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Official Guide for the Nintendo Entertainment System

1. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

This manual provides essential instructions for playing **The Legend of Zelda** on the Nintendo Entertainment System (NES). Familiarize yourself with the game's objectives, controls, and features to fully experience the adventure. The story begins with Ganon, the King of Evil, escaping the Dark World and capturing Hyrule's Princess Zelda. Before her capture, Princess Zelda shatters the **Triforce of Wisdom** into eight pieces and scatters them across Hyrule. It is your quest, as Link, to recover these Triforce pieces and rescue Princess Zelda from Ganon's clutches.

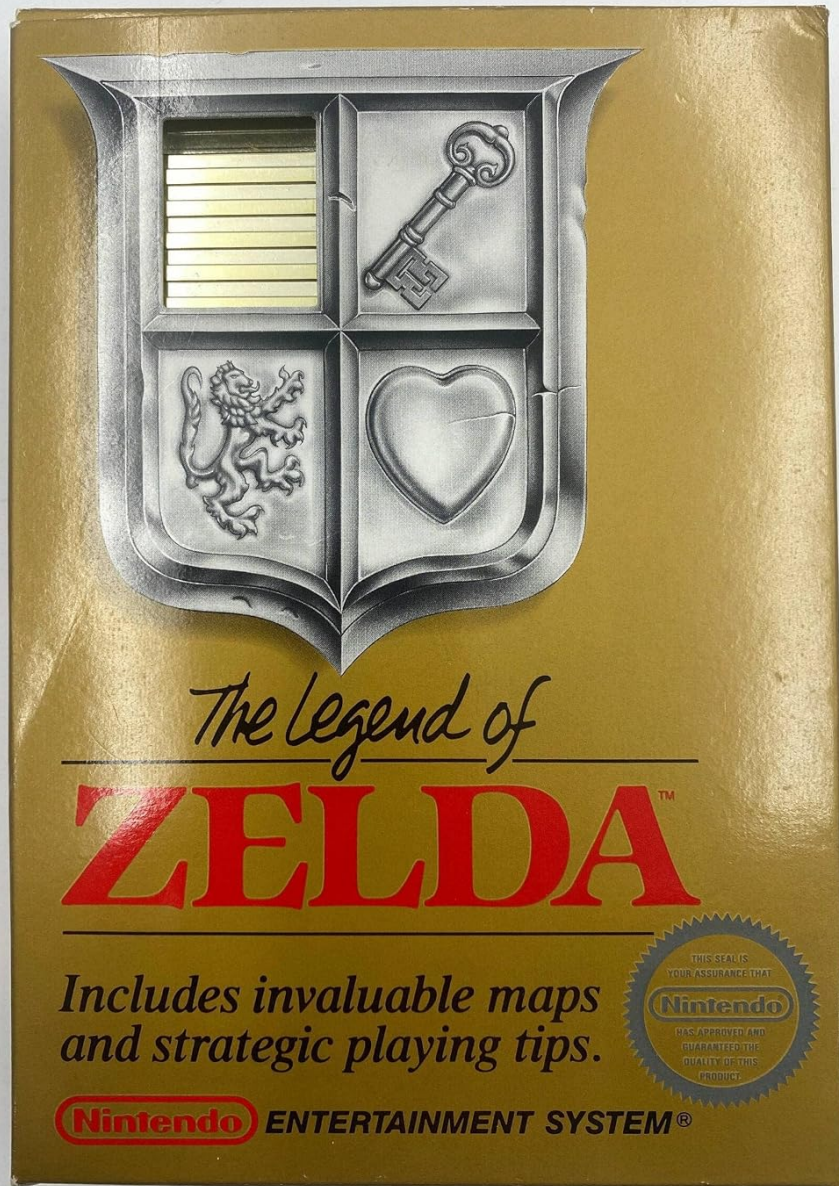


Image 1.1: Front cover of *The Legend of Zelda* game box for the Nintendo Entertainment System. The golden box features the game title and a crest with a key, a lion, and a heart.

2. SETUP

To begin playing **The Legend of Zelda**, ensure your Nintendo Entertainment System is properly connected to your television and power source. Refer to your NES console's instruction manual for detailed setup procedures if needed.

1. **Insert the Game Pak:** Gently insert **The Legend of Zelda** Game Pak into the NES console's cartridge slot. Ensure it is fully seated.
2. **Power On:** Turn on your television and the NES console. Select the correct input channel on your TV.
3. **Start Game:** Press the START button on your NES controller to begin the game.



Image 2.1: The golden game cartridge for *The Legend of Zelda* on the Nintendo Entertainment System. The label features the game title and a crest.

3. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS (GAMEPLAY)

The Legend of Zelda is an action-adventure game designed for one player. Your journey involves exploring the vast world of Hyrule, interacting with its inhabitants, discovering hidden secrets, and battling various enemies.

3.1. Basic Controls

- **Directional Pad (D-Pad):** Move Link in four directions (up, down, left, right).
- **A Button:** Use your primary weapon (e.g., sword).
- **B Button:** Use your secondary item (e.g., bomb, boomerang). This item can be selected from the inventory screen.
- **START Button:** Pause the game and access the inventory screen.
- **SELECT Button:** Access the sub-screen for maps and item selection.

3.2. Saving Your Progress

The Legend of Zelda features a battery-backed save system. To save your game, you must be defeated in battle or intentionally choose to save from the game over screen. When prompted, select "SAVE" to record your progress. This allows you to continue your adventure from where you left off.

3.3. Exploration and Items

Hyrule is filled with dungeons, caves, and hidden areas. Explore thoroughly to find power-ups, new weapons, and essential items that will aid you in your quest. Many items are crucial for progressing through the game and defeating specific enemies or bosses.

Interact with characters you encounter; some may offer valuable advice or items. Be wary of enemies that roam the overworld and guard dungeons.

4. MAINTENANCE

Proper care of your **The Legend of Zelda** Game Pak will ensure its longevity and reliable performance.

- **Storage:** Store the Game Pak in its protective sleeve or box when not in use to prevent dust and damage.
- **Cleaning Contacts:** If the game does not start or experiences glitches, gently clean the gold connector pins on the bottom of the Game Pak with a cotton swab lightly dampened with isopropyl alcohol. Allow to dry completely before re-inserting into the console.
- **Handling:** Avoid touching the connector pins directly with your fingers. Do not expose the Game Pak to extreme temperatures, moisture, or direct sunlight.



Image 4.1: The back of The Legend of Zelda NES game cartridge, showing the warning label, alongside the game box and the instruction booklet.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues while playing **The Legend of Zelda**, consider the following troubleshooting steps:

- **Blinking Screen/Game Not Starting:**
 - Ensure the Game Pak is fully and correctly inserted into the NES console.
 - Try removing and re-inserting the Game Pak several times.
 - Clean the Game Pak's connector pins as described in the Maintenance section.
 - Ensure your NES console's 72-pin connector is clean and functional.
- **Controller Not Responding:**
 - Check that the controller is securely plugged into the NES console.
 - Test with another NES controller if available.
- **No Sound or Distorted Sound:**

- Verify that your television's volume is up and not muted.
- Check all audio/video connections between the NES and your TV.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Product Title	The Legend of Zelda
Brand	Nintendo
Platform	Nintendo NES
Compatible Console Models	Nintendo Entertainment System
Number of Players	1
Language	English
ESRB Rating	Everyone
Product Dimensions	5.7 x 5.3 x 0.7 inches
Item Weight	0.8 ounces
UPC	045496630324
ASIN	B00004SVXW

7. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For information regarding product warranty or technical support for **The Legend of Zelda** Game Pak or your Nintendo Entertainment System, please refer to the documentation included with your original NES console or contact Nintendo customer support directly.

Nintendo Customer Support: For the most current support information, please visit the official Nintendo website or consult your regional Nintendo support channels.

Note: This product is a legacy item for the Nintendo Entertainment System. Support options may vary.

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Example: How do I reset this device or fix this error?

Details

Model number, symptoms, what you tried, or the section of the manual you are using.

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