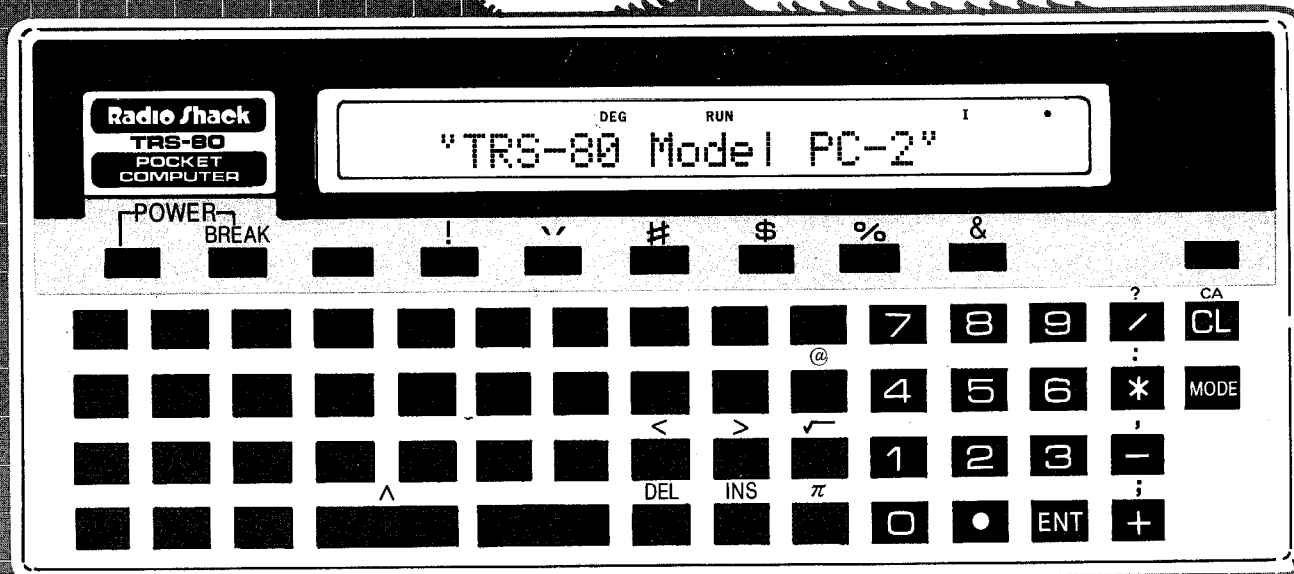


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To make the TRS-80 PC-2 available to you as quickly as possible, we're providing this Owner's Manual which will explain how to use the PC-2.

Throughout this manual, we've made reference to the book "TRS-80 PC-2 Programming Guide" (optional/extra). This manual, which should be available in the Summer of 1982, will be a comprehensive PC-2 BASIC Programming Manual.

In the meantime, many of your programming questions can be answered by referring to another Radio Shack book called "Problem Solving on the TRS-80 Pocket Computer" (Catalog number 62-2312).

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To Our Customers . . .

Besides being one of the smallest computers that Radio Shack provides, the TRS-80 PC-2 is one of the most powerful and versatile computers of its size available anywhere.

Its powerful capabilities, as well as its "expandability", make it the ideal personal computer for business, scientific, engineering, or personal use.

In spite of its size and power, however, the Pocket Computer can be quite simple to use. In fact, you can determine just how technical a machine you want it to be.

At its simplest level of operation, you can use Radio Shack cassette programs, RAM Modules, or ROM Modules. All you will need to know is how to load and run a cassette program or insert a program cartridge into the Computer.

At a slightly more involved level of operation, you may want to write your own programs. If you are a beginner, read this operation manual, then read a PC-2 programming guide.

If, however, you are already an experienced programmer and are familiar with BASIC, read this operation manual. For your convenience, we've included a Language Reference Summary in the appendix which lists PC-2 commands, their syntax, and examples of use.

About This Manual

This manual contains operating instructions for the PC-2. The Language Reference Summary includes only those commands which can be used by the Computer when it is not connected to an optional device (such as Printer/Cassette Interface).

For a description of the commands which can be used with an optional device, see that peripheral's operation manual.

For instructions on programming the Computer, see a PC-2 programming manual.

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Customer Information

Welcome to the World of Pocket Computing!

The TRS-80 PC-2 system consists of:

- A 66-Key keyboard for inputting programs and data into the Computer.
- A 26-character Display to exhibit data results and other information. The Display can also be used to exhibit graphics (7 X 156 dot pattern).
- An expanded BASIC Language that includes graphic commands.
- A CMOS microprocessor with more power than the mammoth computers of a few years ago.
- Read Only Memory (ROM) which contains the BASIC language.
- Random Access Memory (RAM) for storage of programs and data even when the Computer is turned off (amount is expandable up to 24K, optional/extra).
- Expansion area for plug-in of optional RAM, ROM, or combination RAM/ROM Modules.
- A Cassette/Printer Interface for long-term storage and hard-copy output of programs and data (optional/extra). Requires a separate cassette recorder (optional/extra) for cassette storage.
- Battery powered for portable operation or DC power adaptor (optional/extra).

1/Description of the Pocket Computer

Before using the PC-2, it's important that you become familiar with it. Carefully read the following section.

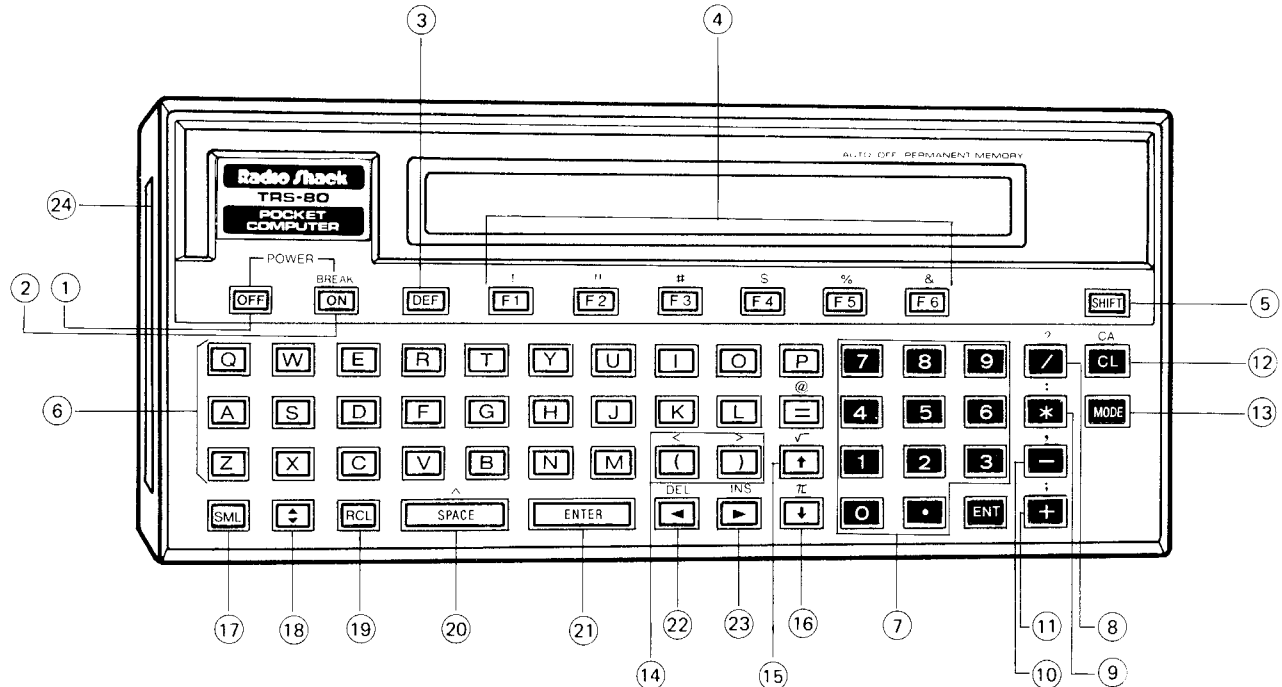




















Figure 1. PC-2 (Front View)

- ① **OFF** When you're ready to turn the Computer OFF, press this key.
- ② **ON** Turns the PC-2 ON. If pressed while you are running a program, execution will "break" (interrupt).
- ③ **DEF** Allows you to execute programs at line numbers which have had certain keys assigned to them as the first character of the line. Other keys permanently act as command keys after **DEF** is pressed. For instance, if **DEF** **Q** is pressed, the command INPUT will be displayed.
- ④ **F1** ~ **F6** Function Keys. These keys are reserved for your use. You can assign to them any values, commands, or statements you desire. When **SHIFT** is pressed before any of the Function Keys, the character above the key will be used.
- ⑤ **SHIFT** In Lowercase Option Mode (SMALL), any alpha-key pressed after this key will be uppercase. In Normal (uppercase) Mode, any alpha-key pressed after this key will be lowercase. Press this key before pressing key which has a character above it and the character above it will be displayed.
- ⑥ **A** ~ **Z** Alphabet keys.
- ⑦ **.** **0** ~ **9** Number keys.
- ⑧ **?**
/ Division Key. Allows you to divide numeric values. Pressing **SHIFT** before pressing this key will display a question mark (?).
- ⑨ **:**
***** Multiplication Key. Allows you to multiply numeric values. Pressing **SHIFT** before pressing this key will produce a colon (:).

- 10  Subtraction Key. Allows you to subtract numeric values. Pressing **SHIFT** before pressing this key will produce a comma (,).
- 11  Addition Key. Allows you to add numeric values. Pressing **SHIFT** before pressing this key produce a semicolon (;).
- 12  Clear Key. Pressing this key will clear the Display and "release" errors. Pressing **SHIFT** before pressing **CL** will activate the CA (reset) function. This will clear the display and reset the Computer.
- 13  Pressing this key will specify either the RUN or PROgram Operation Mode. Pressing **SHIFT** **MODE** will specify RESERVE operation mode.
- 14  Parentheses Keys. Pressing **SHIFT** before pressing these keys will produce the Greater Than/Less Than symbols.
- 15  Display previous program line. Pressing **SHIFT** before pressing this key will produce a square root ($\sqrt{\quad}$) sign and allow you to compute the square root of a numeric value.
- 16  Display next program line. Pressing **SHIFT** before pressing this key will produce a PI (π) sign and allow you to use a stored value of PI in your computations.
- 17  Lowercase Option Key. Press once and lowercase (small) letters will be used. Press again and normal (uppercase alpha-) character display will be used.
- 18  Reserve Mode Change. Since each of the six Function Keys can be assigned values in each of three modes — I/II/III — pressing this key will move the Computer to the next Reserve Mode.

- 19  Recall Key. Pressing this key one will display the function key menu for the current reserve mode (I/II/III). Pressing this key again will recall the contents of the original display.
- 20  Spacerbar Key. Pressing this key will advance the Cursor, leaving a blank space. Press  before pressing this key and the Exponential symbol will be produced and allow you to raise a numeric expression to a power.
- 21  When you press this key, whatever you previously typed will "enter" the Computer's memory. This key is similar to the Carriage Return key on a typewriter. You must press  before the PC-2 will accept alphanumeric input from the keyboard.
- 22  Backspace Key. This key allows you to move the Cursor to the left without erasing previously typed characters. Pressing  before pressing this key will DELETE whatever character the Cursor is "on top of."
- 23  Forward Key. Pressing this key allows you to move the Cursor to the right without erasing previously typed characters. Pressing  before pressing this key will allow INSERTion of characters directly before the character the Cursor is "on top of."
- 24 Printer/Cassette Interface Connector Cover. Remove the Cover to attach the PC-2 to the Printer/Cassette Interface. See Printer/Cassette Interface owner's manual for details. (And attach the Cover to the bottom of the Interface so you won't lose it!)

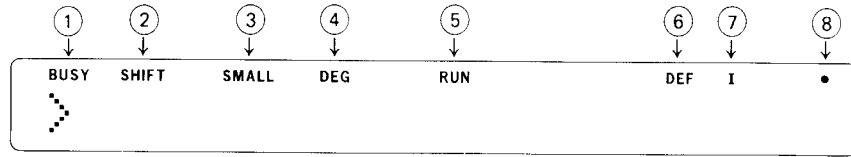


Figure 2. Sample PC-2 Display

- ① **BUSY** Program Execution Indicator. This Indicator is on during program execution. When program execution is complete, the Indicator goes off. The PC-2 will not turn off (manually by pressing **OFF**) or automatically after seven minutes) when the BUSY Indicator is on.
- ② **SHIFT** Shift Key Indicator. This Indicator is on whenever **SHIFT** has been pressed. Press any key (except **SML** or **ON**) and the Indicator will go off.
- ③ **SMALL** Lowercase Option Indicator. This Indicator is on whenever the Computer is in Lowercase Option Mode (the Computer can display either upper- or lowercase letters). Press **SML** to turn the Indicator on; press again to turn off.
- ④ **Angular Measurement Indicator**. This Indicator will display the current unit of angle for the input of trigonometric functions: DEG for "degrees." (To compute in degrees, type DEGREE **ENTER**); RAD for "radians." (To compute in radians, type RADIAN **ENTER**); GRAD for "gradients." (To compute in gradients, type GRAD **ENTER**). The Computer will use a measurement mode until you tell it to do otherwise.

- ⑤ Operation Mode Indicator. This Indicator will display RUN when you are in the RUN Mode. You must be in RUN Mode to execute ("run") programs or perform manual calculations (use the Computer like a calculator). This Indicator will display PRO when you are in PROgram Mode. You must be in PRO Mode to enter programs into the Computer's memory. Press **MODE** to go from one mode to the other. Press **SHIFT MODE** and the Indicator will display RESERVE. In this mode, you may assign values, commands, or statements to the Function Keys as well as set up Function Key menus.
- ⑥ DEF Definable Mode Indicator. This Indicator lights up when you press **DEF**. When the PC-2 is in the RUN mode, pressing **DEF** followed by a program label key (see Table 2) will allow you to run a labeled program. In any mode, pressing **DEF** followed by a command instruction key (see Table 1) allows easy use of keywords.
- ⑦ I/II/III Reserve Mode Indicator. This Indicator tells you which Reserve Mode the PC-2 is in. To change modes, press **↕**. All six Function Keys (**F1** ~ **F6**) can be defined in each of the three modes (I/II/III) for a total of 18 different values.
- ⑧ ● Battery Indicator. As long as this Indicator is ON, the Computer has sufficient power to operate. When this Indicator is OFF, the Computer's batteries are too "low" to insure correct operation. Replace them or connect the Computer to an external power supply.

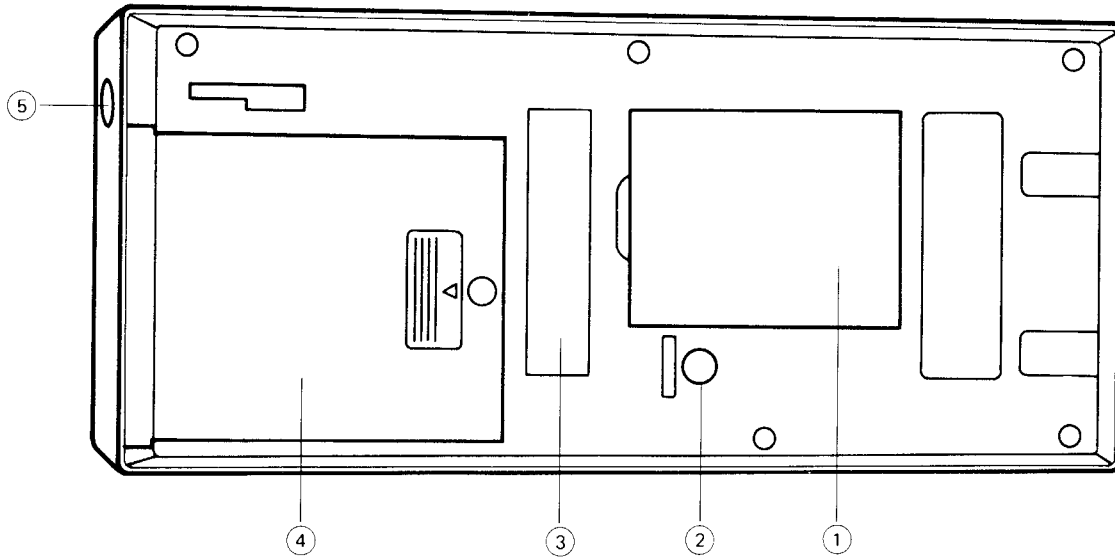


Figure 3. PC-2 (Rear Panel)

- ① RAM/ROM Module Slot. Insert RAM or ROM Modules into this slot. See your RAM/ROM Module user's guide for specific details.
- ② ALL RESET Button. If the PC-2 ever "hangs up," use a ball-point pen to press this button while pressing **ON**. Hold the button and key down for about 15 seconds. Be aware, however, that memory will be erased (I.E. you'll lose any programs in memory).

- ③ Identification Tag. Place the permanently adhesive Identification Tag here.
- ④ Battery Cover. Remove this Cover to gain access to the batteries which supply power to the PC-2. Be careful not to lose the screw which secures the Cover; it is not attached to the Cover when removed.
- ⑤ External Power Supply Jack. If you have an external power supply adaptor (optional/extra), plug it in here.

2/Setting Up the Pocket Computer

Start-Up

To turn the PC-2 on, simply press the **ON** key.

The Computer should respond with the Ready prompt (>) and indicators that tell you:

- If the Computer was last used to compute degrees, radians, or gradients.
- Which Operation Mode the Computer is in (PROgram, RUN, or RESERVE Mode).
- Which of the three Reserve Modes (I, II, or III) has been selected.
- Whether or not there's enough battery power to use the Computer.

On start-up, the PC-2 uses all mode settings that were being used when the Computer was turned off.

For instance:

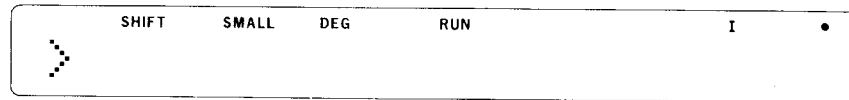
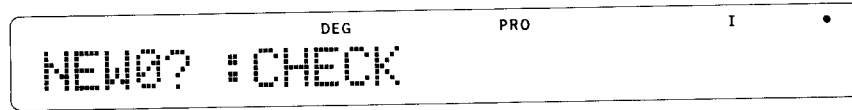


Figure 4. Sample Display On Start-Up

When the Computer is turned on, there are four different power-up messages which can be displayed:



This message can appear on power-up after:

- Turning the Computer on for the first time.
- Battery replacement.
- Pressing ALL RESET.

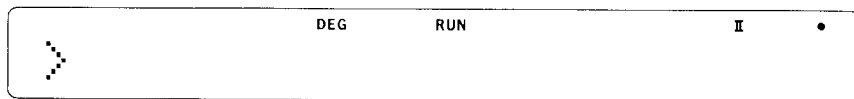
To clear the Display and begin computing:

1. Press **CL** .
2. Be sure you are in PROgram Mode. If not, press **MODE** until PRO is displayed.
3. Type: NEWØ **ENTER** .
4. Press **SHIFT** **MODE** , The PC-2 will then be in RESERVE Mode.
5. Type: NEW **ENTER** .

This procedure will clear the PC-2's Main and Auxiliary memory areas.



If this message appears, it means that one of the peripheral devices (such as a Printer/Cassette Interface) is not operating properly. Press **(CL)** to clear the display and continue computing.



The Display will look like this on normal power-on and when optional devices or memory modules are connected.



This is a sample display. Whenever the PC-2 turns itself off automatically (when the PC-2 has not been busy and a key has not been pressed for seven minutes), press **(ON)** to turn the Computer back on. When you do so, the previous display will appear.

Note: If the ARUN statement is used as the first command in a program, the PC-2 can start up with the BUSY Indicator ON.

If you press **(ON)** while a program is running, it serves as a BREAK key. The program will stop execution and display the line number at which the "break" took place.

Press **(↑)** and the portion of the program line that had just executed will re-appear. Press **(↓)** again, and the next program step will execute. Type CONT **(ENTER)** to continue program execution after a break.

Turning the Computer OFF

When you're ready to turn the PC-2 OFF, press the **OFF** key. The Display will then clear (be erased).

If the BUSY indicator is on, press BREAK before pressing **OFF** .

When it is turned off, the PC-2 remembers programs, mode settings, Definable Keys, etc. that were being used when the Computer was turned on. When you turn the Computer back ON, those settings will be displayed and the program will be in memory.

(The PC-2 forgets only when you remove the batteries without first connecting an external power supply or when you clear memory!).

Note: You cannot turn the Computer off when the BUSY light is on.

Battery Installation

We suggest you use Radio Shack Type AA Alkaline batteries (Radio Shack Catalog Number 23-552).

To install the batteries:

1. If you wish to preserve the contents of memory, connect the PC-2 to an optional external power supply.
2. Place the PC-2 upside down on a soft, non-abrasive surface (such as a foam rubber pad).

3. Use a coin to carefully loosen the small screw which holds the Battery Cover in place. (Do not lose the screw!)
4. Slide the Cover sideways until it is free from the Computer.
5. Insert four Type AA alkaline batteries into place, matching the battery outline (in the battery slot of the Computer) with the actual shape of the battery. (Place the "spring" against the bottom ("—" end of the battery.)
6. Replace the Cover and tighten the screw.

If you used an external power supply, disconnect it from the PC-2 before turning the Computer ON. (If the Battery Indicator does not come on, check to make sure the batteries are installed properly.) Then press ALL RESET (on the back of the Computer). The message NEW0? : CHECK will be displayed. Press **CL** and the Ready prompt (>) will appear.

External Power Supply

The PC-2 can be used with external power supply sources (optional/extra) such as the one provided with the PC-2 PRINTER/CASSETTE INTERFACE (26-3605).

The PC-2 will not "recognize" that an external power source is connected to it until the adaptor is plugged into the Computer (on the right side of the PC-2) and into a wall outlet.

The Battery Indicator light should be ON whenever an external power source is connected to the Computer. If it is not ON, the power supply could be defective. Disconnect the power supply and see if the Indicator comes ON

when the PC-2 is powered by batteries. If the Indicator does not come on, replace the batteries. If the Indicator still does not come on, check with your local Radio Shack store.

Note that an external power supply will not recharge the batteries. When the batteries are low, replace them.

3/Using the Pocket Computer

You can start using your PC-2 as soon as it's been turned on.

Since many symbols on the PC-2 keyboard are not common to other computers, this section will explain how to use the Computer keyboard.

The PC-2 can also be used as a powerful calculator when in the "immediate" (RUN) Mode. When using it this way, the PC-2 has all the features of a memory calculator plus much more! This section will describe how to use the PC-2 as a calculator.

We'll also discuss features of PC-2 BASIC Language which are not common to other forms of BASIC. If you're an experienced programmer, you'll be writing your own programs (including graphics) on the Computer by the time you finish this section.

If this is your introduction to computers, you'll be familiar enough with the PC-2 after reading this section to go on to a PC-2 programming guide and write your own programs.

Using the Keyboard

The PC-2 keyboard allows you to enter all standard text characters as well as many special key functions.

SHIFT and **SML**

Normal vs. Lowercase Option

The PC-2 keyboard is usually in Normal (uppercase only) Mode. In this mode, all characters typed on the keyboard will be uppercase.

To enter the Lowercase Mode, press **SML**. At this time, the Lowercase Indicator (SMALL) will light up on the Display and all letters entered will be lowercase.

To display uppercase letters while in Lowercase Mode, press **SHIFT** before pressing a character key. The next (and only the next) character will be displayed as an uppercase letter. Unless you press **SHIFT** again, all following letters will continue to be lowercase.

To return to Normal Mode, press **SML** again. The SMALL light will disappear from the Display and all letters will be uppercase.

If you need to display a single lowercase letter while in Normal Mode, press **SHIFT** and then a letter key. The letter specified (and only that letter) will be displayed as a lowercase character.

Note: When using lowercase letters, it's important to note that program instructions (commands such as RUN, etc.) must be uppercase. The PC-2 does not recognize lowercase statements or commands.

CL

Clearing the Display and Resetting the Computer

The PC-2's Display may be cleared at any time (except during program execution when the BUSY Indicator is on) simply by pressing the **CL** clear key.

Pressing **SHIFT CL** (e.g., CA) will reset the Computer. Resetting the Computer by pressing **CL**, however, does not mean that the PC-2 will erase all programs and set all variables equal to zero as with most TRS-80's. All it means is that the Display and the memory "stack" will be cleared.

To clear all variables (set them equal to zero), type CLEAR **ENTER**. If you want to erase all programs in memory go to PROgram Mode and type NEW **ENTER**.

Don't forget that you can also reset the PC-2 by pressing the ALL RESET Button on the rear panel of the Computer. You may need to do this if the PC-2 ever "hangs up" and doesn't recognize any keyboard input. Use a ball-point pen to press ALL RESET (and **ON**) for about 15 seconds. The message: NEW0?: CHECK will appear. Press **CL** or **ON** to return to the Ready prompt (>).

MODE

Operation Modes

The PC-2 uses three modes of operation.

- PROgram Mode in which you write and edit BASIC programs.
- RUN Mode in which you can run (execute) BASIC programs or use the PC-2 as a powerful calculator.

- RESERVE Mode where you assign values to Function Keys and set up Function Key menus.

The Operation Mode Indicator (on the Display) will tell you which mode the Computer is in.

Press the **MODE** key to enter either PROgram or RUN Mode (the Indicator will change).

Press **SHIFT** **MODE** to enter RESERVE Mode.

PROgram Mode

Whenever the Operation mode Indicator displays PRO, the PC-2 is in the PROgrammable Mode and you can write BASIC programs.

The PROgram Mode is used only for writing programs. All program lines must begin with a number between 1 and 65279, followed by a program instruction. (If you're typing a long program, we suggest you type in the line 65279: END in advance.) You must always press **ENTER** to enter the program line into the Computer's memory. For instance, type 50 PRINT X **ENTER** . After you press **ENTER** , the Computer will display: 50: PRINT X

You cannot use the PC-2 as a calculator (sometimes referred to as "immediate mode calculations") while it is in PROgram Mode. For example, you cannot instruct the Computer to compute the answer to $2 + 2$ when it is in PRO Mode. It will interpret the first "2" as program line number 2 and create a program line consisting of "+2".

In the same sense, if you attempt to enter an alphabet character that has not been assigned a numeric value and that is not preceded by a number (e.g., a line number), the Computer will return a zero (0) on the right side of the Display when you press **ENTER** . This is just the PC-2's way of telling you that you entered an invalid entry into

its memory.

RUN Mode

Once programs have been entered into the Computer's memory, you can run (execute) them in the RUN Mode.

To enter the RUN Mode, press **(MODE)** until RUN appears on the Display. Then type: RUN **(ENTER)** . The Computer will go to the first program line number in memory and execute it.

There are, however, a few ways to begin a program without typing RUN.

For instance, you might want to assign the RUN command to a Function Key. Try **(F1)** , Reserve Mode I as an example. (See **(F1)** ~ **(F6)** Function Keys for details.)

When F1: is displayed, type RUN **(ENTER)** . Then go to RUN Mode and press **(F1)** . The Computer will display RUN _ . Press **(ENTER)** and program execution will begin with the first program line in memory.

Hint: Assign RUN @ to **(F1)** . When you press **(F1)** in RUN Mode the program will automatically run without your having to press **(ENTER)** . When it follows RUN or any other command, the @ sign serves the same purpose as pressing **(ENTER)** .

Another way to RUN a program is to assign Definable Key labels to certain line numbers within a program. (See Definable Keys for more details.) Then, when you want to RUN a specific program, simply press **(DEF)** followed by the key label. You will not have to type RUN **(ENTER)** .

The PC-2 can also be used as a calculator (make that a super calculator!) when it is in the RUN Mode.

For details on using the PC-2 as a calculator, see Using the PC-2 As A Calculator later in this manual.

RESERVE Mode

To enter the RESERVE Mode, press **SHIFT** **MODE** . RESERVE will appear on the Display.

In this Operation Mode, you can assign commands, statements, or values to any of the Function Keys (**F1** ~ **F6**) in any of the three Reserve Modes (I/II/III) for a total of 18 different Function Keys. To go from one Reserve Mode to another, press **↕** and the Display will change from I to II to III.

For instance, **F1** can be assigned one value in Reserve Mode I, a different value in Mode II, and still another value in Mode III.





To use a Function Key which has two or three values, press **↕** to change modes, then press the appropriate Function Key.

Any value, statement, or command which the PC-2 recognizes can be assigned to a Function Key. You'll find it most convenient to assign common command statements (such as RUN or TIME) which you might use very frequently. You might also assign long mathematical functions or command lines to a key. Then, instead of typing them over and over, just put the Computer in the appropriate Reserve Mode and press the proper Function Key.


The value assigned to a Function Key can be any number of characters in length up to a maximum of 77. However, the total number of characters for all 18 Function Keys cannot exceed 77. When the maximum number of characters is reached, Error 13 will result. Press **ENTER** . The value will be assigned and the PC-2 will return to the Ready prompt.

If a function key has not been assigned a value and you press it, the symbol above the key (!, #, \$, etc.) will be displayed.

To make a Function Key assignment:

1. Be sure you're in the appropriate Function Key Mode (I/II/III) (press  and the Indicator will go from I to II to III). Use I for this example.
2. Press a Function Key ( ~ ). Use  for this example.
3. The Display will show:



4. Type the characters you want to assign to the key.
5. Press  to enter the value.

For example, you might want to assign the TIME statement to **F1** . Type TIME @ (Remember that @ will serve the same function as pressing **ENTER**) and the Computer will display:



Press **ENTER** .

Whenever the Computer is in PROgram or RUN Mode (and Reserve Mode I), and you press **F1** , the command line will be displayed or executed immediately.

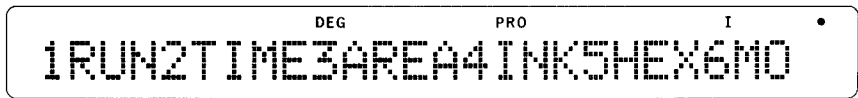
In this instance, the PC-2 would display the current time and date as soon as you pressed **F1** .

Since it's easy to forget what is stored in a Function Key, the Computer has a couple of ways of reminding you what values are currently assigned.

One way is to create a "menu" which displays — all at once — whatever has been assigned (or abbreviations of what's been assigned) to Function Keys in a specific Reserve Mode.

A menu cannot be more than 25 characters or spaces in length. Consequently, you'll find it a good idea to use abbreviations of one sort or another when creating menus.

For instance, a typical menu might be:



In this instance, the menu lists the individual Function Keys (1 – 6) along with abbreviations that identify the complete value assigned to a particular key.


Once a menu has been entered into the Computer's memory, you cannot edit or change that menu. To change the menu (e.g., if you add more values to Function Keys), you will have to re-type the entire menu for that Reserve Mode.

To set up a menu:

1. Assign values to one or more of the Function Keys.
2. When the > prompt is displayed (and you're in the RESERVE Mode you want — I, II, or III), type a quotation mark (").
3. Type the value (or an abbreviation) assigned to the keys in the order which they were assigned.
4. When the list is complete, type another quotation mark (") and press **ENTER** .

Once a menu has been set up, you can access it from either RUN or PROGram Mode, even if you're in the middle of entering a program line. Just press **RCL** and the menu for the current RESERVE Mode will be displayed. If you want to check another RESERVE Mode, press **↕** . To get back to the original program line you were typing in, press **RCL** again. The Cursor will be positioned exactly where you left off, ready for you to continue inputting data.

When you exit the RESERVE Mode (for example, go to RUN Mode), simply press  and the menus indicating the Function Key assignments you have made in each RESERVE Mode will be displayed.

Another method lets you check the contents stored in each key one-at-a-time. Just go into a Reserve Mode (I/II/III) and press a Function Key (such as ). The contents of that key's memory will be immediately displayed. However, you will lose whatever was previously on the Display.




Definable Keys

Definable Keys let you use the alpha-keys (and a couple of others) for purposes other than their obvious intent (e.g., to display letters).

There are two types of Definable Keys the PC-2 recognizes:

- Keys which have permanently been assigned BASIC statements (such as PRINT, INPUT, etc.). See Table 1.
- Keys which can be used to label program line numbers. See Table 2.

To use a definable key that has been assigned to a BASIC command line number, press , then the key of the statement you need to use.

Command Instruction Keys	
Key	Command
Q	INPUT
W	PRINT
E	USING
R	GOTO
T	GOSUB
Y	RETURN
U	CSAVE*
I	CLOAD*
O	MERGE*
P	LIST

Table 1

* These commands will only be displayed if the PC-2 is connected to the optional/extra Printer/Cassette Interface. If you use these keys when the Computer is not connected to the optional device, a “~” will appear.

Program Line Number Definable Keys	
(A)	(Z)
(S)	(X)
(D)	(C)
(F)	(V)
(G)	(B)
(H)	(N)
(J)	(M)
(K)	(=)
(L)	(SPACE)

Table 2

Note that Definable Keys are divided according to rows. The top row of alpha-keys have permanently assigned program statements; the bottom two rows of alpha-keys (and the equals key and spacebar) are used for labeling program line numbers.

For instance, you'll probably use the PRINT statement several times in a single program. Instead of typing it over and over, just press (DEF) (W) when you're ready to use the statement in a program line (or in immediate mode). The statement PRINT will immediately be displayed. Then just type in whatever you want the Computer to PRINT and press (ENTER) . You can do the same with any other of the statements listed in Table 1.

The Command Instruction Defined Keys may be specified in any of the Operation Modes (RUN, PRO, or RESERVE).

If you are using the Computer by itself (e.g., the Computer is not connected to the Printer/Cassette Interface) and you press **DEF** **U** (CSAVE), **DEF** **I** (CLOAD), or **DEF** **O** (MERGE), the Computer will display “~”. This simply tells you that the command you specified cannot be used because the Interface is not connected. Once the Interface and Computer are connected, however, you can specify these commands even if the Interface is not connected to a Cassette Recorder.

The second set of Definable Keys allows you to begin program execution at a maximum of 18 different program line numbers.

The first step is to “label” a program by specifying one of the allowable keys in the first line of the program. To do this:

1. Type the program line number.
2. Type a quotation mark (").
3. Type an allowable key (see Table 2).
4. Type another quotation mark (").
5. Type a program instruction.

For instance:

```
100 "A" WAIT 5:REM This Program counts to 10.  
110 FOR X=1 TO 10  
120 PRINT X  
130 NEXT X  
140 END
```

Hint: When you come to line 120 in this example, type: 120 (DEF) (W) (X) and the Computer will display:

```
120 PRINT X_
```

When you're ready to run the program, set the Computer in RUN mode (press (MODE) until RUN appears on the Display); then press (DEF) (A) . The program will begin execution.

You might then want to begin another program at line 200 and label it as "B". When you want to run it, press (DEF) (B) .

(F1) ~ (F6)

Function Keys

The keys (F1) through (F6) are reserved for your use. You can assign to them any values (program lines, BASIC


commands, numeric values, etc.) you want.

Function Keys can be assigned when the PC-2 is in the RESERVE Operation Mode. For instructions on assigning values to keys (F1) ~ (F6) , see RESERVE Mode earlier in this manual.



Reserve Mode Change


An additional Function Key feature is that the PC-2 really has 18 Function Keys, not just six.



Press the  key a few times. Notice that Reserve Mode Indicator (in the upper right of the Display) changes from I to II to III and back to I.

For details on using  , see RESERVE Mode earlier in this manual.



Recall Function Key Assignments

The Recall Key () acts as a “toggle” between whatever is on the Display at any particular time and the menu of Function Key assignments for whichever Reserve Mode (I/II/III) is indicated.


For instance, let's say you are writing a program line (in PROgram Mode) and need to use a value assigned to a Function Key. The problem is you've forgotten what values were assigned to what key. You can press  to recall the menus in the different Reserve Modes (see RESERVE Mode) and then, by pressing  , you can


“toggle” the Display between the program line you are working on or viewing, and the menu line for the current RESERVE Mode.


To recall the menu you created for a specific Reserve Mode (see RESERVE Mode), press **RCL** . The menu for the current Reserve Mode will be displayed. Press **RCL** again and the program line you were currently typing in will be displayed and you can finish entering the line.



Display the First/Next Higher Program Line


Anytime the Computer is in the PROgram Mode, you can press  and the first line of the program that's in memory will be displayed.

If you are writing or editing a program, pressing  will display the next program line.

Holding  down will activate a “repeat” function and the Computer will “scroll” (e.g., automatically go from one line to the next one) until the last line of the program is reached.

Hint: If you have a long program and want to look at specific program line without scrolling through the entire program, type: LIST line number **ENTER** . For example: LIST 120 **ENTER** .

When you press **SHIFT**  , the Computer will display π (the pi symbol). (Pi = 3.141592654).

For example, in the RUN Mode, press **SHIFT**  and **ENTER** . The value of PI will appear on the right side of the Display (3.141592654).

SHIFT **↓** (PI) can be accessed from any of the Operation Modes.

↓ also has several other features.

For instance, if you stop program execution (in RUN Mode) by pressing BREAK, the Display will indicate the program line in which the "break" occurred. Press **MODE** to go to PROgram Mode, then press **↓** (or **↑**). The program line where the break occurred will be displayed and the Cursor will be positioned in the exact part of the line where execution stopped. Press **↓** again and the next program line will be displayed. (Press **↑** and the previous program line will be displayed.)


Whenever the PC-2 encounters an error in a program line, an error message (which indicates which error and which program line) will be displayed. Press **CL** (to clear the Display) and **MODE** (to enter PROgram Mode). Then press **↓** (or **↑**) and the program line which contains the error will be displayed. Furthermore, the Cursor will be on top of the part of the line which generated the error message. You can then correct the program line.


If you ever need to "single-step" through a program, press BREAK after the program has begun execution, then press **CL** to clear the Display. When the Ready prompt appears, press **↓** and the next program step will be executed. Press it again and the next step will run. You'll find this technique especially helpful when "debugging" programs.


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



Display the Last/Next Lower Program Line







Whenever the PC-2 is in the PROgram Mode, you can press **↑** to display the last line of the program. You can then press **↑** to scoll "up" through the program.

If the current line is in the middle of a program, pressing  will display the next lower numbered program line.

Holding  down will activate a repeat function and the Computer will scroll "up" through the program until the first program line is reached.


When you press **SHIFT** , the Computer will display "√".

 can be used much the same as  except that you cannot single-step through a program by pressing . Pressing and holding down  in the RUN Mode after BREAK has been pressed will display the program line which was executed just before the "break" occurred.


Another difference is that (in the RUN Mode), pressing  after an error message has been displayed will display the program line with the Cursor positioned on the cause of the error. The offending line will be displayed only as long as you hold down . Release  and the error message will disappear, press  and the line will appear. To correct the line, press **CL**, go to PROGRAM Mode, then press  or  and begin editing.




Backspace Cursor/Delete Character

Any time you are writing or editing a program line, you can move the Cursor to the left by pressing . Doing so will not erase any existing character.


When the Cursor is in the "current" position while typing characters which appear on the Display, it appears as




an underline (_). Pressing  will back the Cursor up one space and change it to a blinking block (■).

Holding down  will activate a repeat function and the Cursor will automatically move “backwards” until the first character in the line is reached.

The Cursor can be backspaced in any of the Operation Modes.




Pressing  before pressing  will activate the Delete function.

This function will erase whatever character (or space) the Cursor is “on top of” although the change will not be “saved” until you press .


A typical use of  might be to position the Cursor so it is on top of a character that doesn’t need to be there. Then you could press   and the character would be erased. For example, a program line might be:




```
100 FOR X==1 TO 100_
```



where the Cursor is at the end of the line.




1. Press  until the Cursor is on top of one of the equal signs.
2. Press   and the Computer would display:

```
100 FOR X=1 TO 100
```

3. Press  to enter the “new” program line into memory.


If you press  or  to go on to another program line, the Computer will not realize you have changed a line. Any time a program is edited (changed), you must press  after the change!



Note that you can only delete one character at a time. If you want to erase two characters that are next to each other, you will have to position the Cursor and press   twice.


When   deletes a character, it also deletes the space the character filled and all characters to the right will move over one space to the left. (You can also delete a character by pressing  but this puts a space where the character was.)





Forward Space/Insert Characters

When you need to move the Cursor "forward" (to the right) without erasing characters, press  .

Notice that this is not the same as pressing  . If the Cursor is displayed at the beginning of a program line and you move the Cursor by pressing  , you will erase a character, leaving a blank space in its place.

If you hold  down, a repeat function will be activated and the Cursor will automatically move to the right until the end of the line is reached.

If you press  before pressing  , you will put the Computer in the Insert Mode and you can insert a new character between two existing ones. This will not replace any of the characters; it simply creates a blank space between them so you can put a new character there.

For instance:

```
100 FOR X=TO 100_
```

The underline is the "current" position of the Cursor and you need to insert the number 1 before TO.

1. Press **◀** until the Cursor is on top of the T (in TO).
2. Press **SHIFT ▶** and the Computer will push all characters including the character under the Cursor one more space to the right. The Cursor, however, will remain in the same position and two square brackets on the top and bottom of the line will appear.
3. Press **1** .
4. Press **ENTER** to enter the line into the Computer's memory.

You must press **ENTER** before going on to another line or your changes will not be in effect.

Using the PC-2's Calculator

Whenever it is in the RUN Mode, the PC-2 can also be used as a powerful scientific calculator with 10 digit precision and memory capabilities. Furthermore, you can combine calculator and programming instructions.

Note that no more than 80 characters (79 plus **ENTER**) may be entered into the Computer when it is being used as a calculator. Also note that any Function Key assignments can be used in the calculator mode as well as the

PROgram Mode.

Table 3 describes the mathematical functions the PC-2 recognizes when you're using it as a calculator.

PC-2 Mathematical Functions	
+	ABS
-	ACS
*	ASN
/	ATN
^	COS
()	DEG
=	DMS
<>	EXP
E	INT
$\sqrt{\quad}$ (square root)	LN
π	LOG
	SGN
	SIN
	SQR
	TAN

Table 3

For a complete description of these functions, see a PC-2 programming guide.

Table 4 lists the priority of operations the PC-2 uses.

PC-2 Order of Mathematical Operations
1. () Any values enclosed in parentheses will be evaluated first.
2. Retrieval of values from variables (PI, MEM, TIME, etc.) are considered.
3. Trigonometric functions (such as SIN, COS, TAN, etc.) will be evaluated next.
4. Exponentiation (^) is evaluated next.
5. Logical Arithmetic operations (+, -) are performed next.
6. Multiplication (*) and Division (/) are next.
7. Addition and subtraction is then performed.
8. Comparison operations (<, >, =, =>, <=, <>) are evaluated.
9. Logical operators (AND, OR, NOT) are the last to be evaluated.
Operations of equal precedence are evaluated left to right.

Table 4

In the following example (assume you're in DEG mode):

```
7^2+3*SQR(144)/SQR(81)+SIN(120+150)*-3
```

1. First the expressions in parentheses are evaluated:

$$7^2+3+\text{SQRT}(144)/\text{SQRT}(81)+\text{SIN}(270)*-3$$

2. Next the functions are evaluated:

$$7^2+3*12/9+-1*-3$$

3. Then the exponentiation is performed:

$$49+3*/12/9+-1*-3$$

4. Multiplication and division are then completed:

$$49+4+3$$

5. Finally, addition and subtraction are performed:

$$56$$

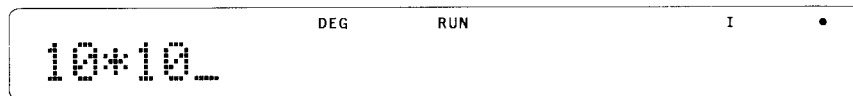
Arithmetic Calculations. You can perform all standard arithmetic functions (addition, subtraction, division, multiplication, and exponentiation) with the PC-2 while it is in the RUN Mode.

To perform arithmetic operations, simply enter the numbers and operators (+, -, *, etc.) and press **ENTER**. You do not need to press **⏏** to generate the answer.

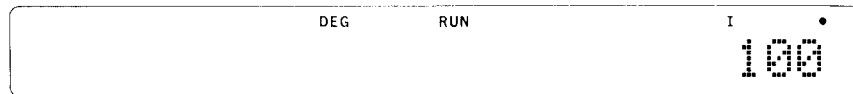
If you want to see the original expression after you've pressed **ENTER** , press **◀** and the expression will appear on the left side of the Display and you can change (edit) or perform another calculation based on the expression.

For example, if you want to know what 10 multiplied by 10 is without having to write a program, press **MODE** to enter the RUN Mode. When the Ready prompt appears, type $10 * 10$. The expression will be displayed on the left side of the Screen.

For example:



As soon as you press **ENTER** , the answer will be displayed on the right:



The Computer will remember the result too. That is, if you want to multiply the result by π (or any other number), you don't have to clear the Display and type the result (100) in again. Just type the multiplication sign (*). The result and * will move to the left side of the Display. Then type **SHIFT** **↓** and press **ENTER** . The new result will appear on the right side.

Raising to a Power. To raise a number to a power, type the number (or numeric expression) you wish to exponentiate, press **SHIFT** **SPACE** , the value of the power you wish to raise to, and press **ENTER** . For instance,

type:

$(2+2)^3$ **ENTER**

and the PC-2 will display the answer (64 in this case).

Scientific Notation. Scientific notation is available simply by using the **E** key. For example:

9.25E7+2 **ENTER**

Trigonometric Functions. The PC-2 allows you to use the trigonometric functions listed in Table 2 whenever it is in RUN Mode.

Functions are entered in the same order as you would write them on paper. This is different from a calculator which requires the argument first, then the function. To find the arctangent of $7/3$, type:

ATH (7/3)

Press **ENTER** and the result (66.80140949 in DEG mode) will appear.

If you are in Degree Mode, the result will be displayed in degrees; if you are in Radian Mode, the result will be in radians.

To set the PC-2 to the appropriate Angle Calculation Mode:

- To set the PC-2 to Degree Mode, type DEGREE **ENTER** and the Indicator will display DEG. In this mode, all angles are expressed in degrees.
- To set the PC-2 to Radians Modes, type RADIAN **ENTER** and the Indicator will display RAD. In this mode, all angles are expressed in Radians.
- To set the PC-2 to Gradient Mode, type GRAD **ENTER** and the Indicator will display GRAD. In this mode, all angles are expressed in Grads.

Note: Pressing ALL RESET will return the PC-2 to Degree Mode.

Calculator Memory. Like a calculator, the PC-2 can store numbers in memory locations when it is being used as a calculator. Unlike a calculator, the PC-2 has 52 fixed memory variables (A–Z for numerics and A\$–Z\$ for characters). You can also assign many other variables such as A1 or NM\$. However, these variables will be stored in the shared memory area normally used for programs.

There are two ways to assign values to a variable:

- Use alphanumeric labels, such as A, A\$, AVERAGE
- Use an array in the format of @(n) where @ is required and n can be an integer between 1–26.

If you use the alphanumeric label, there are a few alpha-combinations that the PC-2 has reserved for its own use and you cannot use:

IF, LF, LN, ON, OR, TO, PI

Each variable may be used in the calculator mode as well as in a program. For example:

A=7 **ENTER**

B=13 **ENTER**

This assigns the value of 7 to a variable named A and the value of 13 to a variable named B. You can then use these variables in an equation such as:

A/B **ENTER**

and the PC-2 will display:

5.384615385E-01

If you use the array format (@(*n*)) where *n* is a numeric expression between 1 and 26 which specifies a variable storage location. A is the first memory storage location (1) and Z is the last (26). For example, type:

A=5 **ENTER**

This stores the value 5 in memory storage location A which can also be identified as @(1). Then type:

@(1)+10 **ENTER**

This adds 10 to whatever value is stored in memory location #1 (5 in this case). The result — 15 — appears on the right as soon as you press **ENTER** .

The value you assign to variables will be retained until:

- NEW or CLEAR is entered.
- The values are changed by the execution of a program.
- The variables are assigned new values.

Recalling Values. Any time you need to recall a value assigned to a specific variable (A–Z), just type the variable (A, for instance) and press **ENTER**. The value currently assigned to A will be displayed on the right side of the Display.

Another way to recall a value is to specify the memory storage location, using the @ sign. For instance, type:

@(Z) **ENTER**

to recall the value assigned to the variable B.

Recalling Equations. Once you've calculated the result, you may need to recall the original expression. To recall an expression (when the result is still displayed), press **◀** or **▶**. The expression will then appear, ready to be edited or changed.

- If you pressed **◀**, the Cursor will be positioned after the last character.
- If you pressed **▶**, the Cursor will be on top of the first character of the Display.

To re-display the result, press **ENTER**. Once you clear the Display, the original equation cannot be recalled.

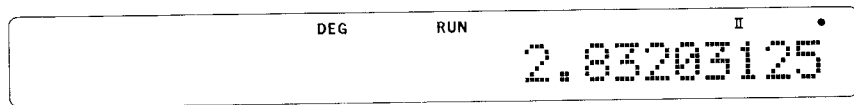
If the Computer is turned off, it will remember the values assigned to the variables but you will not be able to recall the expression itself.

For example, type $A = 5$ **ENTER**, then turn the Computer off (or let it turn itself off). Next, turn the Computer back on and type A **ENTER**. The value you assigned to A (e.g., 5) will appear on the right side of the Display.

Successive (Chained) Calculations. In some instances, you may want to perform several calculations — one after another — without having to press **ENTER** before moving on to the next calculation. To do this, simply type an equation, a comma (,), the next equation, another comma (,) and so on. When you've entered the final calculation, press **ENTER** and the last (current) result will be displayed. For instance:

$A=5/(12-4), B=87/24, C=12/(7+8), A*B/C$

When you press **ENTER**, the result will be displayed.

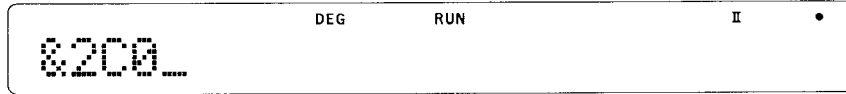


Editing Equations. When you're using the PC-2 as a calculator, you can change (edit) equations. This means you can insert new characters and delete or change existing ones.

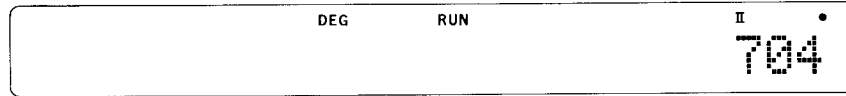
For specific details on editing, see **◀** and **▶** earlier in this manual.

Hexadecimal-to-Decimal Conversion. To find the decimal value of hexadecimal numbers, type the hex value

(preceded by &) and press **ENTER** . The decimal equivalent will be displayed on the right. For example:



Press **ENTER** and the PC-2 will display:



Combining Programming and Calculator Mode. Any values assigned to variables in the RUN Mode can be used by the PC-2 when it is in the PROgrammable Mode.

Press **MODE** to enter the PROgram Mode and type in this one-line program which calculates the Average mileage of a car (A) when you assign values to the variables:

```
10: A=M/G: END:REM A=Average M=Miles driven G=Gas used
```

Then return to RUN Mode and assign values to the variables:

```
M = 360 ENTER
```

```
G = 10.5 ENTER
```

Next type:

RUN **ENTER** .

When the Ready prompt reappears, type:

A **ENTER**

and the average mileage (34.28571429) will be displayed on the right.

Pocket Computer BASIC

The PC-2 recognizes almost all standard BASIC commands and statements as well as several non-standard BASIC keywords.

This section will describe those non-standard BASIC commands and statements (i.e., those commands recognized by the PC-2 but not by most other computers that use the BASIC Language). If you're familiar with standard BASIC, you should be able to begin programming after reading this section.

This section will not describe the BASIC commands used with the Printer/Cassette Interface or with any other PC-2 peripheral. For a discussion of those commands and statements, see your optional device's owner's manual and a PC-2 programming guide.

For a complete list (including syntax, example, and abbreviations) of the BASIC commands the PC-2 uses, see Appendix A.

Note that most commands and statements can be abbreviated. For example, instead of typing GOTO, simply type G. followed by a line number.

Keywords identified with an asterisk (*) will be described in this section. For details on all keywords listed, see Appendix A, a PC-2 programming guide or a BASIC language reference manual (such a problem solving on the PC-1, Catalog Number 62-2313).

Note that most PC-2 BASIC Keywords can be abbreviated. When abbreviating keywords, you must at least specify the part of the word which makes it unique from all other keywords — and then add a period. For instance, GCURSOR can be abbreviated to GC., GCU., GCUR., GCURS., and GCURSO. You cannot use just G. since GPRINT also starts with this letter (abbreviate to GP). The following Tables list a few of the abbreviations you may use with the PC-2.

PC-2 Commands			
Text	Abbreviation	Graphics	Abbreviation
CONT	C.	GCURSOR*	GC.
			GCURS.
LIST	L.	GPRINT*	GP.
MEM	M.	POINT*	POI.
RUN	R.		

Table 5

PC-2 Statements

Statement	Abbreviation	Statement	Abbreviation
AREAD*	A.	LET	LE.
ARUN*	ARU.	LOCK*	LO.
BEEP*	B.	NEXT	N.
BEEP ON/OFF*	--	ON	O.
CALL*	CA.	ON ERROR	--
CLEAR	CL.	PAUSE*	PA.
CLS	--	PRINT	P.
CURSOR*	CU.	RADIAN	RAD.
DATA	DA.	RANDOM	RA.
DEGREE	DE.		
DIM	D.	READ	REA.
END	E.	REM	--
ERROR	ER.	RESTORE	RES.
FOR	F.	RETURN	RE.
GOSUB	GOS.		
GOTO	G.	STEP	STE.
GRAD	GR.	STOP	S.
IF	--	THEN	T.
INPUT	I.	TROFF	TROF.

PC-2 Statements			
Statement	Abbreviation	Statement	Abbreviation
TRON	TRO.	USING	U.
UNLOCK*	UN.	WAIT*	W.

Table 6

PC-2 Functions			
Function	Abbreviation	Function	Abbreviation
ABS	AB.	DEG	--
ACS	AC.	DMS	DM.
AND	AN.	EXP	EX.
ASC	--	INKEY\$	INK.
ASN	AS.	INT	--
ATN	AT.	LEFT\$	LEF.
CHR\$	CH.	LEN	--
COS	--	LN	--
		LOG	LO.

PC-2 Functions			
Function	Abbreviation	Function	Abbreviation
MID\$	M.	RND	RN.
		SGN	SG.
PEEK	--	SIN	SI.
PEEK#*	PE.	SQR	SO.
PI		STATUS*	STA.
POKE	--	STR\$	STR.
POKE#*	PO.	TAN	TA.
RIGHT\$	RI.	TIME*	TI.
		VAL	V.

Table 7

AREAD

Assign Display Contents to a Variable

AREAD *name*

name is numeric or character variable

Abbreviations: A. AREA.

When a definable key (see **DEF**) is used to label and run a program, this statement will assign the Display contents to the variable name specified after AREAD.

This allows you to input (assign) values to a variables without having to use the INPUT statement. The reading of the value is performed by AREAD.

The AREAD statement must directly follow (in the same line) the definable key label.

When you are ready to RUN a program that uses AREAD, simply enter the RUN Mode, type the information you wish to enter, and press the key combination of the definable key label.

Example

```
10: "A" AREAD N$
```

```
20: WAIT 50
```

```
30: PRINT "YOUR NAME IS " ; N$
```

```
40: END
```

To run this program, enter the RUN Mode and, when the Ready prompt appears, type:

```
Jonathan (DEF) (A)
```

and the PC-2 will display:

```
YOUR NAME IS Jonathan
```

```
10: "Z" AREAD YEAR :REM YEAR is the Yearly total
```

```
20: AVERAGE = YEAR/12 :REM AVERAGE is monthly average
```

```
30: WAIT 100
```

```
40: PRINT "MONTHLY AVERAGE = ":AVERAGE
```

```
50: END
```

When you enter the RUN Mode and the Ready prompt is displayed, type a number which represents the total for the year. Then press (DEF) (Z) and the PC-2 will display the result. For instance, type:

```
1200 (DEF) (Z)
```

and the PC-2 will display:

```
MONTHLY AVERAGE = 100
```

ARUN

Automatic Program Execution on Start-Up

ARUN

Abbreviations: ARU.

When ARUN is the first program statement in the first program line, the PC-2 will automatically execute (RUN) the program when you turn the Computer's power on. However, the following conditions must be met:

- The PC-2 must be set to RUN Mode when you turn the power off.
- You must turn the power off. If the PC-2 turns itself off, ARUN will not be recognized.

All variables and commands remain the same when ARUN is used.

Example

Set the PC-2 to PROgram Mode and enter the following program:

```
10: ARUN
20: WAIT 15
30: FOR X = 1 TO 100
40: PRINT X
50: NEXT X
60: END
```

Press **MODE** to enter the RUN Mode. Press **OFF** to turn the Computer off. When you press **ON** , the program will automatically run.

BEEP

Turn Tone ON/OFF

BEEP *switch*

switch is ON or OFF.

This statement turns the BEEP tone ON or OFF.

BEEP ON is effect after ALL RESET has been pressed or after the batteries have been removed from the Computer without first connecting an external power supply.

Example

To turn BEEP off, type:

```
BEEP OFF
```

To turn BEEP back on, type:

```
BEEP ON
```

BEEP

Sound Tone

BEEP *number, frequency, duration*

number is a numeric expression between 0-65535 and specifies the *number* of times the beep occurs.

frequency is a numeric expression between 0-255 and specifies the *frequency* of the beep. *frequency* is optional; if omitted, 8 is used.

duration is a numeric expression between 0-65279 and specifies the length of each beep. *duration* is optional; if omitted, 160 is used.

Abbreviations: B.

The PC-2 can produce sounds with the BEEP statement. You must specify the number of beeps. You can also specify the frequency and duration (e.g., the length of each beep).

The frequency can range from 7kHz (0) to 230 Hz (255). This means that each unit of measurement between 0-255 is equal to about 26.5Hz. When you do not specify frequency, the PC-2 uses 8 (approximately 4 kHz.)

Example

10: WAIT 75

20: BEEP 150

10: WAIT 50

20: BEEP 100,10

10: WAIT 25

20: BEEP 75,10,75

CALL

Execute a Machine-Language Routine

CALL *address, variable*

address is a numeric expression between 0-65535 and specifies the entry address of a machine-language program.

variable is a numeric variable which has previously been defined. *variable* is optional; if omitted, the machine-language subroutine located at address will be executed without regard to any variables.

This function will execute a machine-language routine which has been loaded into memory at a specified address.

After execution of the called program is complete, it can RETURN to the BASIC program.

If you include the optional variable, the X register will be pointing at the location where the variable is stored. If variable is underfined before you use CALL, an ERROR 7 will occur.

Note that machine-language programs can only be stored in the Primary memory buffer (see POKE# and PEEK# for more details on Primary and Alternate memory buffers).

Example

The following example will produce "reverse video" on the PC-2 Display. Note that the switch from normal video to reverse video (and back) is much faster than that of a comparable BASIC program.

```
10: WAIT 0
20: CLS
30: GCURSOR 3
40: PRINT "TRS-80 PC-2"
50: POKE 18409,72,118,74,0,5,189,255,65,78,78,153,8
60: PDKE 18421,76,119,139,6,72,119,74,0,158,18,154
70: FOR I = 1 TO 11: FOR J = 1 TO 50: NEXT J
```

80: CALL 18409

90: NEXT I

100: GOTO 100

CURSOR

Position Cursor

CURSOR *position*

position is a numeric expression between 0-25 and specifies one of the 26 character positions available on the Display. *position* is optional; if omitted, 0 is used.

Abbreviations: CU. CUR. CURS.

The CURSOR statement positions the Cursor at one of the 26 character positions on the Display.

The normal use of CURSOR is to position the Cursor before printing some information on the Display. This allows you to specify where data will appear on the Display.

Using a position less than 0 or greater than 25 will result in ERROR 19.

Example

```
10: WAIT 25
20: FOR X=0 TO 20
30: CURSOR X
40: PRINT X
50: NEXT X
60: END
```

When this program is executed, the numbers will move across the display from left to right.

GCURSOR

Selects Graphic Display Start Position

GCURSOR *position*

position is a numeric expression between 0-155 decimal and specifies the dot column on the Display where printing will begin.

Abbreviations: GC. GCU. GCUR. GCURS.

GCURSOR will allow you to specify the exact column on the PC-2 Display where printing will start. GCURSOR is like CURSOR but more precise. That is, CURSOR divides the Display into 26 columns; GCURSOR divides the Display into 156 columns.

GCURSOR is most often used with GPRINT. For details on using GCURSOR with GPRINT, see GPRINT later in this manual.

Example

```
10: WAIT 25
20: GCURSOR 50
30: PRINT "A"
40: GCURSOR 80
50: PRINT 26/3
60: END
```

In this example, the letter A is printed at the 51st dot position on the Display. After a short "wait", the answer to the expression 26/3 (8.666666667) is printed, starting at the 81st dot position.

Change line 40 to: 40: GCURSOR 93 and run the program. The result to 26/3 will appear (starting at dot

position 93) but it will be truncated (chopped off) because it ran off the end of the Display.

(Note: You could achieve much the same result if you changed line 40 to: 40: CURSOR 16.)

GPRINT

Set Graphic Dots

GPRINT *pattern delimiter pattern delimiter . . .*

pattern is either a numeric expression between 0-127 decimal or a hexadecimal string which specifies a combination of addressable dots on the Display.

delimiter is either a comma or semi-colon. If a comma is used, a blank column will be left between patterns; if a semi-colon is used, columns will be printed next to each other.

Abbreviations: GP. GPR. GPRI.

Note: The PC-2 will recognize pattern numbers up to 255. However, since the high bit isn't displayed, numbers greater than 127 will produce the same result as 0-127.

GPRINT provides direct, programmable control over all of the dots in the Display.

The PC-2 Display is made up of 156 dots across (columns on the X-axis) and 7 dots down (rows on the Y-axis) for a total of 1092 addressable dots.

GPRINT can set or reset any dot (or pattern of dots) within the columns on the Display. For example, GPRINT 0 will turn all dots in a column off; GPRINT 127 (or GPRINT "7F") will turn all dots in a column on.

To specify which column, use GCURSOR. Then use GPRINT to turn any combination of dots in that column on or off.

For instance, (in the RUN Mode) type:

```
GCURSOR 75 ENTER
```

This will tell the PC-2 to use column 75. Then type:

```
GPRINT 127 ENTER
```

and a solid line will appear near the center of the Display.

Press **ENTER** and type:

```
GCURSOR 155 ENTER
```

and again type:

```
GPRINT 127 ENTER
```

This time the solid line will appear at the right side of the Display.

In both instances, the line pattern (all dots turned on) is the same but the lines are displayed in different positions.

If you use decimal numbers, you must specify the dots in terms of the rows they occupy as described in Table 8.

GPRINT Addressable Dot Numbering (Decimal)	
Row	Column
1	----- *
2	----- *
4	----- *
8	----- *
16	----- *
32	----- *
64	----- *

Table 8

To turn on the Row 16 dot in a column (column 100, for instance), simply type (in RUN Mode):

```
GCURSOR 100 (ENTER)
```

```
GPRINT 16 (ENTER)
```


and the fifth dot from the top of the Display in column 100 will be turned on.

If you wish to turn on the dots in Rows 1 and 2, simply add the Row numbers together ($1+2=3$) and specify the sum. For example:

```
GCURSOR 100 (ENTER)
```

```
GPRINT 3 (ENTER)
```

and the first two dots in Column 100 will light up.

In the same sense, if you need to turn all dots in a single column on (to form a solid line), add the row numbers together ($1+2+4+8+16+32+64=127$) and specify the sum.

```
GCURSOR 100 (ENTER)
```

```
GPRINT 127 (ENTER)
```

and a solid vertical line will be displayed.

For example, to form a box with a line through it like the one in Figure 5:

```
1  * * * * *
2  *           *
4  *           *
8  * * * * *
16 *           *
32 *           *
64 * * * * *
```

Figure 5

First (in the RUN Mode) specify the Column you want the first dot to be displayed in — Column 140 for instance.

Remember, the PC-2 will automatically turn on the dots in the next column (Column 141) if you separate Row numbers with semi-colons (;). If you separate Row numbers with commas (,), the PC-2 will leave a blank column.

Next enter the GPRINT statement and specify the sum of the Row numbers for the first Column numbers dot (127), the sum of the Row numbers for the next Column (73), the sum of the Row numbers for the next Column (73), etc. For instance:

```
GCURSOR 140 (ENTER)
```

```
GPRINT 127;73;73;73;73;73;127 (ENTER)
```

Any pattern can be generated by specifying a Column or the sum of several Rows.

If you use hexadecimal numbers to specify dots or combination of dots, you must think of the Columns as being arranged as in Table 9:

		GPRINT Addressable Dot Numbering (Hexadecimal)																		
	Row	Column																		
	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	*	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
	2	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	*	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
	4	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	*	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
	8	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	*	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	*	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
	2	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	*	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
	4	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	*	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

Table 9

In this arrangement, the seven rows are divided into a lower group of three rows and an upper group of four rows. Each group is numbered, from top to bottom, by powers of two.

It is therefore possible to represent all the patterns of a group by a single hexadecimal number. Because the lower group has only three rows, the range of allowable digits for this group will be from 0–7.

Of the two hexadecimal digits required, the first digit will represent the lower group and the second digit will represent the upper group.

Note that the lower group (1–4) must be specified before the upper group (1–8).

To use hexadecimal numbers with GPRINT, you must enclose the numbers in quotes to create a string ("7F") or preface the numbers by the & sign (for instance, &7F).

Table 10 describes the different patterns that GPRINT can generate when hexadecimal numbers are used:

GPRINT Dot Patterns (Hexadecimal)				
1	-----	---*---	-----	---*---
2	-----	-----	---*---	---*---
4	-----	-----	-----	-----
8	-----	-----	-----	-----
	0	1	2	3
1	-----	---*---	-----	---*---
2	-----	-----	---*---	---*---
4	---*---	---*---	---*---	---*---
8	-----	-----	-----	-----
	4	5	6	7
1	-----	---*---	-----	---*---
2	-----	-----	---*---	---*---
4	-----	-----	-----	-----
8	---*---	---*---	---*---	---*---
	8	9	A	B
1	-----	---*---	-----	---*---
2	-----	-----	---*---	---*---
4	---*---	---*---	---*---	---*---
8	---*---	---*---	---*---	---*---
	C	D	E	F

Tabel 10

To create a box (like the one that was used in the previous example) but with hexadecimal numbers, type (in the RUN Mode):

```
GCURSOR 140 (ENTER)
```

```
GPRINT "7F49494949497F" (ENTER)
```

and the box will be created.

If you specify a single-digit Hex number, it must be preceded by a zero (e.g., 0A is legal; A is illegal).

Another way to accomplish the same thing is to use the hexadecimal preface &. For instance:

```
GCURSOR 140 (ENTER)
```

```
GPRINT &7F;&49;&49;&49;&49;&49;&7F (ENTER)
```

and the box will again be created.

Example

To create an up-arrow using GPRINT, type:

```
10: WAIT 25
```

```
20: GCURSOR 100
```

```
30: GPRINT 4;2;127;2;4
```

To generate the same symbol but with hex numbers, type:

```
10: WAIT 25
```

```
20: GCURSOR 100
```

```
30: GPRINT "04027FD204"
```

LOCK/UNLOCK

Locks/Unlocks Current Operation Mode

LOCK

UNLOCK

This statement "locks" the PC-2 into the current Operation Mode (RUN, PROgram, or RESERVE). After LOCK **ENTER** is typed, you cannot change modes by pressing **MODE** .

On initial start-up, the PC-2 is not locked into any mode. If you lock the current mode and turn the Computer off, LOCK will still be in effect when you turn the PC-2 back on.

To unlock the Computer, allowing you to change modes, type: UNLOCK **ENTER** .

Whenever you type NEW0 **ENTER** , the PC-2 is set to UNLOCK.

Example

To lock the PC-2 into the current Operation Mode, type:

```
LOCK ENTER
```

To unlock the PC-2 so you can change modes, type:

```
UNLOCK ENTER
```

PAUSE

Print Message and Continue Execution

```
PAUSE
```

Abbreviations: PA. PAU. PAUS.

PAUSE is a semi-automatic form of the PRINT statement. It holds whatever is on the Display for approximately one second and then goes on to the next program step.

PAUSE does not require a WAIT statement; PRINT does or you will have to press **ENTER** to continue.

PAUSE has a fixed delay value; PRINT has a variable delay (See WAIT).

Example

In the following example, each number will be held on the Display for approximately one second before the next number appears.

```
10: FOR X=1 TO 10  
20: PAUSE X  
30: NEXT X  
40: END
```

PEEK#

Returns Contents of *address* in Alternate Buffer

PEEK# *address*

address is numeric expression between 0-65535 and specifies a location in memory.

Abbreviations: PE. PEE.

PEEK# is the same as PEEK but returns the value of the specified *address* in the alternate memory buffer.

The PC-2 has two memory buffers — a Primary buffer for program and data storage and an Alternate buffer for data storage only.

PEEK# returns (in decimal form) the value stored at the specified byte address of the Alternate buffer. The values returned represent an ASCII code.

PEEK # may be used to retrieve information stored with a POKE # statement. PEEK # and POKE # allows you to set up very compact, byte-oriented storage systems.

Example

```
A=PEEK# 32034 (ENTER)
```

```
PRINT A (ENTER)
```

POINT

Test Display

POINT *position*

position is a numeric expression between 0-155 and specifies one of the 156 columns on the Display.

Abbreviations: POI.

POINT will return a number between 0-255. If 0 is returned, then there are not any dots turned on in the specified column. If 255 (or 127) is returned, all of the dots in the specified column are turned on. 255 will be returned if you specified GPRINT 255 or FF and 127 will be returned if you specified GPRINT 127 or 7F.

The number the PC-2 returns will identify the dot pattern specified with GPRINT. For instance, if your program uses GCURSOR 100 and you specified GPRINT 8, the PC-2 will return the value of 8 when you enter POINT 100. For details on specifying dot patterns, see GPRINT.

Example

The following program randomly moves the GCURSOR position among the first 10 columns. It GPRINTs pattern 8 (a single dot). The program then tests whatever column you specified and tells you whether or not a dot is on in the column.

```
10: WAIT 50
15: INPUT "WHAT COLUMN DO YOU WANT TO TEST (1-10)? ":C
20: GCURSOR RND(10)
25: GPRINT 8
30: A=POINT C
35: IF A>0 THEN GOSUB 100
```

```
40: IF A>10 THEN GOTO 15
45: GOTO 15
100: PRINT "A DOT PATTERN IS ON"
110: RETURN
```

POKE

Put Value Into Primary Buffer Location

POKE *address. value. value. . . .*

address is a numeric expression between 0-65535 decimal and specifies a memory location in the Primary memory buffer.

value is a numeric expression between 0-255 decimal and specifies the ASCII value you wish to put into address. *value* may be repeated.

POKE allows you to put values into specified memory locations. The PC-2 uses POKE just like other TRS-80's except you can use multiple values after a single address.

For details on using poke, see a BASIC Language Reference Manual.

For an example that uses POKE, see CALL earlier in this manual.

POKE #

Put Value Into Alternate Buffer Location

POKE # *address, value*

address is a numeric expression between 0-65535 decimal and specifies a memory location in the Alternate memory buffer.

value is a numeric expression between 0-255 decimal and specifies the ASCII value you wish to put into address.

Abbreviations: PO. POK.

POKE # is the same as POKE but POKE # puts a value into the Alternate memory buffer.

The PC-2 has two memory buffers — a Primary buffer for program and data storage and an Alternate buffer for data storage only.

POKE # requires a byte address (in decimal or hexadecimal form) and a value (also in decimal or hexadecimal form).

POKE # may be used in any of the Operation Modes.

Example

```
POKE# &23FA, 20 (ENTER)
```

will store 20 in hexadecimal address 23FA.

For a more detailed example of POKE #, see CALL.

STATUS

Check Memory Status

STATUS *number*

number is a numeric expression between 0-255.

- 0 returns the number of free bytes.
- 1 returns the number of bytes in use.
- 2 returns the "address + 1" of the location where the current program ends.
- 3 returns the "address" of the memory location where the current variables are stored.
- 4-255 returns the line number which was executed immediately before the program was halted.

Abbreviations: STA. STAT.

The STATUS statement lets you check the current status of the PC-2. STATUS can be executed from any Operation Mode (RUN, PROgram, RESERVE).

STATUS is useful when you need to know how much memory the PC-2 has left for programming or how much memory you are using at any time.

Example

```
STATUS 0 (ENTER)
```

will display the number of free bytes.

```
STATUS 1 (ENTER)
```

will display the number of bytes in use.

```
STATUS 2 (ENTER)
```

will display the memory address where the current program ends. Note that this address is actually one greater than the actual address where the program ends.

```
STATUS 3 (ENTER)
```

will display the memory address where variables are stored. Note that this address is actually one location less than the actual address where variables are stored.

```
STATUS 4 (ENTER)
```

```
STATUS 100 (ENTER)
```

will display the program line number that was being executed when program execution was halted.

TIME

Set/Display Current Time

TIME = *month day hour . minutes seconds*

month is a number between 1–12

which specifies the month of the year.

day is a two-digit number between 01–31

which specifies the day of the month.

hour is a two-digit number between 00–23

which specifies the hour of the day.

● is a decimal point.

minute is a two-digit number between 00–59

and specifies the minutes of the hour.

seconds is a two-digit number between 00–59

and specifies the seconds of the minutes.

Abbreviations: TI.

TIME lets you specify (set) the time or display the current time.

Note that the time is set according to the 24-hour clock. That is, 1:00 P.M. would be specified as 13: 00 hours.

If you do not set the time the first time you turn the Computer on, the PC-2's internal clock uses TIME = 000000.0000. Whenever you request the time after that, the Computer will display how many days, hours, minutes, and seconds it has been since you first turned the Computer on.

The PC-2's clock does not stop counting when the Computer is turned off.

Example

To set the time on July 28 as 11:30:01 A.M., type:

```
TIME=072811.3001 ENTER
```

To display the current time, type:

```
TIME ENTER
```

and the PC-2 will display the time. For example:

```
91214.2424
```

for September 12, 2:24:21 P.M.

WAIT

Specify Duration of PRINT

WAIT *delay*

delay is a numeric expression between 0-65535 decimal and specifies the length of time the PRINT statement will be displayed. *delay* is optional; if omitted, you must press **ENTER** to go to the next program step after a PRINT statement.

Abbreviations: W. WA.

A WAIT statement should always precede a PRINT statement in your program.

The length of time WAIT holds whatever you told the PC-2 to print depends on the number you specify.

- WAIT without a specified delay will wait for you to press **ENTER** .
- WAIT 0 causes the information to be displayed faster than you can keep up with it.
- WAIT 65535 holds whatever you want printed for approximately 17 minutes.
- WAIT 64 holds the display for about one second.
- WAIT 3840 holds the display for about a minute.

Example

```
10: FOR X=1 TO 100  
20: WAIT 50  
30: PRINT X  
40: NEXT X  
50: END
```

4/Care and Maintenance

Your PC-2 should provide you with years of trouble-free service. However, if you ever have problems with the Computer, check the symptom/cure table below. After that, if you still can't remedy the problem, contact your nearest Radio Shack store or computer center.

Symptom	Cure
Can't change Operation Modes.	The LOCK command may be in effect. Type: UNLOCK ENTER .
Display Indicators don't come on when you press ON .	Batteries may be worn out. Replace batteries or connect the PC-2 to an external power supply.
The PC-2 "hangs-up" during program execution.	Press ALL RESET on the rear of the Computer.
A program line appears on Display that will not go away.	Type: NEW ENTER .
A "~" appears when you specify a Defined Key such as LLIST or CSAVE.	The correct optional device is not connected.
Display Indicators do not come on after installing batteries or connecting DC adaptor.	Batteries may not be installed correctly or connections to DC adaptor may not be proper.

5/Specifications

CPU:	CMOS 8-bit
System ROM:	16KB
Memory Capacity:	System Area: 0.9KB Fixed Memory Area: 0.6KB A-Z A\$-Z\$ BASIC Program/Data Area: 1.85KB Reserve Area: 0.19KB Expandable User Area: 16KB (RAM. 22KB)
Display:	Dot LCD Display Display positions: 26 Columns Graphic display: 7 x 156 Dots
Keyboard:	66 Keys Alphabet Numeric Function Reserved

Power: 4 – Type AA Batteries (23–552)
9V DC Adaptor

Expansion Capabilities: Plug-in RAM (4KB RAM)
Plug-in ROM/RAM (16KB ROM/2KB RAM)

Dimensions: 7-11/16''(W) x 3-3/8''(D) x 1''(H)
195(W) x 86(D) x 25.5(H) mm

Weight: Approx. 0.83 lbs. (375 g) (with batteries)

Operating Temperature: 32°F ~ 104°F (0°C ~ 40°C)

Storage Temperature: 5°F ~ 131°F (-15°C ~ 55°C)

Appendix A/PC-2 Language Reference Summary

Argument ranges are indicated below by special letters:

n: (−9.999999999 E−99, +9.999999999 E99)

c: (0–255)

str: string argument

var: variable name

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ABS <i>n</i> Computes absolute value. Abbreviations: AB. <code>Y=ABS X</code>	
ACS <i>n</i> Computes arccosine. Abbreviations: AC. <code>A=ACS .102</code>	
AREAD <i>var</i> Assigns Display contents to variable. Must be used with a Definable Key label. Abbreviations: A. AREA. <code>"A" AREAD X</code>	55
ARUN Automatic execution on power-up. Must be the first line in a program. Abbreviations: ARU. <code>ARUN ARU.</code>	57
ASC <i>str</i> Returns ASCII code of first character in string. <code>A=ASC "ASHER"</code>	

ASN *n* Computes arcsine. Abbreviations: AS.

A=ASN X/3

ATN *n* Computes arctangent. Abbreviations: AT.

Y=ATN 45

BEEP *switch* Turns tone feature on or off.

BEEP ON BEEP OFF

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BEEP *number, frequency, duration* Sounds tone for specified *number* of times, *frequency*, and *duration* of each tone. Abbreviations: B.

BEEP 25,45,14 B.150

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CALL *address, var* Calls the machine-language routine stored with specified entry address and will use specified variable values to execute.

Abbreviations: CA.

CALL &2000 CALL 35423,A

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CHR\$ *c* Converts ASCII code to character.

Abbreviations: CH. CHR.

P#=CHR\$ T

CLEAR Clears all data, resets variables to zero.

Abbreviations: CL. CLE. CLEA.

CLEAR CL.

CLS Erases Display.

CLS

CONT Continues execution after BREAK or STOP.

Abbreviations: C. CO. CON.

CONT

COS *n* Computes cosine.

Y=COS X

CURSOR *position* Display printing will start at one of the 26 Display positions specified by position. Abbreviations: CU. CUR. CURS.

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CURSOR 13 CUR. 20

DATA *expression* Stores data to be accessed by a READ statement. Abbreviations: DA. DAT.

DATA "LINCOLN, A.", 1861, "ILLINOIS"

DEG Converts degrees, minutes, and seconds into decimal degrees.

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DEG 32.2513

DEGREE Sets Angle Calculation to degrees.

Abbreviations: DE. DEG. DEGR. DEGRE.

DEGREE DEG.

DIM Dimensions an array. Abbreviations: D. DI.

DIM R(75) DIM A(10,3) DIM A\$(5,3)*20

DMS Converts decimal degrees into degrees, minutes, and seconds. Abbreviations: DM.

```
DMS 16.1932
```

EXP *n* Computes natural antilog. (e^n)

Abbreviations: EX.

```
Y=EXP X
```

END Ends program execution. Abbreviations: E. EN.

```
END
```

FOR .. TO .. STEP/NEXT Opens program loop. Abbreviations: F.

FO. STE. N. NE. NEX.

```
FOR I=1 TO 100 STEP 10...NEXT I
```

GOSUB Transfers program control to the specified line.

Abbreviations: GOS. GOSU.

```
GOSUB 750
```

GOTO Transfers program control to the specified line.

Abbreviations: G. GO. GOT.

```
GOTO 180
```

GCURSOR *position* Selects Display start position. Position is between 0-155.

Abbreviations: GCU. GCUR. GCURS.

```
GCURSOR 100 GCUR. 75
```

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GRAD Sets Angle Calculation to gradients. GRAD	45
GPRINT <i>pattern delimiter pattern delimiter . . .</i> Sets graphic dots on the Display. <i>Pattern</i> is between 0-127; <i>delimiter</i> is a comma or semi-colon. Abbreviations: GP. GPR. GPRI. GPRINT 10,100 GPRI. &F;&2C GP. "7F4949497F"	66
IF . . . THEN Tests conditional expression. Abbreviations: T. TH. THE. IF F=0 THEN 200	
INKEY\$ Gets keyboard character if available. Abbreviations: INK. INKE. INKEY. A#=INKEY\$	
INPUT Inputs data from keyboard. Abbreviations: I. IN. INP. INPU. INPUT "WHAT IS THE SCORE";S IN. "NAME";N\$	
INT <i>n</i> Returns largest whole number not greater than <i>n</i> . Y=INT X	
LEFT\$ (<i>str, c</i>) Returns left portion of string. Abbreviations: LEF. LEFT. A#=LEFT\$("BENJAMIN",3)	

LEN (*str*) Returns the number of characters in a string.
X=LEN(SEN\$)

LET Assigns value to variable (optional).
Abbreviations: LE.
LET X=10

LIST *line* Lists first program line or specified line.
Abbreviations: L. LI. LIS.
LIST 100 L.75 L.

LOCK Locks in current Operation Mode. Abbreviations: LOC.
LOCK LOC.

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LOG *n* Computes logarithm to base 10.
Abbreviations: LO.
Y=LOG X

LN *n* Computes natural logarithm to base e.
Y=LN X

MEM Finds amount of free memory. Abbreviations: M.
MEM M.

MID\$ (*str, position, length*) Takes a character(s) from the middle of the specified string.

Abbreviations: MI. MID.

PRINT MID\$(A\$,3,3)

NEW Erases current program from memory.

NEW

NEW0 Erases current program and resets the Computer.

NEW0

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ON ERROR GOTO Sets up an error-handling routine.

Abbreviations: O. ER. ERR. ERRO.

ON ERROR GOTO 210

ON ... GOSUB Multi-way branch to specified subroutines.

Abbreviations: O. GOS. GOSU.

ON Y GOSUB 50,100,150,200

ON ... GOTO Multi-way branch to specified lines.

Abbreviations: O. G. GO. GOT.

ON X GOTO 190,200,210

PAUSE Print message and continue execution.

Abbreviations: PA. PAU. PAUS.

PAUSE

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PEEK <i>address</i> Gets value in specified address from Primary memory buffer. PEEK 34223 PEEK &2000	77
PEEK# <i>address</i> Gets value in specified address from Alternate memory buffer. Abbreviations: PE. PEE. PEEK# 53990 PEEK# &A45	77
PI π Returns value of PI (3.141592654). A=PI/3	
POINT <i>position</i> Test dot pattern of specified column (0–155) on Display. Abbreviations: POI. POIN. A=POINT 100	78
POKE <i>address, value, value. . .</i> Puts <i>value</i> (0–255) into specified memory <i>address</i> (0–65535) of Primary memory buffer.	80
POKE 3422,22	
POKE# <i>address, value</i> Puts <i>value</i> (0–255) into specified memory <i>address</i> (0–65535) of Alternate memory buffer. Abbreviations: PO. POK.	81
POKE# 3422,22 PO. &50,&1	
PRINT Prints an item or list of items on the Display at current cursor position. Abbreviations: P. PR. PRI. PRIN.	
PRINT A\$ PR. 100 PRI. A	

PRINT USING Formats strings and numbers for printing.

The width of a numeric field must always be one more than the width of the data.

Formats numbers.

```
PRINT USING "####";66.2
```

* Specifies Asterisk Fill of the specified positions of a Numbering field which do not contain data.

```
PRINT USING "***##";Y
```

• Decimal point.

```
PRINT USING "####.###";58.76
```

, Displays a comma to the left of every third digit left of the decimal point.
An extra # is required for each comma.

```
PRINT USING "#####.###";246813
```

^ Exponential format. Displays numbers in scientific notation.

```
PRINT USING "###.^";3.14
```

+ Prints a + sign in the first position if the specified number is a positive number;
a minus sign (−) if the specified number is negative. (0 is assumed to be positive.)

```
PRINT USING "+###";66.2    PRINT USING "-###";-74.1
```

& Specifies a character field.

```
PRINT USING "####"; "JACKSON"
```

RADIAN Sets Angle Calculation to radians.

Abbreviations: RAD. RADI. RADIA.

```
RADIAN      RAD.
```

RANDOM Reseeds the random number generator.

Abbreviations: RA. RAN. RAND. RANDO.

RANDOM

READ Reads value(s) from a DATA statement.

Abbreviations: REA.

READ T READ T# REA. NM#.AGE

:REM Remark; instructs the PC-2 to ignore the rest of the line.

:REM

RESTORE Resets data pointer to the first item in the data line.

Abbreviations: RES. REST. RESTO.

RESTORE

RETURN Returns from the subroutine to the next statement after GOSUB.

Abbreviations: RE. RET. RETU. RETUR.

RETURN

RIGHT\$ (str, c) Returns the right portion of string. Abbreviations: RI, RIG. RIGH. RIGHT.

ZIP#=RIGHT\$(AD#,5)

RND n Generates a pseudo-random number between 1 and n if $n > 1$,
or between 0 and 1 if $n = 0$. Abbreviations: RN.

Y=RND(100)

RUN Executes current program or portion of it. Abbreviations: R. RU.
 RUN R.100

SGN *n* Returns sign component: -1, 0, 1, if *n* is negative, zero, positive. Abbreviations: SG.
 X=SGN(A*B)

SIN *n* Computes sine. Abbreviations: SI.
 Y=SIN X

SQR *n* Computes square root. Abbreviations: SQ.
 Y=SQR(A+B)

STATUS *number* Checks the current memory status. *number* returns
 0 = program steps available, 1 = program steps used; 2 = address + 1 of location of end of
 current program; 3 = address of location of variable storage; 4-255 = line number of program
 when execution was halted. Abbreviations: STA. STAT. STATU.
 STATUS 0 STATUS 1

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STOP Stops program execution. Abbreviations: S. ST. STO.
 STOP

STR\$ *n* Converts a numeric expression to a string. Abbreviations: STR.
 S#=STR# X

TAN *n* Computes tangent. Abbreviations: TA.
 X=TAN Y

TIME *month day hour. minutes seconds* Sets or returns the current time.
Abbreviations: TI TIM.
TIME=123014.3030 TIME TIM.

TROFF Turn program trace off. Abbreviations: TROF.
TROFF TROF.

TRON Turn program trace on. Abbreviations: TR. TRO.
TRON TRO.

UNLOCK Unlocks Operation Mode after it has been locked.
Abbreviations: UN. UNL. UNLO. UNLOC.
UNLOCK UN.

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VAL (*str*) Converts a string to a number. Abbreviations: V. VA.
V=VAL("100 DOLLARS")

WAIT *delay* Specifies duration of PRINT. *Delay* can be between 0-65535.
Abbreviations: W. WA. WAI.
WAIT 100 W.500 WA. 10 WAI.

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Appendix B/PC-2 Error Codes

Error Code	Explanation
1	Syntax Error. Incorrectly typed statement.
2	NEXT statement without a FOR.
4	READ statement without a DATA.
5	Array variable already exists.
6	Array specified without first DIMensioning it.
7	Illegal variable name.
8	DIMensioned array has more than two levels.
9	Array subscript exceeds size of array specified in DIM statement.
10	Out of memory.
11	Program line does not exist.
12	Incorrect format for PRINT USING statement.
13	Program exceeds program-memory capacity or Function Key specification exceeds Function Key memory capacity.
14	Buffer space exceeded or FOR statement nested too deeply and stack capacity has been exceeded.
15	GOSUB nested too deeply and stack area has been exceeded or the string buffer size has been exceeded by the character strings while parsing an expression.
16	Specified value is greater than 10 E100 or less than -10 E-100 or the hexadecimal value is greater than 65535 decimal.
17	Data type is inappropriate for calculation expression.

Error Code	Explanation
18	Number of arguments is inappropriate for expression.
19	Specified numeric value is outside permitted range.
20	There is not a parenthesis following the @ when fixed memory array variables were specified.
21	Required variable is not in the expression.
22	There is not enough memory available to load the program that is loading.
23	TIME is incorrectly typed in.
26	Command cannot be executed in the current mode.
27	There is not a program which corresponds to the specified label.
28	INPUT or AREAD statements have been used as variables or a command has been inserted within quotation marks.
30	Line number is greater than 65535.
32	Graphic cursor is between Columns 152–153 during execution of input commands. The input code cannot be displayed.
34	Specified optional device is not attached.
35	The optional device specified in the PRINT # or INPUT # expression is not consistent or the specified optional device cannot handle input/output commands according to the given syntax.
36	Inappropriate PRINT USING format.
37	Calculation results are greater than 9.999999999 E99
38	Division by zero.
39	An illogical calculation has been attempted.
81–181	Program has overwritten the data area.
224–241	Incorrect input data during the execution of an INPUT or AREAD command.

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