

For Ages 4 & Up  
Model 9-009-5



# TALKBACK PICTURE PHONE™

## INSTRUCTIONS

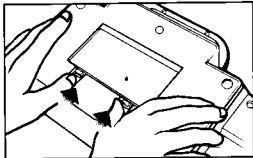


## Introduction

**Talkback Picture Phone** is a unique telephone that really recognizes what children say. It really interacts with your child's voice for listening, talking and learning fun! When children tell the operator their name, the phone records it and plays it back. Children can call one of the eight different places and the operator will ask them fun learning questions. The phone uses an eight-page picture book, a handset, and a 12-button keypad to teach children numbers, letters, counting, colors, addition, subtraction, more/less, big/small, and more. The operator's instructions will encourage children while they learn. **Talkback Picture Phone** will give your child hours of learning fun!

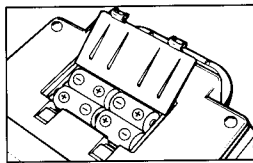
## Installing the Batteries

Illustration 1



1. Locate the battery compartment on the back of the unit.
2. Open battery compartment door as shown in Illustration 1.
3. Insert 4 "C" (LR14) size batteries (not included) as shown in Illustration 2.
4. Close the battery compartment door and snap it shut.

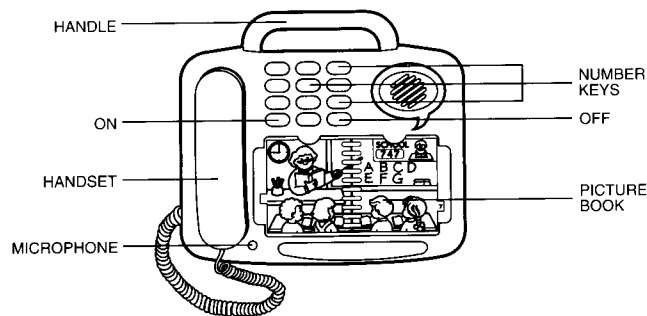
Illustration 2



- Alkaline batteries are recommended.
- Do not use rechargeable batteries.
- Do not mix old & new batteries.

**CHANGE THE BATTERIES IF THE VOICE RECOGNITION STOPS WORKING.**

## Key Functions



- ON** Press to turn on your **Talkback Picture Phone**.
- OFF** Press to turn off your **Talkback Picture Phone** at any time. **Talkback Picture Phone** will automatically shut-off after five minutes of inactivity.
- HANDSET** When the phone rings, pick up the handset to start play.
- NUMBER KEYS** Press to call one of the eight places and to answer questions.
- HANDLE** Handle for easy portability.
- PICTURE BOOK** Eight-page spiral-bound telephone book with colorfully illustrated pages.
- MICROPHONE** Built-in microphone. Speak clearly so the operator can hear you.

## Getting Started

1. Use **Talkback Picture Phone** in a quiet environment.
2. Press the ON switch. When the phone rings, pick up the handset. Listen for the operator!
3. The operator will say "Hello" and ask for your name. When you hear the beep, tell the operator your first name.

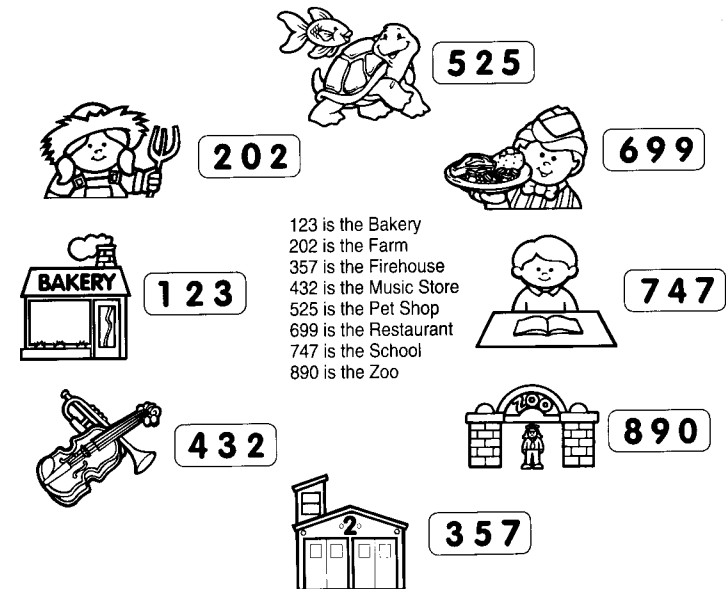
Follow your operator's instructions and call one of the special places in your picture book by pressing the three-digit phone number that matches the special place you want to call. Open your picture book to the place that you called. The operator will begin to ask you questions about what is on that page.

Speak clearly so the operator can hear you. Sometimes, the operator might have trouble hearing you. If this happens, repeat your answer clearly after the beep.

Each time the operator asks you a question, wait for the beep before you begin to speak.

## Eight Places to Call

There are a total of eight places to call. Each of the eight places has its own special three-digit phone number:



123 is the Bakery  
202 is the Farm  
357 is the Firehouse  
432 is the Music Store  
525 is the Pet Shop  
699 is the Restaurant  
747 is the School  
890 is the Zoo

The operator will move you through all locations, in a random order, and at times offer you the choice to pick your own location. Sometimes, one of the places may not be able to answer the phone. If you get a busy signal, simply wait for the operator and she will instruct you to call another place.

When you call the Bakery, Farm, Firehouse, Pet Shop, Restaurant and Zoo, the operator will ask you questions about what you see.

For example, the operator will ask you to call the Bakery at 123. Simply press "123" on the keypad. The phone in the Bakery will ring and the Baker will answer the phone: "Hi! This is the Bakery."

The operator will ask if you are on the correct page by identifying the page number and the color of the page number. Answer "Yes" if you are on the correct page. The operator will continue to ask you questions about letters, counting, big vs. small, etc.

When calling the School, the operator will ask you to answer some math questions. For example, the operator will ask you, "What is 6 minus 2?" Wait for the beep, speak clearly and answer the question. The operator always answers with encouraging phrases.

The Music Store is full of songs. Choose from: Mary Had A Little Lamb; London Bridge; Row, Row, Row Your Boat; Old Mac Donald Had A Farm; Ring Around The Rosy; and Three Blind Mice. When the operator asks you which song you would like to hear, simply tell the operator the number listed next to the song.

## **Voice Recognition**

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The voice recognition in the **Talkback Picture Phone** is state of the art technology. However, some simple guidelines can help you enjoy your **Talkback Picture Phone** to its fullest potential.

First, make sure you are in a quiet room. Voice recognition works best when it can hear you best. Second, sit directly in front of the **Talkback Picture Phone**, within arm's reach of the keypad. Third, always wait for the beep before speaking. Fourth, speak clearly and answer with an appropriate one-word response. These four simple steps will help ensure smooth operation of your **Talkback Picture Phone**. The remainder of this chapter describes the operation of the voice recognition in more detail.

The operator is only listening for certain answers. All answers that the operator can understand are one word. For example, when the operator asks "Count the Monkeys...How many are there?" the **Talkback Picture Phone** is only listening for the appropriate answer "six". The **Talkback Picture Phone** will not respond well to the answer "There are six Monkeys". Also, the **Talkback Picture Phone** will not respond well to the answer "Yes" if it is expecting to hear a number. A list of the questions asked by the **Talkback Picture Phone**, and the appropriate answers, follows:

**If the operator asks something similar to:**

**You should respond with:**

Are you on the page with the Red One?

Yes or No

Do you see the Monkeys?

Yes or No

What color are the Monkeys?

Orange, Yellow, Red, Green, Black, Purple or Blue

Count the Monkeys, how many are there?

One, Two, Three, Four, Five or Six

Say the number of the song you want to hear.

One, Two, Three, Four, Five or Six

What is 3 plus 4?

Zero, One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven, Eight or Nine

Does 3 plus 4 equal 7?

Yes or No

Are there more Monkeys than Elephants?

Yes or No

Are the Monkeys bigger or smaller than the Elephants?

Bigger or Smaller

Now, turn on your **Talkback Picture Phone** and start the fun!

## Troubleshooting

1. If the unit does not work, please check that the batteries have been inserted correctly.
2. If the volume is too low, please install new batteries.

## Care and Use / Maintenance

1. Clean **Talkback Picture Phone** with a soft, damp cloth.
2. Please do not put the **Talkback Picture Phone** in direct sunlight or near any source of heat.
3. Please remove the batteries if you won't be using the **Talkback Picture Phone** for a long period of time.
4. Do not use any chemical solvents to clean **Talkback Picture Phone**.
5. Don't spill anything on the **Talkback Picture Phone**.
6. For indoor use only.
7. Do not immerse in water.

## Caution

To avoid battery leakage:

1. Be sure to insert the batteries correctly and follow the toy and battery manufacturer's instructions.
2. Do not mix old and new batteries or alkaline, standard (carbon-zinc) or rechargeable batteries.
3. Always remove exhausted or dead batteries from the product.

## Attention Parents:

Please read the instruction manual very carefully and ensure children understand several critical issues in order to properly interact with this toy.

- Children **MUST** wait until they hear a "BEEP" before answering all questions.
- Children must answer all questions with a **ONE-WORD ANSWER**. For example: If they are asked "Who would you like to call now?", they should answer "Zoo" not "The Zoo".
- Children must carefully and correctly pronounce each of their answers. For example: If the child is asked a question requiring a "YES" answer, the toy will **NOT** recognize if the child answers "YEP" or "YEAH". It will only recognize "YES".

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## Information To The User

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules.

Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and
- (2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

**NOTE:** This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device. Pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does not cause harmful interference to radio or television reception which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on. The user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.

**CAUTION:** Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the grantee of this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

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