

*Talking
Children's
Dictionary*

User's Guide

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





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Key Guide

-  Toggles between writing words in manuscript printing and cursive script.
-  Shows a list of words that rhyme with your word.
-  Shows the Games menu.
-  Lets you use your word list, change settings, or view a demonstration.
-  Shows help messages.
-  Pronounces words aloud.
-  Turns the dictionary on or off.
-  Types a ? to stand for a missing letter in a word, or shows Confusables®. With **SHIFT**, types a * to stand for zero, one or more letters in a word.
-  Shifts the keys to type capital letters.
-  Erases a letter, backs up to the previous screen, or turns off the highlight in definitions.
-  Enters words, starts the highlight in definitions, or selects items.
-  Clears the most recently entered word.
-  Moves up, or makes the screen darker at the *Enter a word* screen.
-  Moves down, or makes the screen lighter at the *Enter a word* screen.
-  Moves the cursor or text to the left.
-  Moves right, or types a space.

Getting Started

Before you start, you should install new batteries and adjust the screen contrast. **Note:** Replace the batteries when the screen contrast is too light even after adjustment. When you remove batteries, stored information is erased.

1. Remove the battery compartment cover on the back of the unit.

2. Install four AAA batteries.

3. Press ON/OFF.

The first time you turn on this dictionary, you are asked to enter your name.

4. Type your name as you want it to appear in this dictionary. Or press ENTER if you do not want your name to appear.

To type a space, press ►. The first letter of each word you type in your name will automatically appear as a capital in this dictionary.

5. Press ENTER.

6. Press ▲ or ▼ repeatedly to make the screen lighter or darker.

Note: You can make the screen lighter or darker only when *Enter a word* is on the screen.

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Getting Started

✓ Seeing a Demonstration

You can see a brief demonstration by first pressing **LIST** and then pressing ▼ until you see *See Me Work*. Then press **ENTER** to see the demonstration. To stop the demonstration, press **CLEAR**.

✓ Changing the Name

You can enter your name or nickname so that it appears when you turn on the dictionary or win a game. To enter or change the name, first press **LIST** and then press ▼ until you see *Enter Your Name*. Then press **ENTER** and use **BACK** to erase the letters. Type your name or nickname as you want it to appear and then press **ENTER** again.

✓ Help is Always at Hand

You can view a help message at almost any screen by pressing **HELP**. To hear the help message, press **SPEAK**. To turn off the speech, press **BACK**. To go back to where you were, press **BACK** again.

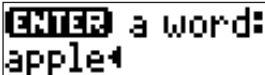
✓ About the Automatic Shutoff

If you forget to turn off the dictionary, it will turn off automatically in about two minutes.

Looking up a Word

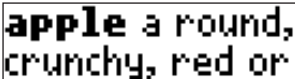
It's easy to look up the definitions of words with your dictionary. Let's learn how.

1. Press **CLEAR**.
2. Type a word. For example, type *apple*.



To erase letters, use **BACK**. To type a space, press **▶**. To type a capital letter, hold down **SHIFT** while you type a letter.

3. Press **ENTER** to see its definition.



4. Press **▼** to read more of the definition.
5. To hear the definition, press **SPEAK**. To turn off the speech, press **BACK**.
To learn more, read "Hearing Words."
6. Press **CLEAR** when you are finished.

✓ Just Follow the Arrows

Do you see the flashing arrows at the right of the screen? They show you which arrow keys you can press to see more words in lists and definitions.

Finding Rhymes

You can find rhymes with your dictionary. Rhymes are words that sound alike.

You can check for words that rhyme with: a word you type at the *Enter a word* screen; a word you looked up; the highlighted word in a definition or list; a game word; a printed or cursively written word.

Try this example:

1. Press **CLEAR**.
2. Type *wild*.
3. Press **RHYME**.



antid
dialed

4. Press ▼ or ▲ to scroll through the list of words that rhyme with your word.



riled
smiled

5. Press **CLEAR** when you are finished.

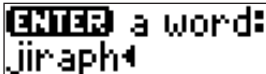
✓ Multiple Pronunciations

Some words have more than one pronunciation. *Lead*, for example, could rhyme with *bed* or *weed*. There are separate rhyme lists for each pronunciation.

Correcting Misspellings

If you misspell a word, the dictionary automatically shows you a list of spelling corrections.

1. Press **CLEAR**.
2. Type a misspelled word. For example, type *jiraph*.



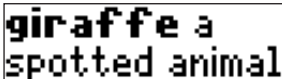
ENTER a word:
jiraph

3. Press **ENTER**.
Press **DOWN**, if necessary, to highlight the correct word.



giraffe
Geiger

4. Press **SPEAK** to hear the word.
Press **RHYME** to see a list of words that rhyme with the word. To highlight another correction, press ▼.
5. Press **ENTER** to see its definition.



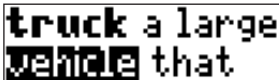
giraffe a
spotted animal

6. Press **BACK** to go back to the corrections.
7. Press **CLEAR** when you are finished.

Jumping to a Word

If you want to learn the meaning of a word that you see in a definition, you can highlight the word and then jump to its definition.

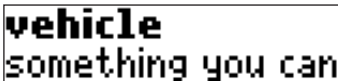
1. Press **CLEAR**.
2. Type a word. For example, type *truck*.
3. Press **ENTER**.
4. Press **ENTER** again to start the highlight. To turn off the highlight, press **BACK**.
5. Press the arrow keys to highlight a word. For example, highlight *vehicle*.



truck a large
vehicle that

Press **RHYME** to see a list of words that rhyme with the word.

6. Press **ENTER** to jump to the definition of the highlighted word.



vehicle
something you can

7. Press **SPEAK** to hear the definition. Then press **BACK** to stop the speech.
8. Press **BACK** to go back to the word that you typed.
9. Press **CLEAR** when you are finished.

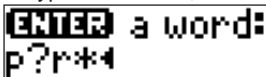
Finding Letters in Words

If you don't know how to spell a word, type a question mark (?) in place of each letter that you are unsure about. To find prefixes, suffixes, and other parts of words, type an asterisk (*) in a word. Each asterisk stands for a series of letters. You can type more than one question mark or asterisk in a word. You can also use ?s and *s to help you solve crossword puzzles and other word games. Try this example.

1. Press **CLEAR**.

2. Type a word with ?s or *s in place of letters. For example, type *p?r**.

To type an asterisk, hold **SHIFT** and press *****.



ENTER a word:
p?r*

3. Press **ENTER**.



par
parachute

4. Use **▼** to highlight a word.

5. Press **ENTER** to see the definition of the highlighted word.

Press **RHYME** to see a list of words that rhyme with the word.

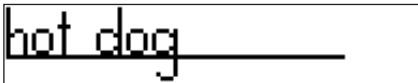
6. Press **BACK** to go back to the matches.

7. Press **CLEAR** when you are finished.

Writing Letters and Words

The dictionary can write letters and words in both manuscript printing and cursive script.

1. Press **CLEAR**.
2. Type or enter one or more words. For example, type or enter *hot dog*.
To type a space, press ►.
3. Press **ABC** to see the word(s) written in manuscript printing.



To see the word(s) written again, press **ENTER**. If the word is too long to fit on the screen, use ► to see it.

4. Press **ABC** again to see the word(s) written in cursive script.



✓ Changing the Writing Speed

You can change the speed of the handwriting by pressing **LIST**, pressing ▼ until you see *Handwriting Speed*, and then pressing ◀ or ▶.

Viewing Confusables®

Confusables are words that are spelled or sound alike that people often confuse. When you see a question mark flashing to the right of a word, that word has confusables.

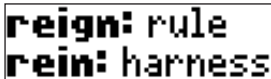
1. Press **CLEAR**.
2. Type *rain* and then press **ENTER**.
Notice the flashing question mark.
3. Press **?**.



rain:
precipitation

Each confusable is followed by a word that explains its meaning.

4. Press **▼** to view more confusables, if any.



reign: rule
rein: harness

5. To jump to the definition of a word, highlight it and press **ENTER**.
To learn how to highlight a word, read "Jumping to a Word." Press **RHYME** to see a list of words that rhyme with the word.
6. Press **BACK** to go back to the confusables.
7. Press **CLEAR** when you are finished.

Saving Words for Study

You can save as many as 80 words in your own word list for study and review. You can add words to the list that are not found in this dictionary, but they take up more space in your list.

To Add a Word to Your List

1. Press **CLEAR**.
2. Press **LIST**.
3. Press **▼** or **▲** until you see *Add a Word* and then press **ENTER**.
4. Type a word and then press **ENTER**.
If the word is not in this dictionary, press **▼** or **▲** to see your options and then press **ENTER** to select one.

- or -

1. Press **CLEAR**.
2. Type a word and press **LIST**.

You can also type a word, press **ENTER** to see the definition and then press **LIST**.

Note: You can also add highlighted words in definitions, spelling correction lists or Confusables® lists. To learn how to highlight a word in a definition, see “Jumping to a Word on page 7.

3. Press **LIST**.
4. Press **ENTER** to add the word.

Saving Words for Study

To See and Hear Your Words

1. Press LIST.
2. Press ▼ or ▲ to see *See Your Words* and then press ENTER.
3. Press ▼ or ▲ to highlight a word.
4. Press SPEAK to hear a word, ENTER to see its definition, ABC to see it written, RHYME to see a list of words that rhyme with that word or ? to see its Confusables, if any.

To Erase a Word

1. Press LIST.
2. Press ▼ or ▲ to see *Erase a Word* and then press ENTER.
3. Press ▼ or ▲ to highlight a word.
4. Press ENTER to erase the highlighted word or press BACK to cancel.

To Erase Your Entire List

1. Press LIST.
2. Press ▼ or ▲ to see *Erase List* and then press ENTER.
3. Press Y to erase your list or press N to cancel.

Hearing Words

The dictionary can pronounce the words that appear on almost any screen—in definitions, handwriting examples, spelling correction lists, your word list, confusables, games, menus, prompts, and even help messages. Just press the **SPEAK** key whenever you want to hear words.

To adjust the volume, turn the volume control wheel on the side of the dictionary. You can plug headphones into the headphone jack on the other side to listen by yourself.

Try this example.

1. Press **CLEAR**.
2. Type *elephant* and then press **SPEAK** to hear the word.
3. Press **ENTER** and then press **SPEAK** to hear its definition.

A tone sounds at the end of the definition.

To stop the speech, press **BACK**.

4. Press **ENTER** and then use the arrow keys to highlight a word in the definition.
5. Press **SPEAK** to hear the highlighted word.

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6. Press **ABC** to see the highlighted word written.
7. Press **SPEAK** to hear the written word.
8. Press **CLEAR** when you are finished.

✓ Turning the Sound On or Off

You can turn the sound on or off by pressing **LIST**, pressing ▼ to see *Sound*, and then pressing ◀ or ▶.

✓ Hearing the Menus

If the sound is turned on, you can press **SPEAK** to hear the items on the List or Games menu. Just press **LIST** or **GAMES** and then press **SPEAK** to try it.

✓ Turning the Keyboard Sound On or Off

Keyboard Sound repeats out loud the letter or name of each key that you press. To turn this on or off, press **LIST**, press ▼ until you see *Keyboard Sound* and then press ◀ or ▶.

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Changing Game Settings

Your dictionary has six fun word games. You can choose a skill level (easy or hard) and which game words (all or your list) to use.

1. Press **GAMES**.

2. To change the skill level, press ▼ or ▲ to see *Skill Level* and then press ◀ or ▶ to switch between settings.

The check marks your current setting.

3. To change the game words, press ▼ or ▲ to see *Game Words* and then press ◀ or ▶ to switch between settings.

✓ Understanding the Skill Levels

The skill levels change the number of guesses in *Hangman*, the difficulty of the computer opponent in *Tic-Tac-Toe*, and the number of letters in *Jumble*, *Flashcards*, and *Guess That Word*. *Tic-Tac-Toe 2-Player* is unaffected by the skill level.

✓ Understanding the Game Words

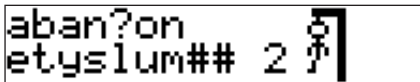
If you choose *All*, the game words will be chosen at random from the dictionary. If you choose *Your List*, the game words will be from the words in your list. Words in your list that have capitals, punctuation, spaces or are too long will not appear in the games.

Playing the Games

Hangman

Hangman challenges you to guess a mystery word, indicated by ?s, one letter at a time.

1. Press **GAMES**, if needed.
2. Press ▼ or ▲ to see *Hangman* and then press **ENTER**.
3. Type letters you think are in the word.



4. To give up and reveal the word, press ?.
5. To see the definition of the word, press **ENTER**.

To go back to the game, press **BACK**.

6. Press ► to play a new round.


Jumble

Jumble scrambles the letters of a mystery word. You must unscramble all the letters to form the word. **Note:** When you are playing *Jumble* using *Your List*, only words that are in this dictionary's word list will appear as game words.

1. Press **GAMES**, if needed.
2. Press ▼ or ▲ to see *Jumble* and then press **ENTER**.

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3. To shuffle the letters, press ENTER.



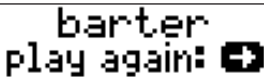
EDER
Word: ◀

4. Type your guess and press ENTER.
5. To give up and reveal the word, press ?.
6. Press ENTER to see the definition of the word.
To go back to the game, press **BACK**.
7. Press ▶ to play a new round.

Flashcards

Flashcards flashes words for you to spell or say.

1. Press **GAMES**, if needed.
2. Use ▼ or ▲ to see *Flashcards* and then press ENTER.



barter
play again: +

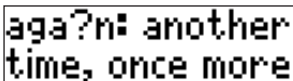
3. Press **SPEAK** to hear the word.
4. Press ENTER to see the definition of the word.
To go back to the game, press **BACK**.
5. Press ▶ to play a new round.

Playing the Games

Guess That Word

In *Guess That Word*, you must type the missing letters in the mystery word.

1. Press **GAMES**, if needed.
2. Press **▼** or **▲** to see *Guess that Word* and then press **ENTER**.



aga?n: another
time, once more

To read the definition of the mystery word, press **▼**, if needed.

3. If needed, use **▶** or **◀** to select a missing letter, and then type the letter that you think belongs there.
4. Continue typing letters until the word is complete or no more tries are left, or press **?** to give up and reveal the word.
5. Press **▶** to play a new round.

✓ Seeing Your Score

Your score appears after each round of most games until you change games or until you exit the game.

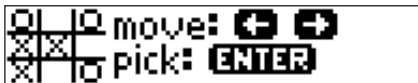
Playing the Games

Tic-Tac-Toe

In *Tic-Tac-Toe*, your challenge is to get three X's in a row before your computer opponent can get three O's in a row.

1. Press **GAMES**, if needed.
2. Press **▼** or **▲** to see *Tic-Tac-Toe* and then press **ENTER**.
3. Use the arrow keys to move your X to the spot that you want and then press **ENTER**.

The computer will place its O.



4. Continue playing until one side wins or the round ends in a tie.
5. Press **▶** to play a new round.

✓ Playing Tic-Tac-Toe 2-Player

Tic-Tac-Toe 2-Player is the same as regular *Tic-Tac-Toe* except that you play with a friend instead of against the computer. One player plays X and the other plays O.

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- 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.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

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- **Weight:** 7 oz
- **Batteries:** 4 AAA, 1.5-volt
- **Screen size:** 17 x 79 continuous pixel

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