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The Story

Here's the deal: eons ago, traveling around the world was a snap. Step through a doorway, portal to another place, and pow, you're there. But evil SkullMaster didn't like it that way, nooo. That was too cool for us. So he's gone and destroyed the whole trick system — or most of it, anyway.

SkullMaster's kept some secret portals as part of his world domination plan. He's using them to stockpile and hide the planet's most powerful arsenal. Each weapon is in 8 separate pieces weighing tons, and being guarded by his gross horde of minions. Now, SkullMaster's about to control the globe. However, if Max and his buds can get those heavy weapons together, they'll have SkullMaster under control!
Getting Started

Make sure the power to your Super NES is turned off. Insert the Game Pak, then turn the power on.

If you're playing for the first time, just press the START button to begin. If you wait, a demonstration will run. Press the START button again, at any time, to return to the Title Screen.
Controls

**L Button**: edge left.

**R Button**: edge right.

**Control Pad** Left or Right: move and push left or right.

**Control Pad** Down: crouch or crawl left or right.

**Control Pad** Up: climb.

**Start Button**: pause and un-pause game.

**Y Button**: shoot ping-pong balls.

**X Button**: pick up objects and throw objects.

**B Button**: jump.

**A Button** plus the **Control Pad** Left or Right, Up or Down: see more of the screen in any direction.
Screens
From the Title Screen, you will have three choices: START, OPTIONS and PASSWORD. Push the Control Pad Up or Down to move between the options, and then press the START button to select your choice.
Start

Select this option when you are ready to play. Pressing the Control Pad Left or Right on this option will let you choose a game mode of Practice or Normal. The Practice game allows you to play the game at an easier level and is great for beginners.

Options

Four options are given when you select Options: Players, Sound FX, Music and Level. Pressing the Control Pad Left or Right will change these options. Select EXIT to return to the Title Screen.
2-Player Mode

Max may want to compete with a friend in a race to find and reassemble the weapons. If that's the case, and 2 players go "head to head," they'll actually be able to sabotage each other too. The screen will split horizontally. Player 1 plays in the top half and Player 2 plays in the bottom half.
Password

Passwords are given to the player when he reaches various points in the game. These allow the player to restart the game from this point.

To access the PASSWORD Screen from the Title Screen, select PASSWORD (highlight it) and then press the START button. To enter a password, press the Control Pad Left, Right, Up or Down, then press either the A, B, X or Y button to enter a letter on the password line. Once you have entered your correct password, press the START button to begin play.
Mighty Max has been chosen by the ancient warriors to save the world from the evil hands of SkullMaster. He is armed with a ping-pong weapon that fires balls at high speed.

Felix & Bea
Friends of Max, who together will help rebuild the components of the hidden weapon. They too have a ping-pong ball weapon.

Norman & Virgil
Ancient warriors who act as Max's guides and protectors in this battle between good and evil. Throughout the game they will help and advise Max and his friends of the dangers that await them.
Choosing A Portal

The adventures of Mighty Max begin outside Max's house. There is a choice of two portals. Pressing the Control Pad Left or Right will change the selected portal. Virgil will tell you by "thought transfer" all about the theme to which the portal leads.
The Game Screen

You must complete each level by throwing all of the surrounding weapon pieces into the portals. When there are no pieces left, the Weapon Pieces Remaining portion of the Status Panel will show zero. You must then jump through a portal and teleport to the next level.
Tools

Use these tools to help you collect the weapon pieces.

See-Saws: Placing pieces on one end of a see-saw and dropping an object on the other, will flip the piece up to you.

Rafts: Push pieces onto a raft and they will float.

Magnets: Well-placed magnets can be switched on and moved to attract pieces.

Balloons: By attaching a piece to a balloon and releasing the balloon, the piece will float. Just shoot the balloon to stop it where you want.
Special Bonuses
Each player will be awarded bonus points for collecting the following hidden items:

- **Power Pill**: This will improve your running and jumping ability.
- **Freezer**: Temporarily freezes all enemies.
- **Heart**: Gives one extra life.
- **Megaphone**: When Max picks this up, Norman appears to protect him from the enemy.
**Wishbone:** When Max picks this up, Virgil appears and offers Max a hint or tells him about a secret room.

**Diamond:** Extremely rare. If you manage to pick up this, you'll be awarded 3 extra lives and a million points!

**Level Warp:** When you pick up this, the level you are on is automatically completed.
Level 1: The Volcano

It's a hot time in the ol' crater tonight! Look out for these sizzlers.

**Firebug**: A small bug that spits out fireballs in all directions.

**Firefly**: This guy flies around aimlessly but once in a while will breathe some fire.

**Rock Monster**: He just wanders around like a rolling stone.

**Eruptor**: They'll try to get near you, and when they do, heads will explode shrapnel all over.
If we can land a man on the moon, why can't we clobber these guys?!

Cadets: They wander around in their little tiny helmets.

Rookie: He throws rocks at you when you're near, maybe he's jealous!

Climber: If you get close to him, he homes in on you.

Trooper: Likes to fire a laser gun at you if you're nearby.

Shirker: Can you guess what he does? He shirks.

Driller: Starts his drill up to shake the ground whenever you're around.
Level 3: The Inca Ruins

Sandmen: Get too close and they'll bring you a dream (hypnotize you).

Scorpion: Roams the sand, occasionally firing a lethal sting.

Mummies: If they sense you're around, they'll zoom in on you.

Snakes: These slithery guys get in the way a lot.

Baby Vulture: They're just hanging around. They hatch from eggs in their big nests.
Level 4: The Water

It's like a trip to some crazy sea aquarium — the fish are really jumpin'!

Sea Turtle: This guy walks slowly on the land, but really picks up speed in the water.

Seahorse: He's a lamb out of water, but spits deadly bolts when he's really wet.

Shark: What can you say about a shark? Deadly in the water!

Blowfish: When you're near the seaweed, they'll blow into it and get you tangled up.
Level 5: The Jungle

Here in the jungle, the mighty jungle, you will be facing some really wild ones:

**Pygmies**: They fire high speed darts.

**Witch Doctor**: He sticks pins in dolls to reverse your controls.

**Bats**: These guys are hanging upside down near the trees and zoom in on you if you get too close.

**Killer Parrot**: He flies around aimlessly, but once in a while decides to do a "dive bomb."

**Tree Furtler**: These little creatures are small, but they're always jumping from tree to tree.
Tasmanian Devil: This hungry beast will eat any exotic fruit he comes across.

Conveyor Belts: Place the pieces onto one of these and they will travel along steadily.

Spring Platforms: When a piece is dropped onto one of these, it will bounce up in the air.

Moving Platforms: Place a piece on one of these and it will go wherever the platform moves.

Trap Door: If you want to move a piece downward, this'll come in very handy.

Flying Fish: These guys leap out of the water and fly around. Eventually they drop back in.
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AN EARTHQUAKE ROCKS EASTER ISLAND, THOUSANDS OF MILES OFF THE COAST OF SOUTH AMERICA.

THE EARTHQUAKE BRINGS MISERY TO MANY--AND JOY TO ONE.
That one is Skullmaster.

The earthquake I needed to break open my passage to the Day World...

At last...

...from this Underworld prison where I have been trapped for a fool's millennium!

Go! Finish the job so that I might again be free!
MEANWHILE...

THIS IS THE LIFE, FELIX. NO RESPONSIBILITIES, NO WORLDS TO SAVE...

UNTIL, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROPHECY, A DESTINED SWING...

CRACK

...AND A DESTINED CATCH...

POW

THANK YOU, THANK YOU...
WITH A SWING LIKE THAT, I'M GLAD HE'S ON OUR TEAM.

HEY, IT'S ALREADY AUTOGRAPHED!

MAX, TAKE THE PORTAL IN THE BULLPEN.

DOHH!
BUT I'VE GOT TO SEE A CHICKEN...

...ABOUT A PORTAL!

SORRY, MAN!

WAS THAT YOUR KNUCKLEBALL?
MAX FALLS THROUGH THE ANCIENT PORTAL...

FROM CHAVEZ RAVINE...

TO EASTER ISLAND!

VIRGIL! NORMAN! WHAT'S UP?

A GRAVE CRISIS, MIGHTY ONE.

WE ARE ON EASTER ISLAND, SITE OF A PRIMORDIAL PASSAGE FROM THE UNDERWORLD...
...That Skullmaster's lava beasts are quickly clearing for his release!  

If they succeed, the world will be plunged into perpetual darkness!  

Watch out, mighty one!  

I'm more worried about perpetual flatness!
VIRGIL, UNLESS YOU'VE GOT A POCKET FULL OF POSIES...

...WE'D BETTER GET TO THAT LAKE, PRONTO!
I'VE GOT A HUNCH, AND I HOPE IT'S RIGHT!

VIRGIL, CAN YOU READ THIS?

HM PH. OF COURSE. I CAN SPEAK 732 LANGUAGES.

THAT LANGUAGE IS RONGO–RONGO.

IT SAYS, "WITH A MIGHTY CROWN THE TALL SHALL WALK."

I'VE GOT A HUNCH, AND I HOPE IT'S RIGHT!
NORMAN!

UP AND
OVER!

LET'S SEE
IF THIS
MIGHTY
ONE...

...IS THE
CROWN
THEY'RE
LOOKING
FOR!

WOAH!

CRACK
NOW TO THE LAKE!

WHAT DO YOU SAY WE...

...CLOG THE PLUMBING!
THE VERY BEASTS SKULLMASTER CHOSE TO RELEASE HIM HAVE BLOCKED HIS PASSAGE FOR ANOTHER MILLENIUM.

HOW IRRONIC... THE VERY BEASTS SKULLMASTER CHOSE TO RELEASE HIM HAVE BLOCKED HIS PASSAGE FOR ANOTHER MILLENIUM.

THE SENTINELS RETURN TO THEIR POSTS TO AWAIT THEIR NEXT AWAKENING.

YOU WILL PAY FOR THIS, CAP-BEARER!
IT'S THE BOTTOM OF THE NINTH AND THE BASES ARE LOADED...

SO, FELIX, WHAT'D WE MISS?

JUST A COUPLE OF BORING INNINGS.

WATCH OUT, MIGHTY ONE!

SLAM!
WITH A SWING LIKE THAT, I'M GLAD HE'S ON OUR TEAM.

THE END