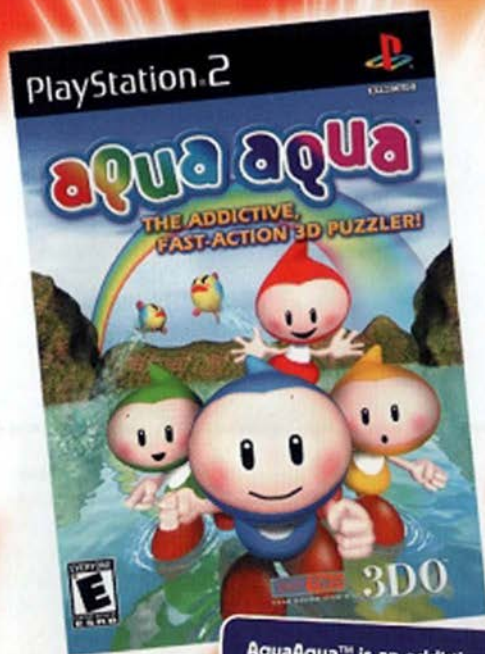


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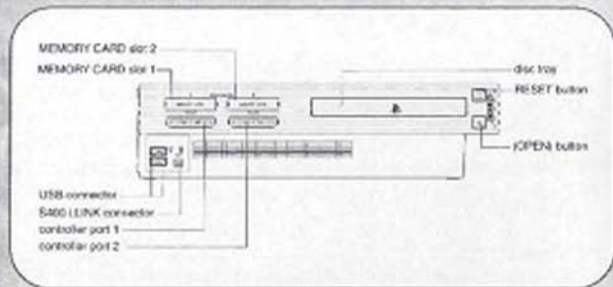
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## STARTUP INFORMATION



Set up your PlayStation®2 computer entertainment system according to the instructions in its instruction manual. Make sure the MAIN POWER switch (located in the back of the console) is turned on. Press the RESET button. When the power indicator lights up, press the open button and the disc tray will open. Place the *Portal Runner™* disc on the disc tray with the label side facing up. Press the open button again and the disc tray will close. Attach game controllers and other peripherals, as appropriate. Follow on-screen instructions and refer to this manual for information on using the software.

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## ENEMIES

Many kinds of magical creatures can be found in the new worlds that Vikki and Leo will explore. Some just want to be left alone, but others are evil. Defeat these evil enemies before they defeat you! Some of the more common creatures are described below, but others are mysterious and their traits must be discovered by experience.

### Gingerbread Men

These large cookie man look sweet, but they can be dangerous to tangle with. They throw hard pieces of candy that not only slow Vikki down, but also do some serious damage!

### Pterodactyls

These magical flying dinosaurs aren't too smart, but when they see you, they may shoot a fireball or two. They are a little meaner than the ones back in our own prehistoric past. Keep an eye on the sky!

### Raptors

These fast and vicious dinosaurs are always looking for prey. They are particularly dangerous when defending their Eggs.

### Rockmen

Rockmen are large, dangerous beings that throw large rocks at intruders.

### Crossbowmen

These sinister guards think nothing of shooting intruders on sight.

### Black Knights

Black Knights are magical warriors, heavily armored knights that can't be damaged easily by ordinary Arrows.

### Bats

These enormous bats won't bite, but they can spit magical venom with deadly accuracy!

### Martians

Martians are puny little fellows that have a tendency to follow the strongest leader they meet. They don't look too tough, but they're armed with ray guns that can be dangerous.

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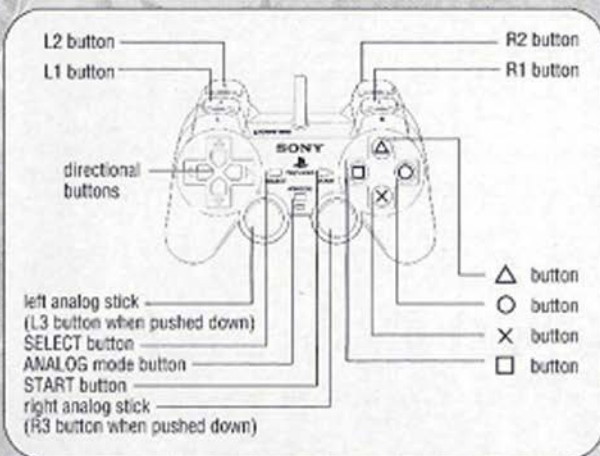
### Golden Lionhead Platforms

In every level, there is an invisible platform made of gold with the symbol of a lion's face on it. If you can find the right Hotshot, the golden platform appears. It allows you to get items that are otherwise inaccessible.

### Hidden Areas

Some secret areas may not be immediately obvious and accessible. If you see a wall that looks cracked or there is a room high above you that you can't get to, experiment with Hotshots until you find the secret! Many times, Gems are hidden away in these secret areas! To get 100% in every level, you will need a sharp eye!

## DUALSHOCK™ 2 ANALOG CONTROLLER



### Menu Controls

These controls are used in both the Main Menu at the beginning of the game and in the Pause Menu that can be accessed when the game is paused.

Highlight menu item

↑/↓ directional button or left stick

Change highlighted item

←/→ directional button or left stick

Select/Go to next screen

× button

Cancel/Return to previous screen

△ button

## OUR STORY

It all started when the notorious Blue spy Brigitte Bleu discovered a new kind of Portal. These Portals gave her access into several mysterious new worlds. It didn't take the power hungry Brigitte very long to proclaim herself "Queen" of these new realms. But when she grew bored and lonely of being their sole ruler, she decided she needed a king worthy of her magnificence. That's when she set her sights on my boyfriend, Sarge!

Brigitte knew the only way she could sink her claws into Sarge was to get me out of the way. As the star reporter for the Green Army News, I'm always looking for a good story. So she used the lure of an exclusive scoop about these new worlds as bait for a trap. And of course, being a star reporter (and as my father would say, a bit too curious for my own good), I couldn't help but follow up on the story! It was in the Lost Caves Portal where Brigitte's plan unfolded. Her henchman, an evil WarBot named Rage, threw me through one of the Portals and then destroyed it, trapping me in a world lost in time with no way back home! With me out of the way, Brigitte could now move in on Sarge.

Luckily for me, the Portals were guarded by a mysterious lion who risked his life to follow me through before the Portal was destroyed. I've named him Leonardo, Leo for short. Now Leo and I help each other survive. Leo is my guardian and friend, despite his ferocious temper, he really does have a heart of gold. Together we battle deadly foes, discover and explore new worlds, and search for the Portal that will lead us back home! — Vikki G.

## CHARACTERS

### Vikki G.

Vikki is an ace reporter for the Green Army News, as well as the world's most beautiful army brat. Vikki craves action and adventure, but she is a bit too curious for her own good. Her ambition and curiosity always get her into trouble, especially when she is working an exclusive story. Vikki's true love is Sarge. But Brigitte has her sights set on Sarge, too, and has a plan to get rid of Vikki once and for all!

### Leonardo the Lion

Strength, courage and pride make up the character of this ferocious king of the wild. Leonardo, or Leo for short, is the defender of the Lost Caves Portal. When Vikki is thrown through the Portal, it is Leo who risks his life to follow her through, even getting wounded in the process! Trapped in a strange world and lost in time, Vikki nurses Leo back to health. Now together, Vikki and Leo must help each other to survive as they try to find their way back home. Vikki may be the beauty, but it is Leo who is the beast. He is a ferocious fighter in combat and can even go berserk if Vikki doesn't manage to keep his savage a fury under control.

### Brigitte Bleu

Brigitte was once an elite spy for the Blue nation, but was exiled from the Army Men World. Now she resides in a toy store in the Real World. Brigitte has a small and loyal following. They have discovered toy play sets which, when opened, serve as Portals to new toy worlds! Brigitte has proclaimed herself the Queen of these worlds and rules over them.

### Sarge

Sgt. Hawk is the famous and rugged leader of the Bravo Company Commandos. He has fought hundreds of successful missions against the despicable Tan army in order to defend his nation's freedom. His hate for the Tan menace is balanced only by his love for Vikki.

### Rage the WarBot

Rage is Brigitte's right-hand bot, chief enforcer, brutal thug and all around evildoer! Rage will stop at nothing to please his Queen. He is a callous and fierce WarBot and will fight to the bitter end to make sure that Vikki and Leo stay trapped in the lost worlds forever!

## ITEMS

Items can be found in secret hiding places as well as out in the open, so look around carefully! To collect one, just run over it.

### Arrows

Arrows are valuable items for Vikki, so try to find all the different types! Arrows are saved in Vikki's inventory until used. Be careful, arrows do not carry over from level to level.

### Gems

Gems gain points when Vikki and/or Leo run over one. For each 10,000 points that Vikki or Leo collect, both characters gain a permanent new point of health, making them harder to defeat! Gems are not saved in inventory, but you can see how many you've found and how many are left to find by checking the Pause screen during a level.

#### Gems come in different groupings:

Topaz	10 points
Sapphire	50 points
Emerald	250 points
Ruby	500 points
Diamond	1000 points

### Hearts

Pick up Hearts to instantly heal Vikki and/or Leo for several points. The biggest Hearts heal all of their health and reappear after use.

### T-Bone Steaks

Steaks are the key to Leo's power. When Leo eats a T-Bone, he can run faster, jump higher and attack with the power of ten lions! Steaks can also cause Leo to become enraged and uncontrollable, so be careful! Steaks are collected and used the instant that either Vikki and/or Leo runs over one.

### Checkpoints

At certain points in each level, you'll see a golden star surrounded by beams of light - this is a Checkpoint. If Vikki and/or Leo run over a Checkpoint, the current state of the level is temporarily preserved. If Vikki and/or Leo die, they'll be magically returned to the spot where they picked up the last Checkpoint rather than having to restart the level from scratch. Checkpoints are not a permanent save point, however. To permanently save your progress in the game, Vikki and/or Leo must complete a level (see Startup Information on page 2 for more information).

### Special Collectibles

These are level-specific items that are used only throughout one or two levels. They help to develop the story or add to the puzzle element of the game. All of these collectibles are used in the same way as the other items. For example, Vikki may have to find Sticks in order to start a campfire, and must then drop them in the firepit. Also, Vikki may need to search for Card Keys in order to unlock specific doors. Any specific interaction with collectibles such as these is detailed within the game's cinematics. Special Collectibles also show up in the Pause Menu so that you can keep track of what Vikki is picking up.

## Golden Arrow

The Golden Arrow is made of only the purest gold and enchanted with the strongest of spells. It won't help out too much in a fight, but this arrow will dispel any magical barriers, or nullify any protected objects.

## Water Arrow

Chock-full of Magical Water, the Water Arrow will put out any fire or take down any fire-based creature.

## Piercing Arrow

The Piercing Arrow is the ultimate in high velocity arrows! It flies so fast and so true to its target that it will pass right through most enemies and keep on flying to hit anything else in its path!

## Finding More Arrows

Many Arrow locations in levels are magical. If an Arrow location is magical, you will see small sparkles dance around the area. A new Arrow will appear once you have used up all the Arrows of that special type or after a short time has passed. Simply return to the location where you found the Arrow and another will appear. Be warned! Not all Arrows always reappear!

## FIRST-PERSON VIEW

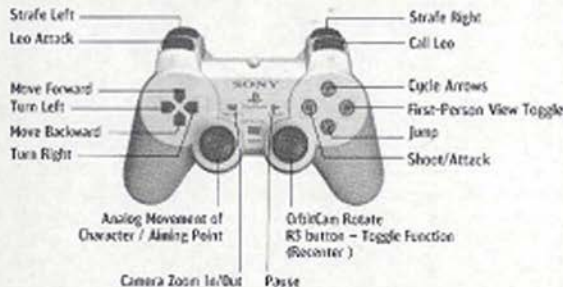
First-Person View lets you see the world through the character's eyes. When Vikki views the world in First-Person View, she aims her Bow extremely accurately. Leo is only able to view the world closely using the First-Person View.

## HOTSHOTS

Hotshots are objects found throughout each level that, when struck by one of Vikki's arrows, activate a chain of events, open up secret areas or allow for better solutions to puzzling problems. Often Hotshots pulse with a magical light. For example, here are a few things to try:

- Use a Fire Arrow on gunpowder barrels to cause an explosion that can defeat a group of enemies at once.
- Fire an Explosive Arrow at barriers and cracked rock walls to break them open.
- Launch a Golden Arrow at magical barriers to completely destroy them and open secret passageways.

## GAME CONTROLS



## Four Game Modes

There are four unique ways to explore the worlds of *Portal Runner*: with Vikki by herself, Leo by himself, Vikki walking around with Leo by her side, or Vikki riding Leo. When a level begins, you will control the character(s) that best suit the challenges of the area. The button layout is identical in all four modes. However, some buttons may be disabled in a particular play mode.

## Vikki Controls

In some levels, the player controls Vikki by herself and Leo is not around. In these levels, the "Call Leo" and "Leo Attack" buttons are not active.

↑, ↓, ←, → button	Run Forward, Backward, Turn Left and Right
△ button	Cycle Arrows
○ button	Hotshot Mode
□ button	Shoot Arrow
× button	Jump
L1 button	Leo Attack (Not active in this mode.)
L2 button	Strafe Left
R1 button	Call Leo (Not active in this mode.)
R2 button	Strafe Right
right analog stick	Camera Controls
SELECT button	Camera Zoom In/Out
R3 button	Recenter OrbitCam (when pushed down)
left analog stick	Run Forward, Backward, Turn Left and Right

## Vikki + Leo Controls

Leo sometimes accompanies Vikki in her adventures and travels at her side. Leo is mainly under AI control in these levels, but Vikki can greatly influence Leo's behavior.

- Normally, Leo follows Vikki and protects her. However, Vikki can influence Leo's actions with the "Call Leo" (**L1**) button and "Leo Attack" (**R2**) button commands.
- Vikki can call Leo over to her by pressing the "Call Leo" button. Leo will come closer to Vikki and stop when he is nearby. If Leo doesn't see Vikki or can't get to her, he'll give a sad howl to let her know he's looking for her. If Vikki approaches Leo, he will eventually see her and run over to her.
- To tell Leo to sit and stay, move Vikki close to him and press the "Call Leo" button. Leo will sit down and not move except to avoid or attack enemies in his immediate vicinity. To make Leo stand up and follow Vikki, press the "Call Leo" button again.
- Vikki can also order Leo to attack enemies nearby using the "Leo Attack" button. Leo roars when given an attack order, and takes aggressive action on his own until Vikki calls him back using the "Call Leo" button.
- Leo will try to evade enemy ranged attacks whether following Vikki or sitting and staying.
- Leo will also try to warn Vikki of nearby enemies. He will crouch and growl if he senses an enemy, even one around a corner. If Leo starts to growl, watch out!

⬆️ ⬇️ ⬇️ ⬆️ button	Run Forward, Backward, Turn Left and Right
🔄 button	Cycle Arrows
🔥 button	Hotshot Mode
🏹 button	Shoot Arrow
🦘 button	Jump
👊 button	Leo Attack
👉 button	Strafe Left
👈 button	Call Leo
👉 button	Strafe Right
left analog stick	Run Forward, Backward, Turn Left and Right

### Calming Leo in Vikki + Leo Mode

When Leo has a high Fury level (see Fury Meter section on next page), Vikki may need to calm him down. Vikki is the only one Leo will listen to, and when she calls him, he begins to calm down. To calm Leo, call him over using the "Call Leo" button. Tell him to stay by pressing the "Call Leo" button again when Leo is nearby. To have Leo follow Vikki after he has been given a stay command, simply press the "Call Leo" button again.

## Vikki Riding Leo Controls

In some levels, Vikki rides on Leo's back. When Vikki rides Leo, her moves are the same, but she can also use Leo's powerful jumping ability, ferocious claw attack and super-speed as she shoots her Bow. She also needs to keep an eye on his Fury Meter (see Fury Meter section on next page). Leo can be hard to turn or slow down if he is too furious and wild.

⬆️ ⬇️ ⬇️ ⬆️ button	Run Forward, Backward, Turn Left and Right
🔄 button	Cycle Arrows
🔥 button	Hotshot Mode
🏹 button	Shoot Arrow
🦘 button	Jump

## USING VIKKI'S BOW

The Bow is the weapon Vikki uses to fight off the many fearsome foes of these strange lands. However, the Bow isn't just a weapon. At times, it is necessary to hit special objects like buttons or magical doors at a distance ("Hotshots") and the Bow is the only way to do it. Hotshots often result in something unexpected happening, so experiment!

### Shooting Views

There are two ways to shoot with Vikki's Bow:

#### Third-Person Shooting View

This is the standard shooting view. In this view, if an enemy is within Vikki's range and line of fire, she automatically adjusts her aim slightly. If there are a lot of targets, Vikki auto-aims at the closest enemy.

#### First-Person View

To go into First-Person View, press the **Ⓞ** button. In this view, the Bow can be raised and lowered to make longer shots. It takes a lot of practice to make these shots well, so be patient. Vikki will not auto-aim in this view, so use the First-Person View to aim at your targets manually. To go back to Third-Person View, press the **Ⓞ** button again.

## ARROW TYPES

There are a total of eight types of Arrows found in Brigitte's new worlds: one basic Arrow and seven special Arrows. The Game Screen Inventory display shows the number of Arrows of the selected type.

### Basic Arrow

The Basic Arrow is a normal wooden arrow. Its power is very limited, but these arrows can be found anywhere and in great supply.

### Fire Arrow

The Fire Arrow is a magical arrow that lights itself while it flies. It hits its target with a small burst of flame that continues to burn the target for a short time. If the Fire Arrow is used on certain objects, such as wooden objects, the object can ignite or take extra damage.

### Explosive Arrow

Packed full of dangerous materials, the Explosive Arrow detonates on impact and deals damage to anything within the explosion radius. These arrows are the slowest flying of them all, but they have the power to crack rocks and break barriers.

### Lightning Arrow

With the speed of lightning and the power of thunder, the mystical Lightning Arrow cannot be taken lightly. Metal armor and futuristic technology are especially vulnerable to attacks from this arrow.

### Trident Arrow

The Trident Arrow is a mechanical wonder! It is actually one arrow that, when launched, separates into three. It can be used to either take down multiple enemies from a distance, or demolish one at close range.



## GAME SCREEN

The following information is shown on the Game Screen:

### Arrow Inventory

This area of the screen shows Vikki's current Arrow selection. Press the **A** button to switch from one Arrow type to the next. If Vikki completely runs out of Arrows, the inventory will show a Basic Arrow with a zero next to it.

### Vikki's Health Bar

Used in Vikki and Vikki + Leo missions. Shows Vikki's health.

### Leo's Health Bar

Shows Leo's health. Used in Leo and Vikki + Leo missions.

### Vikki and Leo's Health Bar

Used in Riding missions. Vikki gets a bonus to her health when riding Leo, but the two characters have to share the damage they receive in this mode.

### Special Character Health Bars

Some special characters will be met in the game. Their health is shown above Vikki or Leo's Health Bar.

### Leo's Fury Meter

Shows Leo's level of rage. As more small flames appear, Leo's speed and power increase. However, his defenses decrease as he becomes more enraged!

### Score

Shows your current total Score. For every 10,000 points scored, Vikki and Leo both gain an additional, permanent health point! As you progress through the game, the enemies get tougher, so you'd better make sure Vikki and Leo get tougher too!



<b>L1</b> button	Leo Attack
<b>L2</b> button	Hop Left
<b>R1</b> button	Call Leo/Calm Leo
<b>R2</b> button	Hop Right
<b>left analog stick</b>	Run Forward, Backward, Turn Left and Right

**Calming Leo in Riding Mode:** When riding Leo, just push the "Call Leo"

(**R1** button) to get him.

### Leo Controls

In some levels, the player controls Leo by himself. Leo can still become enraged, move faster, and do more damage as the Fury Meter rises. Leo can also use the First-Person View to survey his surroundings more closely. When Leo is standing still, he will use his powerful Claw Attack. If he is running, then Leo executes a Furious Pounce Attack.

<b>↑ ↓ ↶ ↷</b> button	Run Forward, Backward, Turn Left and Right
<b>A</b> button	Leo Rear
<b>○</b> button	First-Person View
<b>Ⓧ</b> button	Claw Attack/Pounce Attack
<b>×</b> button	Jump
<b>L3</b> button	Leo Attack ( <i>Not active in this mode.</i> )
<b>L2</b> button	Hop Left
<b>R3</b> button	Call Leo ( <i>Not active in this mode.</i> )
<b>R2</b> button	Hop Right
<b>left analog stick</b>	Run Forward, Backward, Turn Left and Right



### OrbitCam

Using the right analog stick, you can move the camera around to see the characters better, peek around corners, or raise the camera to make difficult jumps easier. Once you set the camera to a certain view, it will stay there until you change it again. If you want to put the camera back to its normal position, just press the **R3** button (push down on the right analog stick) and the camera will quickly move behind the character. You can also set the camera to four different zoom levels by pressing the **SELECT** button repeatedly.



### FURY METER

Because Leo is a mighty beast of the jungle, he becomes more powerful when angry. Whether in combat or simply exploring the terrain, he is subject to major emotional swings ranging from completely relaxed to completely enraged!

The Fury Meter shows how angry and ferocious Leo currently is. As Leo gets more furious, he gets stronger, faster and jumps farther. Leo also becomes harder to control, and he runs around looking for an enemy to fight.