
Communication Builder - #7071

USER'S GUIDE

The Communication Builder is equipped with three (3) easy to change frames which allows you to refine communication choices as the child develops new skills. Using state of the art digital recording the technology allows this unit to program in a variety of manners: 2, 4 and 16 message capacities. The 2-message setting provides two 60 second long messages. The 4-message setting provides four 60 second long messages. And the 16-message setting provides sixteen 18 second long messages.

Operation:

1. Install 4 brand new “AA” alkaline batteries into the compartments. Replace the battery covers and screws. Replace batteries regularly. Weak batteries will cause the Communication Builder to act erratically, such as shutting off while playing messages.
Use brand name ALKALINE batteries ONLY (e.g. Duracell or Eveready Energizer). Do NOT use rechargeable batteries. Do NOT mix new and old batteries. Do NOT over tighten the battery compartment screw.
To extend battery life, always shut the Phrase Maker OFF when not in use. Always remove batteries when the unit will not be used for extended periods of time. Dead batteries often leak acid and can cause permanent damage to the communicator.
2. Select your frame and icon sheet (not provided). Place sheet over the bare switch face and insert frame into the face of the unit.
3. Select the proper number of messages for your frame on the Message Select Knob.
4. Turn unit on and set volume with the Volume Control Knob.
5. To change the number of messages for a different frame choice, turn off unit. Replace with different frame. Select the new message setting on the Message Select Knob. Turn unit back on.
6. Record your messages: press and hold the red Record Button, and then press and hold the framed message switch on the front of the unit. Talk into the Microphone located next to the Record Button.
Note: If you have changed frames, you must record all new messages for each frame. Make sure you have followed the procedure in step #5 above.
7. Playback your message in order to check recording by activating the message switch on the front of the unit. (Do not press the record button during this operation.)
8. Record all of the messages for your frames. The unit is now ready for use.

Important Notes:

If you press the Record Button while a message is in the process of playing back, it will erase that message. Simply re-record your message by following the appropriate steps listed above under the operating instructions.

Care of Unit:

The Communication Builder can be wiped clean with any household multi-purpose cleaner and disinfectant.

Do not allow liquids to seep into the unit under the message switch membrane.

Do not submerge the unit as it will damage the electrical components.

Do not use abrasive cleaners as they will scratch the surface of the unit.

Troubleshooting:

Problem: The unit fails to operate, or operates incorrectly.

Action #1: Turn the unit off and then on again. This will reset the electronics and software.

Action #2: Disconnect the power, by removing one of the batteries for 20 seconds, to reset the unit. Reconnect the battery. If the unit still does not work correctly, replace all batteries.

Care of the Unit:

The Communication Builder can be wiped clean with any mild household multi-purpose, non-abrasive cleaner and disinfectant. We recommend Simple Green, which is a non toxic biodegradable all-purpose cleaner.

Do not use abrasive cleaners, as they will scratch the surface of the unit.

Do not submerge the unit, as it will damage the electrical components.