American Idol™

Instruction Manual

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- Be sure to take an occasional rest break during play.
- Keep this compact disc clean. Always hold the disc by the edges and keep it in its protective case when not in use. Clean the disc with a lint-free, soft, dry cloth, wiping in straight lines from center to outer edge. Never use solvents or abrasive cleaners.

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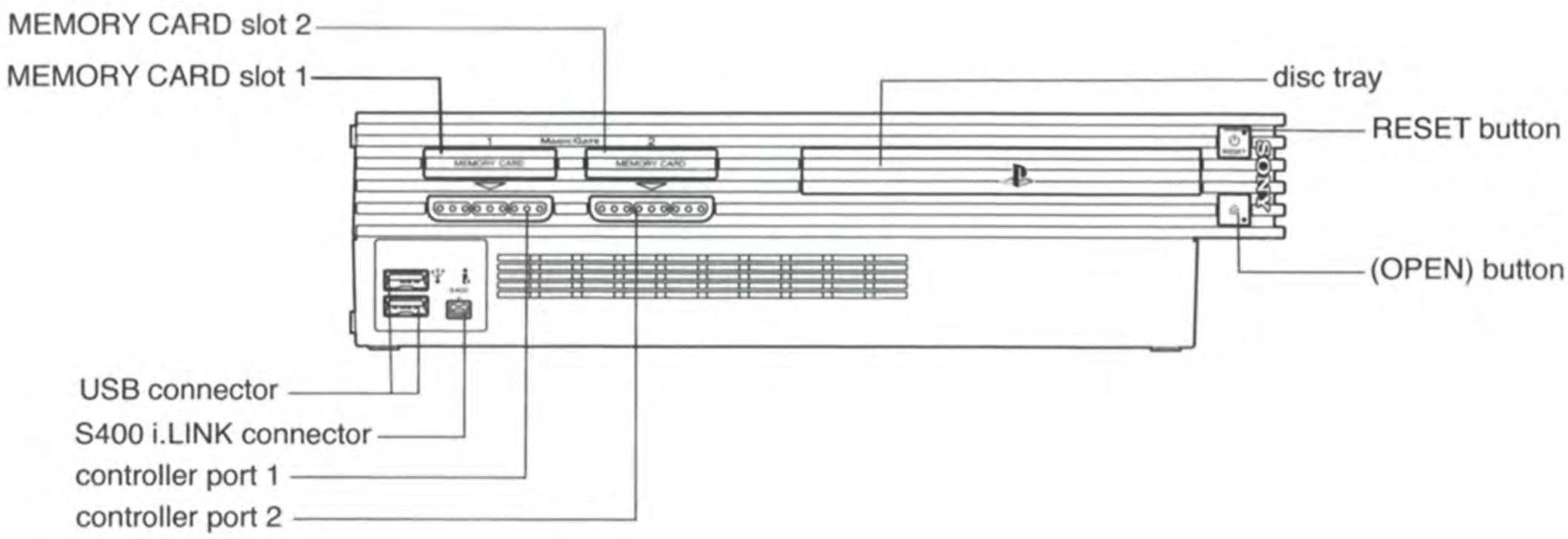
Getting Started



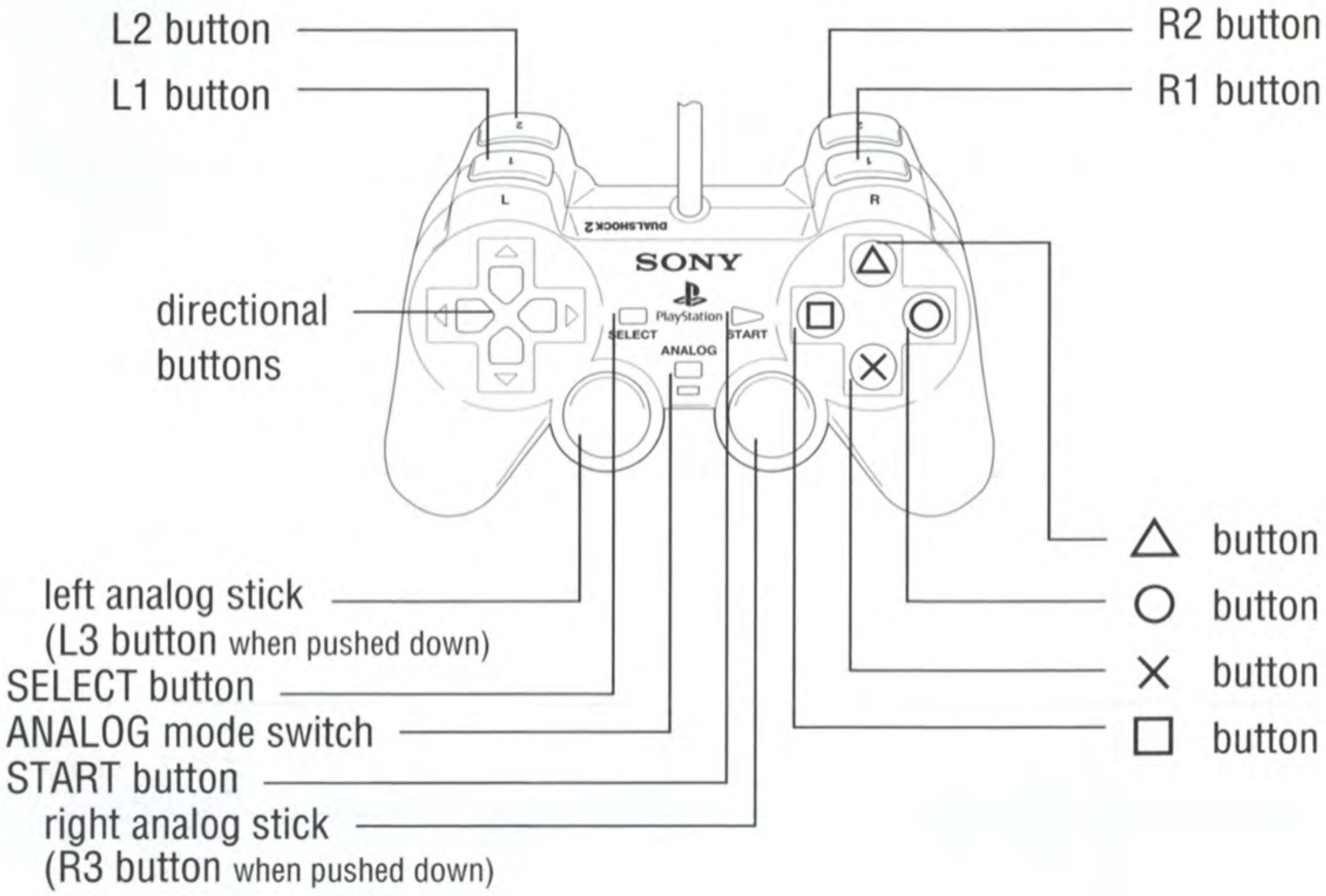
Set up your PlayStation®2 computer entertainment system according to the instructions in its Instruction Manual. Make sure the MAIN POWER switch (located on the back of the console) is turned on. Press the RESET button. When the power indicator lights up, press the open button and the disc tray will open. Place the American Idol disc on the disc tray with the label side facing up. Press the open button again and the disc tray will close. Attach game controllers and other peripherals, as appropriate. Follow on-screen instructions and refer to this manual for information on using the software.

Memory Card (8MB) (for PlayStation®2)

Make sure there is sufficient space on your memory card before starting play.

Starting Up

DUALSHOCK®2 ANALOG CONTROLLER CONFIGURATIONS



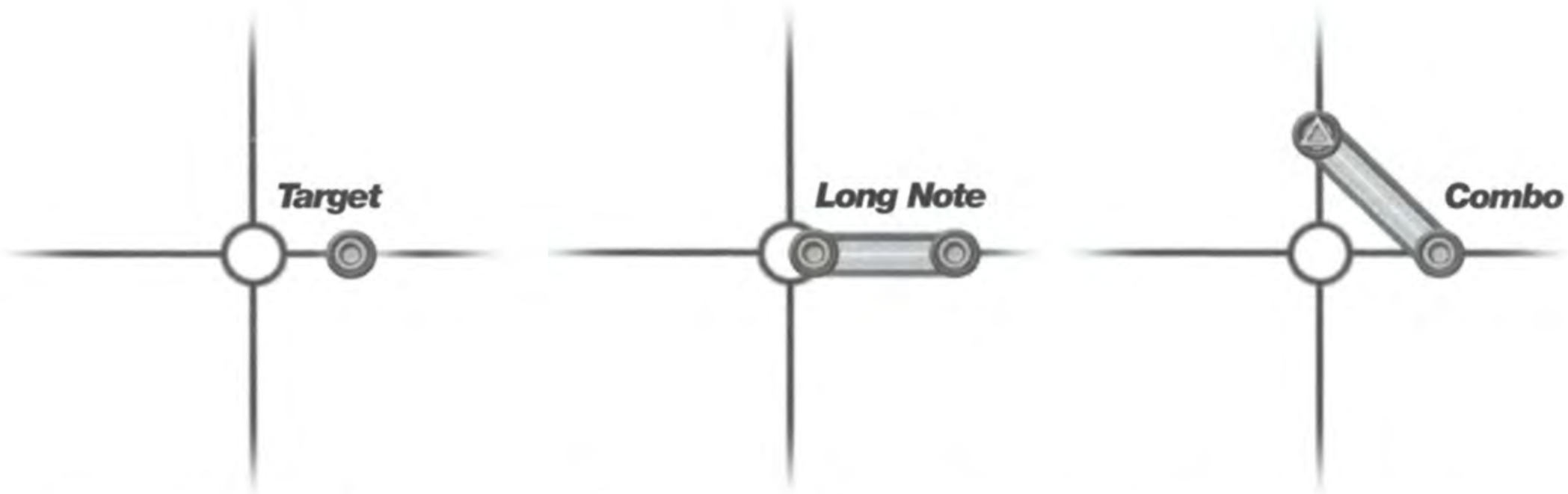
Menu Navigation

Highlight menu items:	up and down directional buttons
Change highlighted item:	left and right directional buttons
Select highlighted menu item:	× button
Go back / cancel:	△ button

In this booklet, when we talk about "selecting" a menu item, we mean highlighting and/or changing the menu item as above, then pressing the × button.

Controlling Your American Idol

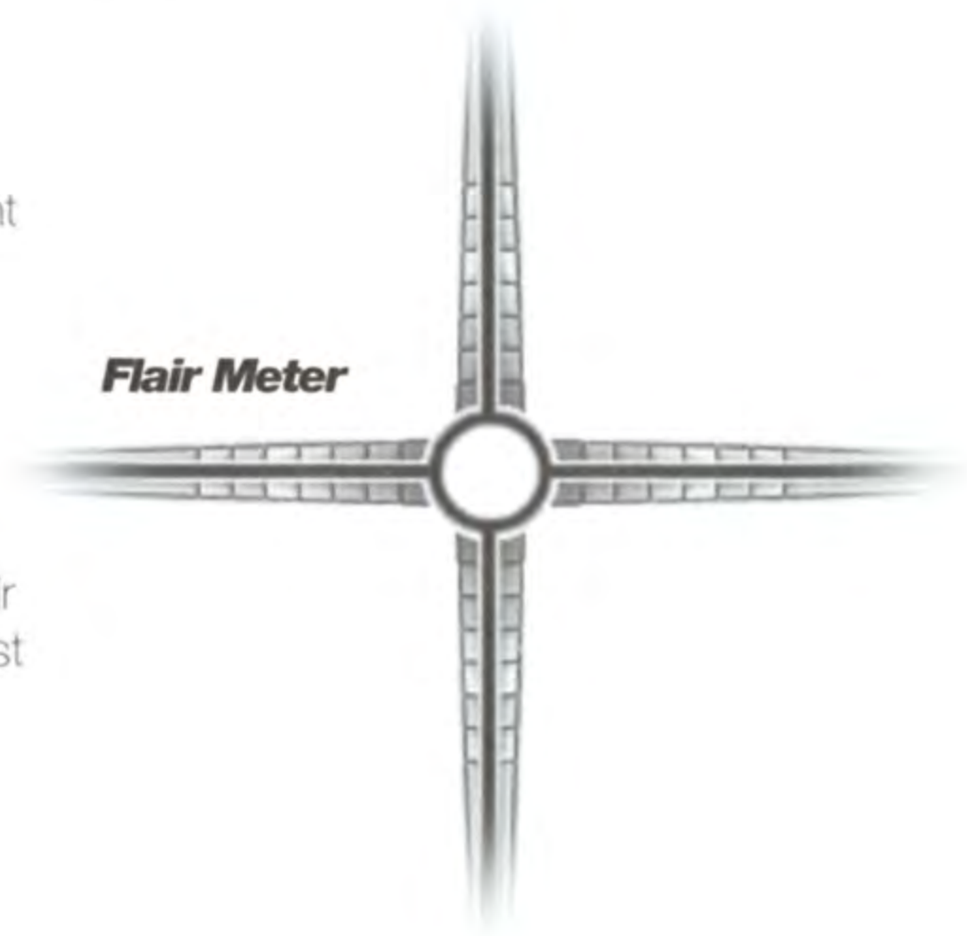
Press these buttons as shown on the screen, to make your American Idol sing.



Press when the button symbol hits the center of the target to keep in tune with the music.

When a long note appears, press the button as the start of the note hits the target, hold it, then release as the end of the note hits the target.

When a combo appears, press both buttons together as they hit the center of the target.



As you sing more and more notes right from the TV heats onwards, the Flair Meter will fill up. Keep it topped up throughout your song to add your own very special style to your performance finale.

If the Flair Meter drops then hit the Flair Stars as they come on screen to boost it back up.

Creating and Dressing Your American Idol

When you start a new game, you have to create your American Idol in the Application Form. Your character is shown on the right of the screen, and everything you can change about him or her is shown on the left.

Start by choosing your American Idol character, then their skin tone, hair, eye color and voice, etc, with the menu navigation controls.

Next, dress them up in any outfit you want - make them look as cool and funky as possible as the judges will be swayed by the way you look as well as by the way you sound. When you're ready for the stage, select "Continue" to go into the game.

If you're in the American Idol Contest, you can change your character's clothes between competitions, but you won't be able to change their basic features.

Game Modes

Competition

This is it - your chance of a lifetime! Now you get to strut your stuff in front of the judges. Audition for your place in the contest, then work your way up through the competition and who knows, maybe even become the next American Idol at the TV final itself.

Party Play

A mini contest for you and up to three friends to see who's the best performer of all. Take turns to create and dress your characters, then step up to the stage and show off your talent. Best of all, you get to judge each other at the end of each performance.

Karaoke

Fill in the Karaoke Application Form and choose your song, then sing along (yes, really sing!) to the words on screen as your character dances to the music.

Rehearsal

Fame costs, and right here's where you start paying – in sweat! No one ever hit the big time on a wing and a prayer; you've got to put in the practice if you're going to be good enough to claim the American Idol crown.

Jukebox

Just like a real jukebox, choose a track and let it play.

Playing American Idol with a Dance Mat

To play American Idol with a dance mat, replace the controller in controller port 1 with your dance mat. To navigate menus and control the game, simply step on the button symbols on the mat rather than pressing controller buttons.

So the dance mat will work properly with the game, you'll need to choose "Dance" under "Difficulty" when you set up your game mode (dance mats only work with Competition, Party and Rehearsal Modes).

Remember that when you're performing with a dance mat, you're dancing to the beat of the music, rather than pressing controller buttons to sing in tune. The symbols on screen reflect this, so stick with them and you'll be in the American Idol studio in no time!

And don't just hang in the middle of the mat pressing symbols with your feet. Step around the whole mat and enjoy the music; the audience will love you for it!

Unlocks

As you play through Competition Mode, you'll unlock songs, more clothes and sets for use in future contests and other game modes. You'll have to keep your performance on a high to make sure you get it all – remember, practice makes perfect.

Saving and Loading

As you play through the game, your progress is automatically saved. To load a saved character and pick up your American Idol career from the point you left it, choose "Profiles" from the Main Menu, highlight the profile and select "Load".

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