GAME BOY ADVANCE

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MONSTER! BASS FISHING

INSTRUCTION BOOKLET

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PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THE SEPARATE HEALTH AND SAFETY PRECAUTIONS BOOKLET INCLUDED WITH THIS PRODUCT BEFORE USING YOUR NINTENDO® HARDWARE SYSTEM, GAME PAK OR ACCESSORY. THIS BOOKLET CONTAINS IMPORTANT HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION: READ THE FOLLOWING WARNINGS BEFORE YOU OR YOUR CHILD PLAY VIDEO GAMES

⚠ WARNING - Seizures

- Some people (about 1 in 4000) may have seizures or blackouts triggered by light flashes or patterns, such as while watching TV or playing video games, even if they have never had a seizure before.

- Anyone who has had a seizure, loss of awareness, or other symptom linked to an epileptic condition should consult a doctor before playing a video game.

- Parents should watch when their children play video games. Stop playing and consult a doctor if you or your child have any of the following symptoms:

Convulsions	**Eye or muscle twitching**	**Loss of awareness**
Altered vision	**Involuntary movements**	**Disorientation**

To reduce the likelihood of a seizure when playing video games:

1. Sit or stand as far from the screen as possible.
2. Play video games on the smallest available television screen.
3. Do not play if you are tired or need sleep.
4. Play in a well-lit room.
5. Take a 10 to 15 minute break every hour.

⚠ WARNING - Repetitive Motion Injuries and Eyestrain

Playing video games can make your muscles, joints, skin or eyes hurt after a few hours. Follow these instructions to avoid problems such as tendinitis, carpal tunnel syndrome, skin irritation or eyestrain:

- Avoid excessive play. It is recommended that parents monitor their children for appropriate play.
- Take a 10 to 15 minute break every hour, even if you don't think you need it.
- If your hands, wrists or arms or eyes become tired or sore while playing, stop and rest them for several hours before playing again.
- If you continue to have sore hands, wrists or arms or eyes during or after play, stop playing and see a doctor.

⚠ WARNING - Battery Leakage

Leakage of battery acid can cause personal injury as well as damage to your Game Boy. If battery leakage occurs, thoroughly wash the affected skin and clothes. Keep battery acid away from your eyes and mouth. Leaking batteries may make popping sounds.

To avoid battery leakage:

- Do not mix used and new batteries (replace all batteries at the same time).
- Do not mix alkaline and carbon zinc batteries.
- Do not mix different brands of batteries.
- Do not use nickel cadmium batteries.
- Do not leave used batteries in the Game Boy. When the batteries are losing their charge, the power light may become dim, the game sounds may become weak, or the display screen may be blank. When this happens, promptly replace all used batteries with new batteries.
- Do not leave batteries in the Game Boy or accessory for long periods of non-use.
- Do not leave the power switch on after the batteries have lost their charge. When you finish using the Game Boy, always slide the power switch OFF.
- Do not recharge the batteries.
- Do not put the batteries in backwards. Make sure that the positive (+) and negative (-) ends are facing in the correct directions. Insert the negative end first. When removing batteries, remove the positive end first.
- Do not dispose of batteries in a fire.

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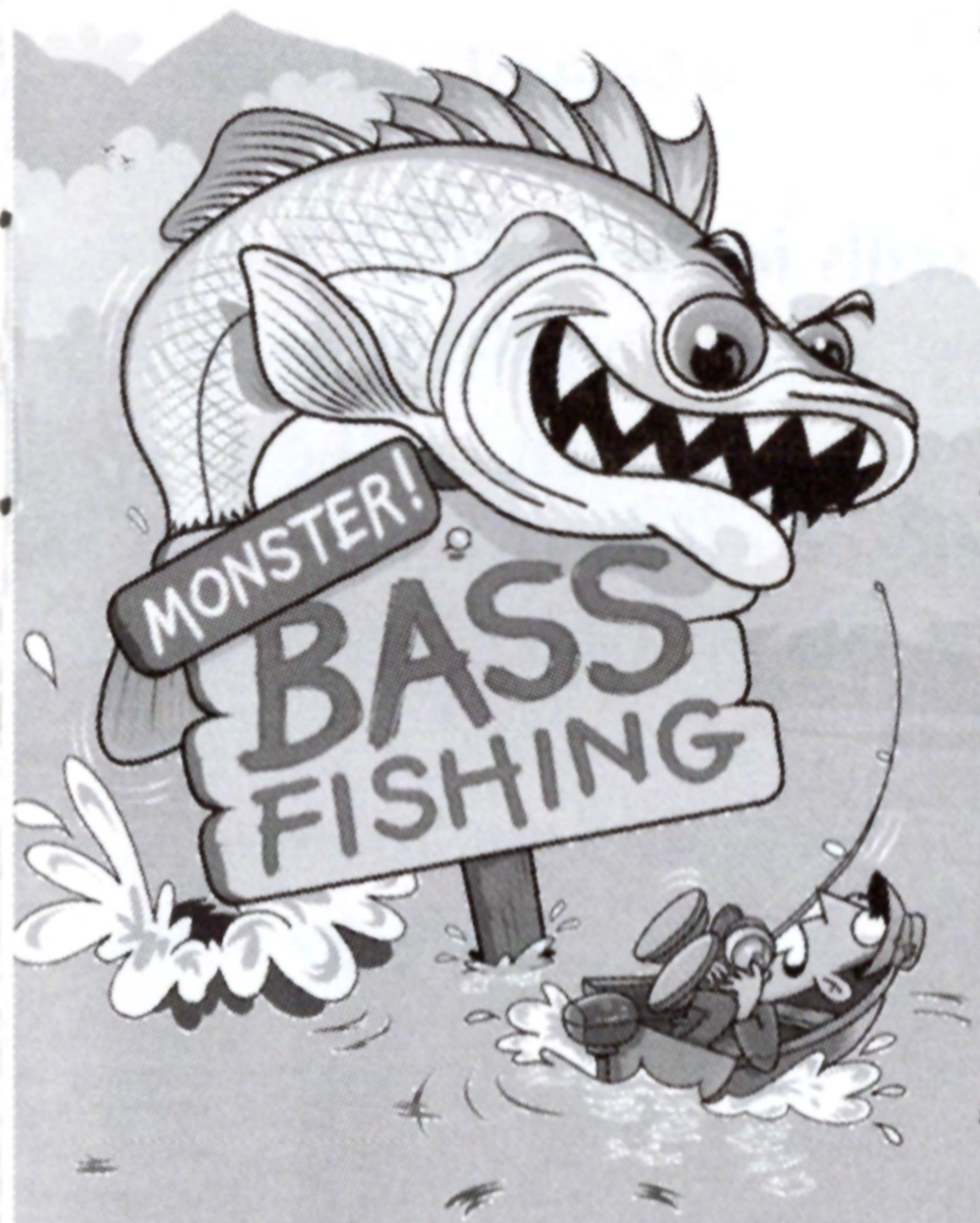

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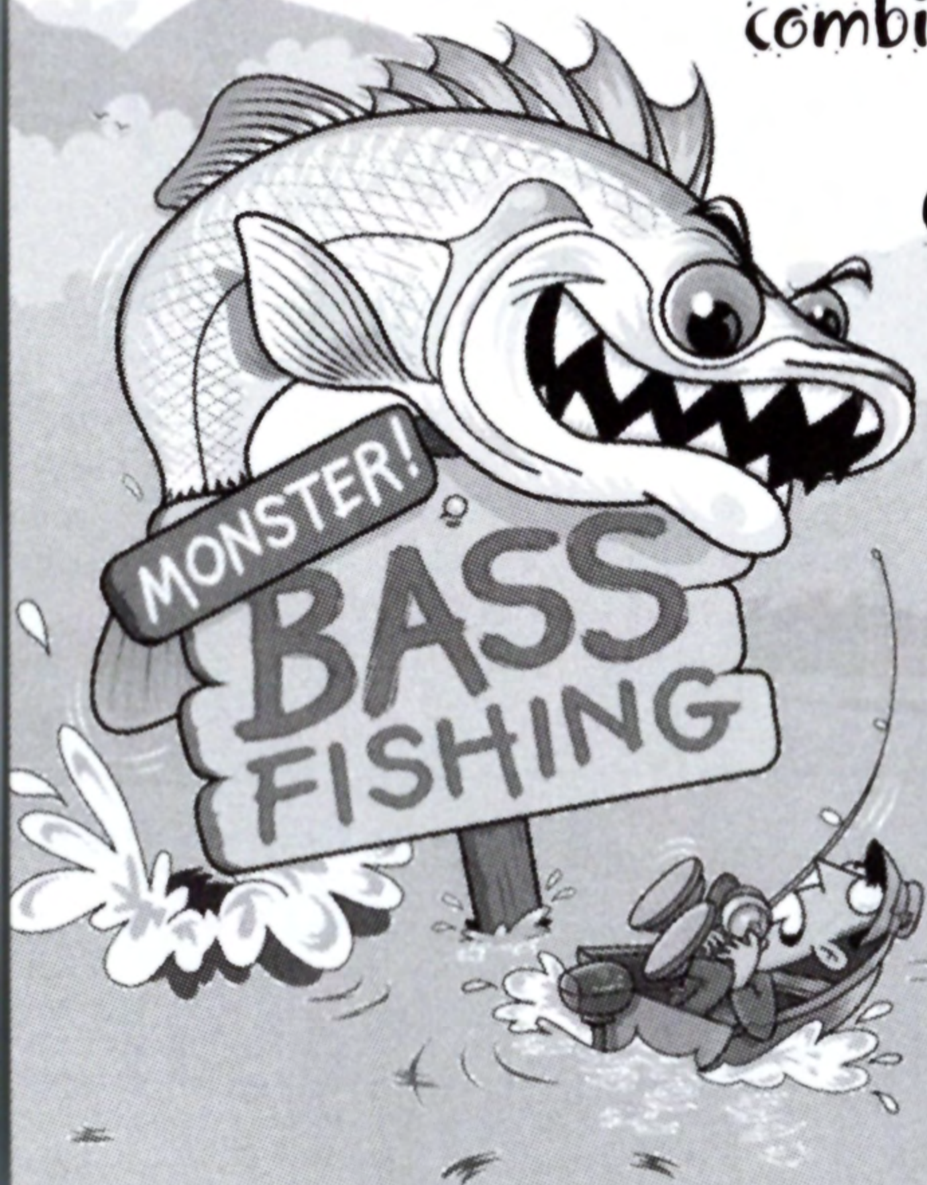
Game Overview

Monster Bass Fishing is a sports fishing simulation that features two modes of play. Use "Free Fish" mode to perfect your technique and to experiment with bait and locations in order to learn what combinations work best to land the biggest catches.



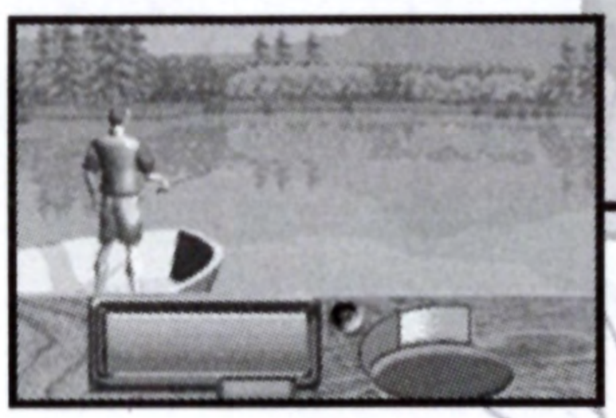
Once you polish your skills in "Free Fish" mode, proceed to "Challenge" mode. In this mode you compete in timed events at each of the five lakes against a field of other fishermen. In order to move on to the next lake, you must finish each round in first, second or third place. When you complete all five lakes, you win the "Champion's Trophy" and a pass to the secret champion's lake.

Getting Started

1. Make sure the POWER switch is in the OFF position.
2. Insert the Monster Bass Fishing Game Pak into the Game Boy® Advance slot as described in your Nintendo Game Boy® Advance instruction manual.
3. Turn the POWER switch ON. An intro sequence will begin automatically.

WARNING: Never try to insert or remove a Game Pak when the power is ON.

Game Display



This is the "casting screen." On the panel is the fish-radar and power meter. The radar shows the location of the fish, while the power meter is used to determine the power of the cast and hence, the distance.

Once cast, the underwater "float view" shows the float as it is reeled back. You will also see the fish as they swim by. The panel shows the line length and the power meter displays the line-stress.

Controls

To navigate the menus use the + Control Pad to highlight the option and press the A Button to select that option. The B Button will take you back to the previous menu.

Once you have started a fishing session the first thing to do is select your position on the lake. There are two "overhead lake" views which you can switch between by pressing the B Button. Move the crosshairs or boat forward by pressing ▲ on the + Control Pad. Press ▲ with ◀ or ▶ on the + Control Pad to steer. When you are happy with your position press the A Button to continue to the "casting screen".

The "casting screen" shows your fisherman in his boat ready to cast. Pressing the L Button takes you back to the "overhead lake" view. Press the B Button to change your lure. When the power meter is at the power level you desire press the A Button to cast your line, which will take you to the "underwater" view.

In the "underwater" view you can use the + Control Pad to alter the direction of your fishing line. Press the A Button to reel the line in.

During the game press START to access the Pause Menu.

+ CONTROL PAD

Overhead view:
Position cursor/boat

Underwater:
Control fishing rod

L AND R BUTTONS

Back to overhead view

A BUTTON

Menus:
Select

Overhead view:
Cast

Underwater:
Reel in

START

Pause

B BUTTON

Menus:
Back

Overhead view:
Switch views

Underwater:
Change Bait

Location, Fish and Lures

LOCATION:

There are five lakes in Monster Bass Fishing, each having its own characteristics and stock of fish. They are: Crystal Lake, Fountain Creek, Oxbow Lagoon, Devils Lake and Blackwater Pond.

LURES:

Nine types of lures are available: Popper, Crankbait (Shallow), Crankbait (Deep), Jerkbait, Sinking Diver, Spinnerbait, Plastic Worm, Crawdad and Jig. The different lures are more attractive to some fish than others, and have varying depths that they work best at.

FISH:

There are seven types of fish to be found, some more popular than others depending on the location: Black Crappy, Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Striped Bass, Northern Pike, Walleye Pike, Catfish.

"Free Fish" Mode

This mode is for you to use to perfect your fishing technique.

Each lake has its own characteristics and proportions of fish. Various places within the lake will be better than others. Also, certain lures favor one type of fish over another.

Experiment here to work out which parts of the lakes and which lures yield the best catches. You can then use these skills in "Challenge" mode to become the Bass Fishing Champion.

"Challenge" Mode

This mode is where you compete to become the Bass Fishing Champion.

The competition starts at Crystal Lake. You have five minutes to land as many fish as possible. The total weight of your catch is used to determine your position. If you finish in any of the top 3 places, you qualify to proceed to the next lake.

Win at all five lakes and you will be declared the Bass Fishing Champion. You will earn a password that will allow you to fish at a secret sixth lake!

Your best six catches can be stored in the aquarium.

You can visit here at any point in the game to see detailed images of your best catches, along with the weight of each catch.

Password

Fishing in "Challenge" mode requires determination and patience. As you win each round, you will be awarded a password.

If at any time your play in "Challenge" mode is interrupted, you can resume wherever you left off. To resume play, select "Password" from the main menu and then enter your "Challenge" password.

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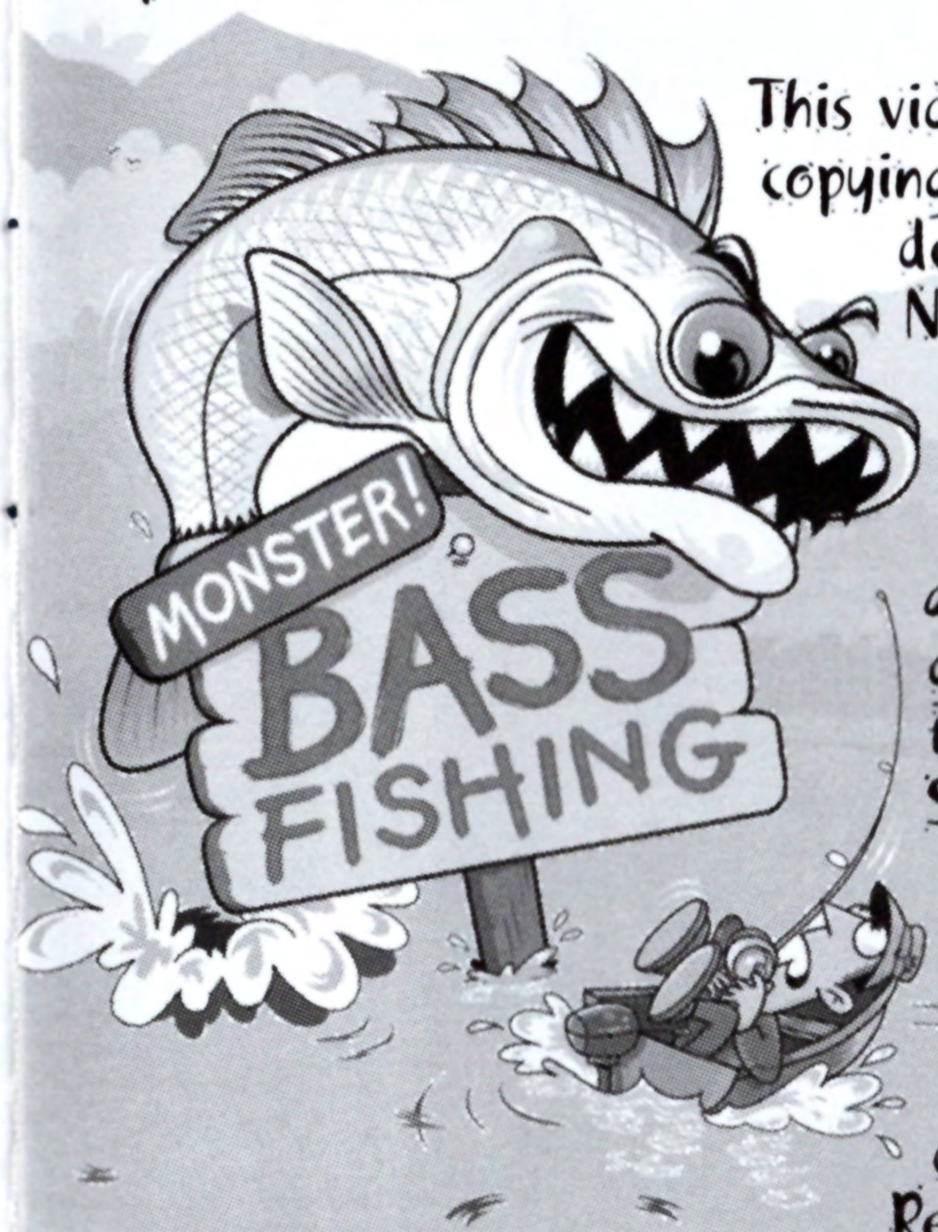

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