

# *Reading Mansion*<sup>™</sup>

## Addendum

### **Installation**

**For Macintosh:** Double click on the installer icon on the top level of CD-ROM. Click on the "Install" button to install the program and all of the necessary extensions, or choose the "custom" button to install only some components.

**For Windows 3.x:** You must be in Windows to run the installer and the program. Insert the CD-ROM and choose "Run" from the file menu in the Program Manager. On the command line type D:setup (if your CD-ROM drive is not drive "D," replace "D" with the letter of your CD-ROM drive), then follow the instructions.

**For Windows '95:** When you insert the CD-ROM, it will start a program that will give you the option to "Run," "Install" or "Cancel." If you have not installed the program previously, choose "Install." If these options do not appear, or you have turned off the auto-run feature, you can select "Run" from the start button and follow the instructions for Windows 3.x.

### **Additional information for installing:**

**Macintosh:** *Reading Mansion* does not install any system extensions and does not make any other modifications to your computer, so it is not necessary to restart your system after installing.

**Windows '95:** *Reading Mansion* installs Microsoft's DirectX game system, including DirectDraw and DirectSound. Some video cards may not be fully compatible with this system. Check your video card documentation if you experience any difficulties after installing *Reading Mansion*. You must have DirectX installed to run *Reading Mansion* on Windows '95 or later operating systems.

### **Additional features not included in the manual:**

#### **Network Version.**

Starting with version 1.0.1, the *Reading Mansion* CD comes with a network version option in the installer. See the file on the top level of the CD named Network Information on the Mac or Network.txt on Windows for more information on installing and using the Network Version of *Reading Mansion*.

#### **Allow Color Printing.**

This option is turned on by default, but if your printer has trouble printing the certificates, you may uncheck this option to force certificates to print in black and white. (See the other side of this page for more information on printing certificates.)

**See the other side for some answers to frequently asked questions.**

## ***Reading Mansion™ Addendum (continued)***

### **Frequently asked questions:**

#### **How Do I Add or Remove Students?**

You can add students one at a time using the “New Student” button on the “What is your name?” dialog in *Reading Mansion*. To remove students, or to quickly add a number of students, you can use the Student Manager. The Student Manager is accessible from *Custom Mansion™* (the icon to start *Custom Mansion* should be located next to the *Reading Mansion* icon), or you can enter the it from the Parent/Teacher Controls in *Reading Mansion* (see page 19 in the manual).

#### **How Do I Set the Student Options?**

The Student Options are located next to the list of student names in the Student Manager, and are accessible either through *Custom Mansion* or through the Parent/Teacher Controls (see How Do I add or Remove Students?)

#### **Can I have students just run the reading activities without searching through the mansions?**

Yes, simply turn on the student option labeled “Reading Activities Only (no Mansion).” Students will continue at their place in the curriculum and progress as normal, but without spending any time locating the objects in the mansion. This option can be turned on and off at any time without students losing their place in the mansion, or in the curriculum.

#### **How Do I Create Multiple Class Documents?**

To create multiple class documents, duplicate the student file (“Mansion Students” on the Macintosh, “Mansion.scl” on Windows), renaming the copies with each class name. (Windows files should always end with the extension “.scl”.) Remove the original document from your working folder. When students start *Reading Mansion* they will first be asked to select a class document (unless they start *Reading Mansion* by double-clicking on a class document). If some students need to use separate curricula, you can put copies of the student file in separate folders, each with a copy of the RMCurric document (keeping the name “RMCurric”). Rename the original RMCurric document—which appears outside of the class folders—or the program defaults to that document.

#### **How Do I Print Certificates?**

After setting the “Print Certificates in Reading Mansion” option (see How Do I Set the Student Options?), students can print the certificates when they qualify for them. The default for this option is off. You can print from the Student Manager regardless of the setting of this option. To print later, using the Student Manager, select a student by clicking once on the name and select the Print Certificate button. You can then use the certificate printing option and set the level and date.