

LORDS OF THE REALM II

Game Evaluation

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1 Basic Information

<i>Game Title:</i>	Lords of the Realm II
<i>Company & Author:</i>	Sierra On-Line Inc. 1996
<i>Type of Game:</i>	Strategy
<i>Price:</i>	\$10.00
<i>Minimum Stated Hardware</i>	<i>Display:</i> 256 color
<i>Requirements:</i>	<i>Sound:</i> Wave support
	<i>CD-ROM:</i> 2x
	<i>Memory:</i> 7.7 MB
	<i>CPU:</i> 486-66
<i>Actual Hardware Required:</i>	<i>Misc.:</i> MS-DOS or Windows 95
	<i>Display:</i> 16 color (tested)
	<i>Sound:</i> Not required (tested)
	<i>CD-ROM:</i> 2x (assumed)
	<i>Memory:</i> 7.7 MB (assumed)
	<i>CPU:</i> 486 (assumed)
	<i>Misc:</i> MS-DOS, Windows 95 or later

2 Game Summary

Overview

Lords of the Realm II is a strategy game that allows the player to manipulate a populous of people through farming, mining, foresting, and creating weapons and armies. The goal of the game is to conquer all of the counties in your country. To do this you must wage war against the lords of the country and defeat them with diplomacy and battle.

Story Line

The story is set in the medieval times, the year 1268 to be exact. The king of the country you live in has died and the struggle between the lords has begun to decide who will be the new king. You are one of five nobles waging war against each other for the ultimate prize of kingship. The main question of the game is "Do you have what it takes to be king?"^[1]

Player's Role

The player's role in Lords of the Realm II is to act as a lord of a particular county in a country that the player chooses. As lord of this county the player must feed the people, farm with grain and cattle, mine stone and iron, build castles for defense, create weapons and armies, and defeat the other lords and neutral territories of the country. As other counties are defeated, the player gains control of these counties and must manage them as well. When all of the counties have been defeated the player wins as king of the country.

Installation

Installation of the game requires the Lords of the Realm II CD-ROM. The user can choose between a full installation onto the hard-drive and a partial installation in which the game can be run with the help of the CD-ROM. During installation the setup program tests the computer's system to ensure that it contains the necessary hardware and