

INTRODUCTION TV Star is a satirical role playing game that describes the media-world of today. Your goal is to become famous, obtain power, reach the sky and remain in that privileged position.

The game starts with you getting a job as a cleaner in a editorial office in a TV-station. Challenge your superiors with general all-round questions and you will quickly be promoted. If you are good at see through dubious news and statements, you have an even higher chance to succeed.

You are a highly dedicated professional in TV Star. During the day you work at the editorial office collecting news, so challenge your co-workers in question duels, unravel news and confidential information. Meet your colleagues after work and mingle, pick up and discuss irrelevant issues.

Welcome to the TV-world, Welcome to TV Star!



EMPLOYMENT

You start by choosing the character you want to be in the game.

CHARACTERS You can choose to be a woman or a man, a wannabe or a celebrity. All characters have a number of personal qualities that influence your possibilities in the game.

PERSONAL QUALITIES

SMART If you choose a pre-dominant SMART character, you can score more points in question duels and on your collected news.

HANDSOME With a pre-dominant HANDSOME character you can score more points at parties. Another advantage is that you are not as influenced by rumours.

RICH The richer your character is, the more you earn. You get paid on a daily basis. Use your money to acquire a higher degree of education or to buy secrets, things and party kits. It will either improve your personal qualities, increase your score or both.



THE EDITORIAL OFFICE

Once you choose your character, the hard work to strengthen your position at the office begins. You move around by clicking with the mouse on the place you wish to go.

EDITORIAL OFFICE



Climb the ladder of success by qualifying for that profession. The qualification is measured by points. You can obtain points in different ways:

- FIND VALUABLE NEWS • EDUCATE YOURSELF • FIND THINGS THAT GIVE POINTS • CHALLENGE A CO-WORKER IN A QUESTION DUEL

LOOK FOR NEWS

News will appear at any time by fax, post-boxes or computers. Read the news and judge the level of truth. Correct it by clicking on errors in the text. Before the day ends, find the news editor and give him your news. You earn or loose points depending on the quality of the news in combination with your intelligence factor.

Sometimes you can find things in the editorial office which grant points. But there are also things that increase your HANDSOME, SMART, or RICH factor. You can keep these or sell them to make money.

THINGS



GIZMOS



STATUS OBJECT



CHALLENGE IN A QUESTION DUEL AT THE OFFICE

You can increase your points even more by defeating your co-workers in question duels.

In question duels it is good to be SMART.

CHALLENGE IN A QUESTION DUEL



To challenge somebody above you, you must have enough points for that level. Your point-status appears in the stairway picture in the lower panel. Warning! You can always challenge someone above you in the hierarchy but at a much higher risk! Is it really worth it?

CHANGE OF CAREER

When you collect enough points to qualify for the next level, you can challenge the person who possesses the position in a question duel.

If you win, you swap careers and if you lose you'll take a plunge.

If you are challenged or if you challenge someone who is below you in the hierarchy you jeopardise your career.

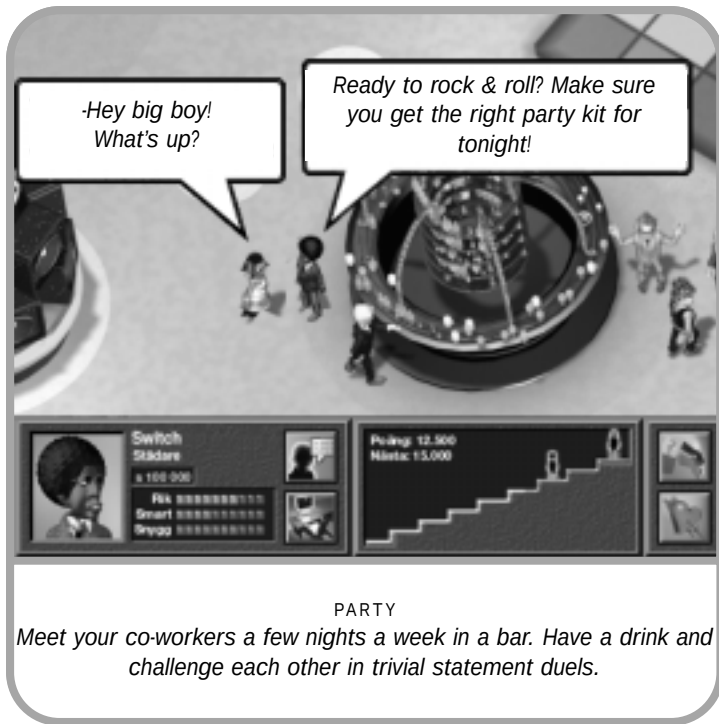
You will be degraded if you are no longer qualified for your career role and if someone else is.

EDUCATION



KEEP IN MIND THAT THOSE WHO ARE BELOW YOU IN THE RANK MAY BE QUALIFIED FOR YOUR CAREER ROLE AND MAY BE AFTER YOUR POSITION!

Each editorial office has an education-instructor who will help you increase your points for a fee.



STATEMENT DUELS A statement duel at the party is all about answering your opponent's statements. The amount of points you score or loose depends on how handsome you are in combination with the partykit you choose. You can't challenge the same person more than once during a party!

AT THE PARTY

PARTYKIT A partykit is a drink with snacks that will raise your stake in a statement duel. The more expensive the kit, the more points you can win or loose. There are three different alternatives:

- Water and pretzels – costs nothing and gives you nothing in return
- Beer and sausage costs 10 money units – increases the stake a little
- Wine and grapes costs 20 money units – increases the stake a lot

Whenever you buy a partykit, you will also get a few extra points as a bonus.



OF COURSE YOU CAN FIND THINGS, GET TOGETHER WITH SOMEONE OR SPREAD RUMOURS AT THE PARTY!

GET TOGHETER

At any time you may ask for a date with someone that you fancy.



If the feelings are mutual and you become a couple you will strengthen each other's qualities (HANDSOME, SMART and RICH) which creates bigger career possibilities.



SECRETS

When you share someone's life you will also be sharing each other's secrets. These secrets may be used when love is tested. You may sell them and make money or simply put her/him down by telling the whole world about it.



Keep in mind that this may also affect you but if you are very HANDSOME you will not loose as many points.



PANIC ATTACK

If you feel threatened by a co-worker who hunts your position you may pull a panic attack on him or her. Anyway, a panic attack is quite expensive and should only be used when in panic.

TIPS! GO TO TV STAR HELP. To get help with how the different functions work in the game - start TV Star Help from the Start-menu in Windows. There you will find a description on how to play Wannabe and how the different functions should be used.

GAME CONTENTS There are a total of 17 different editorials, e.g. Movie, Nature, Soap, Music, Talk shows, Literature, Cartoons and Sci-fi. You are allowed to change editorials once you have reached the editor-in-chief position and the maximum points for that editorial. There are four different career roles, approx. 2.200 questions, approx. 550 news and 1.000 statements.

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS	PENTIUM 166 MHZ	GRAPHIC CARD MIN. 1MB VRAM
	WINDOWS 95, WINDOWS 98	DIRECTX 5 (DIRECTX 6.0 INCLUDED)
	32 MB RAM (REC. 64 MB)	RESOLUTION 800X600
	CD-ROM X4	16 BIT GRAPHICS
	ON-LINE GAMING REQUIRES A NETWORK CARD OR MODEM & AN INTERNET CONNECTION.	

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