

# Animal Crossing Letter Writing FAQ

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This walkthrough was originally written for Animal Crossing on the GC, but the walkthrough is still applicable to the N64 version of the game.

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## \*TO-DO-List

1. Elaborate Descriptions of Controls
2. Pete Quotes
3. Mail List (IMPORTANT)

## 1. Version History

0.1 (10/20/02) Just barely scratching the surface of this FAQ's potential.

0.2 (10/21/02) Finished formatting and started experimented with letter writing.

0.9 (10/26/02) Making great progress. Finished sections 3-7, and got a working letter! I'll submit to Gamefaqs.com today!

1.0 (10/31/02) Added menus to section 4 and created a new sub-section for the impact of animal behavior.

1.1 (11/5/02) Fixed errors in Nintendo and confirmed a rumor false.

1.2 (11/14/02) Updated FAQ.

FINAL (1/16/03) Revisited and revised this FAQ.

2.0 (8/7/03) Completely re-doing. It's become a complete mess and I hate it. Must... Complete...

2.2 (9/27/03) DIE! DIE, GUIDE! After all this I finally got around to cleaning it up, and I now have to destroy so much of it. But it'll be better when it's done.

## 2. Legal Stuff

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## 3. Introduction

OK. Many people will read this, so I want to make this as clear as possible by answering some of the more general questions. You may have Animal Crossing. You may not. You might be a huge fan of it. Or you could have just seen it ranked number two in the standards, (it's a much better game than Kingdom Hearts) or perhaps even clicked on it by accident. But I am here for you, the reader, to enjoy the guide as well as get some hard gaming-info for all your Animal Crossing letter writing needs. This is Snoopdigger, providing a guide to one of the trickier aspects of Animal Crossing, letter writing. Welcome to the world of Animal Crossing, where you live a second life in YOUR custom town with YOUR custom player. When the game released on September 17, I couldn't wait to get it. Who wouldn't! You design your house to your standards with furniture. You can design your own wallpaper, clothing, and signs. It also incorporates hidden tricks like Feng Shei and even has original NES games you can play. There is a special island that you can only access with the GBA<->GCN Link Cable. The new E-reader is incorporated in it too, giving you specialized designs and rare furniture. As well as that, your town is synchronized with your Gamecube's internal clock. So if it says December 25, it's CHRISTMAS! You can play this game for years, and you will still have more to do. When you get bored of your town, you can start an entire new one! Once again, I made this guide for the letter-writing section of Animal Crossing. Letters hold a high purpose in this game. Letters are the way of communication in Animal Crossing. There are no telephones, no e-mail. You just send a letter to someone via post office. By making good letters with presents attached you will make your villagers happy and get cool stuff in return. I hope this teaches you about something you didn't know. Well, enjoy.

## 4. Controls and Menus

The Gamecube controller has these buttons and control stick. I figure since you came here to learn about letter writing, I should only put letter-related controls.

#### Main Menu

In the main menu, you can hold up to 10 letters. These are listed on the right side. You can store some items temporarily in these letters. See "Non-Sendable Items" to see what you can put in there and what not. You can keep old letters and newly written ones in the letterbox.

Use the analogue stick to move the cursor around and highlight an object. Pressing the A button will open the object's menu. Letters will have 6 options.

- 1.Grab
- 2.Drop
- 3.Cancel
- 4.Bury (if standing next to a hole)
- 6.Grab One (if more than one)
- 7.Write Letter

We only need to deal with two or them, "Write Letter" and "Grab One". "Write Letter" will open up the writing screen.

#### Letter Writing Menu

- A Button-Inserts the selected letter
- B Button-Delete.
- X Button-Switches accents.
- Y Button-Cycles through letters, punctuations, and icons..
- L Button-Switches between upper and lower case
- R Button-Adds a space
- Z Button-Nothing
- D Pad-Moves entry cursor.
- Analogue Stick-Moves on character screen.
- Start Button-Finish writing.

More elaborate descriptions pending.

#### 5. Letter Writing

Letter writing is just a form of communication. Unfortunately, neighbors cannot understand what you say to them, they just spell-check it. The only real way to use this is to send letters to your friends; villagers have no idea what you are saying to them.

#### 5.2 Acquiring Stationery

This is a pretty easy task. Tom Nook sells an infinite supply for cheap. You can also do favors of find it in the dump/lost & found.

#### 5.4 Writing Letters

Coming Soon...

#### 5.6 Mailing Letters

The post office is where you mail your letters. If you are still in Tom Nook's debt, you can pay it off here, but otherwise this is the bank. The post office can hold five letters before they do a Special Delivery. There is four times during the day that they will deliver mail, other than a special delivery.

6:00am

9:00am

5:00pm

9:00pm

If you wait at your house at one of these times, Pete will fly right in front of the message board. If he has no messages for anyone, he will fly away, but if he does he will walk up to the mailbox, put the mail in, and put the flag up. Then, he flies away. You can talk to him during this time.

\*Pete Quotes Pending\*

## 6. FAQ

Q. Why can't I send a letter to a villager in my friend's town.

A. Because the memory cards aren't connected. You would have to go to your friend's town to mail it.

## 7. Conclusion

That wraps up this FAQ/Walkthrough. I hope you liked it. This is Snoopdigger, signing off.

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