NOTE 2007.1

If you are having problems getting the computer to download a program into the Picaxe Construction Set (PCS) , the check the following items:

1.) Make sure that the PCS has operational power. Does the Picaxe 08M chip have +5 volts across pins 1 & 8?

2.) Is the Downloading cable securely inserted into BOTH the computer and the PCS?

3.) If you are using a USB downloading cable, make sure that the proper serial port is checked in the Options Menu (USB serial port is usually COM3). You may have to restart the Picaxe Programming Editor program, which will open with the Options Menu (if you have selected to box to do so) in order to be able to select COM3 on the serial ports submenu.

4.) Make sure that the proper processor (08-M) is selected in the Options Menu.

5.) Under some 'special' circumstances, the Picaxe micro might 'lock up' and only run a program. Disconnecting the power, selecting the RUN option and then re-applying power when the Downloading Status Bar is on the screen will perform a Hardware Reset. This should get the micro back on track.