

# **User's Manual**

# **Alphabet Boat**

vtech Alphabet Boat

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VTech understands that a child's needs and abilities change as they grow and with that in mind we develop our toys to teach and entertain at just the right level...



Interactive toys to develop their imagination and encourage language development

#### l want...

...to get ready for school by starting to learn the alphabet and counting

...my learning to be as fun, easy and exciting as can be

...to show my creativity with drawing and music so my whole brain develops

#### Electronic Learning Computers

Cool, aspirational and inspiring computers for curriculum related learning

## I need...

...challenging activities that can keep pace with my growing mind

...intelligent technology that adapts to my level of learning

4-10years

...National Curriculum based content to support what I'm learning at school

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#### vtech Baby

Toys that will stimulate their interest in different textures, sounds and colours

#### l am...

...responding to colours, sounds and textures

...understanding cause and effect

...learning to touch, reach, grasp, sit-up, crawl and toddle

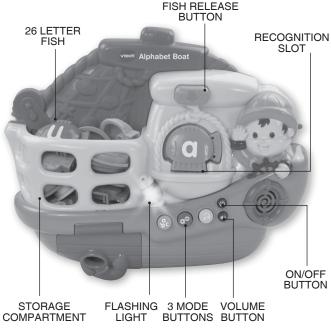
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# Introduction

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Thank you for purchasing the VTech® Alphabet Boat!

Welcome aboard! Catch the fish and put them on the scale to play! The 26 letter fish introduce letter names and phonic sounds as well as play a variety of musical responses. A simple question and answer game helps quiz little ones on what they have learnt while playing with the fish.



## **INCLUDED IN THIS PACKAGE**

- One VTech® Alphabet Boat
- 26 letter fish
- One user's manual
- **WARNING:** All packing materials, such as tape, plastic sheets, packaging locks and tags are not part of this toy, and should be discarded for your child's safety.
- Note: Please keep user's manual as it contains important information.

#### Unlock the packaging locks:



- Rotate the packaging lock 90 degrees anit-clockwise
- 2 Pull out the packaging lock

#### Release the try-me block

- 1. Make sure the unit is turned OFF.
- 2. Carefully pull the try-me block away from the toy and cut the strings as illustrated.
- 3. Then, remove the strings from the back of the toy.





## **GETTING STARTED**

#### **BATTERY INSTALLATION**

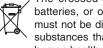
- 1. Make sure the unit is **OFF** and the battery cover, battery box and unit are all dry.
- 2. Locate the battery cover on the back of the unit. Use a screwdriver to loosen the screws.
- 3. Install 2 new AA (LR6/AM-3) batteries following the diagram inside the battery box. (The use of new, alkaline batteries is recommended for maximum performance.)
- 4. Replace the battery cover and tighten to secure. When closing the battery cover ensure that the screws are securely tightened. This will avoid any water leakage.

#### **BATTERY NOTICE**

- Use new alkaline batteries for maximum performance.
- Use only batteries of the same or equivalent type as recommended.
- Do not mix different types of batteries: alkaline, standard (carbon-zinc) or rechargeable (Ni-Cd, Ni-MH), or new and used batteries.
- Do not use damaged batteries.
- Insert batteries with the correct polarity.
- Do not short-circuit the battery terminals.
- Remove exhausted batteries from the toy.
- Remove batteries during long periods of non-use.
- Do not dispose of batteries in fire.
- Do not charge non-rechargeable batteries.
- Remove rechargeable batteries from the toy before charging (if removable).
- Rechargeable batteries are only to be charged under adult supervision.

DO NOT USE RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES

#### Disposal of batteries and product



The crossed-out wheelie bin symbols on products and batteries, or on their respective packaging, indicates they must not be disposed of in domestic waste as they contain substances that can be damaging to the environment and human health.

The chemical symbols Hg, Cd or Pb, where marked, indicate that the battery contains more than the specified value of mercury (Hg), cadmium (Cd) or lead (Pb) set out in Battery



The solid bar indicates that the product was placed on the market after 13th August, 2005.

Help protect the environment by disposing of your product or batteries responsibly.

For more information, please visit: www.recvcle-more.co.uk www.recyclenow.com

## PRODUCT FEATURES

Directive (2006/66/EC).

#### 1. ON/OFF BUTTON

Press the ON/OFF BUTTON to turn the unit ON. Press the ON/OFF BUTTON again to turn the unit OFF.

#### 2. VOLUME BUTTON

Press the VOLUME BUTTON to adjust the volume to low, medium or high volume.





## 3. 3 MODE BUTTONS

Press one of the 3 MODE BUTTONS to select the LETTER MODE, PHONICS MODE or MUSIC MODE.

#### 4. 26 LETTER FISH

Insert the **26 LETTER FISH** into the **RECOGNITION SLOT** to learn letter names, phonics or listen to some music.

## 5. RECOGNITION SLOT

Insert the fish into the **RECOGNITION SLOT** to recognise the 26 letter fish.

#### 6. FLASHING LIGHT

The **LIGHT** will flash along with all the voice, music and sound responses.

## 7. FISH RELEASE BUTTON

Press the **FISH RELEASE BUTTON** to release the fish from the **RECOGNITION SLOT**.

## 8. STORAGE COMPARTMENT

The **STORAGE COMPARTMENT** allows for quick and easy storage for the 26 letter fish. Open the storage compartment door to release the fish.















#### 9. AUTOMATIC SHUT-OFF

To preserve battery life, the **VTech® Alphabet Boat** will automatically power-down after a few minutes without input. The unit can be turned on again by pressing the **ON/OFF BUTTON**.

#### NOTE:

Choose a surface on the wall surrounding the bath where the suction cups can be mounted securely. The area should be clean and dry before suctioning the unit to the wall. For better suction, we suggest wetting the suction cups before attaching them to the wall.



#### WARNING:

- Batteries must be changed by an adult.
- Only use this product in water between 10 and 45 degrees Celsius (50 and 113 degrees Fahrenheit).
- This product cannot be used in salt water.
- Do not leave this product submerged in water for a long period of time.
- This product should only be operated in water when fully assembled in accordance with the instructions.
- To prevent drowning, never leave a child unattended in the bath.
- Use a thermometer to check the temperature of the water before sitting a child in the bath. Toddlers have very sensitive skin and can burn easily if the water is too hot.
- When finished playing, remove the unit from the water and pour out any remaining water. Rinse the unit with clean water and wipe with a dry cloth. Suspend the unit in an upright position to dry.

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**Activities** 

## ACTIVITIES

#### 1. Letter Fun

Let's learn letter names! Insert one of the 26 LETTER FISH into the recognition slot or press the LETTER MODE BUTTON when a fish is already inserted into the recognition slot to learn letter names and hear fun sounds. Press the LETTER MODE BUTTON without a fish in the recognition slot to hear a random question.

## 2. Explore Phonics

Time to explore phonics! Insert one of the **26 LETTER FISH** into the recognition slot or press the **PHONICS MODE BUTTON** when a fish is already inserted into the recognition slot to learn phonic sounds and hear fun letter and phonic chants. Press the **PHONICS MODE BUTTON** without a fish in the recognition slot to hear a random question.

#### 3. Music Time

Let's listen to some music! Insert one of the 26 LETTER FISH into the recognition slot or press the MUSIC MODE BUTTON when a fish is already inserted into the recognition slot to hear playful melodies. Press the MUSIC MODE BUTTON without a fish in the recognition slot to hear sung songs.







# SING-ALONG SONG LYRICS

#### SING-ALONG SONG 1

ABCDEFG, HIJKLMNOP, QRS, TUV, WX, Y and Z. Now I know my ABC's, Next time won't you sing with me.

#### SING-ALONG SONG 2

The little fish want to swim and play, Each one has something different to say.

#### SING-ALONG SONG 3

ABCDEFG, Learn the letters and their sounds with me!

#### MELODY LIST

- 1. Sailing, Sailing
- 2. My Bonnie Lies over the Ocean
- 3. Row, Row, Row Your Boat
- 4. Sailor's Hornpipe
- 5. London Bridge
- 6. Skip to My Lou
- 7. Home on the Range
- 8. Hey Diddle Diddle
- 9. Bingo
- 10. Alouette
- 11. Turkey in the Straw
- 12. One, Two Buckle My Shoe

## **CARE & MAINTENANCE**

- 1. Remove the unit from the wall after each use.
- 2. Keep the unit clean by wiping it with a slightly damp cloth.
- 3. Keep the unit out of direct sunlight and away from any direct heat source.
- 4. Make sure to dry all the elements of the unit before storing.
- 5. Remove the batteries when the unit is not in use for an extended period of time.
- 6. Do not drop the unit on a hard surface.

# TROUBLESHOOTING

If for some reason the program/activity stops working, please follow these steps:

- 1. Please turn the unit OFF.
- 2. Interrupt the power supply by removing the batteries.
- 3. Let the unit stand for a few minutes, then replace the batteries.
- 4. Turn the unit **ON**. The unit should now be ready to play again.
- 5. If the product still does not work, replace with an entire set of new batteries.

If the problem persists, please call our Consumer Services Department on 01235 546810 (from UK) or +44 1235 546810 (outside UK) and a service representative will be happy to help you.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

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Thank you for choosing this quality product from VTech. We hope it will bring many hours of entertainment, imaginative play and learning.



- 1. The product detailed above is covered by a one year warranty from the date of purchase, against any defects in materials or workmanship.
- 2. The product may be returned to the place of purchase. Alternatively the product can be returned to VTech Electronics Europe plc (see address below), with proof of purchase, without proof of purchase no replacement will be provided.
- 3. VTech Electronics Europe plc will examine the product and if it is found to be defective due to faulty materials or workmanship, will replace the product at their discretion.
- If the product covered by this warranty is damaged due to misuse, modification or unauthorised repair, or because of faulty batteries, battery discharge or incorrect electrical connections, then this warranty becomes void.
- 5. This warranty is personal to the original purchaser and is not transferable.
- 6. Breakages to the LCD screen are not covered by the warranty.
- 7. Returns to VTech Electronics Europe plc should include a cheque or postal order for £1.50 towards the cost of return postage and packaging.
- 8. Products returned to VTech Electronics Europe plc. should be addressed as follows and packed carefully to avoid damage in transit (Please do not include batteries or adaptor).

Please include details of the fault together with your name and address.

VTech Electronics Europe plc, c/o Tablogix Limited, 200 Milton Park, Abingdon, Oxon OX14 4TA

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