

Crash Bandicoot FAQ by Smaz

Q: How do I obtain colored Gems?

A: Simple.

Q: No it isn't. Why?

A: Okay, quiet down. To obtain a one of the colored Gems from either The Lost City, Generator Room, Toxic Waste, Slippery Climb, Lights Out or The Lab, you must run through this slightly harder level, without losing even one life. Also, you must smash open all of the crates in the level... yes, that is EVERY crate. Only then, when you reach the end, will you obtain your prize. This also works for obtaining normal Gems, as well, which are available on every other level but the boss levels and The Great Hall.

Q: I keep falling down pits because of the camera angle. What can I do to stop this?

A: There is a simple trick to things like these. It is common to find that the camera will be in a strange place upon jumping somewhere, and not finding you land in the place you want to. Whether the camera is flying all over the place or is simply behind Crash for whatever reason, use your shadow. If you jump, you will see Crash's shadow - use it as the place in which you want to land in. There may also be a single crate in the middle of a bottomless pit of water of some sort - use your shadow as a point of accurate landing onto the crate and back off of the crate. Simple - when you see your shadow on the destined point you want to land in your jump, stop and land safely. This works in any Crash game.

Q: Is there anyway of getting around the bad saving system?

A: In a way, yes. There are those passwords, and thanks to these, you don't necessarily need to save onto a memory card. If you want to start up later in the game, and don't have the save, then enter one of the passwords submitted on Crash Mania's Crash one section. I've taken the liberty of going through the game and recording every password I could for most levels, so you can start whenever in the game you want.