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I guess you could say that LOCK was ON!





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Given the chance, how would the students of Inscape change the world?





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A plumber on fire and a powerpuff existential crisis? seems like another Wednesday.

Welcome to Issue 5!



Happy 2025! What do you think of our new logo? Designed it myself. A lot has changed since we last met. New logo, new website and all. Also, I have tons of things to say, so does everyone working here. For example, many reviews of cool stuff and a guide for a secret boss in Sonic 2, amongst many others. So, please, turn the page, and welcome to our best issue yet.

- Finley Farrah



(also we've started making DUAL reviews! check 'em out!)
- G.B.





inksplat here.

It's suddenly 2025, I have finished the storyboard for my television pilot, I have set up a personal website at inkspillthecreator.neocities.org, I have got over all of my worries and I am feeling good. Ready to start 2025 off right. You can find the latest in InkSpilling over at the newly-renovated Inscapism.co.uk or over this QR code...



Sonic 3 wins, Mufasa in the bin!

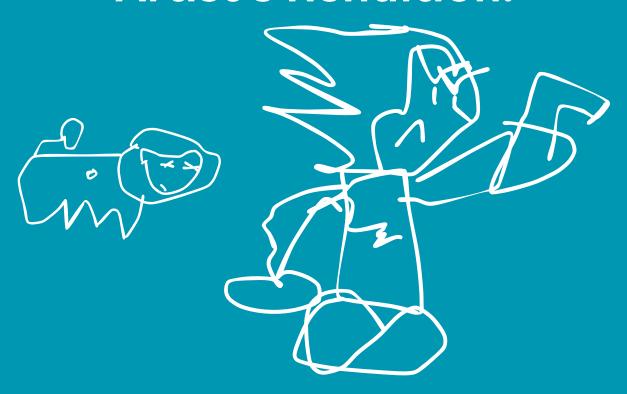
"Mufasa: The Lion King" is failing thanks to the blue boy!

He did slightly better than that damn lion in theatres,
but DESTROYED that feline domestically. This proves
that the Mouse Empire is slowly crumbling away
because of themselves and their greediness, but Sonic
is only getting bigger and better, and there's only more
of the blue blur's films comin'!

[CENSORED] you, Bob Iger.

by G.B. and Finley F.

Artist's Rendition:







You'd think that a career in television would be





easy.

coming soon to

youtube - vimeo - inscapism.co.uk maybe a TV platform near you

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Hey readers! It's Ebz again, and welcome to the latest edition of Ebz's zone! Today, we are going straight into the Paldea region, as we enter the Pokémon universe! Today's focus will be Sprigatito! Sprigatito is my favourite Pokémon, so obviously I am a little biased, but I want to share all the knowledge my autistic brain has on this adorable weed kitten. Without further ado, Sprigatito, I choose you!!

Sprigatito, known as Nyahoja in Japanese, is known as the grass cat Pokémon. Sprigatito is 906th in the Pokédex and is the grass type starter Pokémon for generation 9. Sprigatito is from the egg groups field and grass, its ability is overgrown, and its hidden ability is protean. Sprigatito is 1'04"(0.4 m) in height, and its weight is 9 lbs, (4.1kg). Sprigatito has a base stat total of 310, and is classified as the colour green in the Pokédex. Being a grass type Pokémon, Sprigatito is weak to fire, ice, bug, flying and poison type Pokémon, while being super effective against water types, rock, and ground types.

Sprigatito is one cute Pokémon, With every step it takes, it releases a sweet scent, enchanting those nearby. Its scent is also known to grow stronger in the sun. Its fluffy fur is similar in composition to plants. Sprigatito frequently washes its face to keep it from drying out. Sprigatito evolves into Floragato at level 16, and Meowscarada at level 36. Its name origin "sprig" means small stem of a plant, and "gatito" is Spanish for kitten!

Did you know Sprigatito was the new Pokémon anime's protagonists starter pokémon? After the adventures of Ash Kechum finally came to a close, the new Pokémon anime Pokémon horizons was born! In Pokémon Horizons, we meet Liko, a 10 year old girl who lacks confidence, and is sent to Kanto to be a student at one of its schools.

Liko was originally from the Paldea region.
In school, the students had to pick a
Pokéball containing a first partner
Pokémon, and thus the friendship between
Liko and Sprigatito was born!
(Well, eventually...) Being a cat, Sprigatito
wasn't the most sociable pokémon, actually
it was rather standoffish, but with
persistence from Liko, the two became
inseparable, and Sprigatito flourished!

Sprigatito would protect Liko with the move leafage, and its battle skills would continue to grow. Sprigatito became good friends with a Pokémon called Terapagos, the secret treasure of Area Zero!

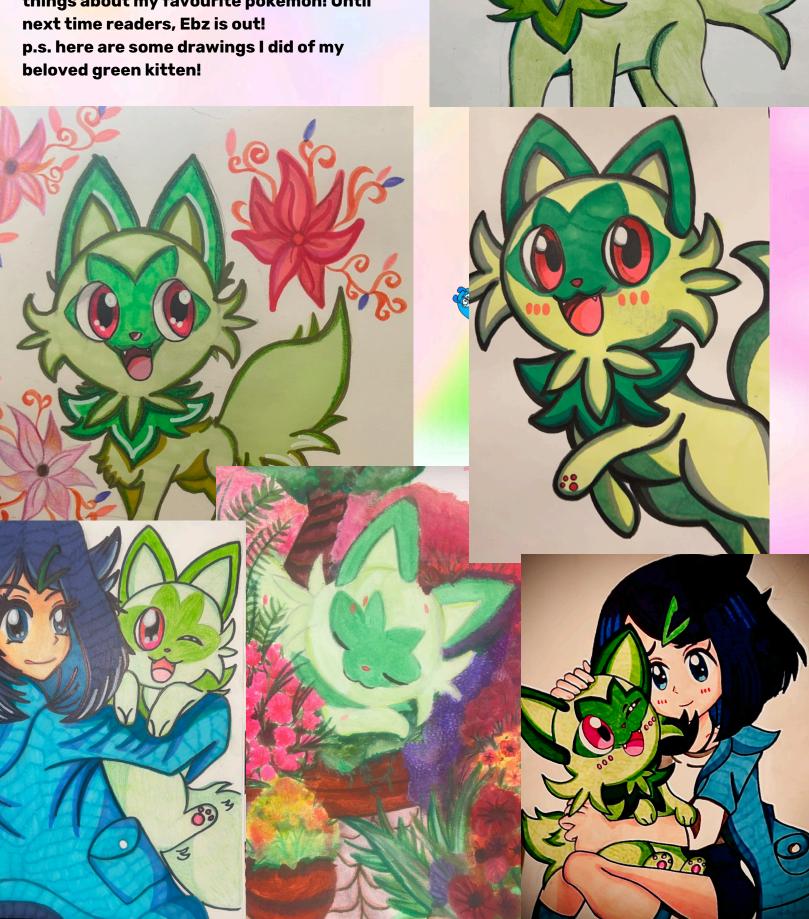
I'm not spoiling anymore here, so if you want to see the adventures of Sprigatito for yourself make sure to watch Pokémon Horizons!

Ebz's Zone

That's a wrap on Sprigatito central!

Sprigatito is one adorable kitty; who couldn't love such a little bean? There's a lot to love about this pokémon, so I hope I was able to inform you of some neat things about my favourite pokémon! Until next time readers, Ebz is out!

p.s. here are some drawings I did of my beloved green kitten!



Comic Corner



Life of Lillian

by lillianlover2007 on DeviantArt

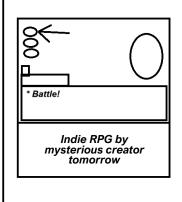
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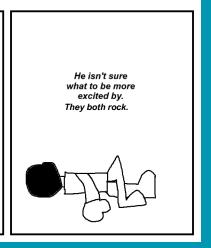


InkSplat's Comic by Finley Farrah" Excitement"









The Porsche Strips





Super Smash Gags

Episode 6: Mario (Once More)







Super Smash Gags

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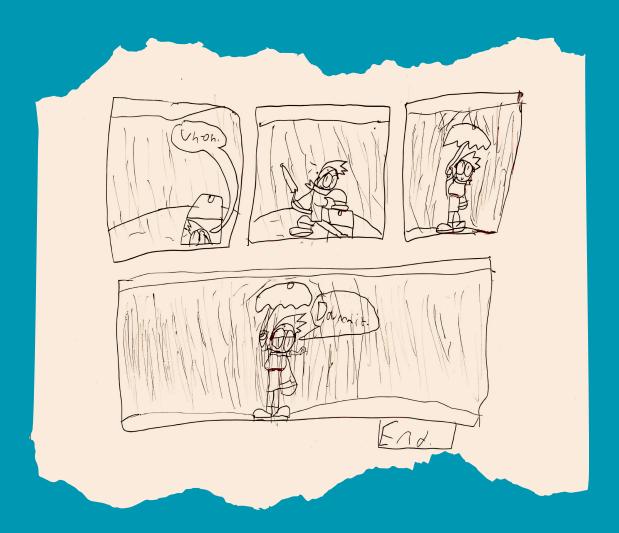
We are terribly sorry, but this is the final instalment of Super Smash Gags. Keep your eyes on Inscapism for our newest comic, coming soon.

(We had to expand this comic into 2 pages - G.B.)





Ep'4: "A Not-so-Darkand Pretty-Stormy Night"





Created by Tani M



Welcome to the half-way point.

Take a break, you deserve it!



Red Haired Rookie Chapter 5

An Original Written By Harry Watson Illustrated by Leo Ye and Harry Watson



"Oh....hello boss....heh heh...." began Roy nervously. While he tries his best not to concern Ruby, he couldn't help but quake in his boots at the mere sound of his boss. Donald Ray was a feared kingpin crime boss who was based in London but spends most of his time in Bedfordshire. The reason for this being most of his gang members live in Bedfordshire so he knows where to go to find them. "Forgive me for calling under such short notice, Roy." Donald began. "But I've got an offer you can't refuse."

Roy looked uneasy but with some reluctance he asked "W...what is it guv?" Ruby peaked out from behind the living room wall. A look of worry and concern framed on her face. "I erd about the race last night. And about how you nearly got caught by The Rozzers." Roy and Ruby looked even more worried now. Donald was right, if it weren't for that crash at the T Junction, Roy and the driver of the Fiesta would've been caught, or at the very least the situation would've escalated massively. "What...about it?" asked Roy nervously. Even though Donald wasn't in the room, Roy could hear him blowing smoke from his cigar.

"Either you aren't living up to ya full potential, or the Old Bill's starting to get wise." Ruby shivered. For a moment she really thought something bad was going to happen to her father. A cold sweat ran down Roy's face. He gulped and said "m... maybe it's the latter." Hoping that Donald wouldn't lash out at him.

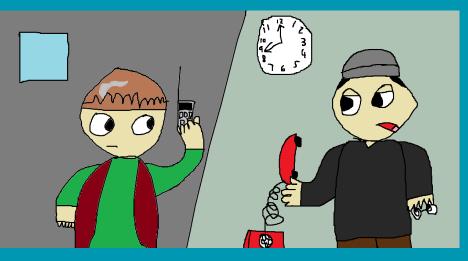
Thankfully for him he didn't but he did sound slightly annoyed. "I can't have any of you arrested now can I? If even one of you gets caught then all of us are in jeopardy." Roy sighed. "What do you suggest?" Donald thought for a bit. Roy and Ruby waited with baited breath. Ruby walked over to her dad and held Roy's hand tight, she never wanted to let go until she knew things were going to be okay.

At last Donald took one last puff of his cigar and said. "Look I'll tell ya wot. Ow about I arrange for some of moi body to be on guard duty so something like this doesn't appen again alight?" "Oh yes please!" Replied Roy jumping at the opportunity.

He and Ruby cuddled in embrace knowing things were going to work out. "Tonight, the body guards will be on high alert for the entire race." reassured Donald. "Perhaps THIS race won't have us deal with the cops this time." Roy then had a thought, he wasn't sure if his boss would approve but if was worth a try. He took a look at his daughter took a deep breath and said "Alright, guv." He started, "I'll be there. But after what happened last night this might have to be my last race. I'm sorry." Preparing for the worst Roy braced himself. "Well then," began Donald. Ruby shut her eyes tight and hugged her dad tightly. "you better give us a good show."







He laughed. Relief rushed through both Ruby and Roy's bodies like water from Niagara Falls. With one last sigh of relief Roy said. "I will, guv. Don't you worry."

"That's all I wanted to 'ear."

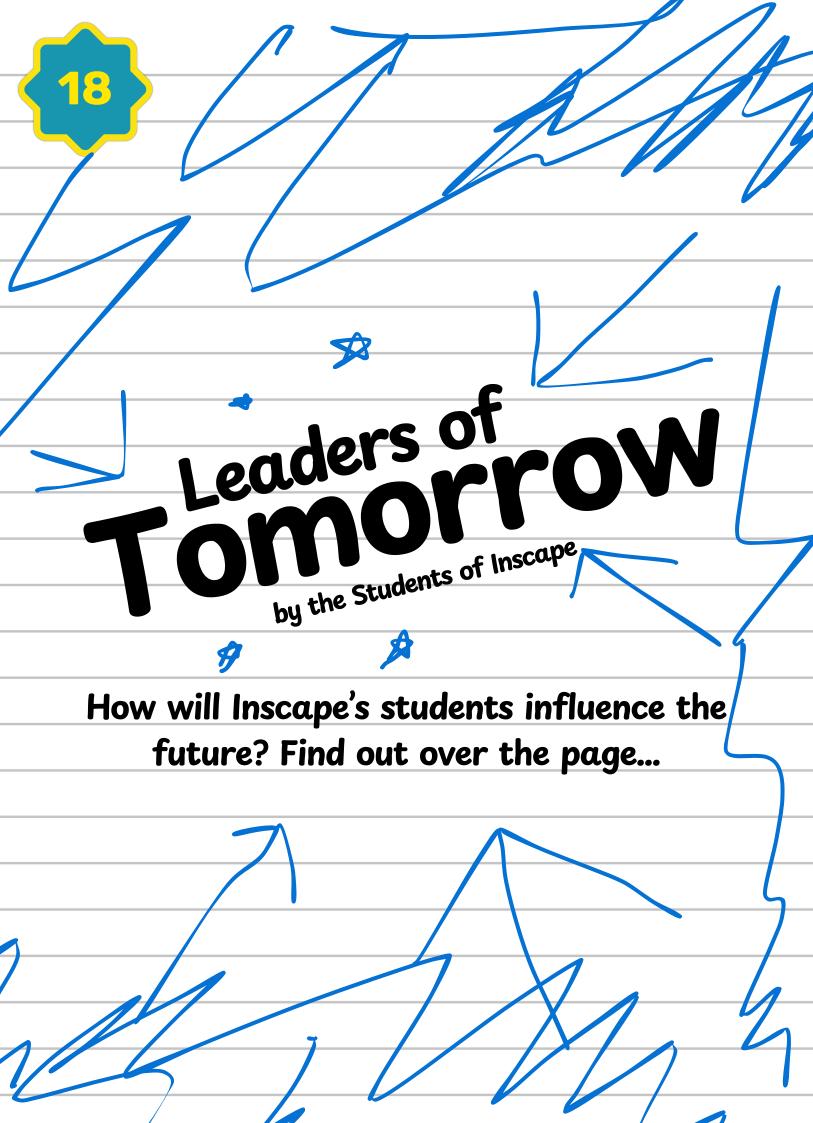
Donald smiled. "I'll see you at the

Woolworths car park near the

outskirts of town. Ta ta for now."

Donald hung up. Roy put down the phone and looked at Ruby, She was no longer scared just a bit concerned. She said nothing at first just gave her dad a glance, Roy felt as if he was drowning in guilt.

At last Ruby spoke, "One last race?" she asked. Roy gave a supportive smile, "One last race."



Q: If you could change one thing about the world, what would it be?





"distribution of wealth - It seems wrong that some people live in the poorest of conditions but there are multi-millionaires with more money

than they know what to do with"

"The amount of damage done to people and the environment.

"The current leader of the USA."

"Abolish inflation and make everything more affordable"

"Remove minimalism/corporate over-simplification.

"Make money grow on trees"

"That everyone was always kind"

"There were

"people respect the environment and all living things in it"



"making it summer! 20 degrees all year round"

"More peace amongst people."

Q: If you were the Prime Minister for a day, what would you do?



"Ban alcohol and smoking. Fix inflation."

"End homelessness and build more SEND schools."

"Have a big party

"Rejoin the EU."

"change all schools from 5 days a week to 4 days a week."

"Listen to what everyone has to say and try and learn what I could about what actually happens in decision making and the country etc. and if"

"Universal Basic Income"

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In summary: Ending Greed.

Most students who were in the poll asked for positive change surrounding money and the economy, whether that be abolishing inflation, changing the distribution of wealth or simply just removing the gradual simplification of the graphics we see everyday.

(also this will be the only "politics" related thing we will ever do.)

L'art Pour L'art





"The Ultimate Lifeform" (Shadow the Hedgehog from the Sonic 3 movie)

by Ebz



Regarded as the best Sonic game (that's a lie, we have Sonic CD), Sonic 3 launched to sullied praise.

Developers: SEGA, STI

The Plot is of Sonic and Tails heading to the floating islands for a holiday, but it gets cut short due to a new troublemaker, Knuckles, who's working with the fat doctor, to sell the emeralds to a scalper once and for all.

Sonic can do an "Insta-Shield", when jumping now, unless he has invincibility or one of the new Elemental Shields, where instead the ability of the shield is used. Bubble can bounce, thunder can doublejump, and flame can dash forward at intense speed!

The new levels are new and fresh, even though some has similarities to older zones, like Hydrocity (pronounced hi-droe-cih-tee) being a better labyrinth zone.

The Music's great too! Nowhere NEAR CD, but sweet none-the-less (the file select screen music my beloved)

> All in all, a great game! But Blue Sphere can die in a fire.
> It's the reason This game isn't a 10.

Graphics: 9.5/10 Score: 9.8/10

Music: 9.9/10

Level design 9.5/10

Review by GB

REVIEWS



Paddington in Peru - Dual Review Released: 2024

Paddington in Peru is a film that reimagines the Paddington mythos with many twists and turns, albeit somewhat predictable. In it, Paddington has to find his kidnapped grandma in the tropical land of Peru amongst rainforests, rivers and ruins.

There's action and-a mystery and-a all that fun stuff. I do not want to spoil the rest for you. Just watch this satisfying conclusion to the live-action Paddington trilogy by yourself.

Score: 9/10

My opinion on the Paddington in Peru film was actually very funny and enjoyable for all who watched it.

This film of course was the three-quel of the hit film Paddington which was also really good as well.

Even though it was a children's film, it was still very interesting to see this lil' goober of a bear make it home to Peru despite all the obstacles in his path.

Score: 9.5/10

Written by Jake Wood

Written by Finley Farrah



Audi A6 vs Mercedes E Class Launched: 2024

When design meets efficiency and sportiness meets style.

When innovation and precision go hand in hand. When form and function become one statement.

Welcome to the A6 Saloon.

More sophisticated and athletic than ever.

As confident as always.....

Well that's what Audi say at least. But I digress.

The A6 is still pretty good. In this world of crossover SUVs and electric blobs, Executive Saloons are an endangered species. Which is especially a shame considering the A6 has top notch seating design and astonishing comfort. I consider it to be one of the comfiest in its class. Does it have boot space? Does it ever?! The A6 has enough room in the back for a mini fridge. And then some! And with how fast the boot door opens it's the perfect car to take Black Friday shopping. Head room and leg is also pretty good, the styling is bold evil yet rather understated and it can 0-62 in 6 seconds. Prices start at around £46,5251 which Is rather good value for money and for that you get an interior filled with handy gizmos, cubby holes, a sleek display screen, very quiet engines and fantastic build quality.

The only things I would consider keeping in mind though are the hesitant automatic gearboxes and the fact it's an Audi which means this type of car would be really common with middle lane hoggers and tailgaters. But look at this way, the problem isn't the car it's the people who drive it. So drive it responsibly and you'll be left with a pretty good executive saloon. So the Audi is great.

But, let's not forget. Its not the only one on the market. If you like German luxury but don't want to be branded a tailgater than head on over to your local Mercedes dealer and try out the E class. If you think the A6 is luxury you haven't experienced the comfort of the Mercedes.

Right off the bat, the Mercedes not only has comfy seats but a stylish Mercedes logo patterned interior. The sun visors are a bit on the flimsy side but apart from that the interior is superb much like the boot space. Compare it to the Audi they are very alike.

Plenty of room in the back for a good variety of stuff from shopping to important documents for work. The headroom up front is great but in the back it's more compromised due to it's curved roof. However its serviceable. Leg room is more of the same okay in the back but great in the front. As for the styling, it's pretty good but in all honesty the grill is a bit too big and outward for my taste. From what I'm told, the Mercedes drives very well and the ride is smooth.

Prices start at £55,120 if paying cash. Which compared to the Audi is a bit more expensive but electric variants are available like the E300e - it's more economical than the Audi.

So, which is best? If you want to cut down on fuel prices and still have luxury, get the E class. But if you want luxury without the drawbacks, get the A6.

For more boot space, check out the A6 Avant and E Class estate.

(A) 9/10

(M) 8.5 /10

Written by Harry.W



"It's written as 'Soul of the Hair,' but you read it as 'Sparkling!""

Bobobo-bo Bo-bobo Released: 2003

A man named Bobobo-bo Bo-bobo is a future world's final hope after the evil Bald Empire trims off the world's collective hair. It's just about as crazy as you would think.

This show is mainly silly humour, but it knows when to be serious, and is just as gripping as any mainstream anime, considering its origins as a parody of other Shonen Jump stories like "Dragon Ball" and "Fist of the North Star."

It's also filled with tons of unique characters, meaning anyone can find their favourite. Overall, Bo-bobo is a wild ride of a show if you want something different to the mainstream.

(Disclaimer: Finley watched the English subtitled version available on the streaming service Crunchyroll.)

10/10!
Written by Finley F.



Strong Bad's Cool Game For Attractive People Episode 3: Baddest of the Bands Released: 2008

One of my favourite multimedia franchises ever is the hilarious yet sincere Homestar Runner.

The main character is the the "terrific [yet dimwitted] athlete" Homestar Runner, but the character who steals the show is Homestar's former rival, the masked wrestler known only as Strong Bad.

He's known for answering emails with a sharp wit and sense of humour. He is also well known for his incredible craftiness and creativity, so what better game to cast him as the star than a point-and-click adventure where, using the right tools creatively, you can make things happen?

That game is the multi-episode Strong Bad's Cool Game For Attractive People.

(Disclaimer: Literally the only way you can play this game in 2025 is streaming it on PlayStation Plus. This is how Finley played the game. Also, spoilers. This is a write-up from when Finley knew nothing about games journalism.)

You are Strong Bad!

In the beginning of the game, our favourite wrestleman Strong Bad (that's you) is about to play a video game on his trusty video game console, the Videlectrix FunMachine.

Suddenly, it malfunctions and breaks! To get money for repairs, local concession-stand owner Bubs suggests that you should be a paid foot-rubber for him.

You digress and suggest your way better idea: organise a battle of the bands and use the money given by each of the bands to fund repairs.

And so...

Bubs decides to help organise the event, but only if you get celebrity judges.

Thanks to some clever photography, you create what you believe to be the "best album cover of all time" and send it to an album-cover design competition. First prize: a day with your favourite band, glam metal group Limozeen! That's our celebrity judges!

After that, you fool your younger brother Strong Sad, who (during the course of this game) wants to be a music journalist, into being your security guard by making him think that "Security" is a hot new band. You then solve a few puzzles involving bats, rocks, toilet paper and more, then BOOM! 3 bands, either newly-created or brought back together. Rock group Cool Tapes (consisting of Homestar's hippie girlfriend Marzipan, your companion The Cheat and your tough but dim-witted older brother Strong Mad), hip-hop duo the Two-O Duo (Homestar's sports coach Coach Z and Bubs) and R&B/soul unit PomStar (Homestar's tech-savvy sporting partner Pom-Pom and Homestar himself).

Then you have an idea. Participating in the battle yourself to make twice the profit! He forms a metal band named DÖI with yourself, the gluttonous yet noble King of Town and Homestar's goofy yet mysterious doppelganger Homsar. Just a shame that DÖI's the least popular band in the competition! So, in a move that would impress the Beastie Boys, you turn to betrayal and sabotage...

You sabotage the three groups! You make Homestar sing absolute nonsense, you offend Marzipan into writing a song that's anti-Limozeen and you make Coach Z "accidentally" hurt Bubs, causing Cool Tapes, PomStar and the Two-O Duo to split up respectively. DÖI is the only one standing. So you give 'em a show!

You have an amazing idea, showing off an amazing stage centerpiece, but the switch to open the curtains to reveal it is broken. You must work with the rest of DÖI to help flip the backup switch! This eventually happens, but you accidentally make the King of Town popular instead. Oh well. At least you can play your video game on your FunMachine now.

This point-and-click game has an amazing story mixed with loads of Easter eggs and some really creative puzzles.

Take the puzzle where you help Pom-Pom hire Homestar and form PomStar, for example. You're in the local club, Club Technochocolate. You have to help Homestar think up freestyle lyrics to one of Pom-Pom's instrumental compositions, "Food-Related Love."

You do this by selecting food that rhymes with what Homestar sings. Really creative.

Also, you hurt Bubs by ordering records in a box to make Coach Z do specific dance moves. It's like Lightbot, but fun!

Amazing game, tainted only by the fact that item selection is smoother and easier on Wii and PC.

It's playable without any of those, but still...

9/10! I love this!



Y'know the phrase "If it ain't broke, don't fix it"?

Well oh my god, this game REALLY liked the last half of that phrase. It's Near-identical to it's predecessor, which I reviewed a couple pages ago. Same Levels types, just with a couple texture changes, (like mushroom hill is just angel island but it doesn't get nuked) Same God-Awful special stages,

(which you have to do 14 TIMES for 100% Completion, by the way.) and sightly worse music, ESPECIALLY the new mini-boss theme. (it's good, but the OG was BETTER.)

But there's a reason for this.

Remember Sonic 3? That was actually ½ of a game! The other half (this very game) released a few months later.

This game does have some redeeming qualities. Some tracks are good and the main event, the Lock-On tech was pretty cool! (even though it only worked on 3-ish games.)

One of those games was Sonic 3, Which when locked on, made the full version of That Game! The "& Knuckles" Stages work here better than as part of a standalone game, but they kept the changed tracks, like the mini-boss and Knuckles themes.

> Not the best Sonic game, but FAR from the worst...

> > **Graphics: 8/10**

Music: 7/10

5.88/10

Level Design: 4/10

Noticebook



Jasper 2: Part 1 Is 85% Complete!

Releases May 15th!

Note to self:

Coming soon: InkSpill MEGA pilot episode on inscapism.co.uk

THE MINISTRY OF MISTAKES

Greetings, my eagle-eyed readers. I regret to inform you of another mistake in Issue 3. During Red Haired Rookie Part 3, part of the text was repeated to the point where it was hard not to ignore. To make up for this calamity a remastered part 3 is coming soon.

Thanks to Harry Watson himself and everyone else who spotted it.

by Harry Watson (inspired by the phoenix comic)

Do you want to have your art featured in the next issue of Inscapism?

Well, then, you're in luck! Email your art to inscapism@togethertrust.org.uk or send it to any member of the Editorial Team (find it at the back of the magazine), and you could be featured in the next issue!

Jake's train Reviews coming soon to Inscapism magazines near you.

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Submit your idea to add to the board here! forms.gle/V1sqtTKU3bg59m6c8

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Jasper 2, the biggest 2-parter of the year, is coming this spring n' summer. She's Faster, Stronger, and simply better than before.

Start Preparing.

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The guide to finding Sonic 2's Hidden Palace And it's Guardian.



by G.B.

Sonic 2 is a good game, but it's hiding a way-past-cool secret!

STEP 1: Play as Tails Alone and Go to Mystic cave's 2nd Act With All 7 Emeralds and Get your ring count to a Multiple of Seven.

STEP 2: Find a pit with a switch above it. DO NOT ACTIVATE THE SWITCH.

Jump down the pit instead. There are many pits like this, so you might have to do many tries on different pits.

STEP 3: If you've done it right, You will end up in hidden palace! The boss is "Vitesse", A Ruby-Coloured Sonic Look-A-Like and The Zone's Guardian.

BONUS: Beating Vitesse will give you The Secret Mint-Coloured 8th Emerald, allowing Tails To get a Super Ability, and can activate this new power at will. This "Super" Tails is coloured Hot Pink and he Glows.

Send in screenshots of Hidden
Palace, the Vitesse Fight and
Super Tails and you might appear in
the Next Issue!

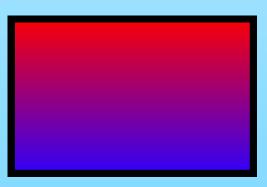
This trick works on almost all versions except the DS and Game Gear, but we recommend the Mobile & Origins versions, as getting to hidden palace is much, MUCH easier over there.

Be sure to watch the sweet secret ending by finding me!
Good luck, folks!

Gallery







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