

**User's Manual** 

# Count & Learn Alphabet Bus™



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#### Dear Parent,

At **VTech**®, we know how important the first day of school is for your child. To help prepare preschoolers for this important event, **VTech®** has developed the **Preschool Learning™** series of interactive toys.

**Preschool Learning**<sup>™</sup> features fun characters and inviting school themes that use technology to capture a child's attention and teach important preschool skills like spelling, counting and the alphabet. These vital skills are taught in a way that's both fun and highly engaging to maintain a child's interest. Children will also be introduced to fun school subjects such as art class, music class and even recess! With **Preschool Learning**<sup>™</sup>, learning is fun from day one!

At **VTech**<sup>®</sup>, we know that a child has the ability to do great things. That's why all of our electronic learning products are uniquely designed to develop a child's mind and allow them to learn to the best of their ability. We thank you for trusting **VTech**<sup>®</sup> with the important job of helping your child learn and grow!

sincerely,

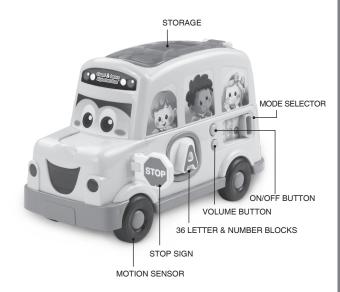
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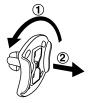
Thank you for purchasing the **VTech<sup>®</sup> Count & Learn Alphabet Bus**<sup>™</sup>. This friendly bus will take your child on an exciting learning journey. By inserting the blocks, your child will learn letters, numbers, phonics, words, colors and safety rules. The bus also plays fun sounds and melodies!



# **INCLUDED IN THIS PACKAGE**

- One VTech<sup>®</sup> Count & Learn Alphabet Bus™
- 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.
- ATTENTION: Pour la sécurité de votre enfant, débarrassezvous de tous les produits d'emballage tels que rubans adhésifs, feuilles de plastique, attaches et étiquettes. Ils ne font pas partie du jouet.
- NOTE: Please keep the user's manual as it contains important information.

Unlock the packaging lock:



- Rotate the packaging lock 90 degrees counter-clockwise.
- 2 Pull out the packaging lock and discard.

# **GETTING STARTED**

#### **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 front of the toy.



4. Please insert a block (other than "A") into the slot before you turn on the unit to activate normal play.

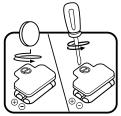
#### **BATTERY INSTALLATION**

- 1. Make sure the unit is turned OFF.
- Locate the battery cover on the bottom of the unit.
- Install 2 new "AA" size (AM-3/LR6) 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 the screw to secure.

#### **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 (carbonzinc) 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.





# **PRODUCT FEATURES**

#### 1. ON/OFF BUTTON

To turn the unit **ON**, press the **ON/OFF BUTTON** . Press the **ON/OFF BUTTON** again to turn the unit **OFF**.

#### 2. STORAGE COMPARTMENT

The **STORAGE COMPARTMENT** allows for quick and easy storage of the 26 letter and 10 number blocks. Open the bus door to release the blocks.

#### 3. MODE SELECTOR

Slide the **MODE SELECTOR** to choose an activity.

#### 4. 36 LETTER AND NUMBER BLOCKS

Insert the 26 letter and 10 number blocks into the slot to learn letters, phonics, words, numbers, counting, colors and to answer questions.

#### 5. PERSONALIZE

Select the **Find It** (a) activity and play through the series of questions. When you hear, "*Can you find the first letter of your name?*" insert the block that corresponds to the first letter of your child's name. When the bus asks, "*How old are you?*" insert the block that corresponds to your child's age. During play, any time you insert the block that's the first letter of your child's name or number of your child's age, the bus will recognize it and respond in fun ways.

To change the personalization settings, insert a different letter or number when you hear the personalization questions or change the batteries.







ACTIVITIES

#### 6. MOTION SENSOR

Push the bus to trigger fun sound effects and melodies.

#### 7. STOP SIGN

Flip the **STOP SIGN** out or flip the stop sign in to teach your child safety rules.

#### 8. VOLUME BUTTON

Press the VOLUME BUTTON (1) to change the volume.

#### 9. AUTOMATIC SHUT-OFF

To preserve battery life, the **Count & Learn Alphabet Bus**<sup>™</sup> will shut off automatically after several minutes without any input. The unit can be turned on again by pressing the **ON/OFF BUTTON**. The unit will also automatically turn off when the batteries are very low.

# ACTIVITIES

# 1. LETTERS & NUMBERS (

Insert any letter or number block to learn letters, phonics, numbers and colors.

#### 2. LEARNING RIDE

Insert any letter or number block to learn vocabulary words and counting.

#### 3. FIND IT (

Listen to questions in quiz mode. Then find and insert the correct letter or number block into the slot to answer.

#### 4. BUS TUNES (

Cruise around and enjoy more than 20 melodies. Insert a block to change the tune.









# **MELODY LIST**

In **Bus Tunes** mode, each letter block plays a different song when inserted into the slot:

- A Hey Diddle Diddle
- B Humpty Dumpty
- C It's Raining, It's Pouring
- D Pop! Goes the Weasel
- E London Bridge
- F Hickory Dickory Dock
- G The Muffin Man
- H Skip to My Lou
- I This Old Man
- J Mary Had a Little Lamb
- K Here We Go 'Round the Mulberry Bush
- L Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star
- M Three Little Kittens
- N Aiken Drum
- O Alouette
- P Itsy Bitsy Spider
- Q She'll Be Coming 'Round the Mountain
- R The Bear Went Over the Mountain
- S I've Been Working on the Railroad
- T- Hot Cross Buns
- U The Farmer in the Dell
- V Old MacDonald Had a Farm
- W Baa, Baa Black Sheep
- X Jack and Jill
- Y Oh Susanna
- Z Animal Fair

# SUNG SONG LYRICS

The fun, yellow bus goes 'round and 'round, 'round and 'round, 'round and 'round.

The fun, yellow bus goes 'round and 'round, as you play along.

# **CARE & MAINTENANCE**

- 1. Keep the unit clean by wiping it with a slightly damp cloth.
- 2. Keep the unit out of direct sunlight and heat source.
- 3. Remove the batteries when the unit is not in use for an extended period of time.
- Do not drop the unit on hard surfaces and do not expose the unit to moisture or water.

# TROUBLESHOOTING

If for some reason the program/activity stops working or malfunctions, 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 a new set of batteries.

If the problem persists, please call our Consumer Services Department at 1-800-521-2010 in the U.S., or 1-877-352-8697 in Canada, and a service representative will be happy to help you.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

Creating and developing **VTech**<sup>®</sup> products is accompanied by a responsibility that we at **VTech**<sup>®</sup> 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 1-800-521-2010 in the U.S., or 1-877-352-8697 in Canada with any problems and/or suggestions that you might have. A service representative will be happy to help you.

#### Note:

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

**Caution:** Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.



# **PRODUCT WARRANTY**

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This Warranty is applicable only to the original purchaser, is non-transferable and applies only to "VTech" products or parts. This product is covered by a 3-month Warranty from the original purchase date, under normal use and service,

against defective workmanship and materials. This Warranty does not apply to (a) consumable parts, such as batteries; (b) cosmetic damage, including but not limited to scratches and dents; (c) damage caused by use with non-VTech products; (d) damage caused by accident, misuse, unreasonable use, immersion in water, neglect, abuse, battery leakage, or improper installation, improper service, or other external causes; (e) damage caused by operating the product outside the permitted or intended uses described by VTech in the owner's manual; (f) a product or part that has been modified (g) defects caused by normal wear and tear or otherwise due to the normal aging of the product; or (h) if any VTech serial number has been removed or defaced.

Prior to returning a product for any reason, please notify the VTech Consumer Services Department, by sending an email to vtechkids@vtechkids.com or calling 1-800-521-2010. If the service representative is unable to resolve the issue, you will be provided instructions on how to return the product and have it replaced under Warranty. Return of the product under Warranty must adhere to the following rules:

If VTech believes that there may be a defect in the materials or workmanship of the product and can confirm the purchase date and location of the product, we will at our discretion replace the product with a new unit or product of comparable value. A replacement product or parts assumes the remaining Warranty of the original product or 30 days from the date of replacement, whichever provides longer coverage.

THIS WARRANTY AND THE REMEDIES SET FORTH ABOVE ARE EXCLUSIVE AND IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, REMEDIES AND CONDITIONS, WHETHER ORAL, WRITTEN, STATUTORY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED. IF VTECH CANNOT LAWFULLY DISCLAIM STATUTORY OR IMPLIED WARRANTIES THEN TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, ALL SUCH WARRANTIES SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE DURATION OF THE EXPRESS WARRANTY AND TO THE REPLACEMENT SERVICE AS DETERMINED BY VTECH IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION.

To the extent permitted by law, VTech will not be responsible for direct, special, incidental or consequential damages resulting from any breach of Warranty.

This Warranty is not intended to persons or entities outside the United States of America. Any disputes resulting from this Warranty shall be subject to the final and conclusive determination of VTech.