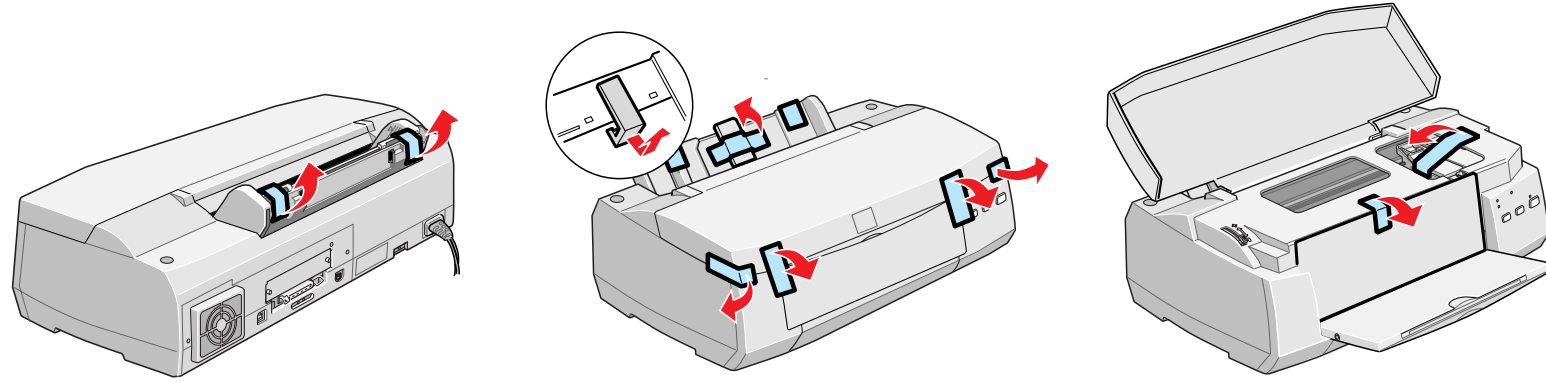


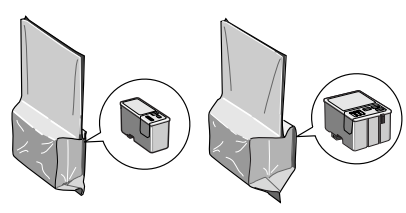
Set Up the Printer

Unpack Everything

Remove all the tape and packing material from the inside and outside of your printer before you set it up, as shown here. The tape may be in slightly different locations on your printer, so be sure to check inside and all around the printer for tape and other packing material.



Your printer comes with the items shown here. Make sure you've got a USB or parallel cable to connect your printer. See "System Requirements" in the *Printer Basics* book.



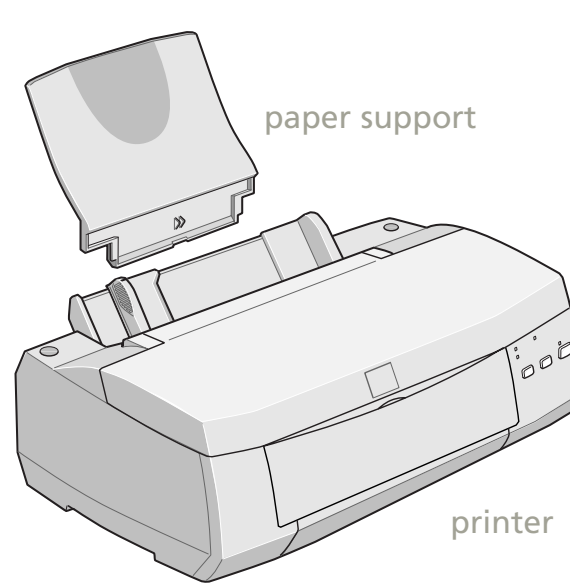
ink cartridges



CD-ROM



Printer Basics



paper support

printer

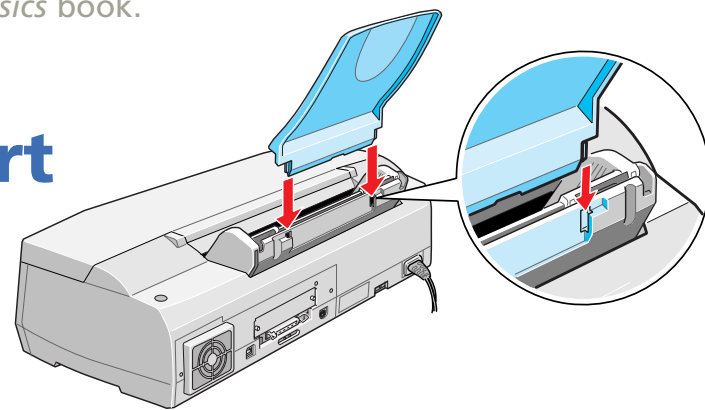
Don't place the printer in areas:

- with high temperature or humidity
- in direct sunlight or dusty conditions
- with poor ventilation
- near sources of heat or electromagnetic interference, such as a cordless telephone base unit

Follow all the "Safety Instructions" listed in the *Printer Basics* book.

Put On the Paper Support

Insert the paper support into the slots on the back of the printer.



Install the Ink Cartridges



Follow these ink cartridge precautions and the others in your *Printer Basics* book:

- Install both ink cartridges, and leave them installed for all types of printing, or the printer won't work.
- Don't open an ink cartridge clamp to remove a cartridge except to replace it with a new one. Once you remove a cartridge, you can't reuse it, even if it contains ink.
- Never turn off the printer when the power light is flashing, unless the printer hasn't moved or made any noise for more than 5 minutes.
- Use the cartridges packed with your printer the first time you install ink cartridges, or your printer won't charge properly.



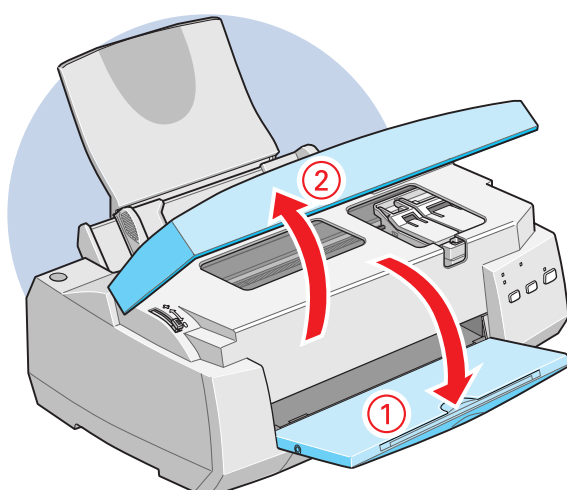
Keep ink cartridges out of the reach of children, and do not drink the ink. If ink gets on your skin, wash thoroughly with soap and water. If ink gets in your eyes, flush them immediately with water.

- 1 Plug the printer's power cord into a grounded outlet.



Don't use an outlet that can be turned off by a wall switch or timer, or one on the same circuit as a large appliance.

- 2 Lower the printer's output tray and open the cover.



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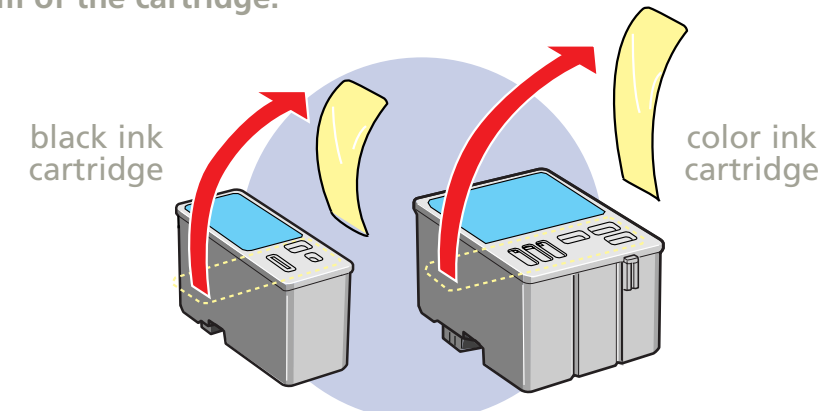
Press the power button to turn on the printer. The power light flashes and the black and color ink out lights come on. The black ink cartridge holder moves slightly left to the loading position.



Always use the power button to turn the printer on or off. Never use an external switch, such as a power strip.

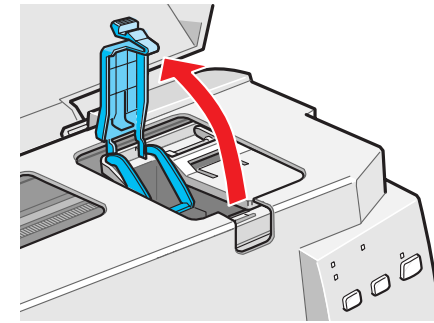
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Unwrap the ink cartridges. Then remove only the yellow part of the tape seal on top, as shown. Don't pull off the blue portion or remove the clear seal on the bottom of the cartridge.



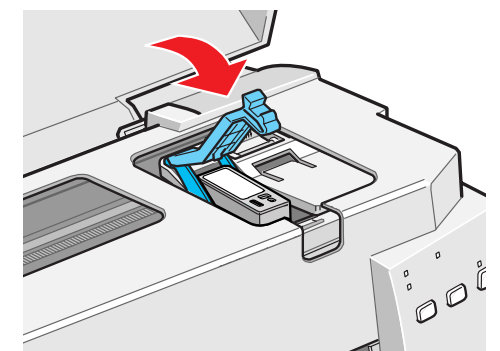
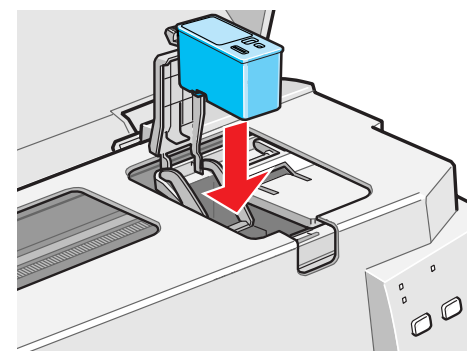
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Lift up the black ink cartridge clamp.



6

Place the black ink cartridge in its holder with the label facing up and toward the back of the printer. Then press the clamp down until it locks into place.



7

Press the cleaning button to move the color ink cartridge holder into loading position.

8

Repeat steps 5 and 6 to install the color ink cartridge.

9

Press the cleaning button to begin charging the ink delivery system, and then close the printer cover.

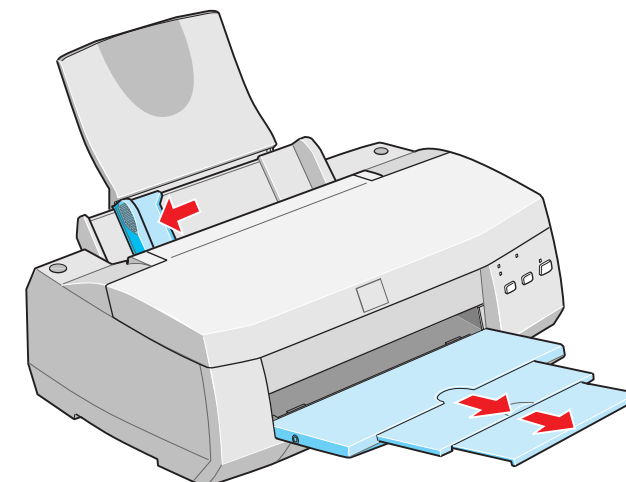


Charging takes about two minutes. The power light flashes and the printer makes various sounds until it's finished. Don't turn off the printer or interrupt the charging process or it will start over, using more ink than necessary. Charging is finished when the power light stops flashing and stays on.

Load Paper

1

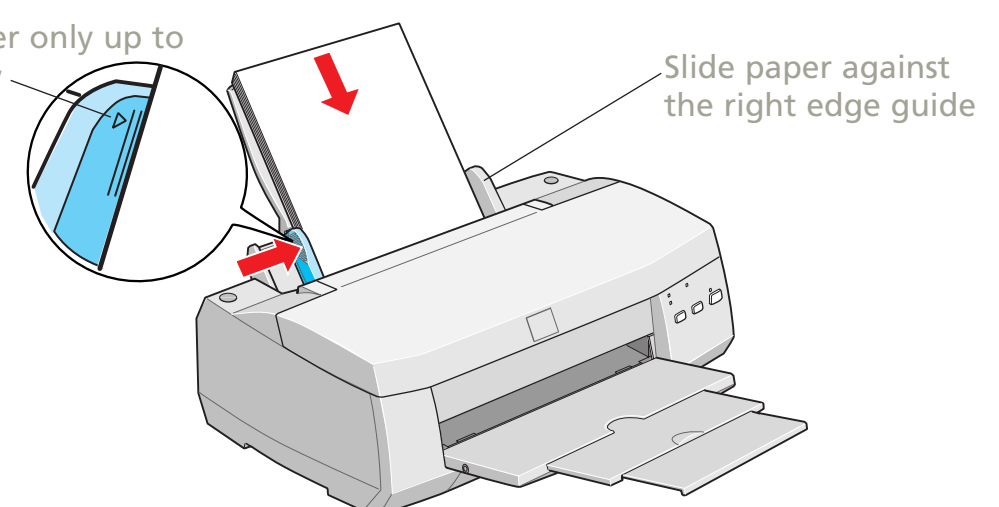
Open the output tray extensions. Slide the left edge guide until it is a little wider than your paper.



2

Load a stack of plain paper with the printable side up and place it against the right edge guide. Then slide the left edge guide up against the paper's left edge. Don't load paper higher than the arrow on the guide.

Load paper only up to this arrow



Install the Ink Cartridges

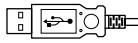
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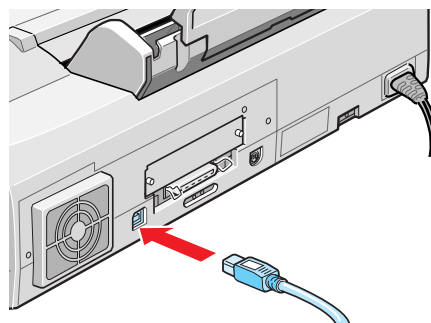
Connect the Printer

Make sure your cable meets the specifications listed in the *Printer Basics* book.

Connecting to a USB Port

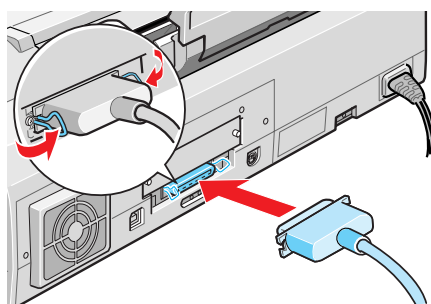
(Recommended connection for Windows® 98, Windows 2000, or Macintosh®)

- 1 Turn off the printer and computer.
 - 2 Connect the  end of the USB cable to your printer's USB connector and the  end of the cable to your computer's USB connector or a USB hub.
- NOTE** If you're using a USB hub, connect the printer's cable to the first tier of the hub or you may experience communication errors. If the printer doesn't work with the hub, connect it directly to a USB port.



Connecting to a PC Parallel Port

- NOTE** To ensure your computer is capable of matching your printer's maximum speed, your computer's ECP/DMA mode should be enabled. Information on these settings is supplied by your computer manufacturer.
- 1 Turn off the printer and computer.
 - 2 Connect the parallel cable to your printer's parallel port. Then secure it with the wire clips.
 - 3 Connect the other end of the cable to your computer's parallel connector (you can identify it by shape) and secure it as necessary.



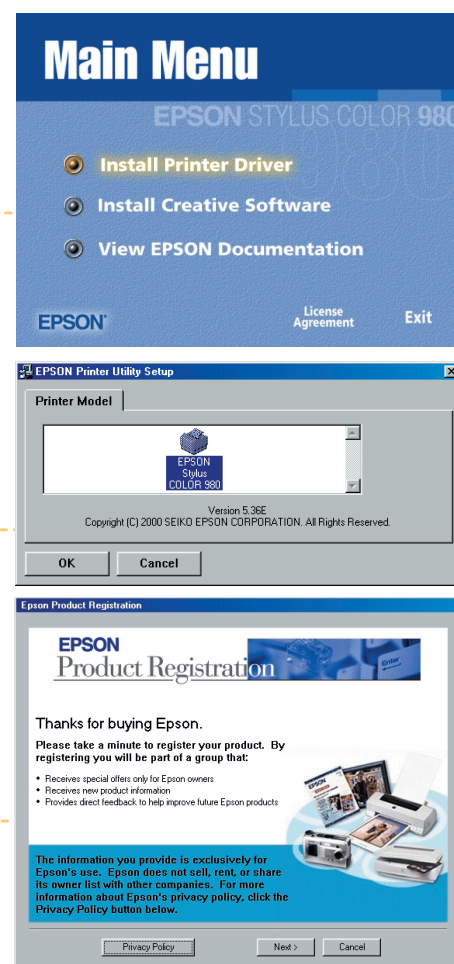
NOTE If your computer has multiple parallel connections, connect your printer to the main one (identified as LPT1 by your system). To use a different port, see your Windows documentation for instructions.

Install the Software

Locate the CD-ROM that came with your printer and follow the instructions here for your system.

Windows

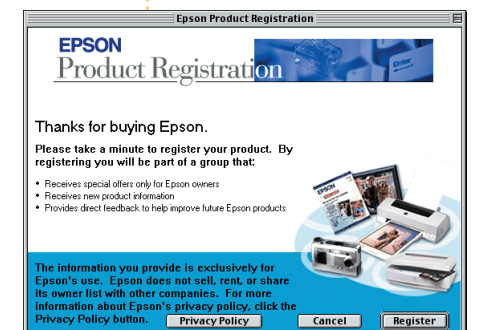
- 1 Press the  power button to turn on your printer.
 - 2 Turn on your computer and wait until you see your desktop icons and the cursor is no longer an hourglass shape.
- CAUTION** If you see a screen about Windows detecting your printer, click **Cancel**. You can't install your printer software that way.
- 3 Insert your printer software CD-ROM in a CD-ROM or DVD drive.
 - 4 Double-click the  **My Computer** icon on your desktop.
 - 5 Double-click the  CD-ROM icon.
 - 6 Double-click the  **EPSON** icon to start the installer. (Don't select any other icon in the folder.)
 - 7 Read the license agreement and click **Agree**. You see the Main Menu.
 - 8 Click **Install Printer Driver**. You see the printer driver installation screen.
 - 9 Make sure your printer model is highlighted, then click **OK**. The installer copies files to your computer and displays a series of windows on your screen.
 - 10 When it's finished, click **OK**.
 - 11 You see the EPSON Product Registration screen. Follow the on-screen instructions to register your printer. At the last screen, click **Done**.
- NOTE** If your Epson Product Registration screen is hidden, move the Main Menu out of the way.
- 12 At the Main Menu, click **Exit** and restart your computer. Leave in the CD-ROM as your system restarts.



Now you're ready to install your creative software and EPSON documentation.

Macintosh

- 1 Press the  power button to turn on your printer.
 - 2 Turn on your Macintosh and wait until you see your desktop icons.
 - 3 Insert your printer software CD-ROM in a CD-ROM or DVD drive.
 - 4 Double-click the  **EPSON** icon in the CD-ROM folder. (If your CD-ROM folder doesn't open automatically, double-click the EPSON CD-ROM icon on your desktop.)
 - 5 Read the license agreement and click **Agree**. You see the Main Menu.
 - 6 Click **Install Printer Driver**.
 - 7 At the next screen, click **Install**, then follow the instructions on the screen to install your printer driver, select a default paper size, and restart your Macintosh.
 - 8 After restarting, you see the EPSON Product Registration screen. Follow the instructions on the screen to register your printer. At the last screen, click **Quit**. Leave the CD-ROM in the drive.
- NOTE** If you choose to print a registration form, you'll need to select your printer in the **Chooser** (described in the next steps) before your form will print.
- 9 Open the **Chooser** from the Apple menu.
 - 10 Click the **SC 980** icon, then click your USB port icon. Turn on background printing, if you want.
 - 11 Close the **Chooser**.



Now you're ready to install your creative software and EPSON documentation.

Install the Creative Software and View EPSON Documentation

- 1 Return to your printer software CD-ROM's Main Menu after rebooting your system.
- Windows:** Double-click the  **My Computer** icon, double-click your  CD-ROM icon, then double-click the  **EPSON** icon. You see the Main Menu.
- Macintosh:** Double-click the  **EPSON** icon in the EPSON CD-ROM folder. You see the Main Menu.
- 2 Click **Install Creative Software**. You see a submenu.
 - 3 Select the button for the software you want to install. Then click the **Install** button and follow the instructions on the screen.
 - 4 When you're finished installing software, click **Back** to return to the Main Menu.
 - 5 Click **View EPSON Documentation**. You see this submenu:
- You can view the electronic *Reference Guide* or watch Fix-it Flix™ movies to learn how to change ink cartridges, clean the print head, load paper, or print on both sides of your paper.
- NOTE** You need an Internet browser, such as Netscape Navigator® or Microsoft® Internet Explorer (version 3.0 or later) to view the electronic manual. See your *Printer Basics* book for details.
- 6 When you're finished, click **Back** to return to the Main Menu.
 - 7 Click **Exit** to exit the installer.
- Now you're ready to print with your EPSON Stylus Color printer! For simple step-by-step instructions for loading paper and printing, see the *Printer Basics* book that came with your printer.
- NOTE** To share your printer over a network, see the electronic *Reference Guide* for configuration instructions.

