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The *Personal Computer World Show*, held last year at the end of September, has become the leading venue for the unveiling of new computer products, and the exchange of ideas between computer owners, clubs and companies. Amongst the crowds of schoolchildren eager to demonstrate their prowess at every new arcade game, bewildered businessmen trying to decide which micro offers the best value, and the cacophony of explosions and dalek-like voice synthesisers, were to be seen a vast array of new computers, add-ons and software. Some were available for sale, though an unfortunate number appeared to be little more than manufacturer's prototypes.

Spectrum Interface ►

Plug-in cartridge software is now available for the Sinclair Spectrum. But you will need to buy a special interface, which can also connect with joysticks

Talking Back

'My Talking Computer' from Electroplay is designed specifically for teaching young children, and features a talking clock and other educational features ▼



◀ New From Sharp

The Sharp PC-5000 is a truly portable computer complete with an eight-line Liquid Crystal Display and an optional built-in silent printer. It uses 'Bubble Memory', which has approximately the same capacity for storage as a disk drive, but no moving parts

Flight Simulators

The number of games programs and specialist games software companies is growing each month. Several produce Flight Simulators - which are both educational and fun ▼



The Buzzbox ►

A modem is the means of sending data from one microcomputer to another over the telephone. The new Buzzbox from DaCom Systems is not only compact but, at £80, probably the cheapest modem on the market

◀ Three-Dimensional Games

Arcade games have now become three-dimensional, though special glasses are needed to view the effect. The screen displays separate images for the left and right eyes

