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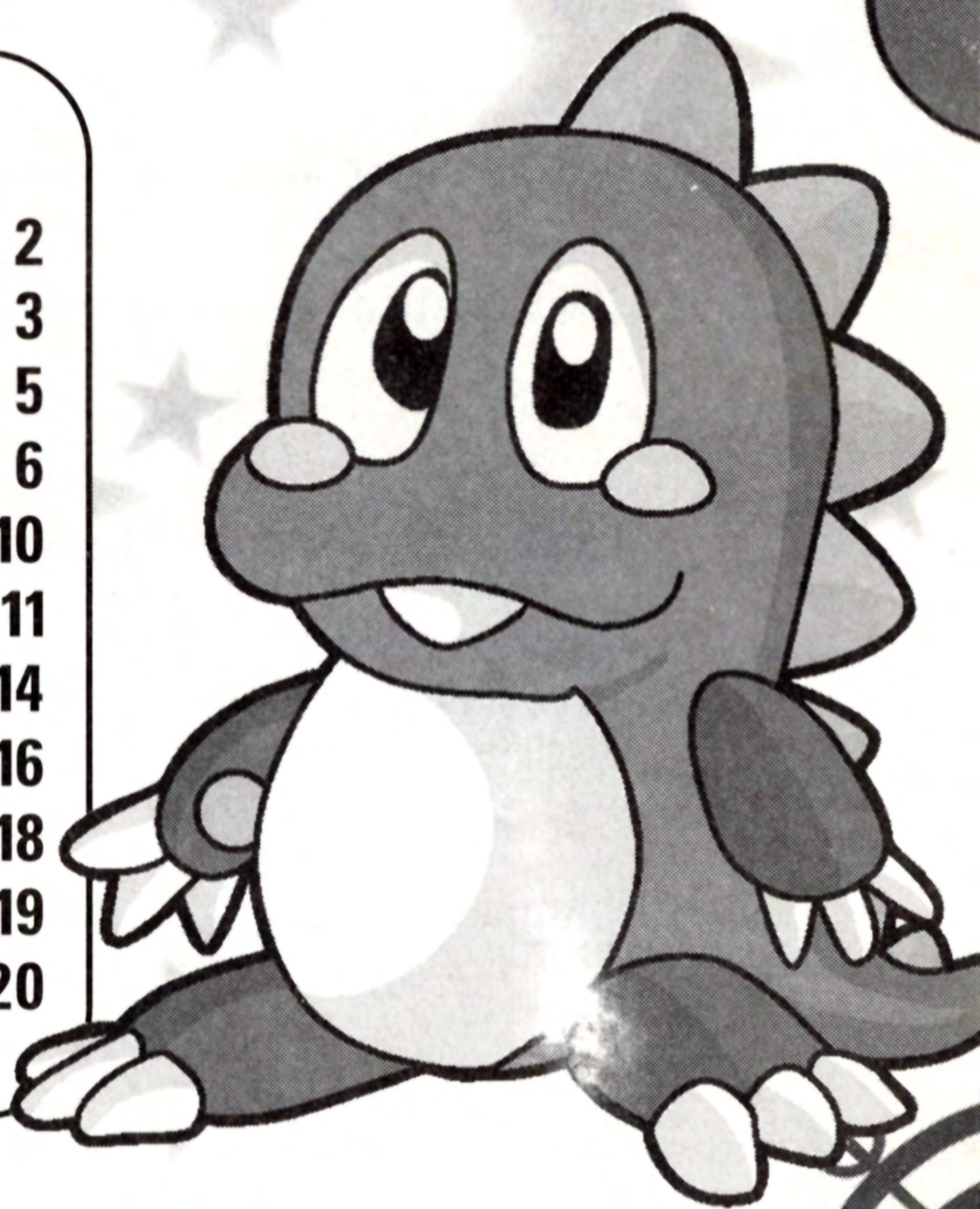
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INTRODUCTION

Bust-A-Move 4 is comin' at ya! Are you ready? Its bursting at the seams with new characters, screen rocking animations, and frantic new gameplay features. You'll soon be smashing through complex levels of dazzling rainbow spheres in Single-Player mode, or pitting your skills against a friend. And with an Edit mode that lets you create your own devilish puzzles, there's no end to the fun!

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CONTROLLER CONFIGURATION

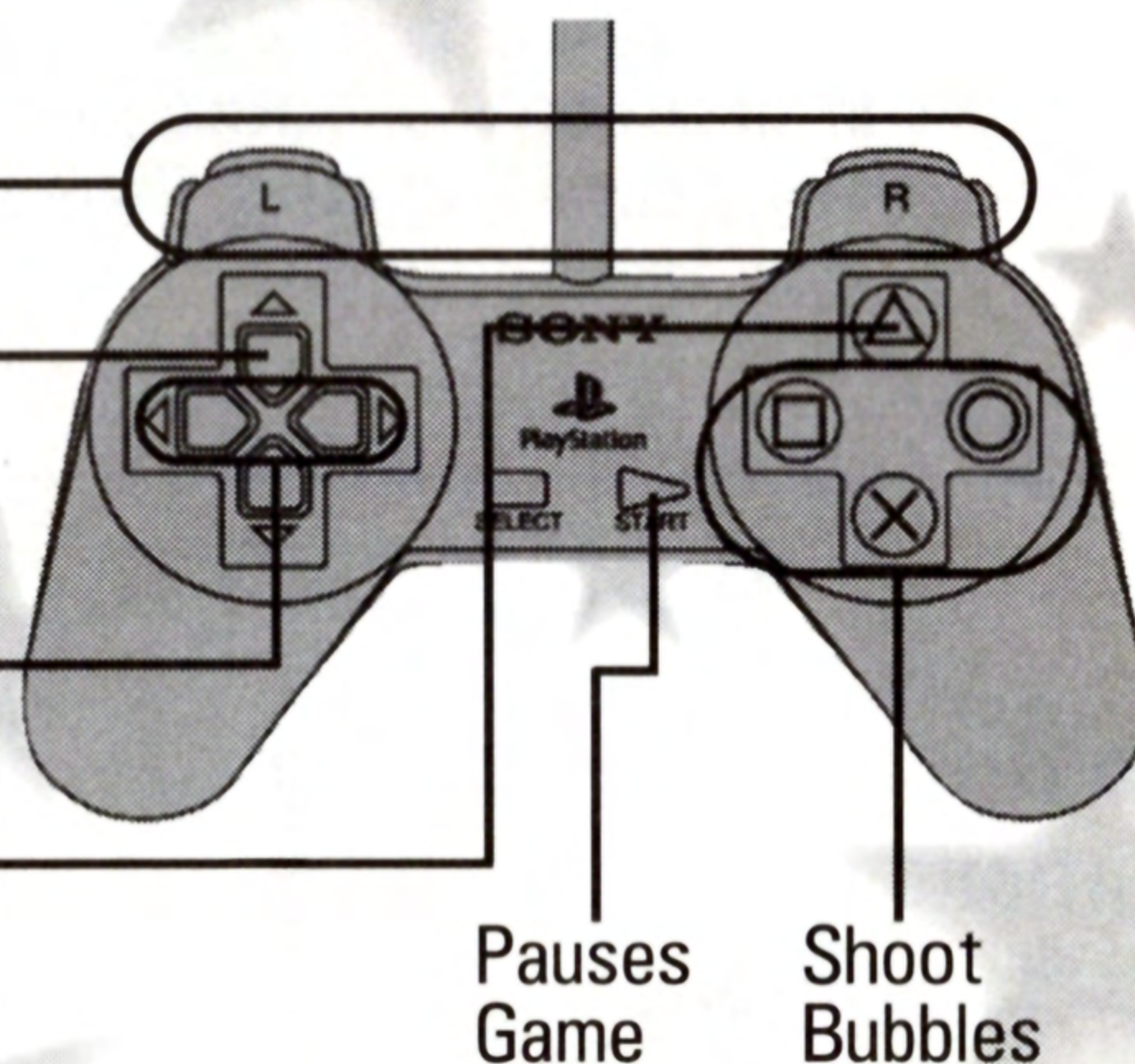
DEFAULT CONTROLS

Make Minor
Adjustments to
the Left or Right

Resets Bubble
Launcher to 90°

Aims Bubble Launcher

Cancels the Selection



THE DUAL-SHOCK™ CONTROLLER

The Dual Shock™ Controller uses the same default controls. The right and left analog joysticks are not used in this game.

Select vibration speed:
LOW-HIGH-OFF

Not Used



OPTIONS

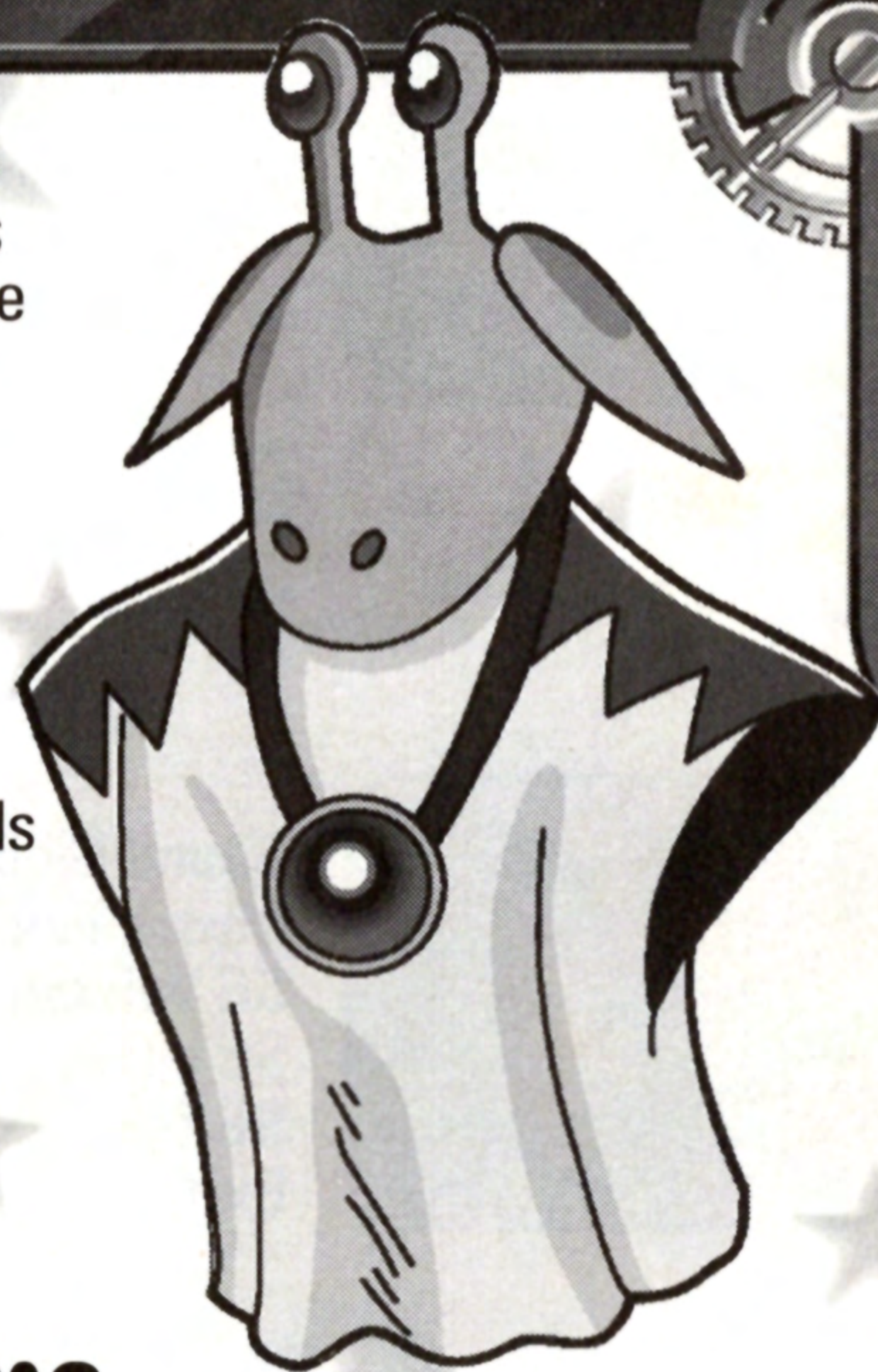
OPTION

GAME
CONTROLLER
SOUND
MEMORY CARD
EXIT

Bust A Move 4 allows you to adjust various game settings through the Option Menu. Use the X button to select the desired option. Press ▲ to cancel the selection.

**Game
Controller
Sound
Memory
Card**

Adjust default game options
Change controller configuration
Fine-tune audio settings and sample sounds
Save game progress and settings to
Memory Card (sold separately)



GAME OPTIONS

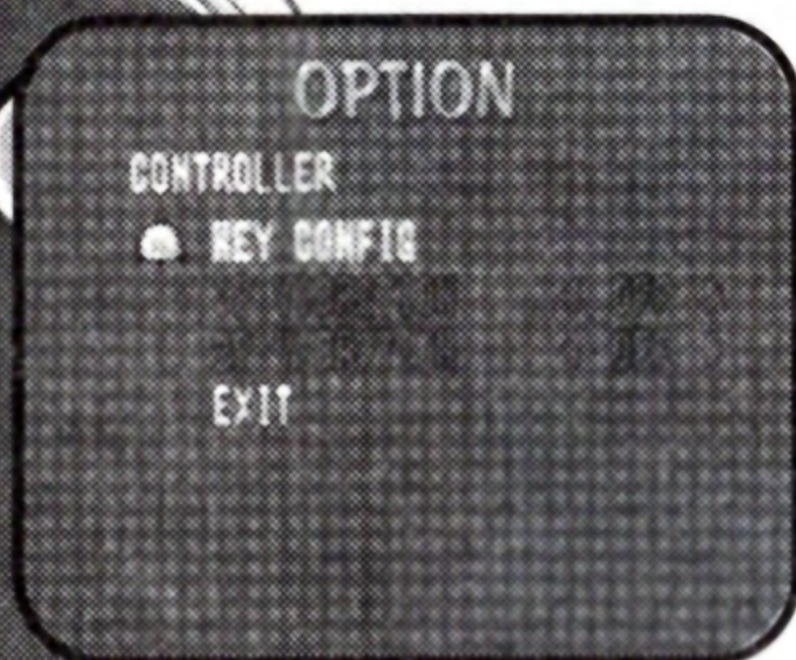
OPTION

GAME
GAME LEVEL ◀ NORMAL ▶
MATCH POINT ◀ 3 ▶
CONTINUE VS ◀ NORMAL ▶
HANDICAP ◀ ON ▶
CHAIN REACTION ◀ ON ▶
CHALLENGE ◀ 5 ▶
GUIDE LINE ◀ ON ▶
EXIT

Game Level
Match Point
Continue VS
Handicap
Chain Reaction
Challenge
Guide Line
Exit

Sets the game's base speed
Number of rounds needed to win a match
Simple allows a shortcut when continuing play
Give either player an advantage in 2p mode
Toggles Chain Reactions in VS mode
Number of puzzles in each round of the challenge
Marks trajectory of launched bubble
Returns to main Option Menu

CONTROLLER OPTIONS



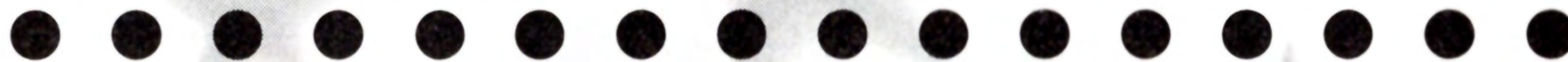
- Key Config** Changes default Controller settings
- 1p Vibration** Sets vibration speed for Player 1
- 2p Vibration** Sets vibration speed for Player 2
- Exit** Returns to main Options Menu



SOUND OPTIONS



- Sound Mode** Select Mono or Stereo sound
- Music Volume** Set relative music volume
- SE Volume** Set relative sound effect volume
- SE Load** Loads various sound effect libraries
- SE Test** Plays sound effects from loaded library
- Exit** Returns to main Options Menu



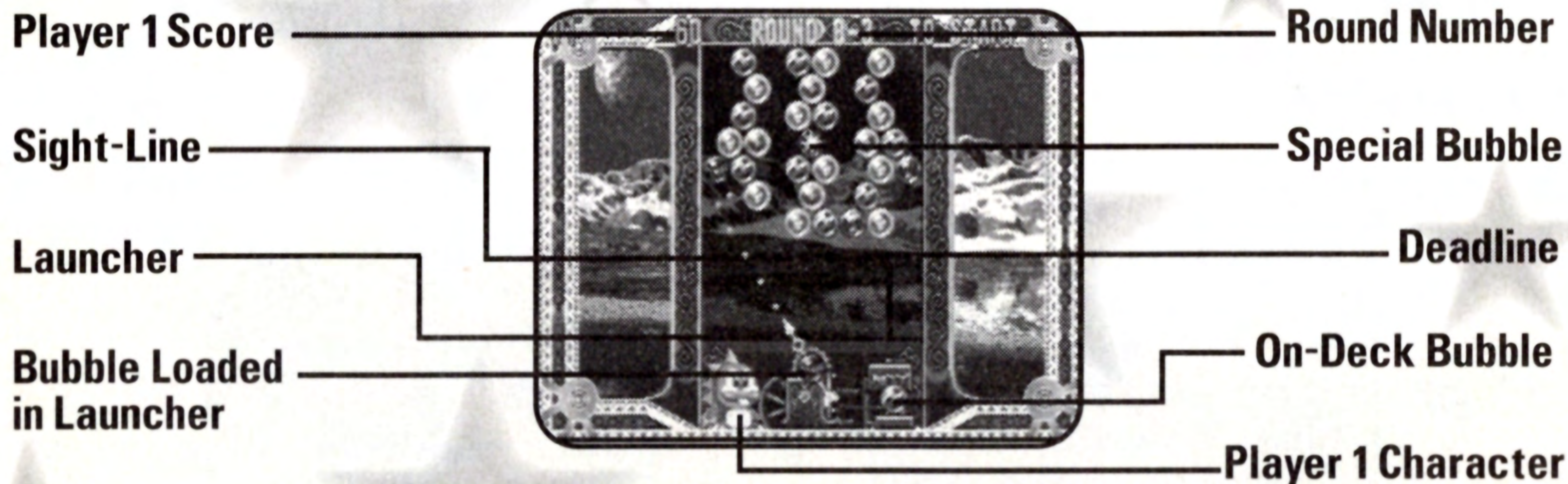
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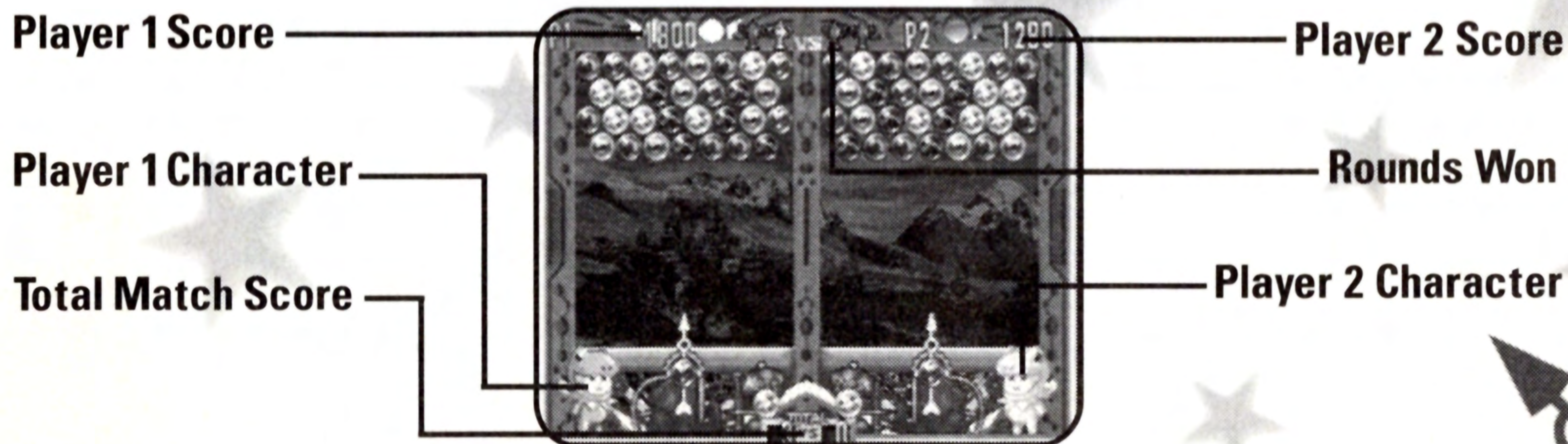
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- Data Save** Saves current game to Memory Card
- Auto Save** Automatically records progress on Memory Card
- Exit** Returns to main Options Menu

GAME SCREENS

PUZZLE MODE



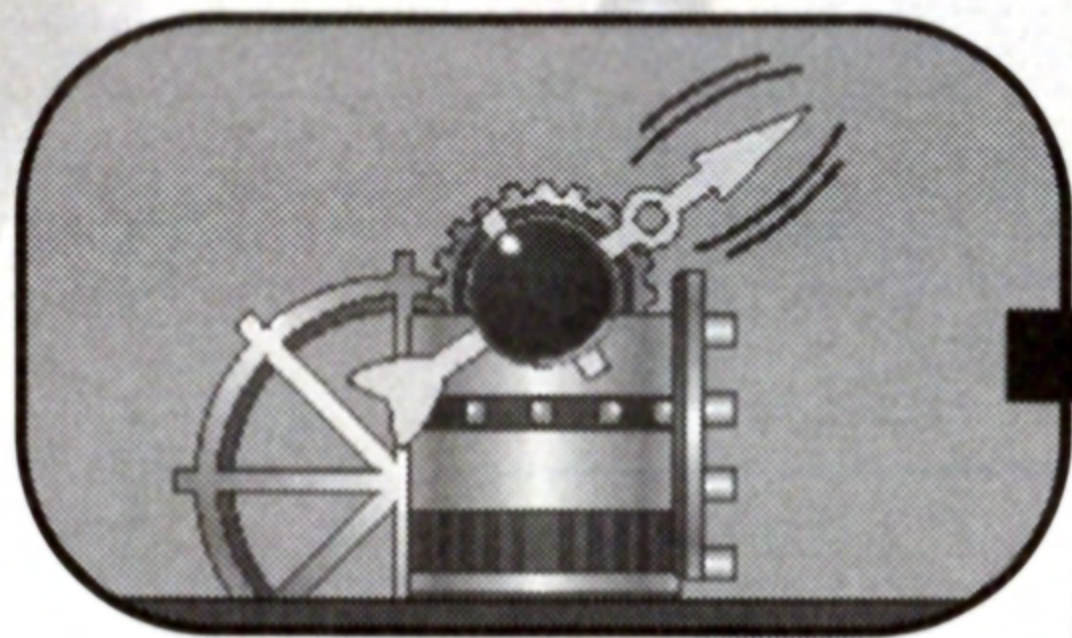
PLAYER VS MODE



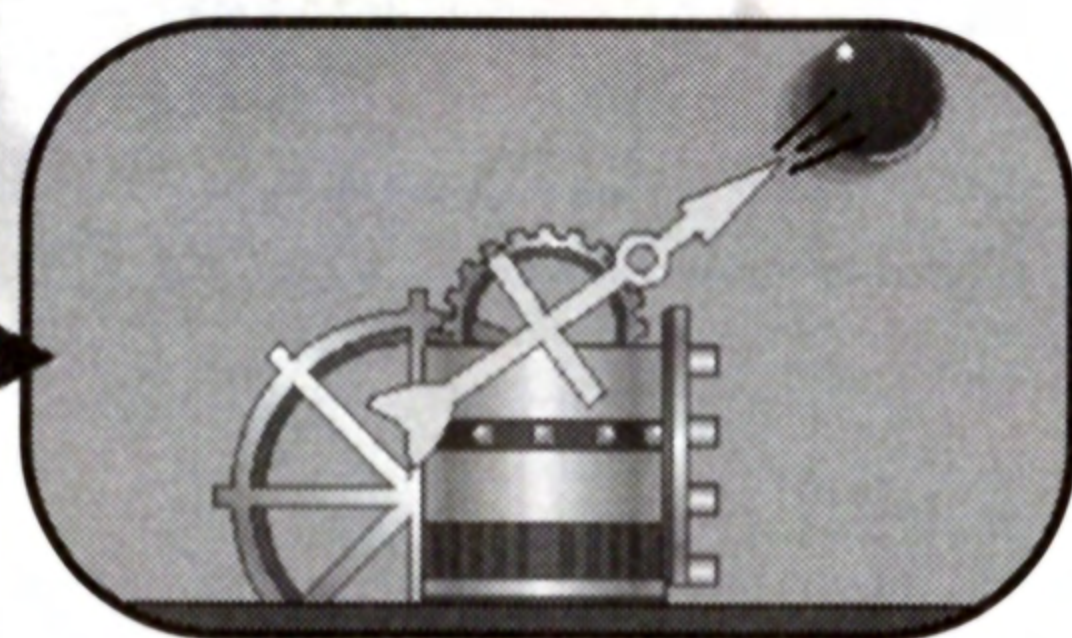
GAME PLAY

Simplicity is one of Bust-A-Move 4's best qualities. No matter which game mode you're in, the same basic rules apply. The object of the game is to burst as many bubbles as you can. After a period of time, the bubbles that remain descend, one level at a time, toward the Deadline. The game ends when the first bubble crosses the Deadline.

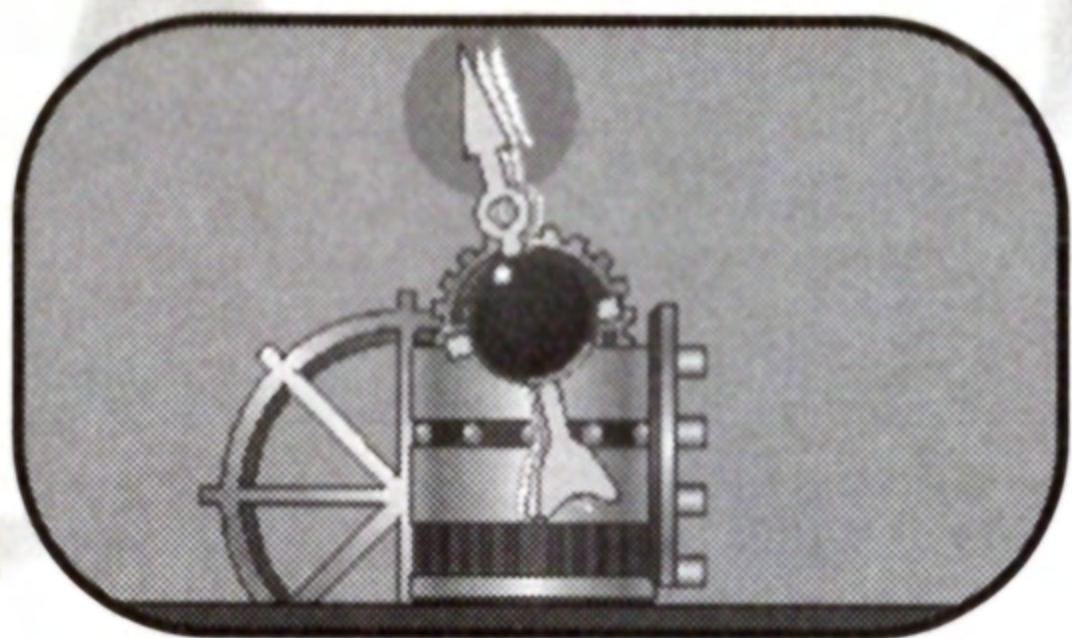
THE BUBBLE LAUNCHER



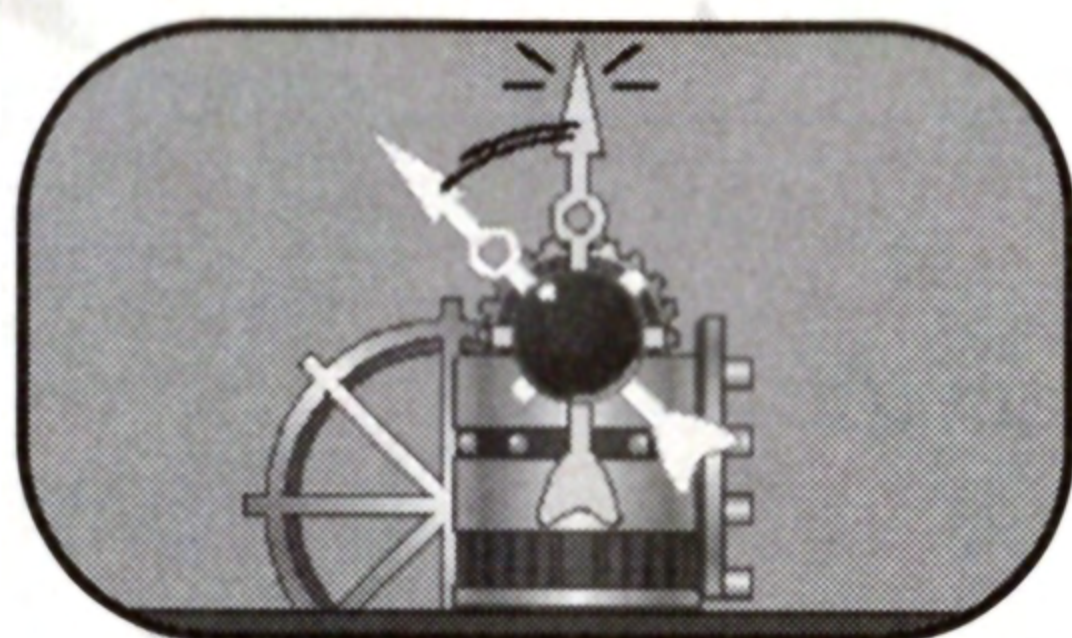
Right or Left on the Control Pad aims.



Pressing X, ■ or ● launches the bubble.



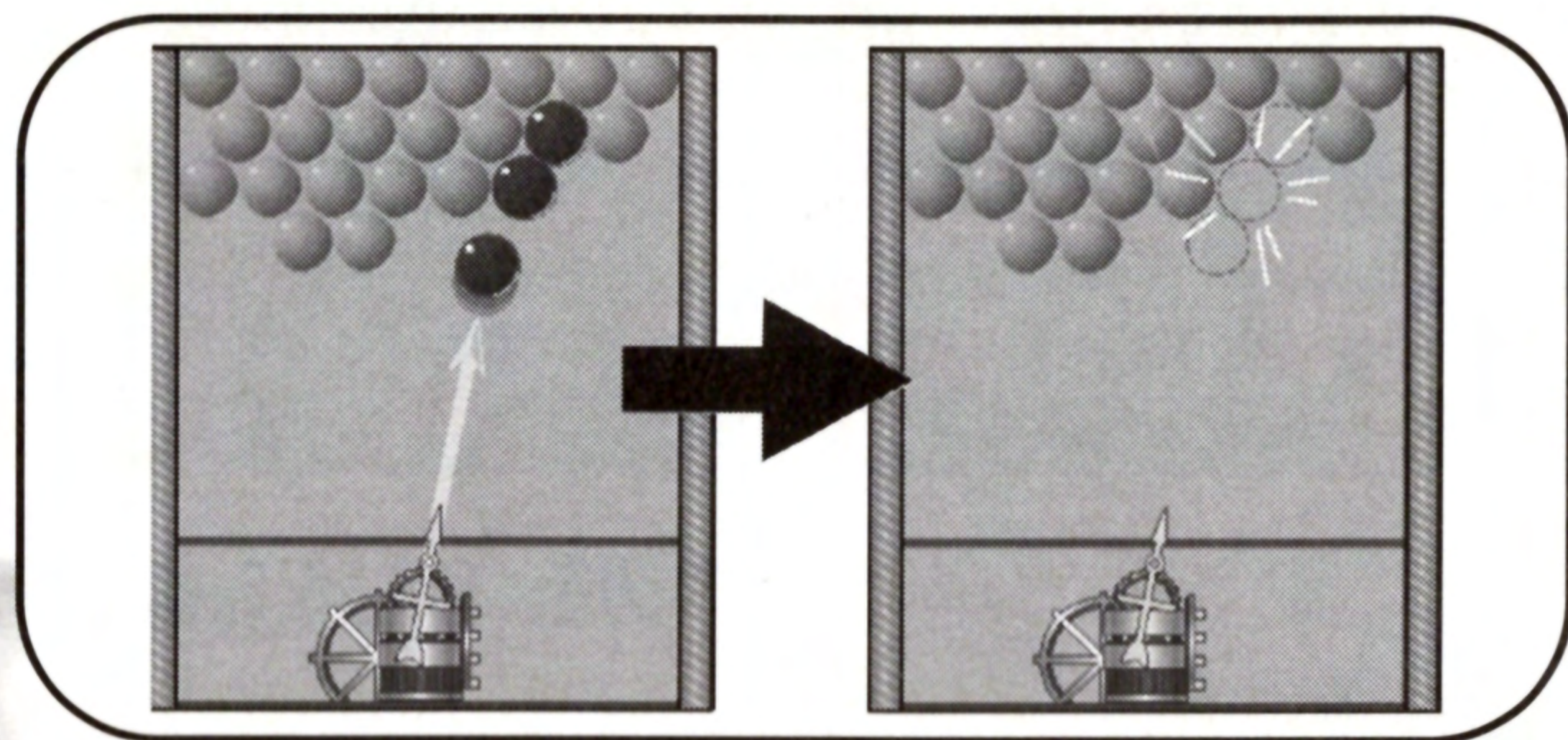
The L1 and R1 buttons aim the launcher more precisely.



Pressing Up resets the launcher to 90°.

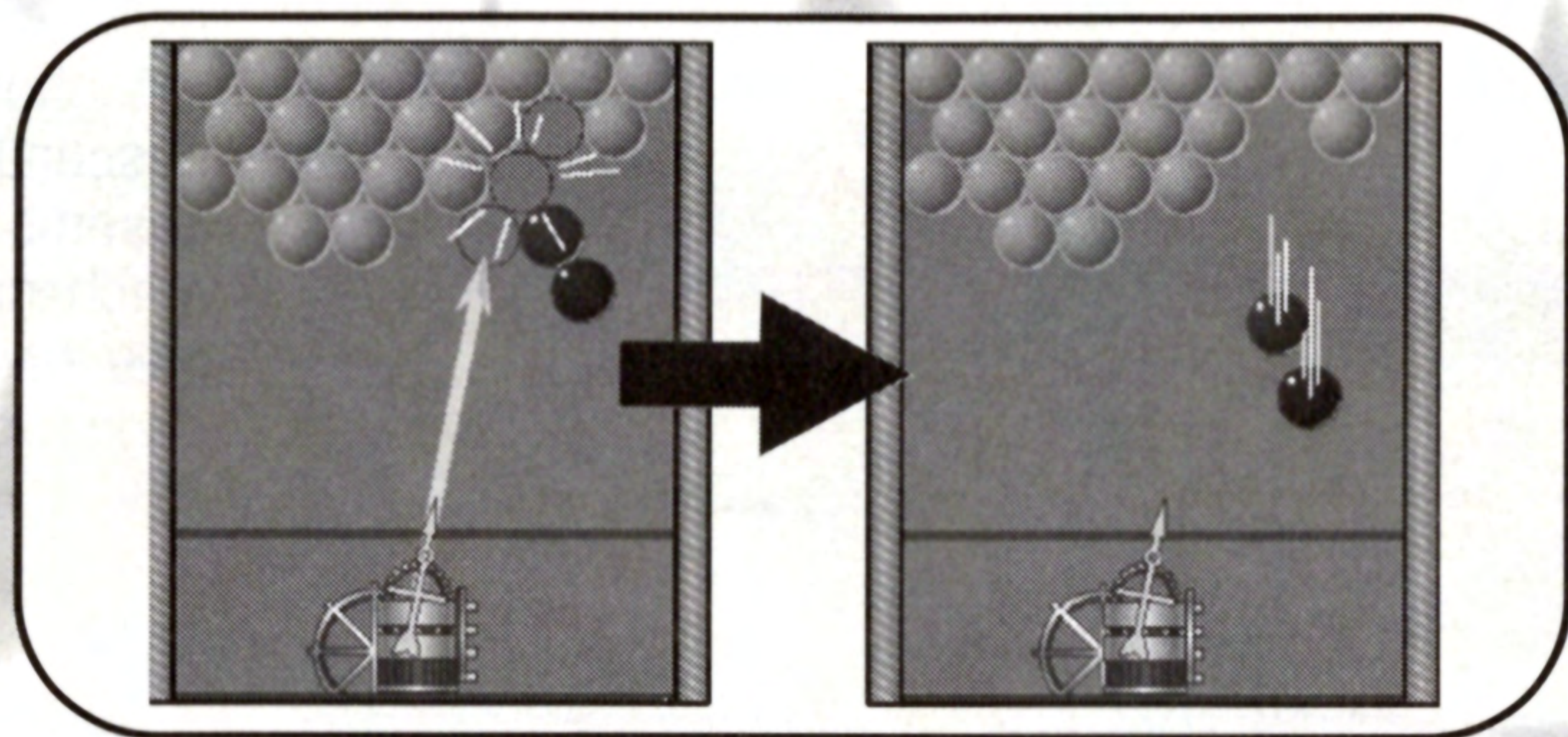
BURSTING BUBBLES

Fire a bubble from the launcher, and connect it to two or more bubbles of the same color. These bubbles will burst.



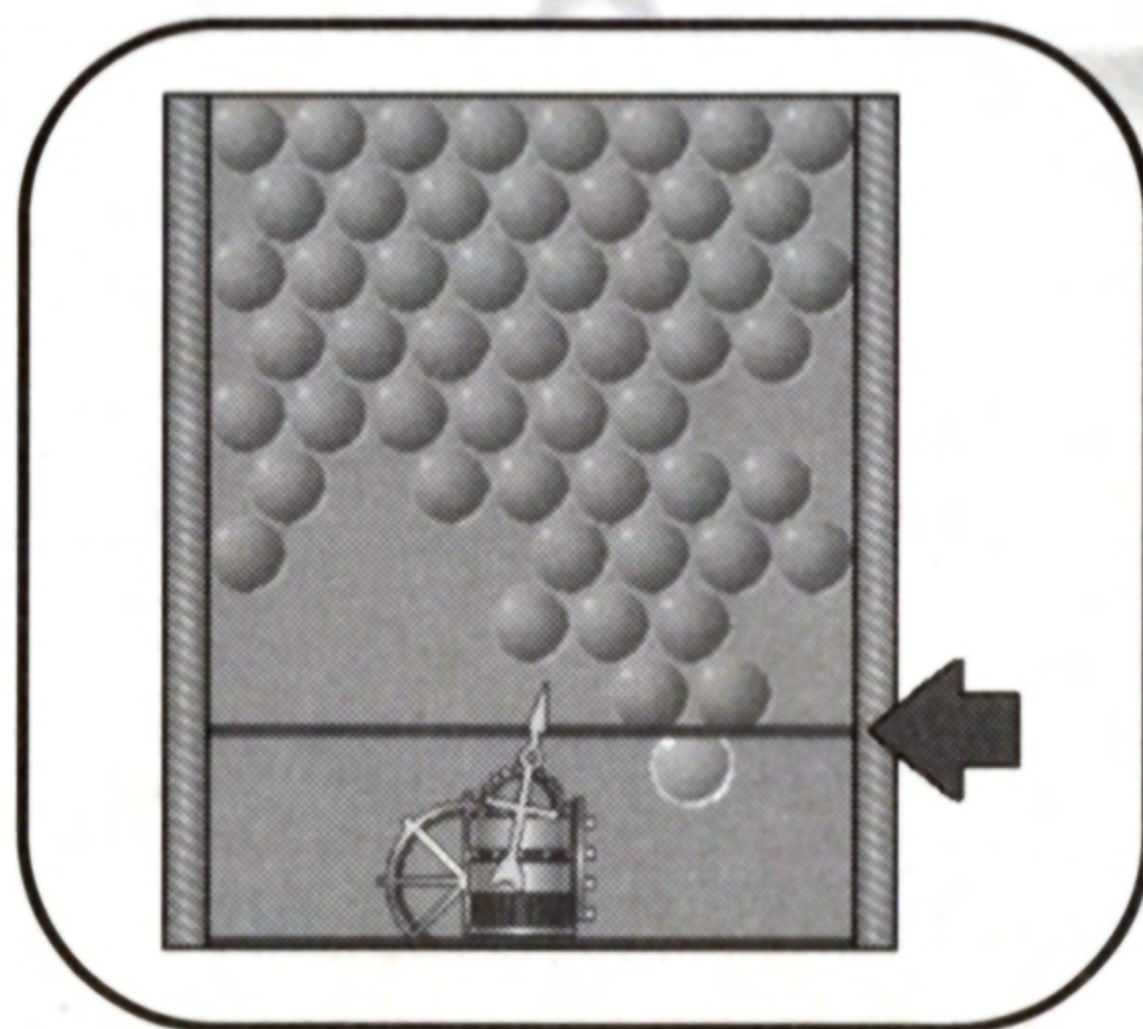
DROPPING BUBBLES

Bubbles suspended by those burst will also be cleared. The larger the cluster cleared, the more points awarded.



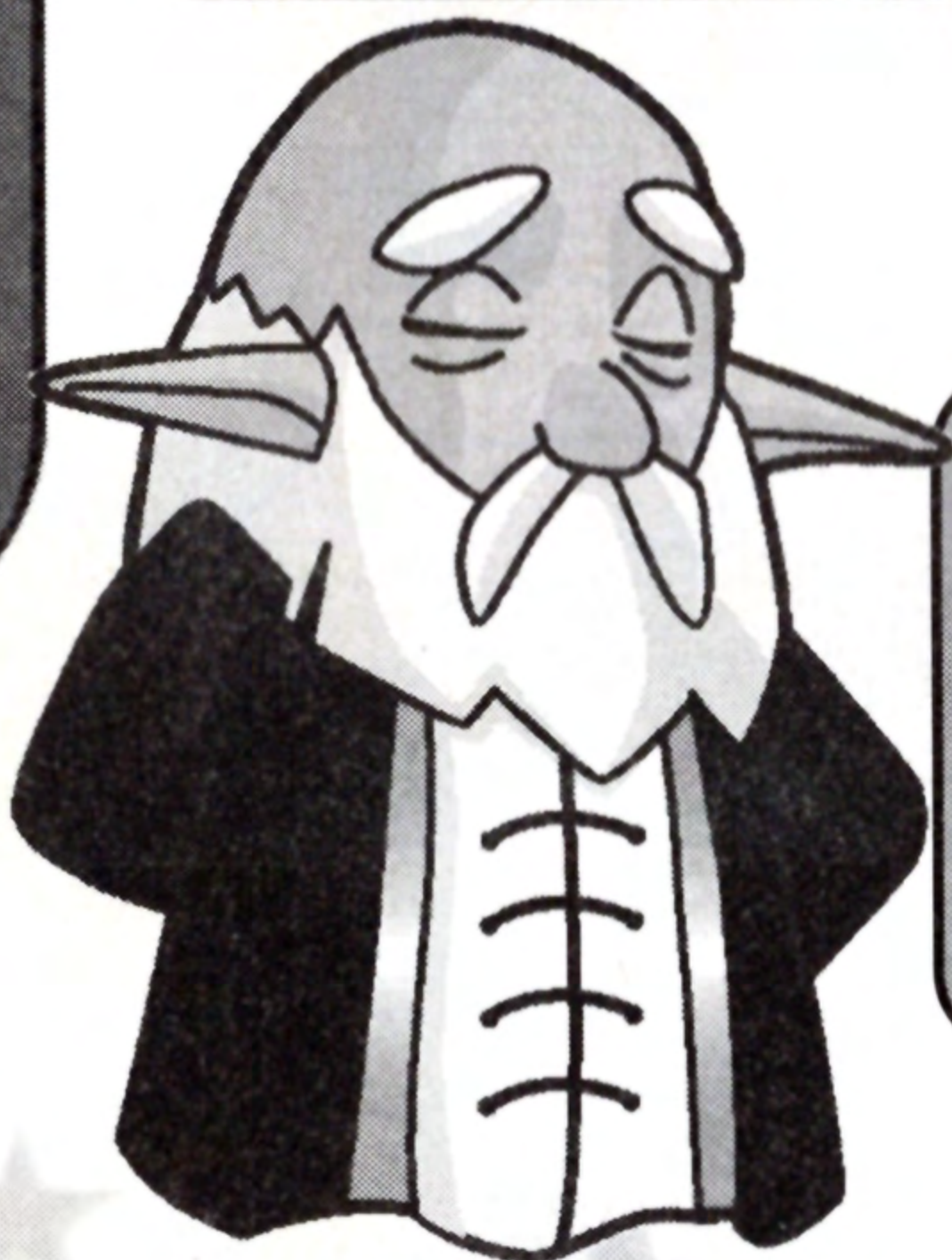
END GAME!

The game ends once you've cleared all the bubble on the board, or when a bubble crosses the Deadline.

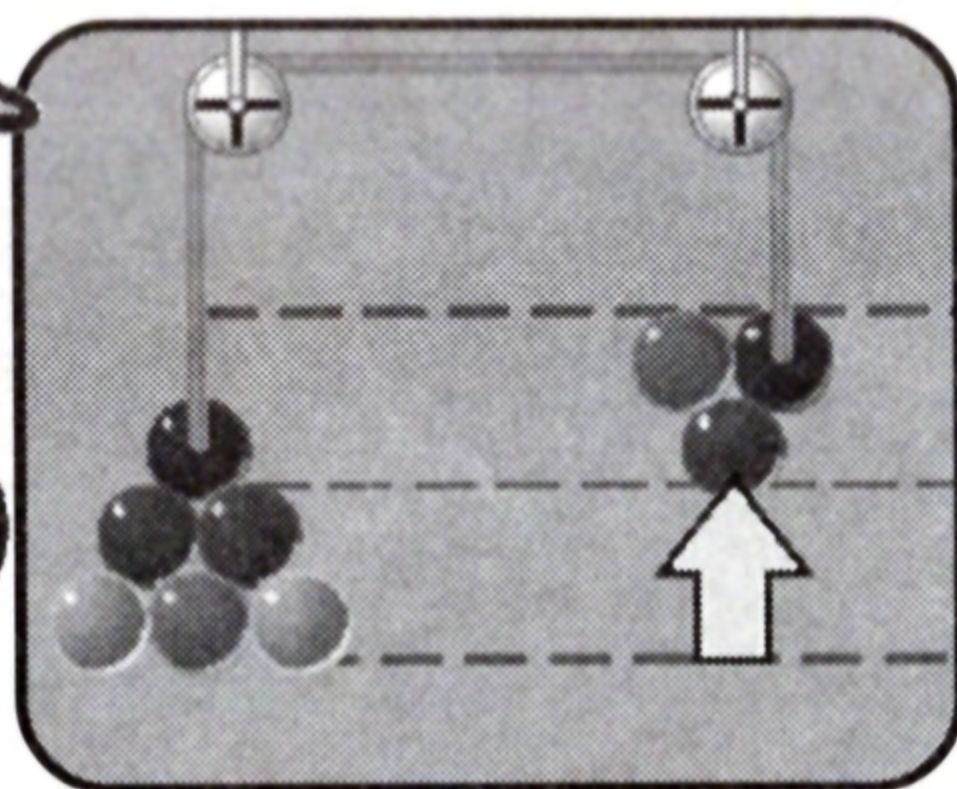


BETTER THAN EVER!

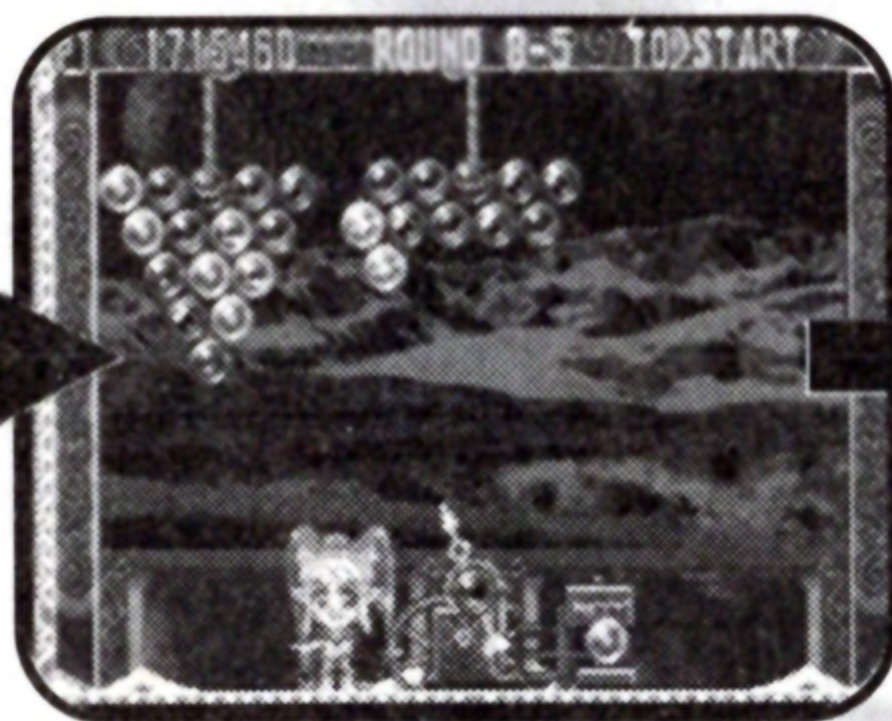
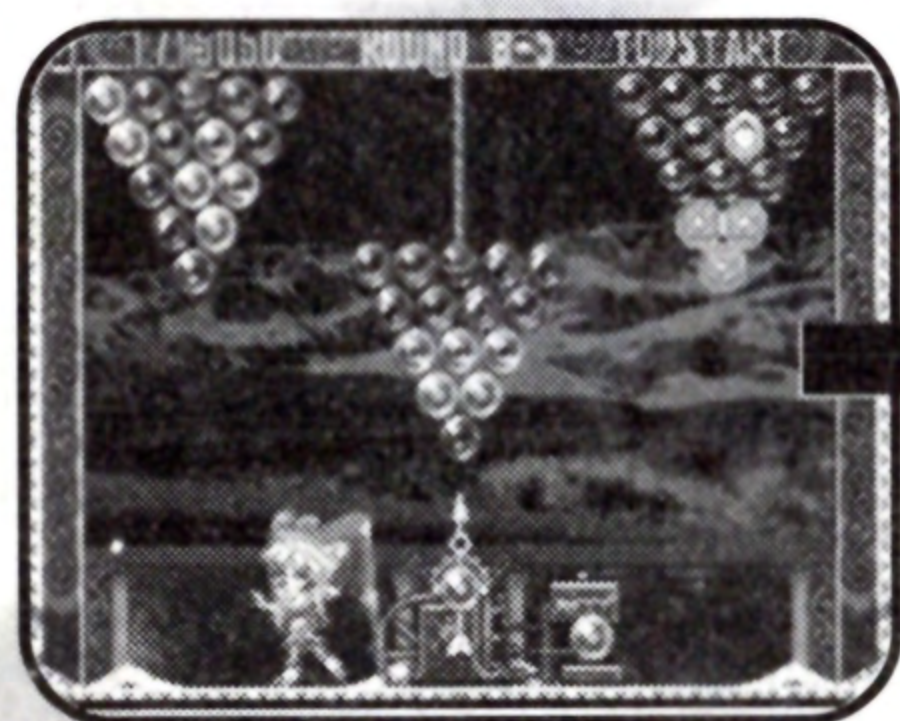
Two features, the Pulley System and Chain Reaction are new to Bust-A-Move 4, and are sure to throw you for a loop. Pulleys appear throughout Puzzle and Challenge Modes, while Chain Reactions are found in the VS Modes.



THE PULLEY SYSTEM



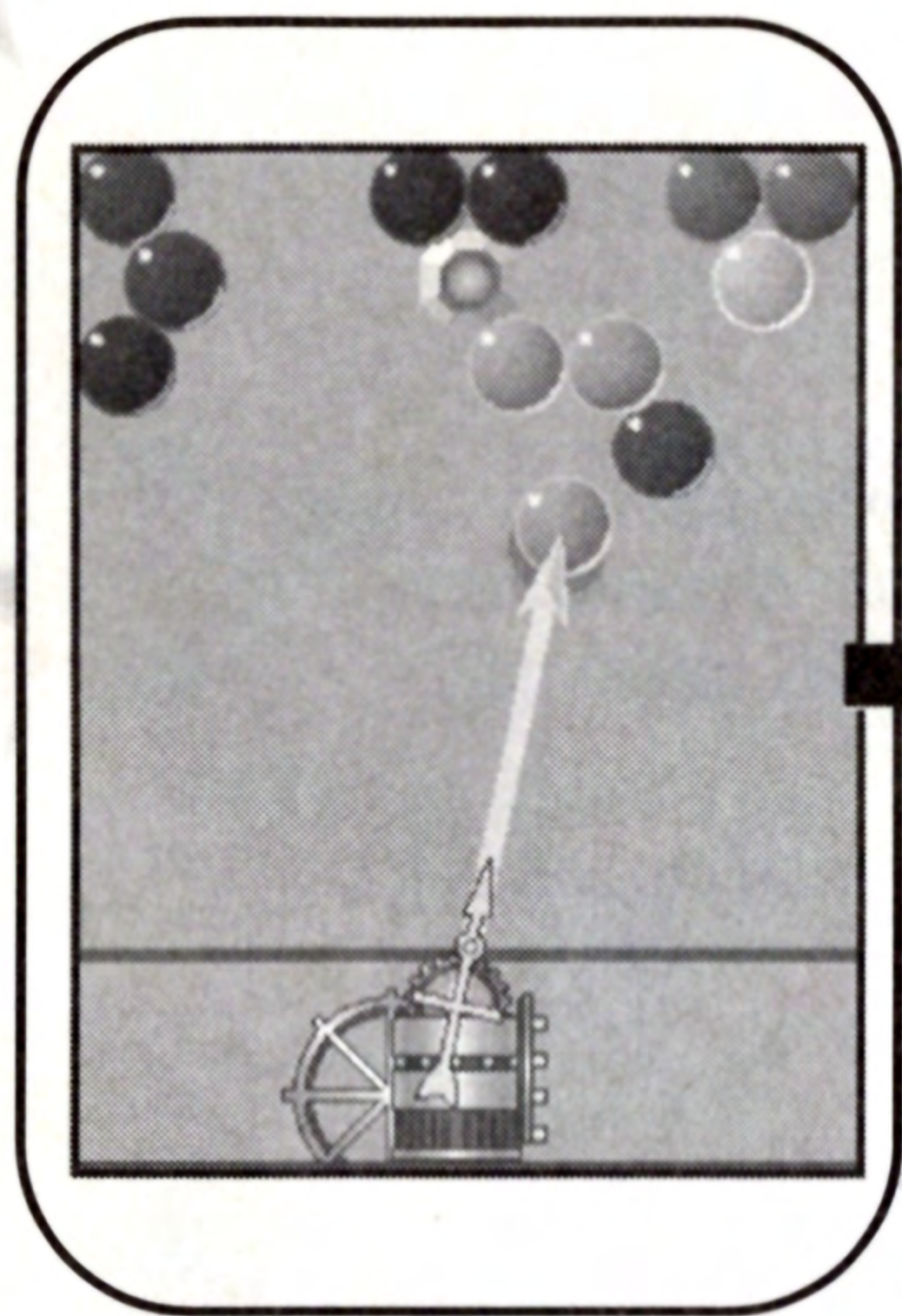
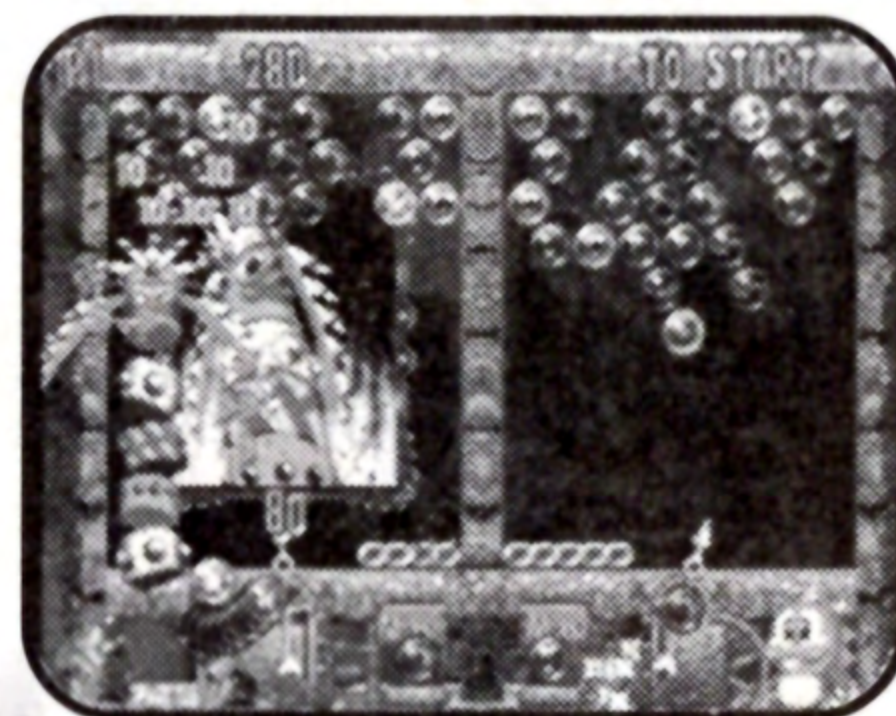
The Pulley System is all about balance. Each time a Bubble is attached, the heavier cluster descends. Be careful when the assembly starts to shake; the mechanism might be ready to give way. There are anchors at each rope end that will support a Bubble, but have no weight.



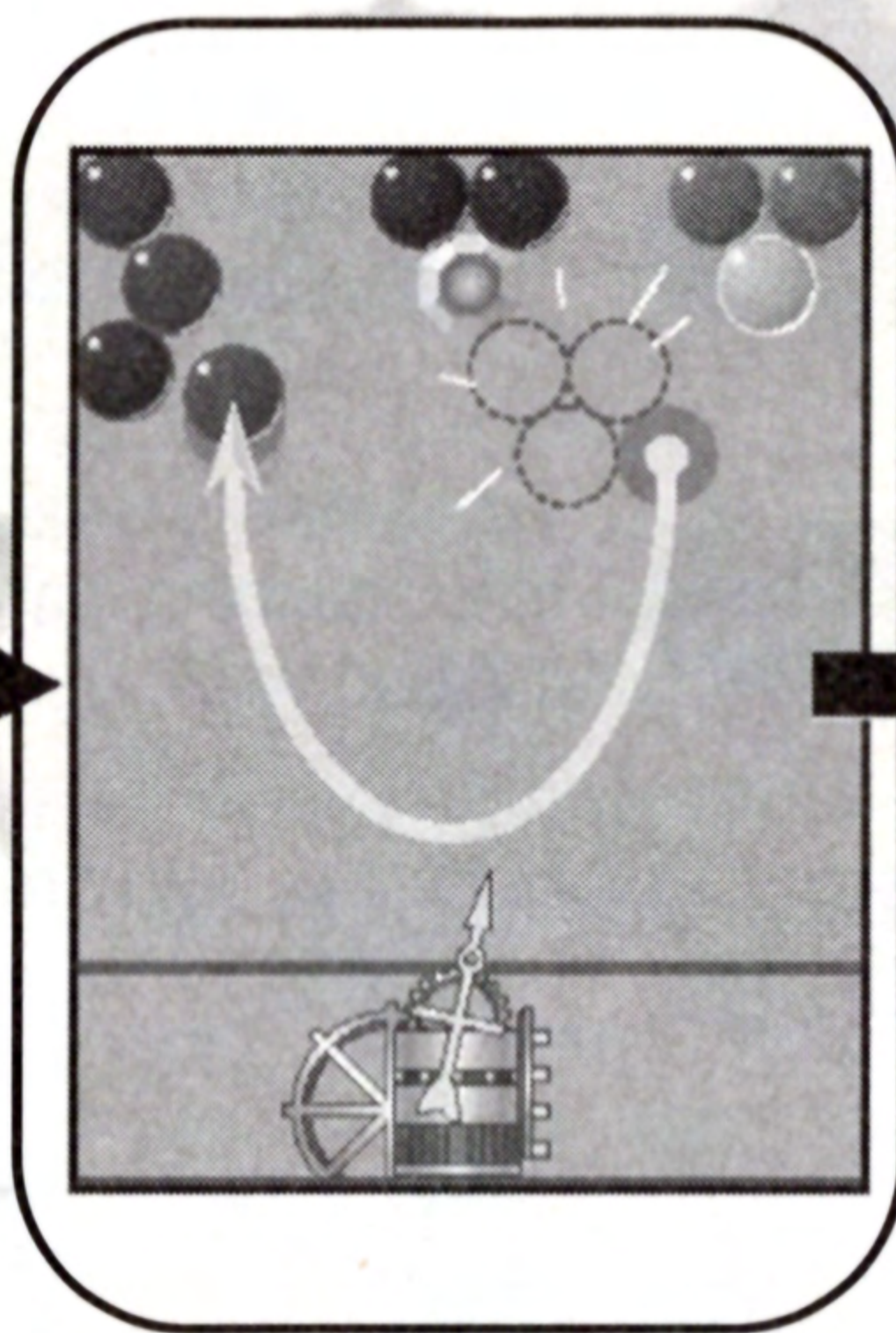
Remember: Bursting Bubbles Might Upset the Balance!

CHAIN REACTIONS

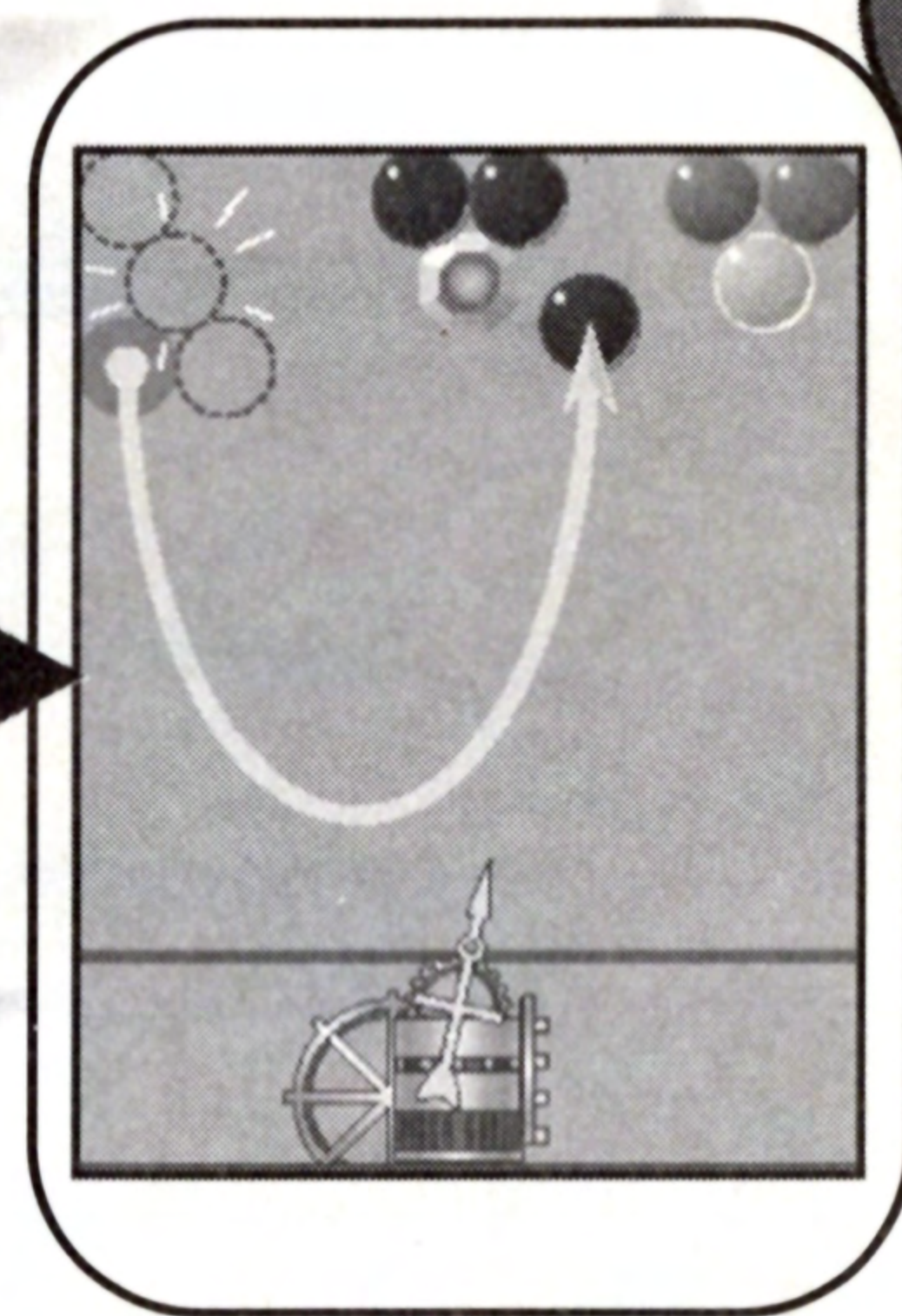
Chain Reactions add even more speed and excitement to VS play, against another player or the computer. Bubbles that drop as a result of their anchors bursting will fly to any available cluster of like colors, clearing them. This may cause more loose Bubbles to drop, thus activating other Chain Reactions, and burying your opponent.



Launching this light Bubble pops the two that support the lone medium Bubble. This Bubble will fall away.



The medium Bubble will swing up to its similarly colored neighbors, bursting them and freeing the dark Bubble.



Chain Reactions will continue as long as the groups of two are not completely surrounded by other colors.

SPECIAL BUBBLES



Star Bubble

This bubble will clear all those in the cluster the same color as the bubble that touches it.



Rainbow Bubble

This will become a normal bubble the color of those burst adjacent to it.



Block

These pieces cannot be broken, but they needn't be cleared to end a round.



Obstacle

This block is cleared only when all the bubbles touching it are burst. A round cannot be cleared while Obstacle Blocks remain.



Elevator

Bubbles connected to these pieces will be carried up to the highest possible level.

RANKING 1P PUZZLE

1 ST	8 ^R		2633470 _{pts}	KVI
2 ND	5 ^R		10000 _{pts}	IIIII
3 RD	4 ^R		5000 _{pts}	PRU
4 TH	3 ^R		1000 _{pts}	NNN
5 TH	2 ^R		500 _{pts}	PRU

THE HALL OF FAME

High Scores will be logged in the Hall of Fame. Scroll through the letters with the Control Pad, and press the **X** button to make your selection.

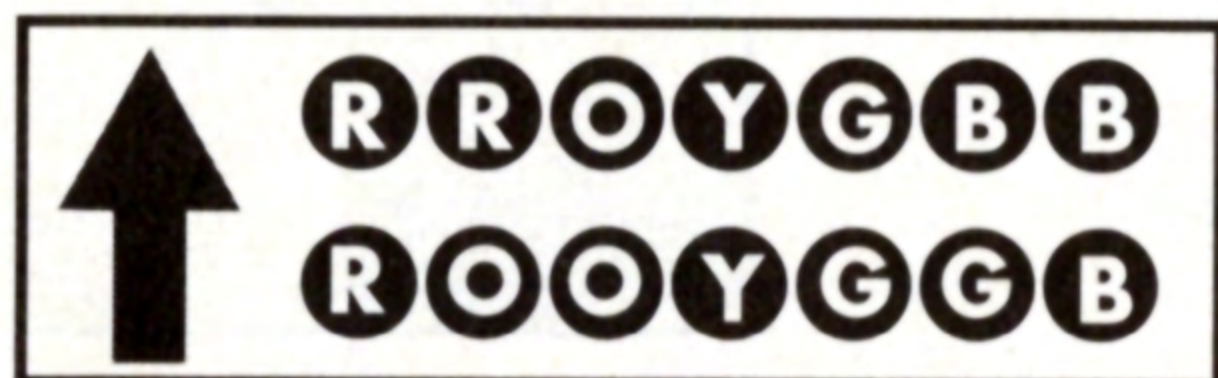


CHARACTERS



The dazzling colors, out-of-control pace, and sheer satisfaction of busting all those bubbles, has attracted participants from a wide variety of different worlds. Each character sends Bubbles to their opponent in a distinct strategic pattern.

BUB

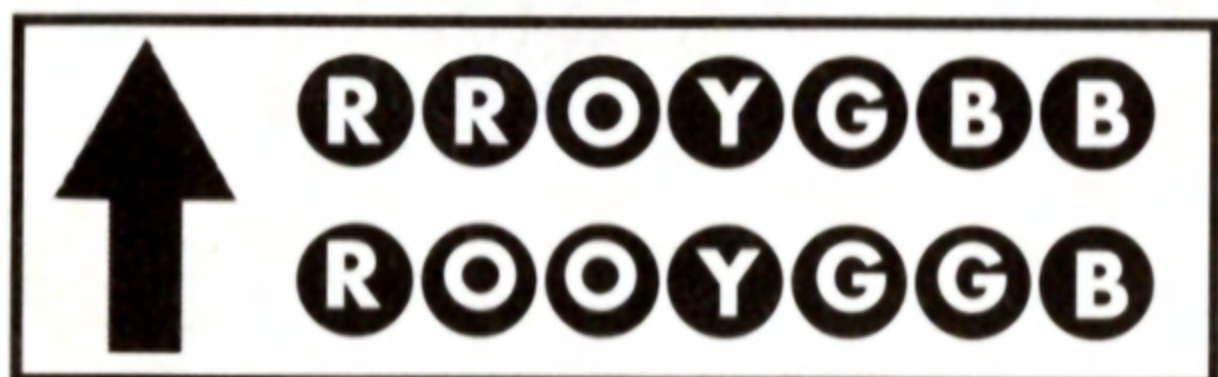


ATTACK PATTERN

Bub returns for this latest challenge. He's so delighted to be back with his precious Bubbles, that he's more than happy to share a variety with his opponent.



DEVELON



ATTACK PATTERN

Develon is a distant cousin of the adorable Bubblin twins. And while he looks a little familiar, and attacks with the same pattern, don't be fooled. Develon is definitely not a nice guy.



ATTACK PATTERN KEY



Blue



Green



Orange



Red



Yellow



Rainbow



Star



Block

ALKANET



ATTACK PATTERN

MARINO



ATTACK PATTERN

KUROL



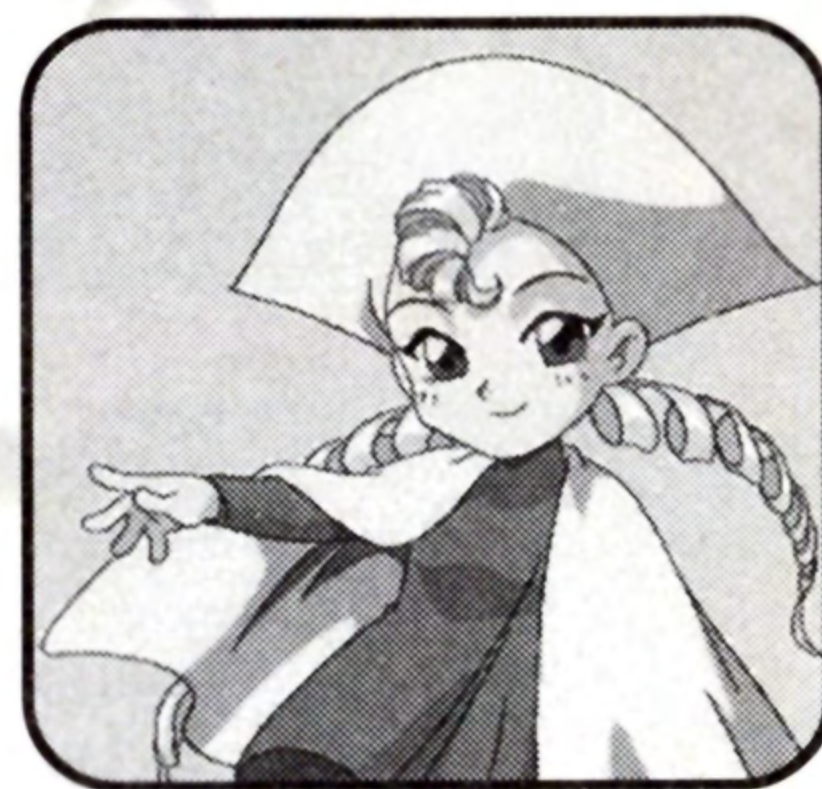
ATTACK PATTERN

TAM-TAM



ATTACK PATTERN

Alkanet is the spoiled princess of the Snow World. She'll try to freeze you out with all those Rainbow Bubbles. But that Star Bubble she sends over shows her heart's not made of ice.



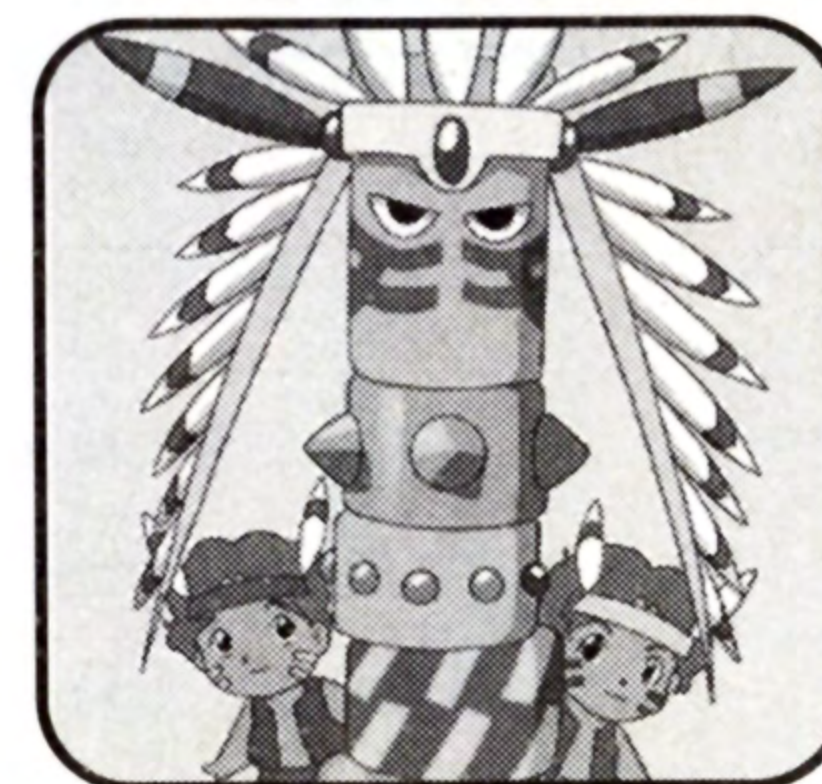
Marino is a noble mariner from the Ocean Kingdom. He'll have you gasping for air under all those hard to clear Rainbows. Just hope a Blue or Green Bubble washes ashore.



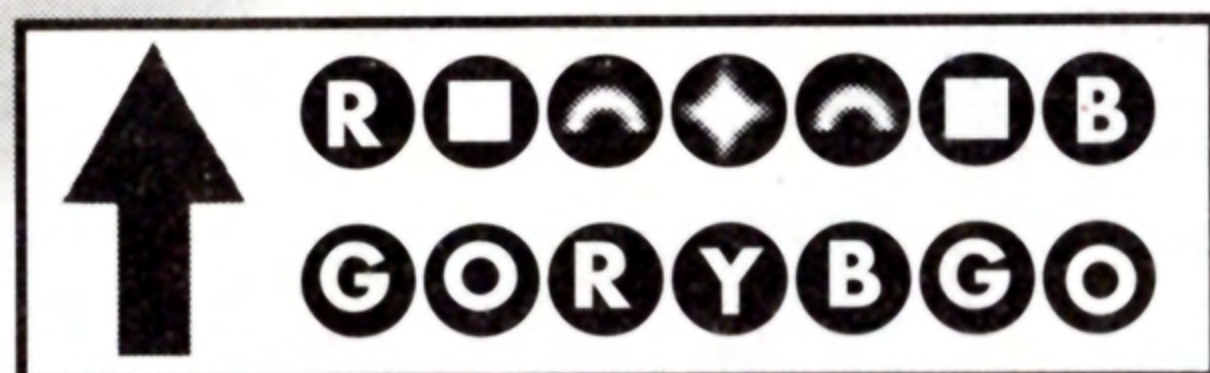
This little trickster hails from a forest world where he likes to disguise himself as local wildlife. Don't be distracted by his merry tune as he sends Bubbles to the top and bottom of your cluster.



Tam-Tam is the spirit protector of the frontier planet, Navajo. He and his assistants will dance a rainstorm of Bubbles, as steadily as a drum-beat, to the top of your field.



CLEON



ATTACK PATTERN

Cleon is a flirtatious, but mischievous night faerie from the Carnival World. She will do her best to make sport of you with the wide variety of Bubbles she sends over.



G

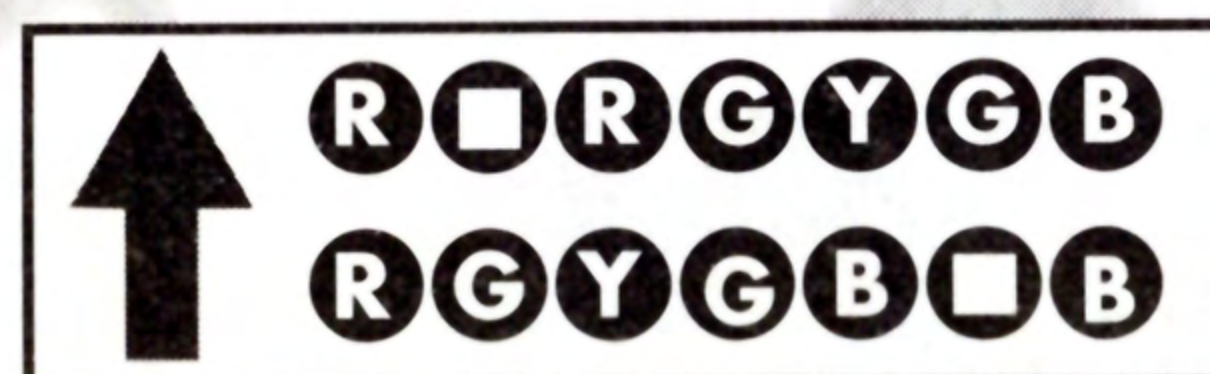


ATTACK PATTERN

Wise old G has spent hundreds of years practicing games on his planet of sages. He demonstrates this experience by sending over rows with no adjacent matching colors.

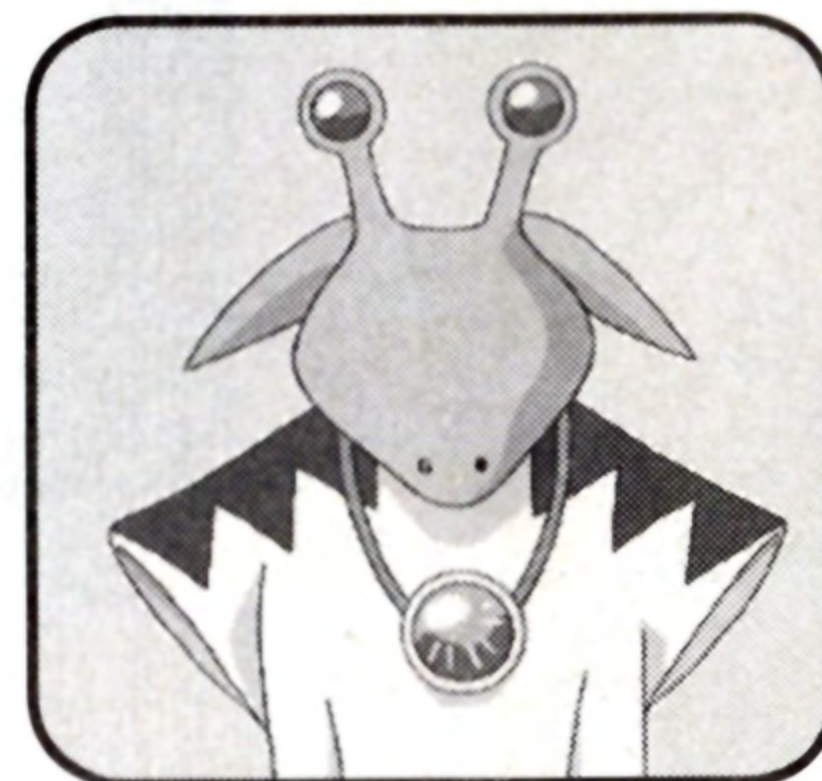


BRAMB



ATTACK PATTERN

No one really knows the story behind the weirdo Bramb, but watch out for his alien magic! He really knows how to send your world into chaos with his complex pattern of Bubbles.

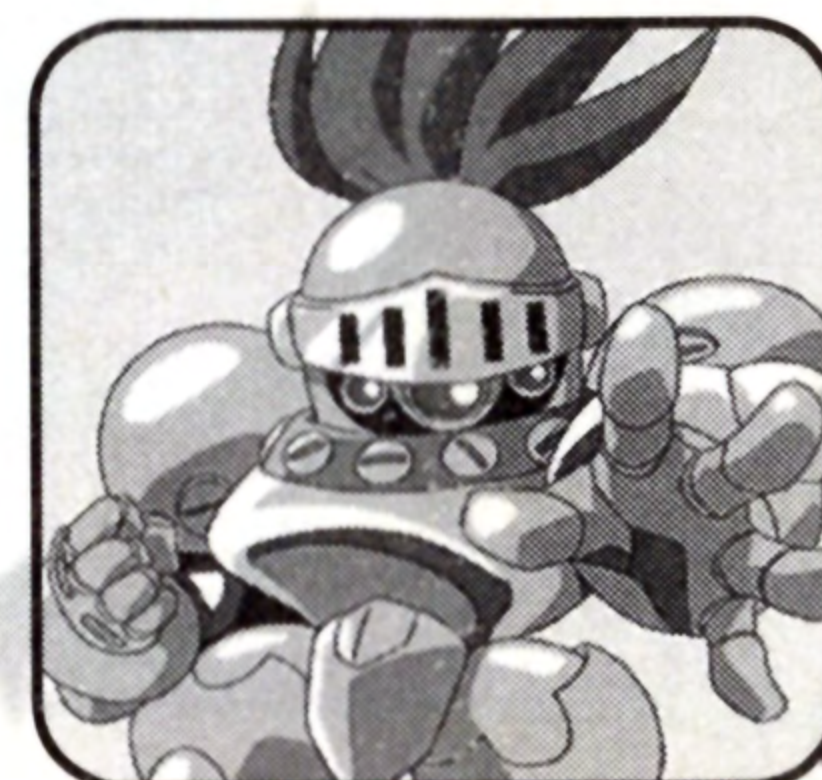


GIGANT



ATTACK PATTERN

The industrial guard robot, Gigant has never been the sharpest knife in the drawer, but he'll get steam to come out of your ears with the steady stream colors he sends..



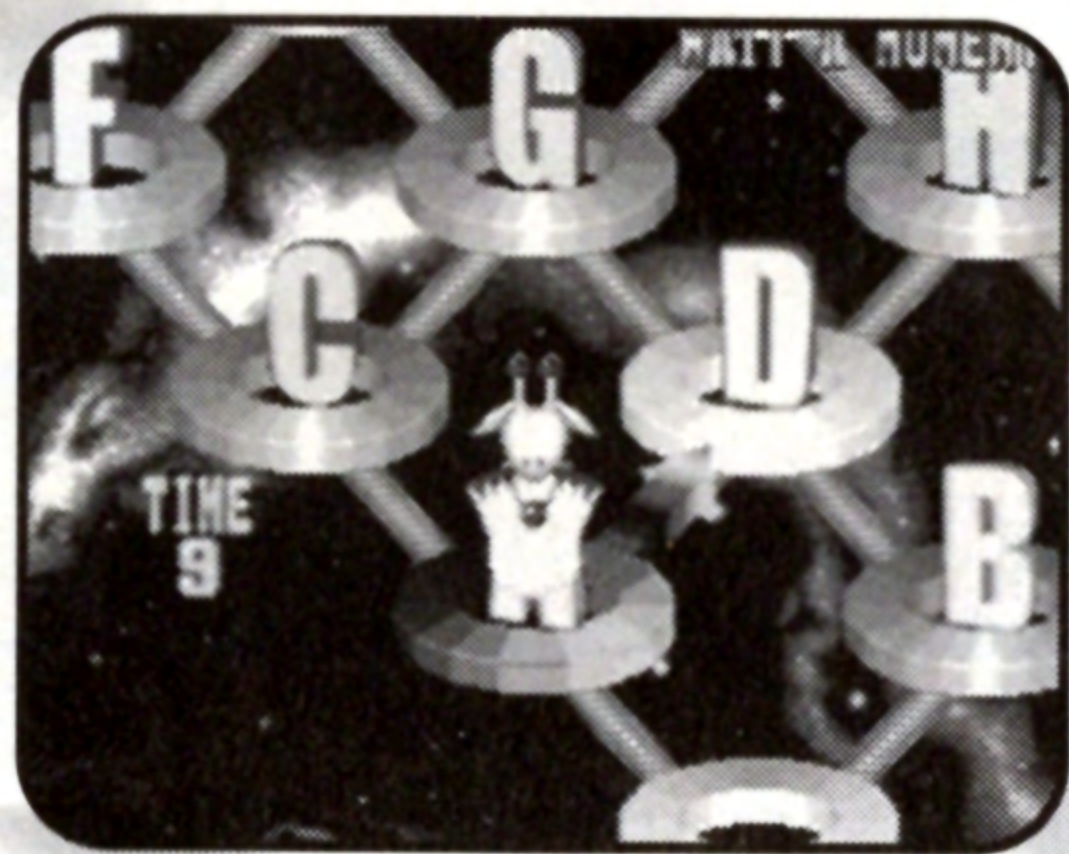
PUZZLE MODE

This is the essence of Bust-A-Move 4: just you against the puzzle. Puzzle Mode consists of two distinct types of challenge, Arcade Play and Story Mode. No distractions, and no one to blame when time runs out. Don't worry, you can always press Start to Continue!

GAME MENU

PUZZLE

- ARCADE
- STORY
- EXPLANATION OF THE PULLEY



ARCADE



STORY

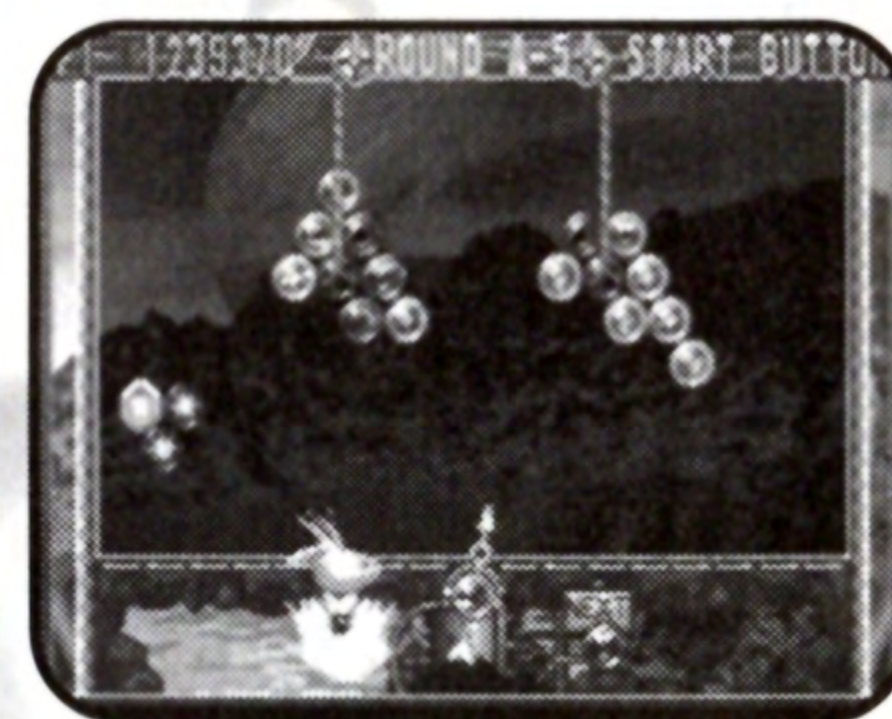
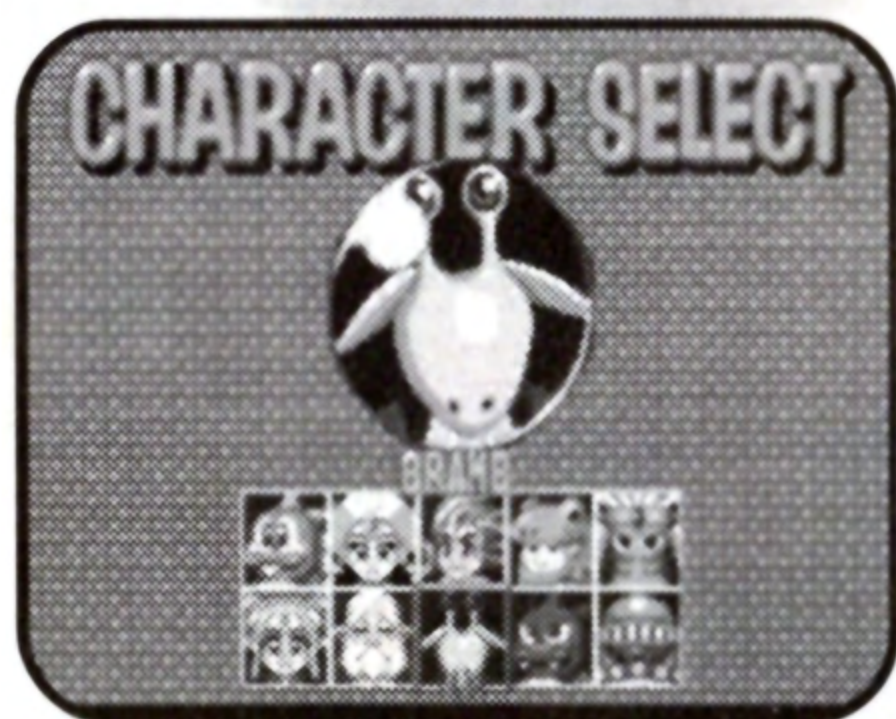


SETTING DIFFICULTY

At the beginning of Arcade Mode you will be able to select one of three game difficulties; Easy, Normal, or Expert. While Easy Mode displays a Sight line to help you aim, you will only be able to play 5 rounds at this difficulty.

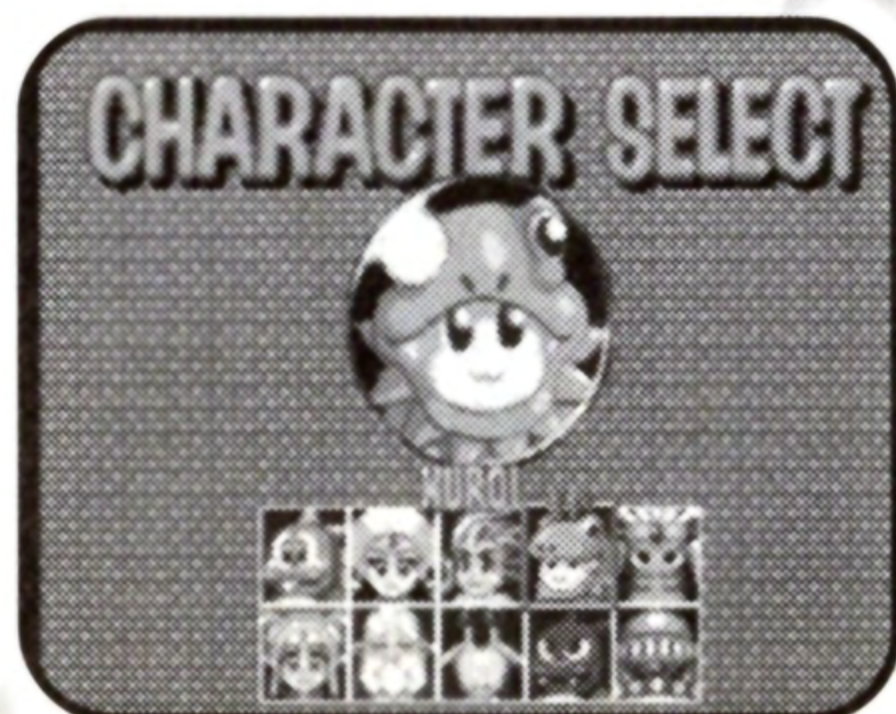
ARCADE

In Single-Player Mode, you'll plot your course through the alphabet to increasingly difficult puzzles. Each lettered level has five rounds to clear before you can advance to the next level. Use Left and Right on the Control Pad to choose your course. Press X to start your game.



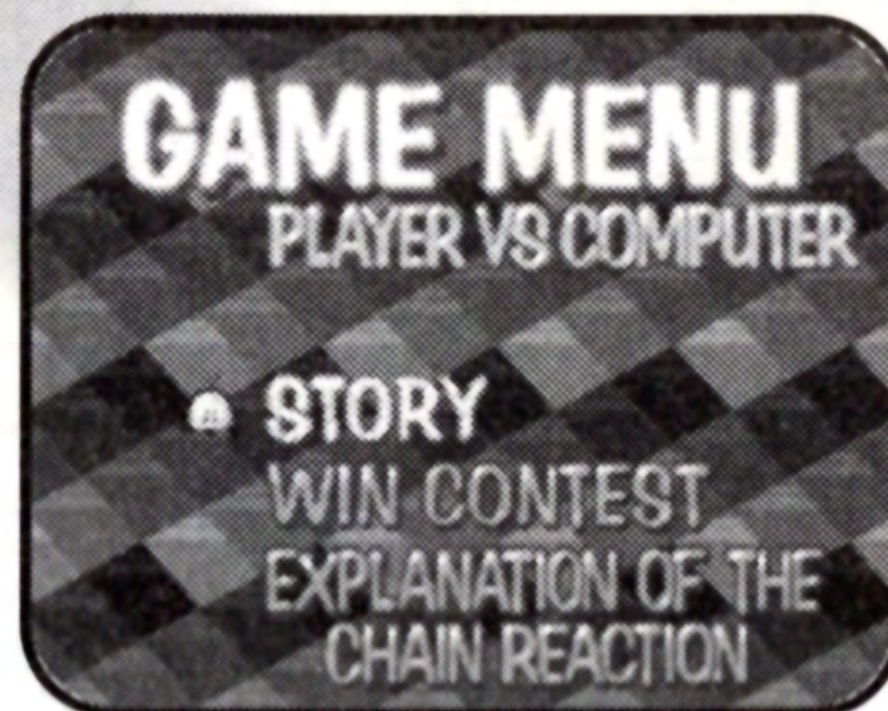
STORY

Kronea, the Mistress of Time has lost her enchanted deck of Tarot Cards, and in Story Mode, it is up to you to help her recover the lost Arcana. Travel across the Dream Dimension, collecting the cards at different locations by solving the Puzzles that they are locked in. After securing one, choose the next location with your Control Pad.

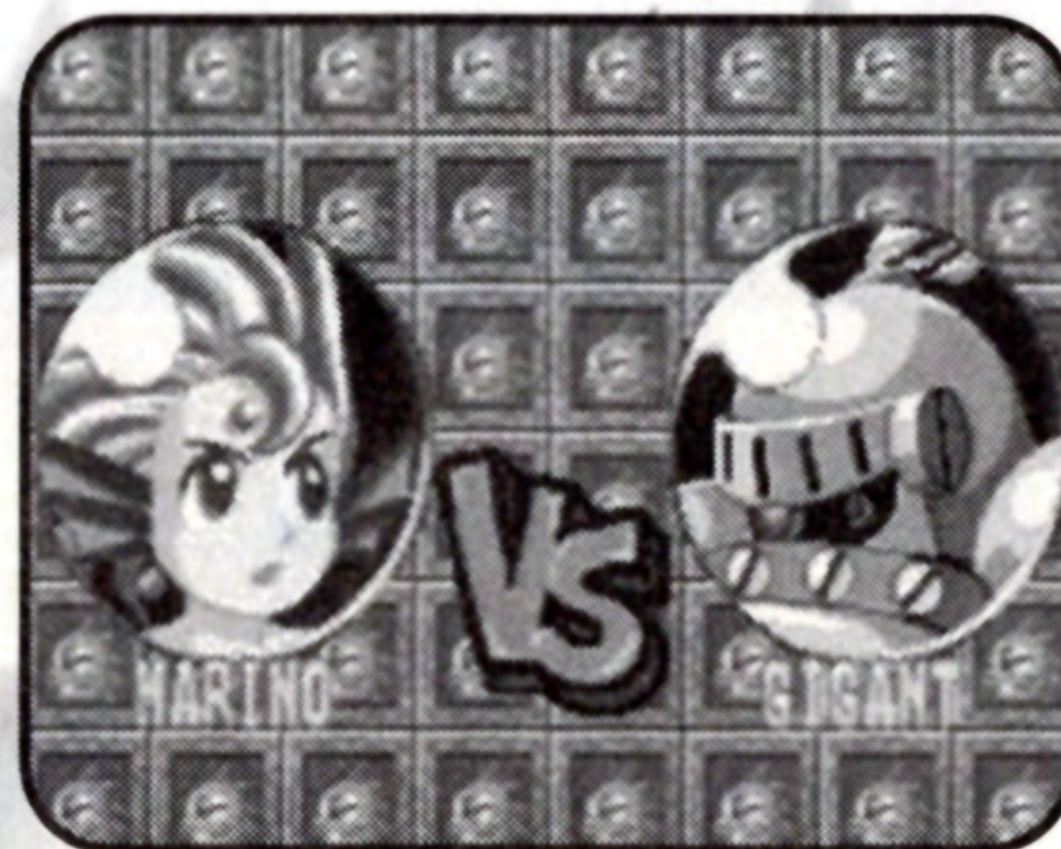


PLAYER VS. COMPUTER

Once you've honed your skills in Puzzle Mode and you're looking for a new challenge, take on the other characters on their own turf in Player vs. Computer Story Mode. If you're on an extended winning streak, enter the single elimination Contest and try to win a special bonus.



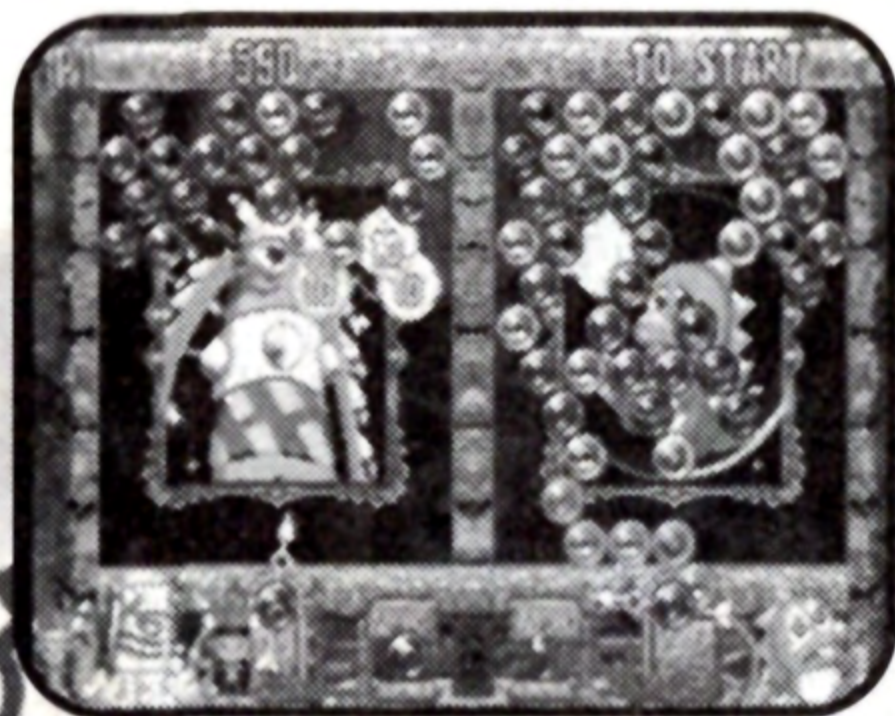
STORY



WIN CONTEST

HEAD TO HEAD PLAY

The object, when facing off against an opponent, is to get the Bubbles to cross their Deadline before they cross your own. Breaking Bubbles in large combinations sends Bubbles to your opponents field based on your character's Attack Pattern. (see pages 11-13)



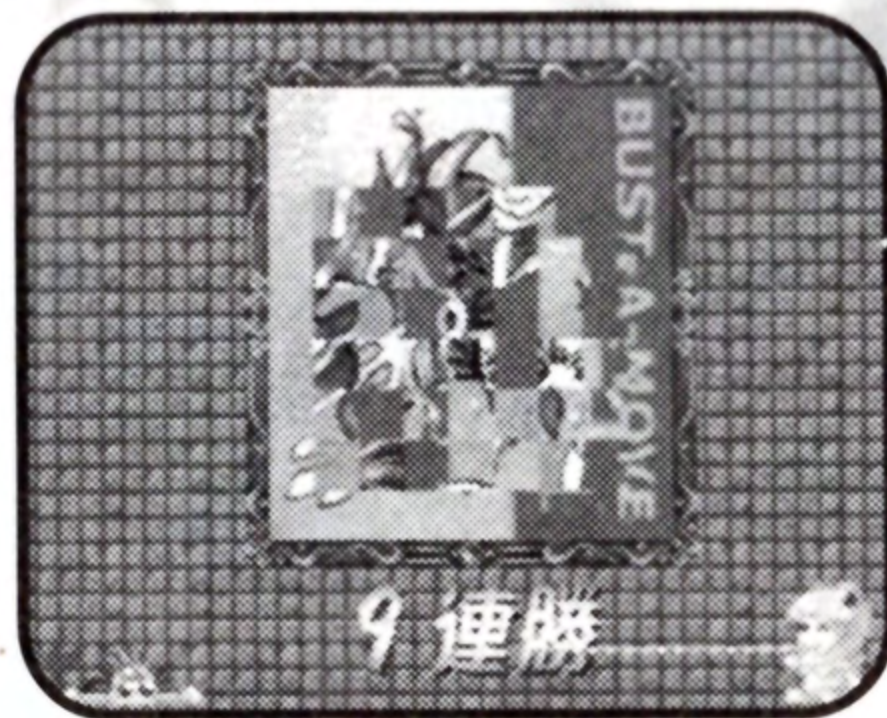
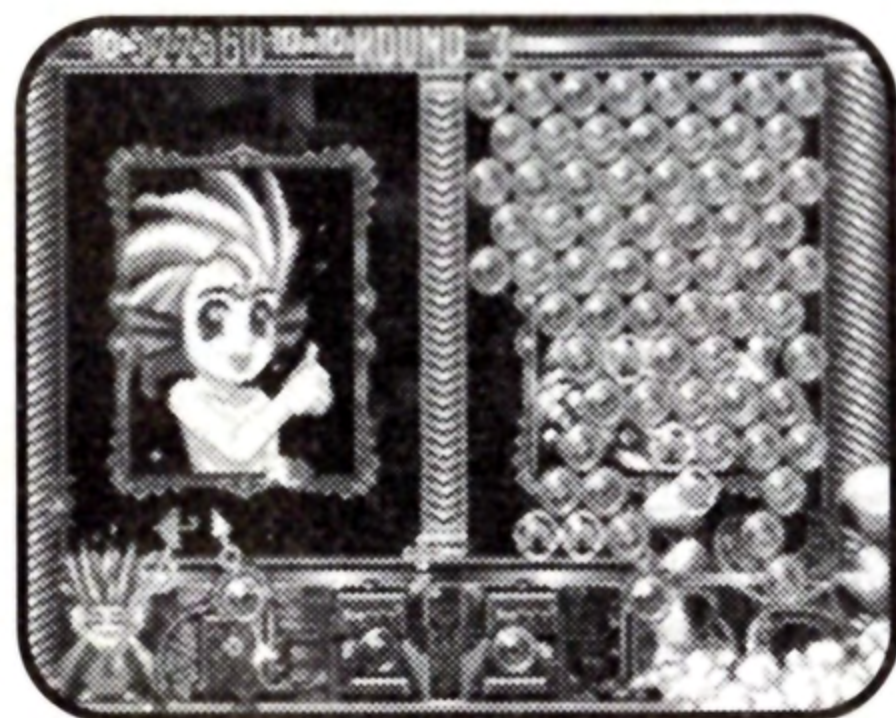
STORY

The story in Player vs. Computer Mode is a different from that in Puzzle Mode. It is up to you to travel from planet to planet, challenging that world's Master to play for Rainbow Bubbles. These Bubbles have been scattered throughout Timespace. Once gathered, they will restore the Dawn to the mystical Bright World.



WIN CONTEST

If you're interested in something less "warm and fuzzy", try to win the single elimination Contest. You'll face each opponent in a winner takes all Puzzle. The further you get, the more of a hidden picture will be revealed to you.



HIDDEN CHARACTER

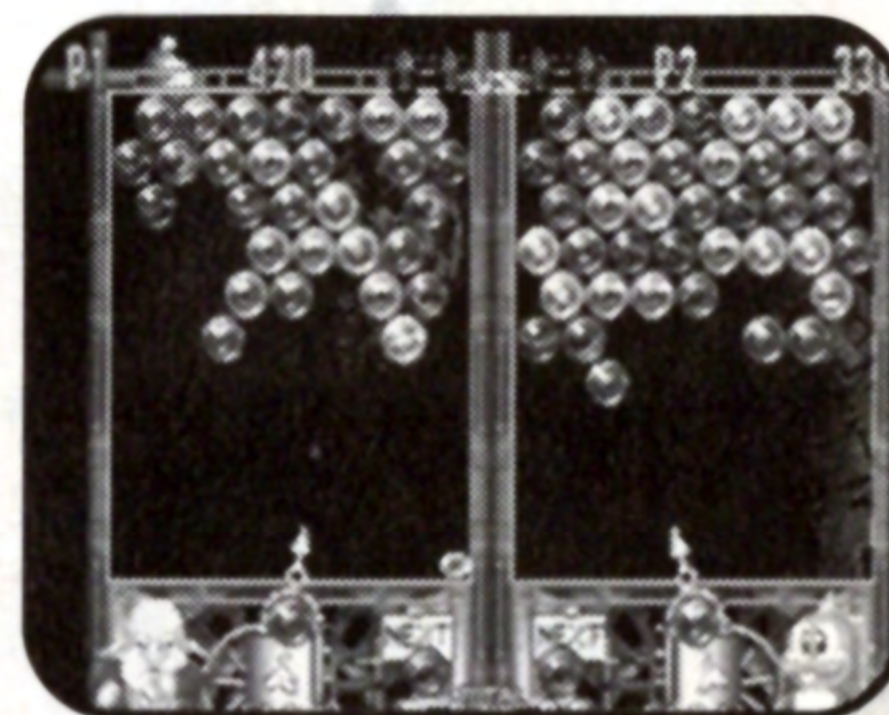
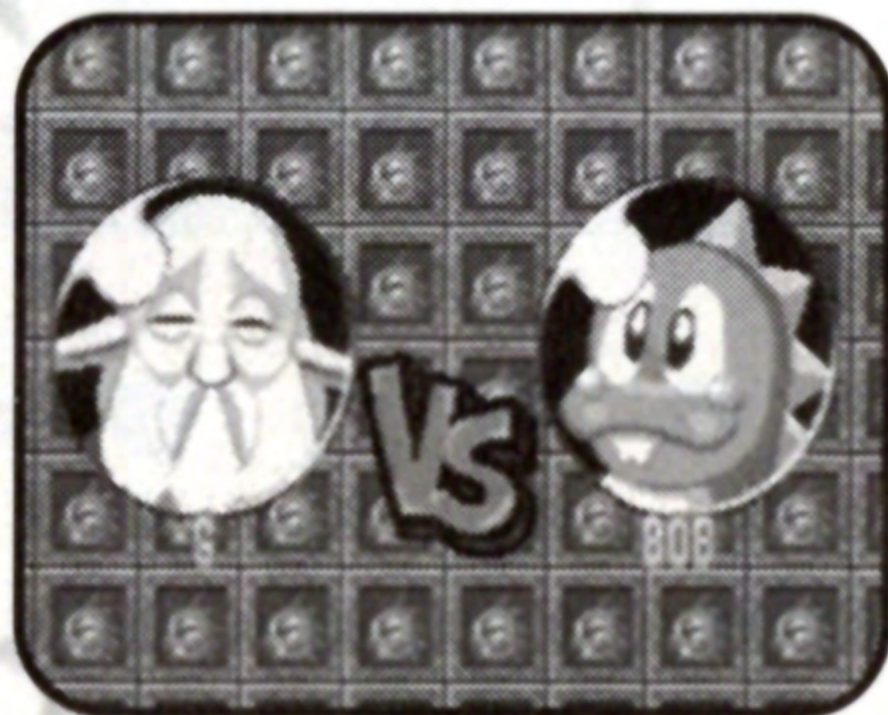
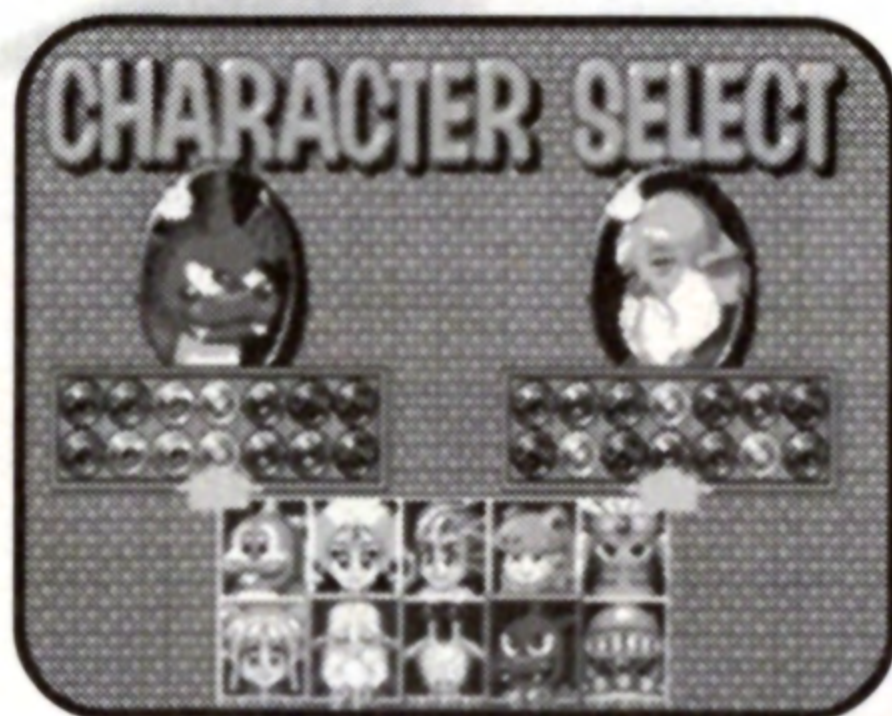


If you are able to beat a mystery character during the Contest, one of them will be available to play afterwards.

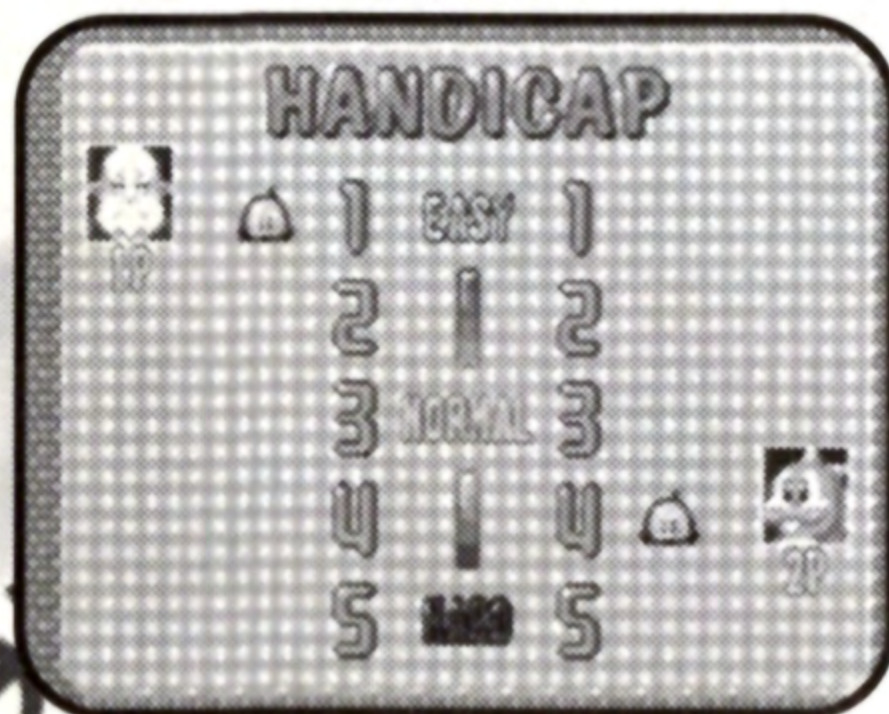
PLAYER VS. PLAYER

Time to show you can dish it out as well as you take it! Settle grudge matches between masters, or give novices a fighting chance with a handicap, or by pairing them with one of the stronger characters.

HERE COMES
A CHALLENGER






Note: Hop into a game in progress with the second Controller's Start button



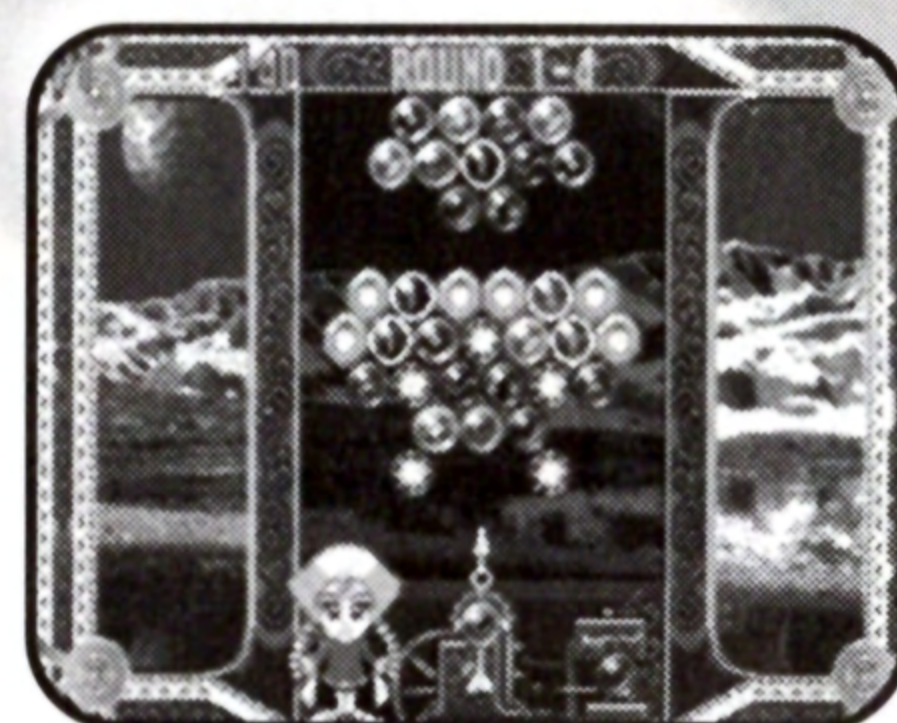
SETTING THE HANDICAP

After each player selects his or her character, you will have an opportunity to level the playing field via the Handicap Screen. The lower the value selected by the player, the easier his or her game will be.

CHALLENGE MODE

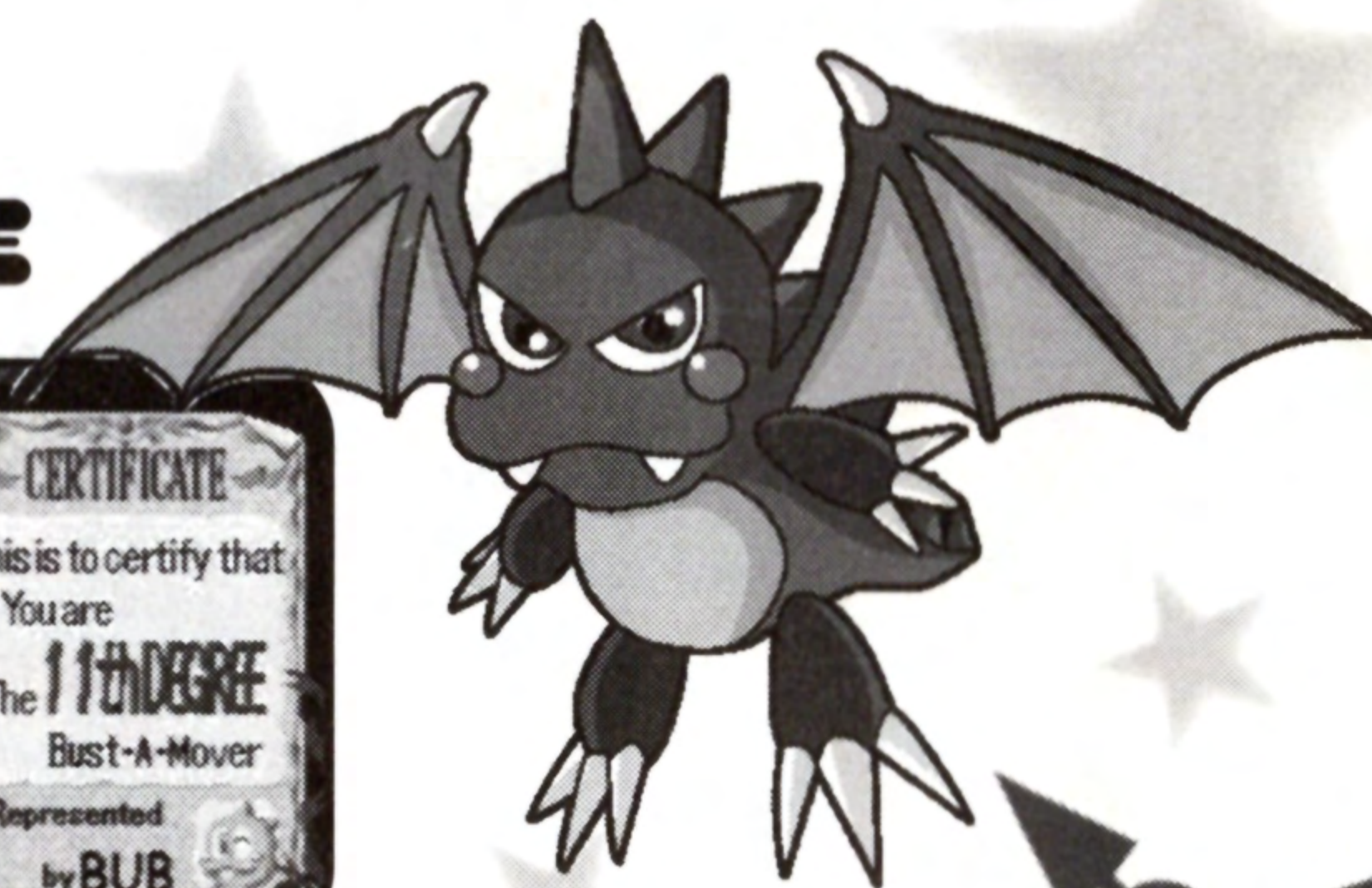
RESULTS	
CLEARED ROUND	2 / 5
AVERAGE TIME	1 min. 28 sec.
SHOT BUBBLE	218
BURST BUBBLE	41
 SPEED	
TECHNIQUE	
STRATEGY	

To find out how good you really are, try your luck in The Challenge. You and your character will face five levels of rigorous testing. Clearing the board isn't always enough; your ability to make trick shots and large combos will also be evaluated. Don't worry: You'll be able to continue even if you can't clear a level.

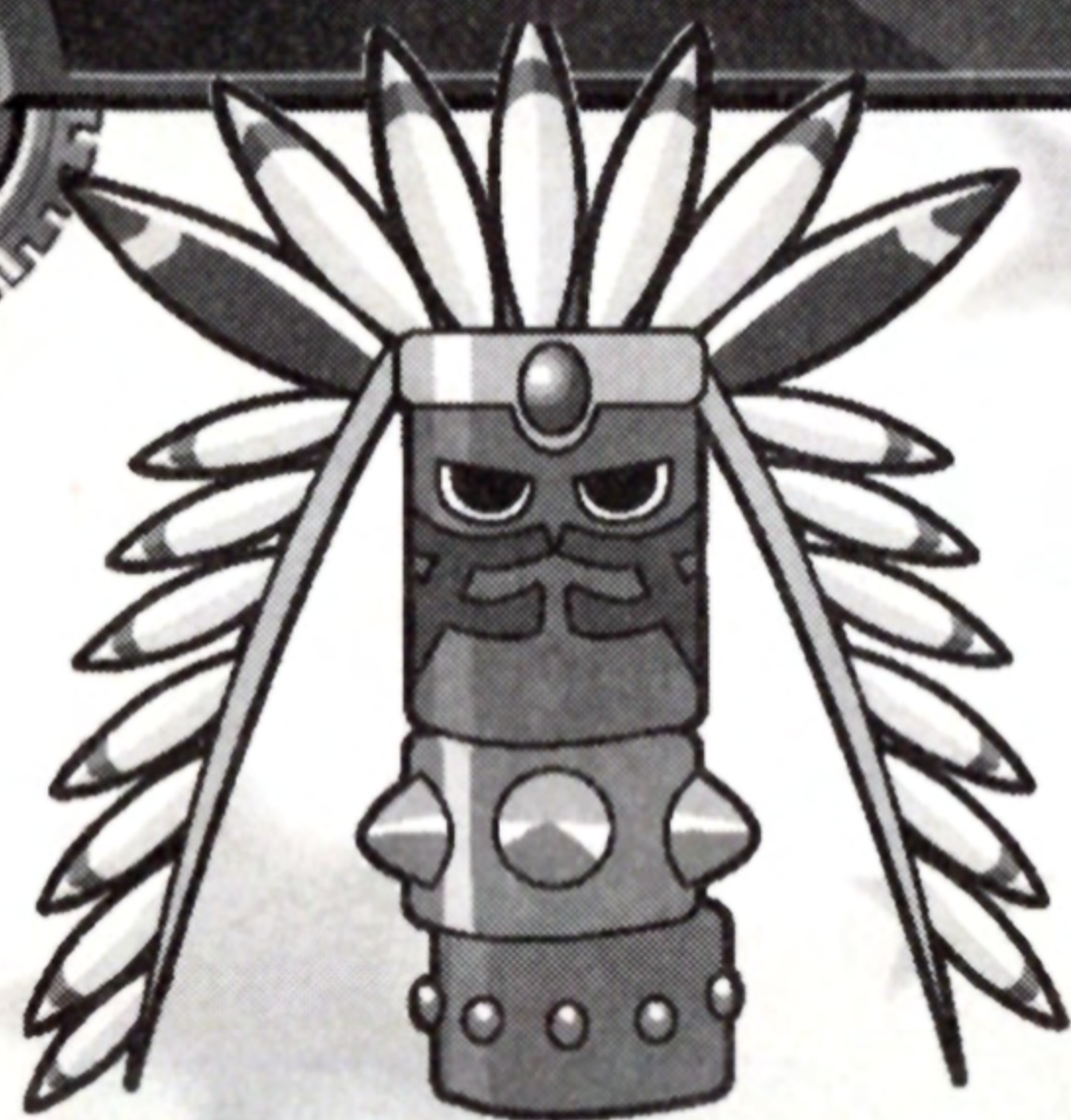


MAKING THE GRADE

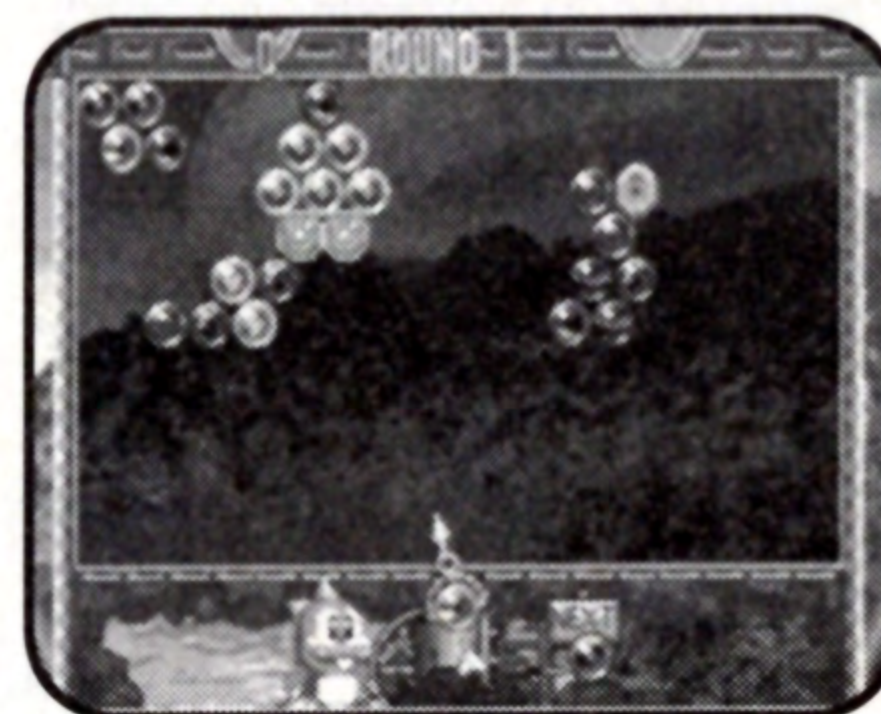
Once you've completed The Challenge, a statistics screen will tell you how you did. It logs the number of bubbles you used and cleared, and it rates your speed, technique, and strategy.



EDIT MODE



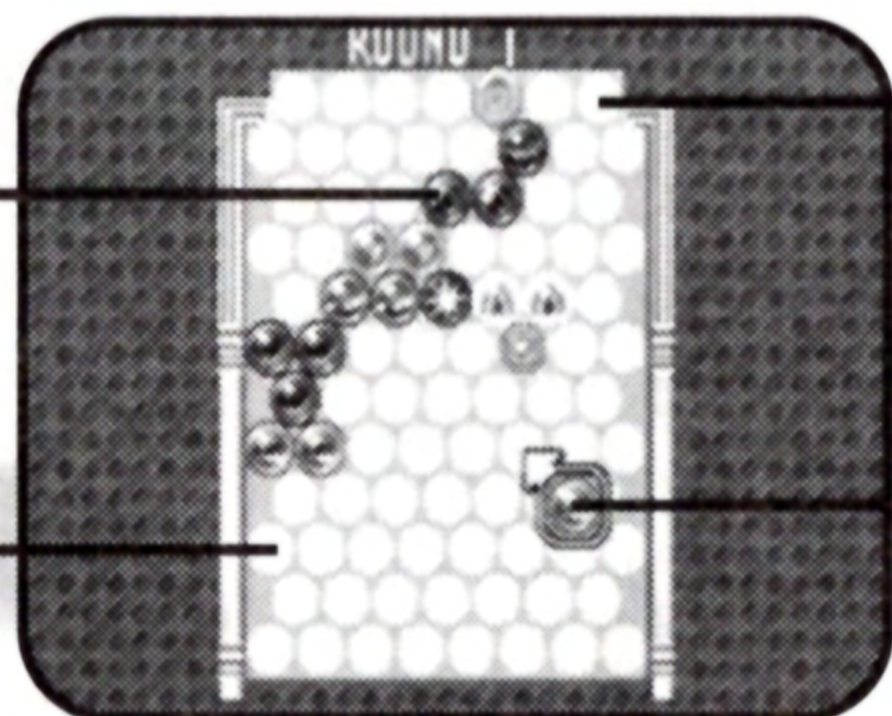
The fun continues even after you've got Bust-A-Move 4's gameplay dialed in. With the new Edit option, you can experiment with game design and create challenges limited only by your own insanity. There's even an option that will randomize elements within your Puzzles, just to keep you guessing. You've made the mess, now you can clean it up.



EDIT MODE INTERFACE

Placed Bubbles

Empty Cells



Anchor Zone

Bubble Cursor



DESIGNING PUZZLES

It takes a lot of experimentation to create Puzzles that are both fun and challenging. Try out your projects in Test Mode as you work on them. It is essential that Bubbles are anchored to something or they will fall away as soon as the game starts.

Remember: Make sure your bubbles are anchored to something!

EDIT MODE CONTROLS

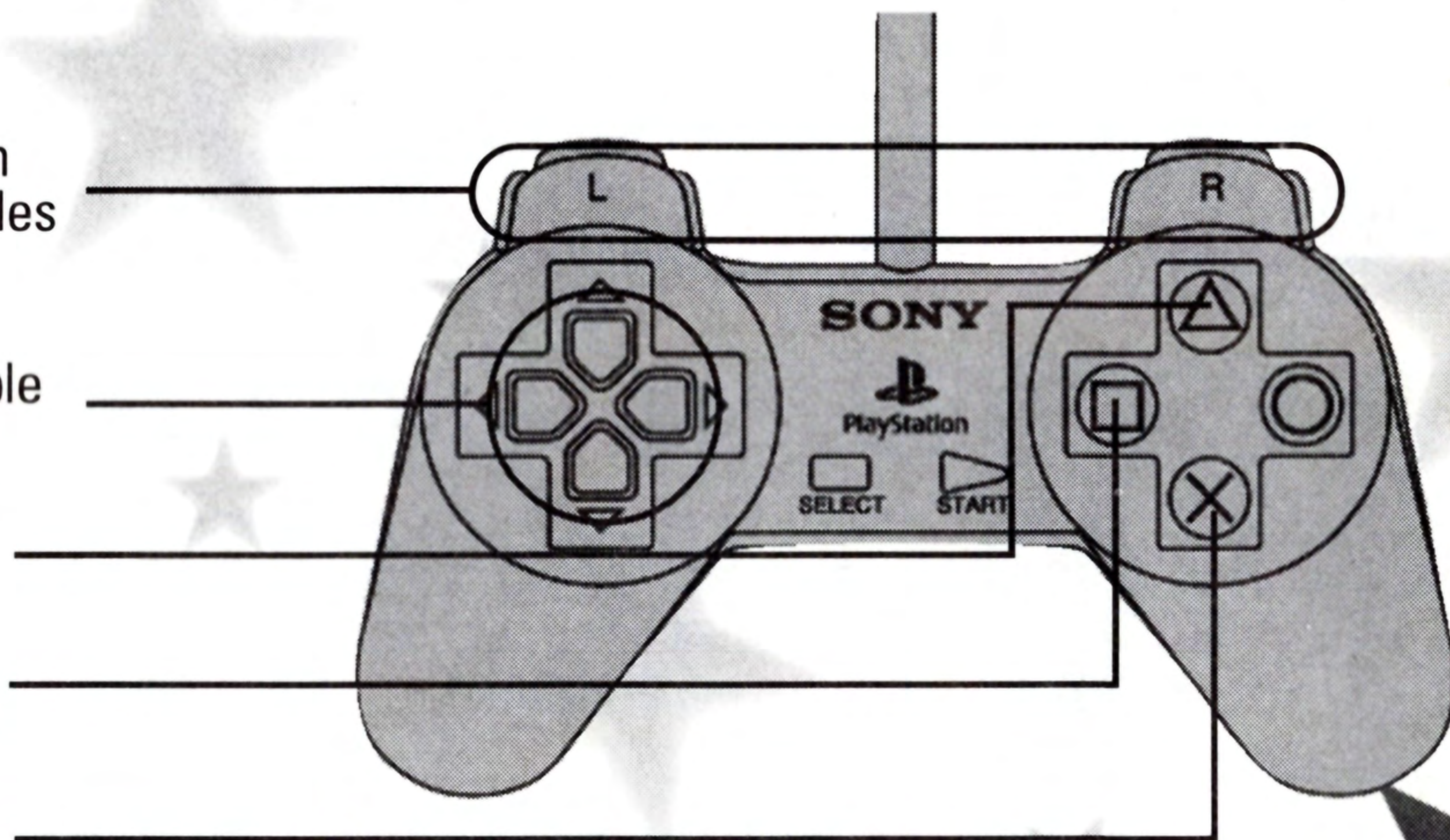
Cycles through
different Bubbles

Positions Bubble
Cursor

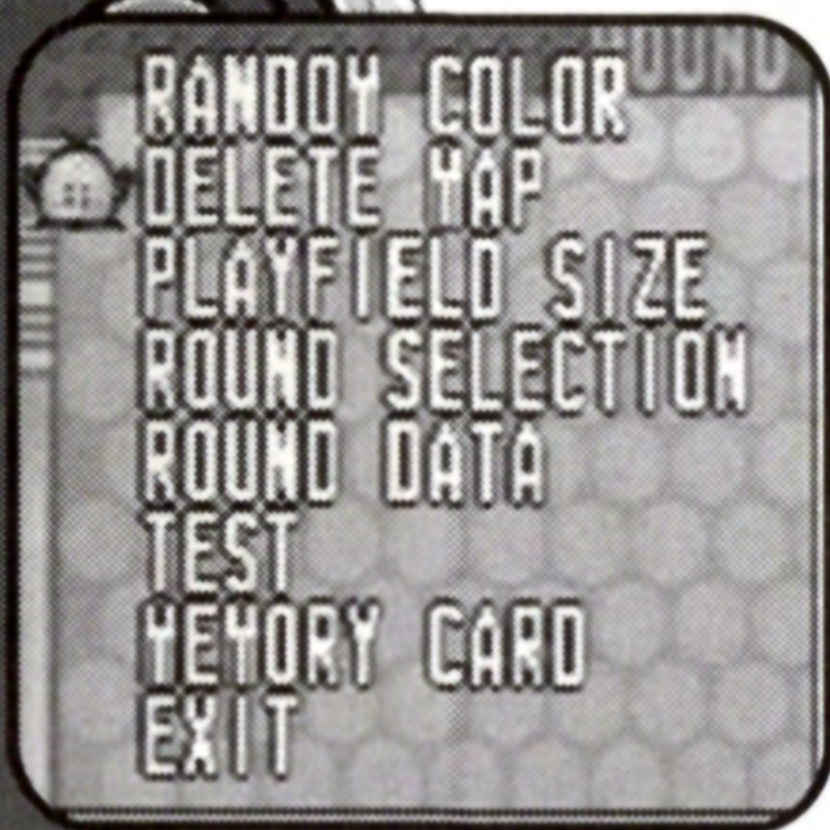
Erases Bubble

Brings up
Options Menu

Places Bubble
in Cell



EDIT PUZZLE OPTIONS



Random Color	Determines colors in Random Pool
Delete Map	Clears current puzzle
Playfield Size	Choose Normal or Wide configuration
Round Select	Set up Multi-Round puzzles
Round Data	Edit the order of Multi-Round Puzzles
Test	Test play a Custom Puzzle
Memory Card	Save or Edit Puzzles saved to Memory Card
Exit	Returns to Edit Mode

SPECIAL BUBBLES



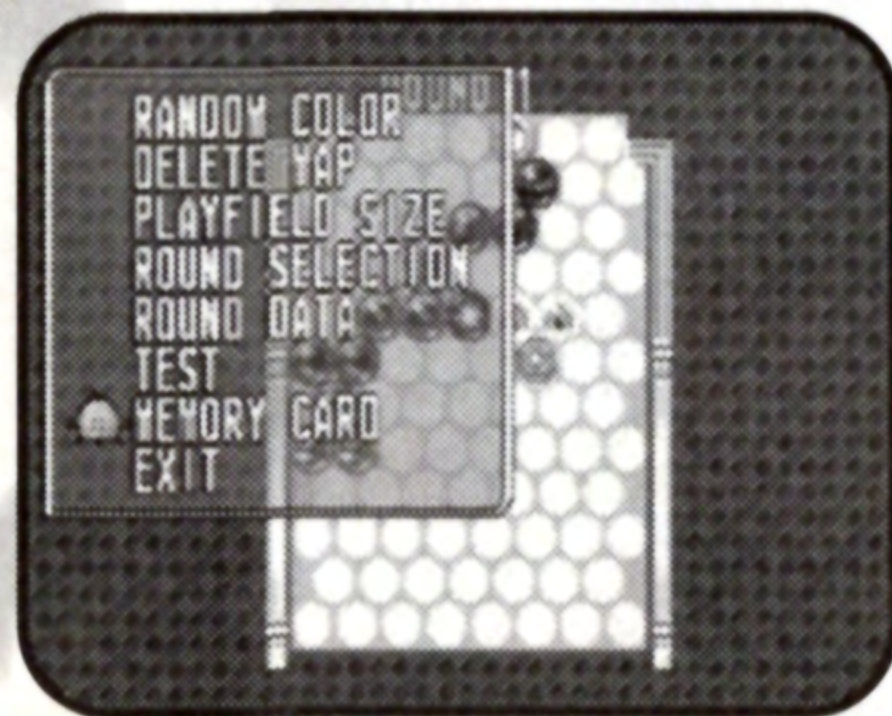
Obstacle

These Obstacle Blocks will anchor Bubbles, and act as the backbone of your Puzzle.



Random

These Bubbles will change color each time the Puzzle is played, depending on the Random Color Setting in the Options Menu.



LOADING & SAVING

Once you've created the perfect mind-bending monster of a Puzzle, slap it onto a Memory Card (through the Edit Puzzle Option Menu,) and get some feedback from your friends. Just maybe, they're smarter than you think!

You can save 25 puzzles on a Memory Card!

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