**vtech®**

# User's Manual

**Secret safe Diary mini**

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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...

## Electronic Learning Computers

Cool, aspirational and inspiring computers for curriculum related learning

## Pre-School

Interactive toys to develop their imagination and encourage language development

## I need...

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

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

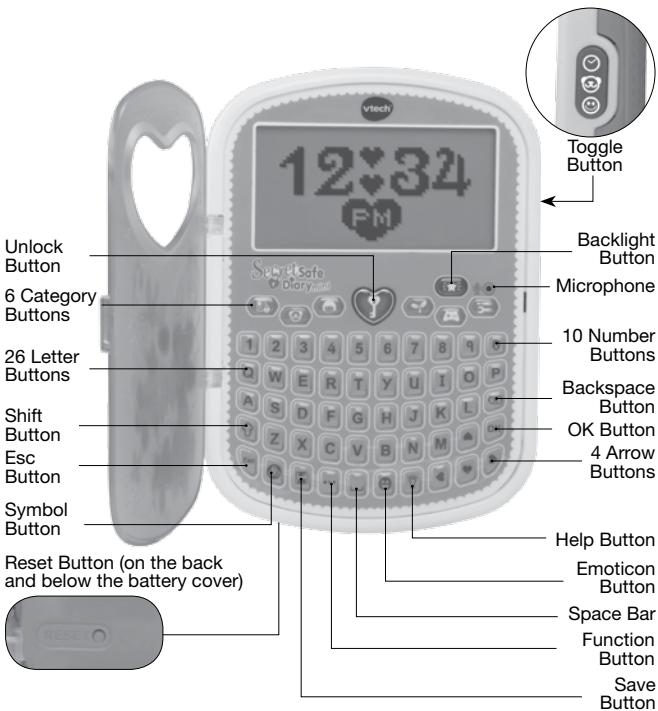...National Curriculum based content to support what I'm learning at school

## vtech Baby

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

## I 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

## I am...

...responding to colours, sounds and textures

...understanding cause and effect

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

4-10 years

3-6 years

Birth-36 months

# INTRODUCTION

Protect all of your secrets without worry! This diary has a voice activated locking system that will only respond to your voice. Look after a lovely virtual pet, grow different plants and play through the great games that cover words, maths, logic and more. It also features a QWERTY keyboard, alarm clock and an address book!

Toggle Button

Unlock Button

6 Category Buttons

26 Letter Buttons

Shift Button

Esc Button

Symbol Button

Reset Button (on the back and below the battery cover)

Backlight Button

Microphone

10 Number Buttons

Backspace Button

OK Button

4 Arrow Buttons

Help Button

Emoticon Button

Space Bar

Function Button

Save Button

# INCLUDED IN THIS PACKAGE

- One **VTech® Secret Safe Diary Mini**
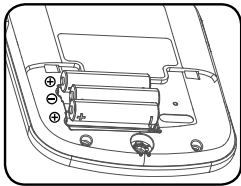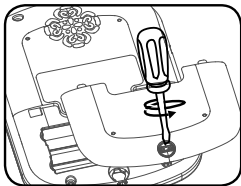- One instruction manual

### 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.

# GETTING STARTED

## BATTERY INSTALLATION

1. Make sure the unit is **OFF**.
2. Locate the battery cover on the bottom of the unit.
3. Open the battery cover.
4. Install 3 new AAA batteries into the compartment as illustrated. (The use of new, alkaline batteries is recommended for maximum performance.)
5. Replace the battery cover.

## 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.

**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 Directive (2006/66/EC).

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.recycle-more.co.uk

www.recyclenow.com

# How to attach the cover to the unit



Attach the cover to the unit as shown in the picture. You will hear a click sound when the cover is securely in place.

# PRODUCT FEATURES

### 1. Unlock Button

Press this button to activate the voice recognition, then say your password to turn the unit on. Keep about 10cm distance and speak clearly towards the microphone, which is located next to the **Backlight button**. Press the **Unlock button** again to turn the unit off.

### 2. Reset Button (RESET ●)

Press this button to reset the password. To activate normal play, first press the **Unlock button**, then press the **Reset button** until the screen shows the message 'Normal Mode'. To reset your password, you will first need to press the **Unlock button**, then press the **Reset button** until 'Password Reset' is displayed on the screen and the unit turns on. Next time you wish to turn the unit on, you will be asked to record the password again.

### 3. Toggle Button

Press the **Toggle button** to change the display. When the activities aren't being played and the unit is idle (sleep mode), there are 6 different screens to switch through: time, date, your nickname, your picture, your pet and your plant.

- **Pet mode:** will only show your pet, not its status.
- **Plant mode:** will show your plant status.
- **Alarm:** when the alarm sounds, press any button to stop it. If no button is pressed, the alarm will sound for 30 seconds.

When you're playing through the activities, press this button to see the clock. The clock will be displayed for around 3 seconds before normal play is resumed.

### 4. Backlight Button

Press this button to turn the backlight on or off.

### 5. 6 Category Buttons

Press one of the **Category buttons** to choose one of the 6 categories:

My Diary          My Pets          My Information

My Plants          My Workshop          My Settings

### 6. 26 Letter Buttons

Press the **Letter buttons** to write your diary and enter the information in My information, games or answer related questions.

### 7. 10 Number Buttons

Press the **Number buttons** to write in your diary and enter information in My Information.

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### 8. 4 Arrow Buttons

Press these buttons to make a selection on the screen or to move in related activities.

### 9. OK Button OK

Press this button to confirm your selection.

### 10. Backspace Button ⟨✕⟩

Press this button to delete what you've typed.

### 11. Shift Button ⇧

Hold down this button and the **Letter buttons** together to get capital letters.

### 12. Esc Button Esc

Press this button to go back to the previous screen.

### 13. Function Button ● ● ●

Press this button to pop up a function bar on the screen. Displays functions that you can select in certain activities.

### 14. Help Button 💡

Press this button to repeat the current question or instruction, or to get help in some activities.

### 15. Emoticon Button 😃

Press this button to add icons to your diary entries.

### 16. Symbol Button @&

Press this button to insert symbols in your diary entries and My Information games.

### 17. Save Button 💾

Press this button to save your diary entry and other information you've created.

### 18. Space Bar ⎵

When typing, use this button to insert a space between words, letters or numbers.

### 19. AUTOMATIC SHUT-OFF

To preserve battery life, the **Secret Safe Diary Mini** will automatically switch to clock mode after several minutes without input or when the battery power is low. The unit can be unlocked again by pressing the **Unlock button**.

When the battery power is very low, a warning will be displayed on the screen as a reminder to change your batteries.

# TO BEGIN PLAY

### Activating Normal Play Mode:

1. Make sure the unit is off.
2. Open the battery cover, the **Reset button** is located in the compartment with the word RESET.
3. Press the **Unlock button** to turn the unit on.
4. Press the **Reset button** when the unit asks you to enter the password.
5. The screen will display the message 'Normal Mode' and then show the clock.
6. Then press the **Unlock button** and you will be asked to record a new password.

**If no password exists:**
- A voice saying "Please say your password" will be heard.
- Say your password. You will then be asked to repeat it.
- "Password is recorded" will be heard if the password is successfully set. The unit will then open and you can begin playing.
- "Oh! There is no password" will be heard if the password isn't set. Press the **Unlock button** to try setting your password again.

**If password exists:**
- "OK" will be heard if the password is correct and the unit will then open and you can begin playing.
- If the password is incorrect, "Password is incorrect" will be heard and the unit will not turn on.

**Clock and Calendar Settings**
- When you first use the product or change the batteries, you will need to set the clock and calendar in My Settings.

# ACTIVITIES:

The **VTech® Secret Safe Diary Mini** has a total of 12 activities to play.

## Category 1: My Diary

You can select a date to write your diary here using text and special icons. Also, you can add a special frame to your diary. After the diary has been saved, you may review and edit it anytime you want.

### 1. Review Diary 050

After a diary entry has been written, you can review all diary entries in the Review Diary screen. Your diary entries will be sorted in date order. Use the **Arrow buttons** to make your selection and press the **OK button** to confirm.

When reviewing a diary entry, you can press the **Function button** to edit or delete the data in your diary.

## 2. Create a New Diary ( + ▭ )

To enter your diary, please follow the steps below.

- **Enter the Date**

  It will show today's date according to the date settings. To select a different date, use the **Arrow buttons** to change the date and press the **OK button** to confirm.

- **Enter the Content**

  Now you can create your secret diary entry. You can enter any letters and numbers on the keyboard. You can also insert emoticons by pressing the **Emoticon button** ( 😀 ). To enter symbols, press the **Symbol button** ( 🌐 ). Press the **Function button** ( ••• ) to set a frame or delete your diary. Press the **Save button** ( 💾 ) to save the diary entry.

## Category 2: My Pets

Do you love animals? Now you can raise your very own virtual pet! Press the My Pets button and choose from 3 different pets (cat, dog, horse).

**1. Pet Name**

After you choose a pet, you will need to give it a name. Press the **Letter buttons** to type a name to your pet.

**2. Pet Function**

Press the **Function button** to display 5 different functions: Pet Profile, Pet Care, Game Time, Pet Shop, Pet Reset.

- **Pet Profile** 📄

Here you can check your pet's name and status: Satisfaction Level, Happiness Level and Beauty Level. You can press the **Esc Button** to go back to the main pet screen. Press the **OK button** on the pet's name screen to edit your pet's name.

 Satisfaction Level – Check if your pet is hungry.

 Happiness Level – Check if your pet is happy.

 Beauty Level – Check how your pet is looking.

### • Pet Care 

Here are the actions you can choose to look after your pet.

 Select a food to feed your pet when it is hungry. The food you can choose from also includes food you get from your plants.

 Give it a shower when your pet is dirty.

 Give it medicine when your pet is sick.

### • Game Time 

Each pet has its own mini game.

Dog: Help the dog find the buried bones in the garden! Press the **Arrow buttons** to move around the screen and press the **OK button** when you find the right spot. The barking sound will speed up when the dog is close to the bone.

Cat: The cat likes playing with balls of wool! The balls will come from three different directions: down, left and right. Press the corresponding **Arrow buttons** to stop the ball.

Horse: Help the horse run in a timed race! Press the **OK button** to make the horse jump over the obstacles.

### • Pet Shop 

If you gain enough points in My Workshop, you can go to the shop and buy gifts for your pet. All gifts will make your pet happier.

### • Pet Reset 

To reset your pet, you can select Pet Reset. To confirm, select Yes to go back to the pet selection screen.

## Category 3: My Information

There are two activities in this category.

### Activity 1: My Profile

There are 3 functions for you to choose from: My Profile, My Icon and Shopping Fun.

1. My Profile

   Enter and see your name, birthday, e-mail, phone number and address. You can press the **OK button** to edit the information.

2. My Icon

   You can create your own icon that will appear on the screen when the unit is in sleep mode.

3. Shopping Fun

   You can collect points in My Workshop and buy special items to decorate your and your friend's image.

### Activity 2: My Friend Books

When entering the My Friend Books activity, 'Add new friend' and 'friend's information review' will show on the screen. Use the arrow buttons to select and press the **OK button** to view the information. When viewing the information, press the **Function button** to edit or delete the content.

If you choose to add a new contact, you can enter your friend's name, phone number, birthday, address, email and friends' gender.

## Category 4: My Plants

You can grow 5 plants (bean, nut, apple, strawberry, lollipop) in this activity.

1. Select and buy a seed. The growing time of each plant will show at the top of the screen. Press the **OK button** to buy a seed. Seeds cost points, make sure to get more points by playing through the different activities in My Workshop.

2. You will then be asked to press the up or down **Arrow button** to loosen the soil. Press the left and right **Arrow button** to give your plant some water, then press the **OK button** to cast a growth spell.
3. After that, a sprout and its growing time will show on the screen.
4. Plant Function

   Press the **Function button** to see 5 icons: Plant Profile, Fertiliser, Plant Shop, Crop, Plant Reset.

• **Plant Profile** 🌱

Here you can check your plant's information: growing time (🌱), cropping time (🌰) and how many points the seed is worth. You can press the **Esc** or **OK button** to exit the screen.

• **Fertiliser** 📗

You can give your plant some fertiliser to reduce the growing time. There are 3 types of fertiliser for you to choose from.

• **Plant Shop** 🏠

Enter the plant shop to buy the fertiliser you would like to use.

• **Crop** 🥄

When the plant is mature, it will show a cropping time. You can press the **Function button** and select the Crop icon to crop the plant. If you don't crop your plant within the cropping time, the plant will wither and you will be returned to the plant selection screen.

• **Plant Reset** 🔄

If you would like to start with a new plant, you can select the Plant Reset function. To confirm, select Yes to go back to the plant selection screen.

## Category 5: My Workshop

There are 6 activities for you to play and collect points to buy items for My Pet, My Profile and My Plants.

**My Workshop 1 – Typing Fireworks**

Test your typing skills! Start off by typing the letters that show on the screen. When you advance to further levels, you will need to type whole words.
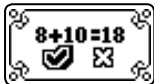


**My Workshop 2 – Mouse and Cheese**

Guess what the word is! Press a **Letter button** to make a guess. If the letter is part of the word, it will appear in the right place. If it's wrong, the mouse will get closer to the cheese.



**My Workshop 3 – Maths Challenge**

Test your maths skills! An equation will be shown on the screen. Confirm if it is correct or not by using the **Arrow buttons** to choose the tick if you think it's correct, or the cross if it is wrong.



**My Workshop 4 – Number Collection**

Collect the petals from the flower! Choose the petals with the numbers according to the question. Press the **Arrow buttons** to answer the questions.



**My Workshop 5 – Shape Fun**

Use the arrow buttons to adjust the machine, then press the **OK button** to release the shape. The loaded shapes will be placed in front of the machine before shooting. Arrange 3 or more of the same shapes together in order to make them disappear. Can you clear the screen before it fills up?



**My Workshop 6 – Friendship Matching**

Enter your birthday and then enter your friend's birthday! Press the **OK button** to start the Friendship generator. You will then see your result and an animation.

### Category 6: My Settings

There are 6 settings in My Settings to choose from: Nickname, Clock and Calendar, Volume level, Background music on/off, Screen Contrast, Alarm.

1. Nickname – You can press the letter buttons to enter your nickname and press the **OK button** to save it. When you have saved your nickname, it will show on the screen when in sleep mode.
2. Clock and Calendar – Press the **Arrow buttons** to set the date and time. Press the **OK button** to save your changes. When you have set the time and date, it will show on the screen when in sleep mode. When you first turn on the product or change the battery, you will need to set the clock by entering the My Settings activity.
3. Volume level – Use the **Arrow buttons** to adjust the volume. Press the **OK button** to save your changes.
4. Background music on/off – Use the **Arrow buttons** to set the background music on or off. Press the **OK button** to save your changes.
5. Screen Contrast – Use the **Arrow buttons** to adjust the screen brightness. Press the **OK button** to save your changes.
6. Alarm – Press the **Arrow buttons** to select an alarm time. Press the **OK button** to save your changes. When the alarm is set and it activates, you will see the alarm animation and an accompanying sound.

# CARE & MAINTENANCE

1. Keep the unit clean by wiping it with a slightly damp cloth.
2. Keep the unit out of direct sunlight and away from any direct heat sources.
3. Remove the batteries when the unit is not in use for an extended period of time.
4. Do not drop the unit on a hard surface and do not expose the unit to excess moisture.

# TROUBLESHOOTING

If for some reason the program/activity stops working or the unit can't be turned on again, then please follow these steps:

1. 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 back ON. The unit will now be ready to play again.
5. If the unit 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:

Creating and developing our products is accompanied by a responsibility that we at **VTech**® take very seriously. We make every effort to ensure the accuracy of the information which forms the value of our products. However, errors sometimes can occur. It is important for you to know that we stand behind our products and encourage you to call our Consumer Services Department at +44 1235 546810 with any problems and/or suggestions that you might have. A service representative will be happy to help you.

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# **vtech®** PRODUCT WARRANTY

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**ONE YEAR**
PRODUCT WARRANTY

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.

4. 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.

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