Small Talk Sequencer w/ Levels #8152

User's Guide

Now with levels!

We added four levels to our bestselling compact communicator in addition to its single, sequential, and random message capabilities!

- 4 levels
- 300 seconds of recording time
- Sequential capability for storytelling
- Random capability for games or cards
- Can be activated by an external switch
- Output for activating other devices

Size: 6 1/4"L x 6 1/4"W x 3"H. Requires 4 AAA 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 AAA size batteries (Not included) into the holder. . Use alkaline batteries 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 old and new batteries together or different brands or types together. Replace cover and screw.

2. Select a level with the rotary dial located on the underside of the unit. There are 4 levels to choose from. You do not need to use all 4 levels. Just use as many levels to suits your needs. Each level can record up to 75 seconds.

3. Make sure that the volume is at an audible level by turning the silver **ON/OFF/VOLUME** knob clockwise. Set the **Random/Sequencer/Single** switch to **Sequence**. **Please Note:** The **Random/Sequencer/Single** switch only has two positions; **Sequencer/Single** position controls both the **Sequencer** and **Single** switch functions.

4. Press and **HOLD** the red record button on the bottom of the unit. The record button will need to **remain depressed** during ALL of the recordings for the specific level you are recording on (**Do not release until ALL recordings for that level are completed**).

5. Now press and **HOLD** the plate switch on the top of the unit. Speak your message clearly, with your mouth preferably about 6" from the microphone (the small "fuzzy" circle on the bottom of the unit) then release the plate, but **continue to hold the red record button** on the bottom of the unit. DO NOT RELEASE THE RED RECORD BUTTON IF YOU WISH TO CONTINUE THE SEQUENCE OF MESSAGES ON THIS LEVEL.

6. If you wish to continue recording on that level, press the switch plate again and record your next message in the exact same way.

7. Once you are finished recording on that level, you can then release the red record button on the bottom of the unit.

8. You can then record all remaining levels in the exact same way.

9. Each message can be any length. Just remember that the **TOTAL** record time for each level is 75 seconds and the **TOTAL** record time for the unit is 300 seconds. Plan your recording accordingly.

10. To use the device for playback, first select the level that you wish to work with using the rotary knob on the bottom of the unit. Next set the Random/ Sequence/Single switch to the desired position.

11. Each time the user presses and releases the switch plate on the top of the unit, they will hear the messages recorded on that level either in the sequence which they were recorded or randomly depending on your settings. There is also a 1/8" female jack that will accept most capability switches. When using an external switch make sure there are no gaps between the connections.

12. When you are done using the unit, turn it off. If you will not be using the unit for a prolonged period of time, remove the batteries from the battery compartment.

13. A removable clear plastic cover can be used to hold picture icons or words. To remove the cover carefully lift up on one side of the clear cover. Place your icon then place the cover over the plate and press the cover down gently. Do not hit or press the cover down, doing so can damage the unit and make removal of the cover difficult.

Troubleshooting:

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

Action #1: Make sure that you have fresh batteries in the unit and that they are installed according to proper polarity. You will hear a tone emitted from the unit when you install the batteries correctly.
Action #2: Make sure that the volume is turned up to an audible level
Action #3: Make sure that there is nothing inhibiting the depression of the switch plate OR holding the switch plate down (i.e. icons, crumbs, sticky juice, etc.)
Action #4: Make sure that you DID NOT RELEASE the red record button on the bottom of the unit while recording each individual (for sequencing messages) level.
Action #5: If you are using an external capability switch, make sure that there is a TIGHT connection between the switch and the unit (there should be NO gaps). Especially check this when using adapters. Any gaps will cause the unit to function incorrectly or not work at all.
Action #6: If you are using an external capability switch, test that switch with another device to rule out the switch as the source of the problem. Do the same with any adapters that you may be using.

Care of the Unit:

The Small Talk 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.