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# Talkable IV 12 Levels #2403

(With Built in Icon holder)

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## User's Guide

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### *Easy Communication!*

These compact message communicators allow for simple communication and come with built-in icon holders. The Talkable II allows the user to record two messages. Choose between two activities such as asking and answering questions (e.g. yes, no). It has 10 seconds of recording time on each side and has output jacks to activate two devices. The Talkable III allows for three 5-second messages. Three jacks allow you simultaneously activate a toy or device for immediate reinforcement. The Talkable IV allows for four 5-second messages with four jacks to operate devices. The 12-Level Talkable IV allows for four 5-second messages on 12 levels for a total of 240 seconds of record time. All the Talkables come with free clear covers. Size: 14"L x 5 1/2"W x 2 3/4"H. Requires 4 AA Batteries.

#### **Operation:**

1. Carefully turn unit over and remove the small screw from the battery compartment. Slide the battery compartment cover off. Observing polarity, install four AA size batteries (Not included) into the holder. Replace cover and screw. Alkaline batteries must be used only (e.g. Duracell or Energizer brand). Do not use rechargeable batteries or any other type of batteries because they supply lower voltage and the unit will not perform properly. Never mix brands, types or old and new batteries together. Replace the battery compartment cover and replace the screw.
2. Turn the unit on by turning the ON/OFF/VOLUME knob located on the bottom panel of the unit. To record, first set the LEVEL knob to the desired LEVEL e.g. LEVEL 1. Next press and hold the red "RECORD" button press down one of the colored plates. While continuing to hold the plate down, speak your message. Release both when you finish recording. Record on the remaining plates in the same manner.
3. To play back your message, press lightly on the plate of your choice. It is not necessary to continue holding the plate down when listening to the message. The unit will continue to playback the entire message, even if pressure on the plate is released.
4. To record the next LEVEL turn the LEVEL knob to the next LEVEL e.g. LEVEL 2. Repeat recording in the same manor as your previous messages.
5. The unit will retain recorded information indefinitely, even if the batteries are disconnected. Previously stored information will be erased only when a new recording is performed.
6. Playback volume can be adjusted using the "ON/OFF/VOLUME" control knob located on the bottom panel of the unit.

**Please Note:** There is a maximum of 5 seconds per messages with a total recording time of 240 seconds.

#### **To use as a switch:**

7. This unit can also be used to activate switch adapted toys or devices. Simply attach the toy or device to the corresponding 1/8" female jack using the cords provided. There is an output jack for each of the switch plates. When the plate is pressed, the message will play and the toy or device will be activated. Make sure all connections are tight with no gaps between cords.
8. The Talkables have two locations for placing Icons or Pictures. On the back of the unit there is a holding strip where Icons or Photos can be placed. There is also a removable clear cover on the built in round switch plate which icons or photos can be placed.

**Please Note:** When using the holding strip if you're Icons, Photos or words are printed on regular printer paper, we recommend laminating them. If not they will not stand upright or be secure in the holding strip.

#### **Troubleshooting:**

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

**Action #1:** Make sure there is no dirt or obstacles between the plates and the housing of the unit.

**Action #2:** Disconnect the power by removing one of the batteries for 20 seconds in order to reset the unit. Re-install the batteries. If the unit does not work correctly, replace all the batteries.

**Problem:** My toy/device connected to the Talkable does not work.

**Action #1:** Make sure there are no gaps between your cord connections.

**Action#2:** Try your toy/device with another switch you know works to rule it out as the source of the problem.

#### **Care of the Unit:**

The Talkables 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.