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TO ALL DEALER STORES, AREA DIRECTORS
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CAT. NUMBER 260 4531 - SCRIPSIT 2.0, MODEL II.

- SUGGESTED RETAIL - \$499.00

Word Processing is a dramatic improvement on written communications. Anything you can do with a typewriter can be done with a word processor, and much more, but now it can be done faster, more accurately, and far more economically. Research has found that it costs \$3.31 to have a single page of text typed up.

Let's presume that your typist can do 80 words a minute with 99% accuracy. This is another way of saying it will take her about 8 minutes to type a page of text, and there will probably be 2 or 3 mistakes on that sheet. If it happens to be a legal document, she will have to do it over and over again until it is letter perfect. There can be no corrections, overtyping or erasures.

With SCRIPSIT, you type onto the screen instead of onto paper. Once you have completed the text, be it one page or fifty, you then proofread what you find on the screen, correct any spelling or typographical errors, and then when you are satisfied with the results you may ask the computer to "repaginate" the document. This instruction causes the computer to examine every page, shifting text from one page to the next to ensure that each page has the same number of lines.

At the stroke of a key you may insert text at any point of the document, be it a word, sentence or paragraph. The computer then closes up the text as if the insertion had always been there. In the same manner you may delete any amount of text.

When you are satisfied the computer will print the report, letter perfect every time, at a speed of about 540 words per minute, and it will give you as many copies of the document as you need, up to 254. The document is stored on diskette so that tomorrow, or next week, or next year, you can recall the document and use it again and again.

Word Processing is the most important single item of software in our inventory, and is the reason that half of our computers are sold. Almost every businessman you speak to can use it, whereas many are locked in to an account system such as Kalamazoo, or a manual inventory control system. Later they may switch to computer accounts or inventory control, but the TRS-80 is bought as a word processor.

Remember that a pure word processing system will cost almost as much as a TRS-80 MODEL II, with printer, but by going with us they have a computer as well!!!

The features of SCRIPSIT are too numerous to list on a few pages, but let me cover the highlights, the ones that will help you to sell a MODEL II system based on word processing.

If we forget about error correction, the one item that slows a typist down is waiting to hear that little bell ring that signifies the end of a line. With SCRIPSIT the typist doesn't worry about it. When the end of a line is reached, if the word does not fit on the line the computer moves the entire word to the next line. We call this WORD WRAPAROUND, and it is extremely effective in a demonstration.

Documents can be PASSWORD PROTECTED, so that only the author can work with the document.

In most documents there is some need to center lines. If you were doing so on a typewriter you would move to the center of the page, then backspace 1 space for every two characters, then type in that line. With SCRIPSIT you simply type in the line, then hold the CONTROL key down and press "L". The line is automatically centered.

You can change FORMAT as often in one page as you like, quickly and easily. This means that you may want to have one paragraph indented. Instead of having to use tabs as you would on a typewriter, the computer will do it for you. You may even go back after the page has been written on the

screen and very quickly change the format of any line, paragraph, or the entire page with the touch of two keys.

By using the DAISY WHEEL printer, SCRIPSIT will allow you to have your text printed out "JUSTIFIED". This means that words or character spacing will be altered to make both left and right margins will be perfectly straight. To improve the appearance you may also have the computer display the text, showing you every point where hyphenation might be used.

CAUTION!!! When you end a document, always press <ENTER> to stop "justification" of a short line, giving a result such as -

T H E E N D O F T H E T E X T
This is the only way the computer can know not to justify that last line.

Any amount of text can quickly and easily be moved, be it a word, sentence, paragraph, any portion of a page or the entire page. You need only use two keys to define the amount of text, then type "M" to move, or "D" to duplicate, move the cursor to where you want the text inserted and press one key. In fact you can even move this text to another document in the same way.

Let's presume you have a lengthy piece of correspondence, but it has been "personalised". The original was sent to JIM JONES, but now you want to send it to BILL SMITH. GLOBAL SEARCH, DELETE OR CHANGE allows you to instruct the computer to search through the document, and each time it finds "JIM" to change it to "BILL".

In many applications, such as a Legal Office, most documents are made up of paragraphs that are common to many documents. With SCRIPSIT these paragraphs may be stored separately, then ASSEMBLED as you need them, in the order you want them. In other words you may create a new document without typing it out, the computer will assemble it for you, presuming you have previously stored the text.

We also have a MERGE function. If you have a MODEL II with at least two disk drives you may merge another programme such as PROFILE or MAILING LIST with SCRIPSIT. The purpose of this would be to have a "personalised" letter sent to each person on your mailing list, automatically inserting the correct names or other items in each letter. The end result is that each letter gives the appearance of

being hand typed to that person and to him alone.

HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS - MODEL II, 64K, PRINTER AND PRINTER CABLE.

Upon request I will make available a more detailed description of SCRIPSIT, the text used during Seminars based on SCRIPSIT. This involves a complete demonstration, showing each function of word processing.

Remember, we also have a SCRIPSIT DICTIONARY, 269-4534 available now to help you prevent those spelling errors!

This document was produced on SCRIPSIT, using the SCRIPSIT DICTIONARY to automatically hyphenate.