

# HIDE'N SQUEAK

For 2 or More Players  
Ages 4 and Up

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"Meowing" Kitty



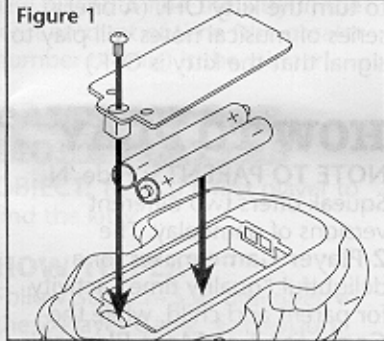
## LOST KITTY!

*One cute little striped orange kitty is missing. It seems someone has hidden her away. Where can she be? Perhaps if you listen for the sound of her meow, you can be the one to find her. You can look for her by yourself, or your friends can join you. Quick! She needs your help now!*

## GETTING THE KITTY READY FOR PLAY

**Insert batteries:** Loosen the screw on the battery compartment, located on the underside of the kitty, and remove the door. Insert 2 "AA" size batteries (we recommend alkaline), making sure to align the + and - with the markings in the plastic. Replace the door and tighten the screw. See Figure 1.

Figure 1

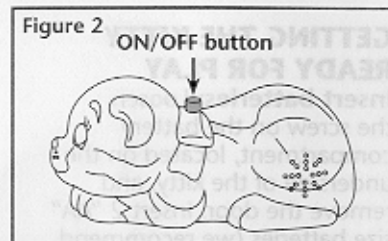


## ⚠ CAUTION:

TO AVOID BATTERY LEAKAGE

1. Be sure to insert the batteries correctly and always follow the game and battery manufacturers' instructions.
2. Do not mix old and new batteries, or alkaline, standard (carbon-zinc), or rechargeable (nickel-cadmium) batteries.
3. Always remove weak or dead batteries from the product.

**Test the Batteries:** Press the ON/OFF button on the kitty's collar once. See Figure 2. If the kitty meows, you're ready for play. If the kitty doesn't meow, the batteries may be weak or improperly installed.



**To Turn Off the Kitty:** After the kitty meows once, wait approximately 5 seconds and press the ON/OFF button again to turn the kitty OFF. (A brief series of musical notes will play to signal that the kitty is OFF.)

## HOW TO PLAY

**NOTE TO PARENTS:** Hide 'N Squeak offers two different versions of gameplay. The **2-Player Game** makes for a delightful "quality time" activity for parent and child, while the **Game for 3 or More Players** is perfect for group play. Both versions of gameplay may be played at three different skill levels.

### 2-PLAYER GAME

**OBJECT:** Listen to the "meowing" sounds to find the hidden kitty in the least amount of time.

### GETTING STARTED

**Choose Your Role:** One player is the "Hider" (the person who will hide the kitty), and the other player is the "Seeker" (the person who will try to find the kitty).

## PLAYING THE GAME

Do the following steps in order:

**STEP 1:** Choose an area to be home base. (It could be the kitchen table, the living room couch, or maybe even your bed. You pick the place!) Both players go there now.

**STEP 2:** Decide upon a skill level, but do not select it yet.

### Skill Levels

The difference between the three skill levels is the amount of time between kitty "meows." It's always easier, of course, to find a kitty that meows more often.

**STEP 3:** Seeker, close your eyes. Hider, leave home base and go hide the kitty. Some places to hide the kitty might be under a bed, or in an open drawer, or behind a curtain. **IMPORTANT!** Do not cover up the kitty with something heavy, or shut her in a drawer or closet. If no one can hear her meow, then no one can find her!

**STEP 4:** Hider, once you have found a good hiding place for the kitty, press the kitty's ON/OFF button to activate the skill level. (See **Selecting a Skill Level**.) Put the kitty in its hiding place and quietly hurry back to home base. (Making a noise may give away where you have hidden the kitty.) Quick! You only have about 15 seconds to get there before the kitty starts meowing!

**STEP 5:** Seeker, as soon as the Hider returns to home base, GO FIND THE KITTY! Hider, follow along for fun.

**STEP 6:** Seeker, when you find the kitty, press the kitty's ON/OFF button once to turn the kitty OFF. **IMPORTANT!** You must do so in front of the Hider. Now, both players must count the number of "trills" (series of musical notes) made by the kitty. Listen carefully! The greater the number of trills, the faster the kitty was found. See **Your Musical Score**.

**STEP 7:** Now switch roles and play another round where the Hider is now the Seeker and the Seeker is now the Hider.

### Selecting a Skill Level

Select a skill level based on the age and ability of the player who is the Seeker.

*Suggestion:* Begin with Skill Level 1 when first becoming familiar with the game.

### EASY

Skill Level 1—Press the ON/OFF button *once* for the *easiest* level of play. (You will hear one "meow" to confirm the skill level.)

### MORE DIFFICULT

Skill Level 2—Press the ON/OFF button *twice* for a *more challenging* level of play. (You will hear two "meows" to confirm the skill level.)

### MOST DIFFICULT

Skill Level 3—Press the ON/OFF button *three times* for the *most challenging* level of play. (You will hear three "meows" to confirm the skill level.)

**NOTE:** When playing at either one of the difficult skill levels, the kitty will automatically switch back to the easier skill level(s) as time elapses and the kitty is not found.

### Your Musical Score:

3 Trills—CONGRATULATIONS! You are "the cat's meow" and were able to find the kitty in the quickest time!

2 Trills—HOORAY! You found the kitty in great time!

1 Trill—GOOD FOR YOU! You found the kitty and she is happy to see you!

## HOW TO WIN

The player to find the kitty in the least amount of time (the greater number of trills) is the winner!

## GAME FOR 3 OR MORE PLAYERS

**OBJECT:** To be the first player to find the kitty.

### HOW TO PLAY

Follow Steps 1–5 as described in the 2-Player Game. **Exception:** One player is still the "Hider," but *all other players* are the "Seekers."

### HOW TO WIN

If you are the first player to find the kitty, you must press her ON/OFF button once to turn the kitty OFF. You must then return the kitty back to home base.

The first player to find the kitty and return her to home base is the winner.



## PLAY HIDE 'N SQUEAK WITH A PUPPY, TOO!

(Puppy sold separately)

2 animals means TWICE as much fun!

### 2-ANIMAL GAME FOR 2 OR MORE PLAYERS

**OBJECT:** To be the first team to find the other team's hidden animal.

#### HOW TO PLAY

Players are divided into two *teams*: The Puppy Team and the Kitty Team. Follow Steps 1-5 as described in the 2-Player Game, with these exceptions:

- At the same time, each team hides their animal. (The Puppy Team hides the puppy; the Kitty Team hides the kitty.)
- When all players are back at home base, the seeking begins. At the same time, the Puppy Team tries to find the kitty, and the Kitty Team tries to find the puppy.

#### HOW TO WIN

If you are the first player to find the other team's hidden animal, you must press the animal's ON/OFF button once to turn the animal OFF. You must then return the animal back to home base.

The first team to find the other team's hidden animal and return it to home base wins the game.

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