Shiny New Toys

What You Need to Know About Nintendo DSi Tools

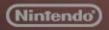
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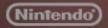
Purpose of This Talk

- Inform you about the new TWL hardware and software tools
- Help you make the most out of your existing NITRO hardware



Overview

- ◆ TWL hardware tools
- Using NITRO tools
- TWL software tools
- Who needs what?



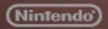
New Hardware Tools

- ◆ IS-TWL-Capture
- IS-TWL-Debugger
- ◆ TWL Testing Hardware
- TWL Development Flash Cards
- Gang Writer With TWL Support
- ♦ IS-TWL-MIDI
- For hardware prices please see WarioWorld.com



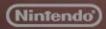
IS-TWL-Capture

- Used to capture images and video
 - Images output to PC or TV
 - Captures audio
 - Wireless is standard
 - Supports both NITRO and TWL applications



IS-TWL-Capture

- Options
 - Development card version
 - Retail card version
 - Wired option



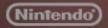
IS-TWL-Debugger

- Basic Development Support
 - Supports NITRO and TWL application development
 - Can write NITRO and TWL development cards
 - Can execute in NITRO mode
 - 32 MB of main memory
 - USB 2.0 triples download speeds
 - Wireless is standard



IS-TWL-Debugger

- Options
 - Debugger only
 - Debugger and IS-TWL-Capture
 - Wired option



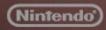
TWL Development Flash Cards

- Used for testing TWL applications
 - Uses the same backup memory (NITRO)
 - Support both NITRO and TWL applications



TWL Development Flash Cards

- Necessary for testing and QA
 - Lets you distribute your game for testing on TWL Testing Hardware
 - TWL applications will not write to NITRO development cards
 - Work in TWL debugging and testing units only when used with limited TWL software



TWL Testing Hardware

- PANDA!
- Special units for testing TWL applications
 - Runs NITRO and TWL development cards
 - Installed applications
 - Mmenu
 - ◆ NAND filer
 - ◆ Nintendo DSi Camera
 - ♦ Nintendo DSi Sound
 - No DSi shop
 - Wireless is standard



TWL Testing Hardware

- Necessary for testing and QA
 - Retail Nintendo DSi units will not run TWL development cards



Gang Writer With TWL Support

- Writes development flash cards
 - -Writes 8 cards at a time
 - Improved writing speed
 - Writes both NITRO and TWL flash cards



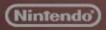
Gang Writer With TWL Support

- Actually just an upgraded NITRO gang writer
 - Send yours in for an upgrade
 - -Buy a new one



IS-TWL-MIDI

- Tool for creating and testing sounds
 - Connects to a MIDI device
 - Confirms sounds on a TWL system



IS-TWL-MIDI

- ◆ Different from IS-NITRO-UIC (MIDI)
 - Does not connect to PC
 - No plans to develop a UIC alternative



Using NITRO tools

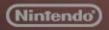
- Your existing hardware is still useful
- Save some money!





Developing a NITRO game

- All tools still work and are fully supported
- Your game will work on both DS and Nintendo DSi
 - Panda unit is recommended
- TWL tools can be used to develop NITRO games



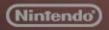
Developing a TWL hybrid game

- You can still use:
 - IS-NITRO-Emulator
 - NITRO Development Flash Cards
 - IS-NITRO-Writer
 - IS-NITRO-Capture
 - Retail DS units for testing



Developing a TWL hybrid game

- ♦ You need:
 - IS-TWL-Debugger
 - -TWL development cards
 - -TWL Testing Hardware
- You may also want:
 - Updated gang writer
 - -IS-TWL-Capture



Developing a TWL limited game

- You can still use (to a point):
 - IS-NITRO-Emulator
 - NITRO Development Flash Cards
 - IS-NITRO-Writer
 - IS-NITRO-Capture
 - Retail DS units for testing



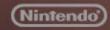
Developing a TWL limited game

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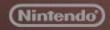
NITRO and TWL Hardware Compatibility: Writing

	TWL Development Card with TWL software	TWL Development Card with NITRO software	NITRO Development Card with NITRO software
IS-TWL-Debugger	OK	OK	OK
IS-NITRO-Emulator	X	Support is planned	OK
IS-NITRO-Writer (TWL Support)	OK	OK	OK
IS-NITRO-Writer (No TWL Support)	X	X	OK



TWL Hardware Compatibility: Running Development Cards

	TWL Development Card with TWL software	TWL Development Card with NITRO software	NITRO Development Card with NITRO software
IS-TWL-Debugger	OK	OK	OK
IS-TWL-Capture (Development Card Support)	OK	OK	OK
IS-TWL-Capture (Commercial Card Support)	X	X	X
TWL Testing Hardware	OK	OK	OK
TWL Retail Hardware	X	X	X



TWL Hardware Compatibility: Running Commercial Software

	TWL Retail Software	NITRO Retail Software
IS-TWL-Debugger	X	X
IS-TWL-Capture (Development Card Support)	X	OK
IS-TWL-Capture (Commercial Card Support)	OK	OK
TWL Testing Hardware	X	OK C
TWL Retail Hardware	OK	OK



NITRO Hardware Compatibility: Running Development Cards

	TWL Development Card with TWL software	TWL Development Card with NITRO software	NITRO Development Card with NITRO software
IS-NITRO-Emulator	X	X	X
IS-NITRO-Capture	Hybrid Only	OK	OK
NITRO Commercial Hardware	Hybrid Only	OK \\	OK



NITRO Hardware Compatibility: Running Commercial Software

	TWL Retail Software	NITRO Retail Software
IS-NITRO-Emulator	X	X
IS-NITRO-Capture	Hybrid Only	OK
NITRO Retail Hardware	Hybrid Only	OK



New Software Tools

- ◆ TWL_SDK
- TWL System
- CodeWarrior for DSi
- ◆ IS-TWL HIO features
- ◆ TWL Manual Tools
- ◆ TWL Master Editor





TWL_SDK

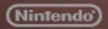
- Basic software components and tools
- Can be used to create both NITRO and TWL applications
- New libraries for TWL development
 - Nintendo DSi Camera
 - DSP
 - Support for NAND application development





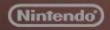
TWL_SDK

- This is an update to NITRO_SDK
- TWL_SDK will replace NITRO_SDK in the future



TWL System

- Middleware
- Added support for TWL hardware and SDK
- Support for hybrid and limited applications
- Viewer and 3D tools integrated into package



TWL System

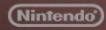
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CodeWarrior for DSi

- Compiler and IDE
- Supports both NITRO and TWL development
- Updated compiler
- Additional features





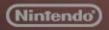
IS-TWL HIO Features

- Communications between IS-TWL-Debugger and PC
- Two methods of communication:
 - -FIO (File IO)
 - -SIO (Stream IO)



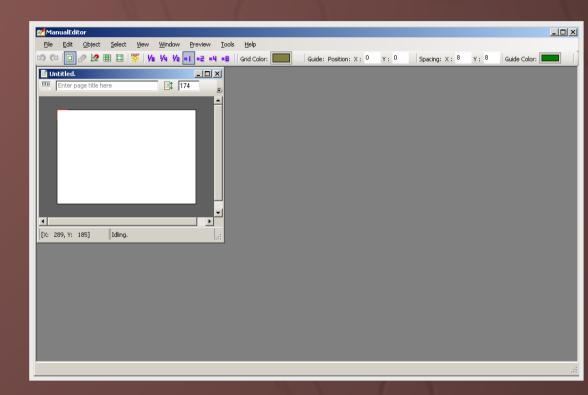
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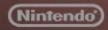
- SDK provides an example
- Headers are located in the devkit drivers package



TWL Manual Tools

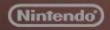
- Tools for creating DSiWare manuals
- Built in localization support
- Can be previewed in several places
 - PC viewer
 - IS-NITRO-Emulator
 - IS-TWL-Debugger





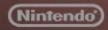
TWL Master Editor

- Creates master submission sheet
- Required for TWL titles
- Different from NITRO Rom submission process



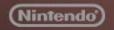
Which Team Members Need What Equipment?

- Coders
- Artists
- Sound Creation
- Testers and QA
- Producers



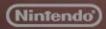
Coders

- You will need:
 - IS-TWL-Debugger
 - -TWL development flash card
 - -TWL_SDK
 - CodeWarrior for DSi
- You may also want:
 - -TWL System
 - -IS-TWL HIO features
 - -TWL Master Editor



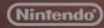
Artists

- ◆ You will need:
 - IS-TWL-Debugger
 - -TWL development flash card
- You may also want:
 - IS-TWL-Capture upgrade
 - -TWL System
 - -TWL Manual Tools



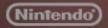
Sound Creation

- You will need:
 - IS-TWL-Debugger
 - -TWL_SDK
- You may also want:
 - -IS-TWL-MIDI
 - -TWL System



Producers

- You may want:
 - -TWL Testing Hardware
 - Gang writer with TWL support
 - -TWL development flash card
 - IS-TWL-Capture
 - -TWL Master Editor



Testers and QA

- You will need:
 - -TWL Testing Hardware
 - -TWL development flash card
- You may also want:
 - Gang writer with TWL support
 - IS-TWL-Capture



Questions?

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