
Appendix G

Using an 80-Column Text Card

This appendix explains how to use 80-column text cards with high-level languages. Information about using 80-column text cards with assembly-language programs through the Apple IIe Monitor firmware is found in Chapter 3 of this manual. The information in this appendix applies to the Apple IIe 80-Column Text Card and the Apple IIe Extended 80-Column Text Card.

If you are using Applesoft, ProDOS, or DOS you can choose to leave the 80-column text card inactive after installing it. You will want to do this when running software that does not take advantage of the 80-column display capability.

The startup procedure for displaying 80 columns of text on your Apple IIe depends on which operating system you plan to use. Starting up the system with Apple II Pascal or CP/M is very easy; the operating system does it for you. The procedures for starting up with ProDOS or DOS 3.3 are slightly more complicated, but not difficult.

Starting up with Pascal or CP/M

Pascal programmers don't have to activate the text card because Pascal does it for them. If you use the Pascal language or the CP/M operating system, displaying 80 columns of text is automatic once you've installed the card. Simply start up your system with any Pascal or CP/M startup disk.