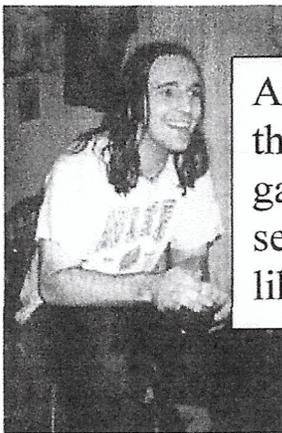


The Atari Game Of The Month "THE DECATHLON"

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They should of named this game "Hope You Don't Need Your Wrists For The Next Couple Of Weeks After You Play This". The game is called the Decathlon, and you have to compete in ten track and field events, but the problem is.....you don't make the guy run by just pressing the little red button...oh no my friend that would be too easy! You have to move the joystick left and right really fast like a lunatic! This game is pain! By the fifth event you can't even feel your wrists anymore. Let's break down the pain event by event. The first event is the 100 yard dash and since you just started the game you still have all your energy so this event is a breeze. The next event is the long jump....your wrists are hurting a bit, but all you have to do is run and jump. The next event is the Shotput...your wrists are feeling pain but your still good to go. The next event is the Highjump....now the pain is numbing. The next event is the 400 Meter Dash... By this event you really can't feel your wrists and you try to use meditation to forget about the pain. The Next event is The Discus....Wrists are purple and so are you. The Next event The Hurdles.... Wrists seem to be making a strange humming noise, but it just might be your head. Next event is The Pole Vault.....you try banging your wrists against the wall to make them work again, but they are now blue. The next event is The Javelin Toss..... You find veins in your forehead you never thought you had and you start switching off hands to keep your wrists from breaking... The next event is the 1500 Meter Dash.....oh god your wrists are moving by themselves and you can't feel your body. You try and think of a quiet place in your head to ignore the pain going through your body. You cry midway through the final run to let out pain but it's no use. Well this pretty much sums up how the game works....PAIN! What sick animal made this game? People who play video games are not jocks and don't deserve this.....but I always find myself coming back for more, so really this game rocks.



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