Free Pascal Compiler

The Free Pascal Compiler was used to test the example PASCAL programs in

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FREE PASCAL COMPILER is an open source compiler for PASCAL and OBJECT PASCAL.

FPC is easy to download, install and use. New versions of FPC may become available and the download and installation instructions may change but the following guidance should be helpful.

To get started:

- Visit https://www.freepascal.org/download.html
- FPC is available for a wide variety of Operating Systems. Select 'Windows 32-bit (and a cross-compiler ARM/MIPS/i386-Android)'
- Please select the site from which you want to download. This will usually be the country closest to your location.
- You may need to click on a 'Start your download' button to initiate the download.
- Choose to save the file.
- The download may take several minutes but when it is complete a file 'fpc-3.0.4i386-win32.exe', or something similar, will appear in your Downloads Folder.
- Double-click on this file to start the installation.
- You may be prompted with a message 'Do you want to allow this app from an unknown publisher to make changes to your device?'. Click 'Yes'.
- Click 'Next' to continue.
- Click 'Next' to accept the default Destination Location.
- Click 'Next' to accept the default Full Installation.
- Click 'Next' to select the default Start Menu Folder.
- Click 'Next' to accept the default for Additional Tasks.
- Finally click Install.
- The installation process may take a few minutes.
- Information about the FPC is displayed. Click 'Next' to continue.
- Click 'Finish'.

You have successfully installed the Free Pascal Compiler.

Double-click on the FPC to start programming in PASCAL.

You will find some great example programs to try in Chapter 10 of:

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