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**Big Talk #4200Y, 4200R,  
4200B, 4200G, 4200P**

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**USER'S GUIDE**



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## Big Talk

Simply communicate!

Record a message, song or joke.

- 20 seconds of recording time
- Can be activated by an external switch
- Output for activating other devices
- Easy single message recording
- Comes with a free plastic cover

Size: 7"D x 4½"H. Requires 4 AA Batteries. Weight: 1 lb.

### Operation:

1. Gently turn the unit over to reveal the black battery compartment. Carefully remove the small screw from the battery compartment cover using a Phillips head screwdriver, and slide the battery compartment cover off. Observing polarity, install four AA size batteries into the holder. 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. 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 of the Big Talk. You will hear an audible click when the unit turns on.
3. To record, simply press and hold the "RECORD" button on the back panel of the unit first, then press down the plate switch. While continuing to hold the record button and the plate switch, speak your message. Your mouth should be about 6 inches from the microphone when recording. Release both the record button and the plate switch when you finish recording.
4. To play back your message, simply activate the plate switch. It is not necessary to continue holding the plate switch when listening to the message. The unit will continue to playback the entire message, even if pressure on the plate is released.
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.

### To use as a switch:

7. The Big Talk also works as a switch. It will play your pre-recorded message, as well as activate a switch adapted toy or device. To do this plug one end of the supplied double ended 1/8" to 1/8" cords into the jack on the back of the Big

Talk labeled **Device**, and the other end into your toy or device. Press the switch plate and it will play your message and activate the toy or device for as long as the plate is depressed. Your message will only play once even though the connected device keeps activating. You will have to release the switch plate and press it down again to play your message.

### To use with an external switch:

8. The Big Talk can also be activated by another external capability switch, via the switch input jack located on the side of the unit, labeled **switch**. Make sure your switch is plugged in all the way with no gaps. External switch activation will replicate as if the large switch plate on the device was depressed.

### Important Note:

The memory of this unit is capable of holding up to a total of 20 seconds of speech information.

### Troubleshooting:

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

**Action #1:** 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 paying careful attention to proper polarity.

**Action #2:** Make sure that you have the unit turned on and the volume turned up to an audible volume.

**Action #3:** Make sure that you are holding both the record button AND the plate switch SIMULTANEOUSLY while you are recording.

**Action #4:** Make sure that there is nothing covering the Mic

**Problem:** The unit is playing old messages fine, but will not record new messages.

**Action #1:** Check your batteries – There is a 99% chance that either one is installed incorrectly and/or one is weak/dead.

### Care of the Unit:

The Big Talk can be wiped clean with any household multi-purpose, non-abrasive cleaner and disinfectant.

**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.