the bowl to make a sound?

The Gate of the Golden Tassels

Discover the mystery of the Norin Gate, hidden within its flowing curtain. Make the cloth unfurl and watch as it shows you clues that will lead you to your reward.

Problems & Fixes

Quick Fix

Problems running the software? First try cleaning your CD. Use a soft, clean, lint-free cloth dipped in water or a CD-cleaning solution. Gently wipe off fingerprints and dust. Do not use a tissue or rough material, as it may scratch the CD.

Check System Requirements and Installation

Be sure your computer system meets the minimum requirements and that you've installed the software correctly. See pages 2–4 for details.

Check the ReadMe File

For more tips and information on running *Secret Paths in the Forest*, browse the ReadMe file. In the **Windows 95** Start menu, select Programs, select Purple Moon, and select *Secret Paths in the Forest*. Then click on the ReadMe icon. On the **Macintosh**, double-click on the ReadMe icon in the *Secret Paths in the Forest* CD window.

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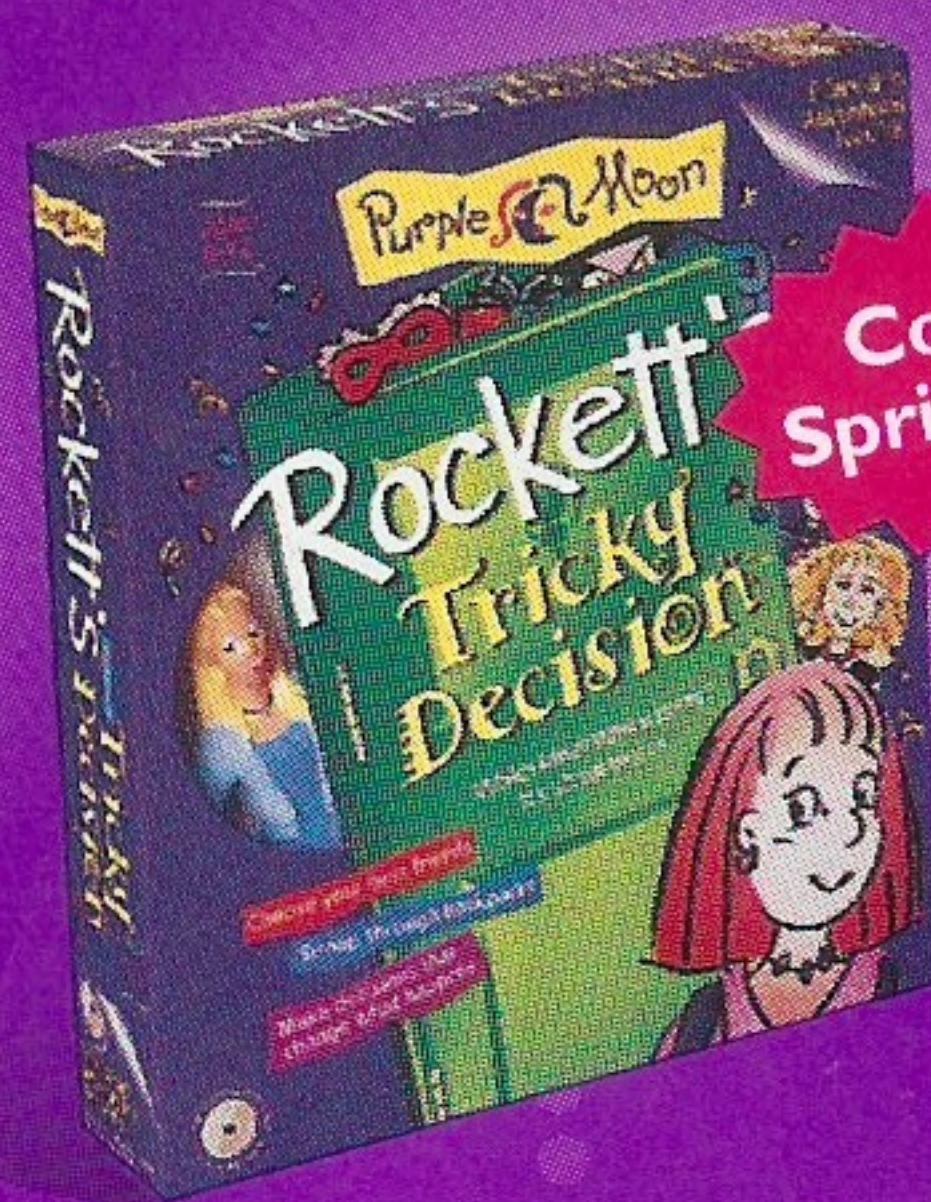
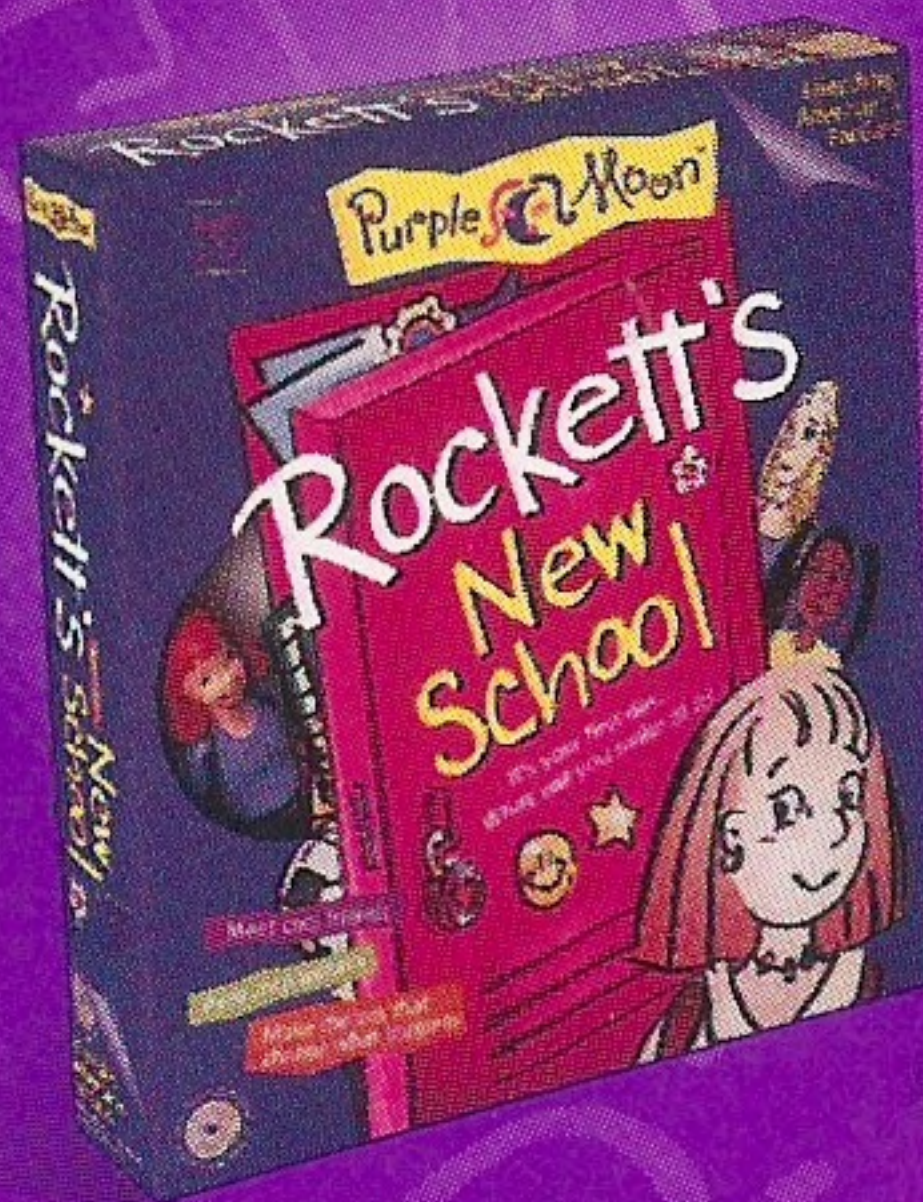
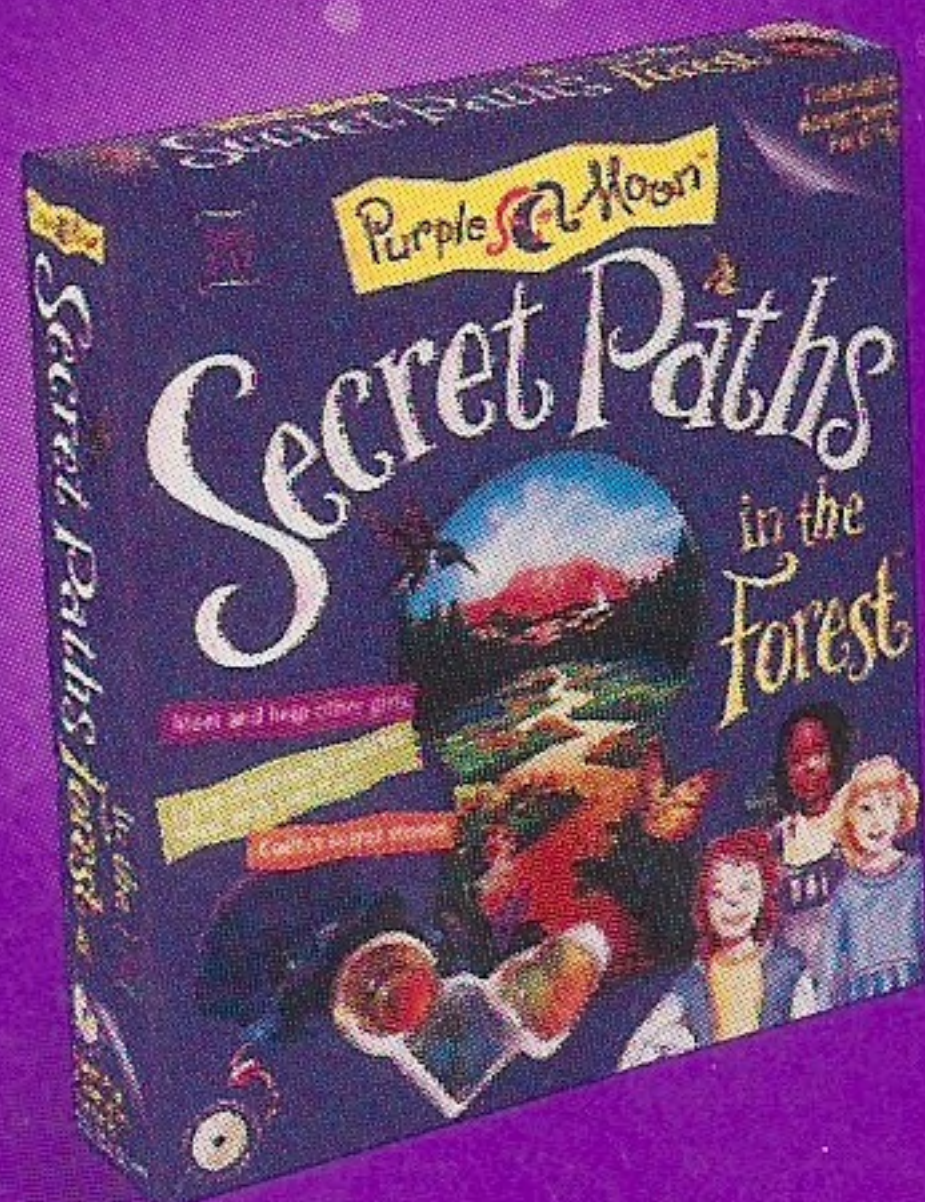


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