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◆ Inspired by the success of the Lisa and the Macintosh, Apple launch the Ii — a portable and somewhat upgraded version of the Apple II.

◆ Having completed the Interface Box, our workshop series moves on to building the external power supply and controller unit that accompanies it.

◆ In BASIC Programming we design a user-defined character generator utility for the Commodore 64, Spectrum and BBC Micro



QUIZ

- 1) How is the UNIX operating system manual unusual?
- 2) What is the disadvantage of MIDI's serial input/output transmission mode?
- 3) What is unusual about the Motorola 6809's accumulators?
- 4) Why was The Hobbit given away with The Hobbit?

Answers To Last Week's Quiz

- 1) MIT LOGO was the first version of the language to appear on microcomputers.
- 2) Although many of the 6809 registers are 16-bit, its 16-bit arithmetic and logic operations are severely limited — like the Z80, it is really just a powerful eight-bit processor.
- 3) Facsimile transmission, or 'fax', is the electronic transmission of images.
- 4) SQL is a query language used to access mainframe databases.

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