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This is the current errata for the User Guide as supplied with all UK computers.

Page 13	The range of cassette leads shown have now been deleted.
Page 23	The *FX command takes a second parameter which controls the interlace on Modes 0-6. If the second parameter is a 1 then interlace is turned on, if 0 them it is turned off. Note that the change in interlace operation only takes place after the next MODE command.
Page 32	Insert a ' : ' after the ' ; ' on line 115 of the example.
Page 33	Insert a ' : ' after the ' ; ' on line 160.
Page 43	Add a '-' after '+/ ' on line 230.
Page 53	(Second paragraph) Alter 'page 213' to 'page 211'.
Page 61	Delete the space between 'RND' and '(4)' in line 100.
Page 65	The arithmetic range extends from 170000 . . . . . (1.7 * 10^38) to 0.000 . . . . .(1.2 * 10^-39), not as shown.
Page 67	In the second example program there should be '$' after each 'A' in line 40.
Page 72	[BASIC II ONLY] At the top of the page, the maximum number of significant figures is 10, and the initial value of @% is &90A.
Page 74	Add a ' ; ' after "H" in line 40.
Page 93	Alter line 100 of the example to read - FOR ROW = 1 TO 5.
Page 100	(3/4 down the page) All non-zero values are regarded as true EXCEPT integers from -1 to +1
Page 143	(Top of page) Note that the "Auto-boot" mechanism does not work on the cassette filing system. (1/2 down the page) Change 'page 424' to 'page 422'.
Page 152	(3/4 down the page) the code for 'New Background' is 157 not 137 as shown.
Page 179	Line 10120 of the example should read MOVE X%, Y%.
Page 204	(Last paragraph) 'page 428' should read 'page 426'.
Page 288	Note that pressing <SHIFT> and <CTRL> together holds the listing until they are released, and that <ESCAPE> stops the listing.
Page 327	Note that 'PRINT~' followed by a numeric argument prints that argument in hexadecimal.
Page 328	(paragraph concerning Integer Variables) Integers are sent MOST significant byte first, not least significant byte first as shown.

Page 416	(First paragraph) The whole LINE after a ' * ' is passed to the Operating System, rather than just the rest of the statement.
Page 421	Alter *FX2,0 to read '...and DISABLES the RS423 receiver'. Alter *FX2,1 to read '...RS423 port, disables the keyboard'.
Page 423	Add : *FX6,0 filters NO characters.
Page 427	In paragraph six, 'After a *FX20,1 command....' the line should read 'After a *FX20,6 command....'.
Page 438	(paragraph beginning 'If on entry....') The net effect of X=&00 and Y=&FF is to read the value of V into X (not A as shown).
Page 439	The second OSBYTE call shown is A=&E2(226) not &EA(228).
Page 453	(top paragraph) The channel number is returned in A not in Y as shown.
Page 459	OSWORD A=O : 'On exit ...... Y is set to the length of the line EXcluding the CR if C=0.' (Not INcluding as shown).
Page 469/70	There should be ' \ ' characters between the assembler statements and the comments on EVERY line.
Page 482	Add three error codes: 251 - Bad Key 253 - Bad String 254 - Bad Command
Page 488	The pattern for code 36 should be inverted (ie black:=white and white:=black).
Page 489	The pattern for code 228 is upside down.
Page 490	The comments for codes 24 and 27 should be reversed (ie 27=Nothing).
Page 497	The codes for the UP and DOWN cursor keys should be reversed.
Page 499	The pin numbers on the disc, printer, user input/output, 1MHz bus and Tube have been reversed (eg on the Tube, the top right pin is pin1 and the bottom left pin is pin34).
Page 501	Delete the comment that &D00-&DFF is for user supplied routines. This area is RESERVED for the Operating System.

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