SECTION 4. CHOOSING KEYS

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Introduction

Some program books were written to be used with an IBM Personal Computer keyboard. You can still use these programs and their books with your IBM PC*jr* and its keyboard. This section shows you the differences between your keyboard and the IBM Personal Computer keyboard.

Use this section as a guide when running a program written to be used with an IBM Personal Computer keyboard.

If you have a diskette drive installed you may run your "Exploring the IBM PC*jr*" diskette, which is located in the back of the *Guide to Operations* binder. For information on how to operate your diskette drive, refer to the operating instructions in the Diskette Drive Option Installation and Operating Instructions in Section 5.

If you have any options to install, install them now. The carton that your option is packed in contains the instructions for installing your option.

If you do not have any options to install go to Section 7, "Cartridges".

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When to Use the Keyboard Differences Chart

Before you begin to use one of your programs, look at the book that comes with it. If your program book refers to keys on the IBM Personal Computer keyboard, use the Keyboard Difference Chart.

If your program book refers to the IBM PC*jr* keyboard you will not have to refer to the keyboard chart.

The following pages explain the use of this chart.

Using the Keyboard Difference Chart

Let's take a few minutes to learn how to use the Keyboard Difference Chart. You will be surprised how easy it is to tell which keys you should use.

Suppose you are using a program with a book written for an IBM Personal Computer keyboard. You decide to print your file and the program book tells you to do this by pressing the F2 key.

Even though you see an F2 key on your keyboard, it will not work the way the program book describes. The book is not refering to the IBM PC*jr* keyboard. Go to your Keyboard Difference Chart.
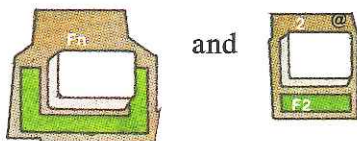
The left column lists the keys on the IBM Personal Computer keyboard. The right column lists the keys you should use to get the same results on your IBM PC*jr* keyboard.

Your program has instructed you to use F2, so you need to find F2 in the left column of the chart.

Now look across the page to the IBM PC*jr* keyboard column. You will see "Fn then F2" in green. This means that, on your IBM PC*jr* keyboard, you press the green bordered Function key to go into the Function mode and then press the key with the green stripe and F2 underneath it. This is the same as pressing the F2 key on the IBM Personal Computer keyboard.

Pressing [F2] on the IBM Personal Computer keyboard

is the same as pressing

 and

on the IBM PC*jr* keyboard

OK, let's suppose you are using a program that tells you to press Ctrl/Break.

[Ctrl]   [Break]

Control Break will not work the way the program book describes. The book is not refering to the IBM PC*jr* keyboard.

Look at your Keyboard Difference Chart.

In the left column, you see "Ctrl/Break (or Break)". If
you follow that line over to the IBM PC*jr* keyboard
column, you see that you get Ctrl/Break by pressing
the green bordered Fn key and the Break key with the
green stripe.

Press then

That's all there is to it! You may want to spend some
time looking at the chart until you feel comfortable with
it. Most of the key combinations are color coded on
your keyboard.

This chart has been reproduced on a card in the front of
this book. You can put this card beside your IBM PC*jr*
when you are using programs written for an IBM
Personal Computer keyboard.

Keyboard Difference Chart

IBM Personal Computer Keys and Key Combinations	Cordless Keyboard Equivalent Keys and Key Combinations		
F1	Fn	then	F1
F2	Fn	then	F2
F3	Fn	then	F3
F4	Fn	then	F4
F5	Fn	then	F5
F6	Fn	then	F6
F7	Fn	then	F7
F8	Fn	then	F8
F9	Fn	then	F9
F10	Fn	then	F10
Shift/F1 thru F10	Hold Shift Press Fn	then	F1 thru F10
Ctrl/F1 thru F10	Hold Ctrl Press Fn	then	F1 thru F10
Alt/F1 thru F10	Hold Alt Press Fn	then	F1 thru F10
Ctrl/Break (or Break)	Fn	then	Break
Ctrl/End	Ctrl with Fn	then	End
Ctrl/PrtSc (Echo Print)	Fn	then	Echo
Ctrl/Home	Ctrl with Fn	then	Home
Ctrl/Num Lock (Pause)	Fn	then	Pause
Ctrl/PgDn	Ctrl with Fn	then	Pg Dn
Ctrl/PgUp	Ctrl with Fn	then	Pg Up
Shift/PrtSc (Print Screen)	Fn	then	Prt Sc
Scroll Lock	Fn	then	Sc Lock
Num Lock	Hold Alt Press Fn	then	N
PgUp	Fn	then	Pg Up
PgDn	Fn	then	Pg Dn
Home	Fn	then	Home
End	Fn	then	End
\	Alt	with	/
'	Alt	with	'
|	Alt	with	[
~	Alt	with	]
⏎	Enter		
All 256 extended codes	Num Lock Hold Alt	then	Numeric Value

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