



Technical Requirements

To run most of Space Explorers' programs, minimum system requirements are:

- 486 or better IBM; 68040 or better Macintosh
- 16 meg RAM memory minimum
- Fast Internet connection- a T1 line or faster is preferred. Running the simulation using one shared 56K (or slower) modem will slow down the simulations and experiments and will have trouble engaging students.
- Internet browser Netscape 4.6 or Explorer 4.0 or better
- There are some portions of the website that will require you to have Adobe Acrobat Reader, Macromedia Shockwave Player or the QuickTime plug-in. We suggest downloading all three before starting any Space Explorers programs. All these are free of charge and are available for both PC and Macintosh operating systems.
- Please click on the "Simulation Test Page" link in the Teacher Guide to test your browser before running a mission simulation.
- If possible, for best viewing, set your monitor's resolution to 1024x768. Doing this will enable the viewer to see most of the screen, and scrolling is kept to a minimum.

In creating the Mars Explorer Program, Space Explorers, Inc. (SEI) wanted to create a highly interactive program that could take advantage of the capabilities of the newer computers on the market. The technology used in the simulation will scale itself to each computer's capabilities. It is designed to allow an enjoyable experience on a minimal system, and on a top-of-the-line system, a level of graphical intensity rarely seen in educational products. If your computers meet the requirements, the only software required are an Internet browser and the latest Shockwave player.

To run Mars Explorer, minimum system requirements are:

Windows

- Win2K, Pentium III, 128MB
- WinXP, Pentium III, 128MB
- Microsoft Internet Explorer 6sp1
- Netscape 7.1

Macintosh OS X

- Power Macintosh G3 running OS 10.4.3 or later, 128 MB RAM
- Microsoft Internet Explorer 5.2 or later
- Netscape 7.1
- Safari