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User's Manual

vPort™

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Dear Parent,

*At **VTech®**, we know that kids have a lot to juggle these days - busy school schedules, sports, extracurricular activities, and of course, homework. That's why we created the **XL Series™** - an innovative line of portable learning companions designed to fit the always on-the-go lifestyle of your school-aged child.*

*The **XL Series™** is a powerful system of learning tools that helps give your child the much-needed competitive edge in school through fun, age appropriate activities - and helps them learn essential skills. Created with portability in mind, XL products have a sleek, compact design in both handheld and notebook formats that allow kids to bring the learning fun anywhere, anytime. Plus, all the **XL Series™** products are easily connectable to a PC and the Internet. Using the vPort accessory, kids can wirelessly access reference tools or download new educational activity sets for their **XL Series™** products.*

*At **VTech®**, we are committed to creating fun learning toys that foster a child's intellectual and social development. We thank you for trusting **VTech®** with the important job of helping your child succeed in school!*

Sincerely,

*Your Friends at **VTech®***

*To learn more about **XL Series™** and other **VTech®** toys, visit www.vtechkids.com (US) or www.vtechuk.com (UK).*

vPort™

*Thank you for purchasing the **VTech®** **vPort™** learning accessory. The **vPort™** is truly the "hub" of the **XL Series™**, offering wireless, convenient connectivity to the PC and Internet for all items in the series. **vPort™** is a PC-connectable accessory that will create a wireless connection between **XL Series™** devices and a consumer's PC and the Internet. With the **vPort™**, you can download fun new activity sets from **VTech®**'s secure website, or you can upload your favorite creative masterpieces - virus-free, and at no additional cost! With the **vPort™**, your **XL Series™** product will grow with your child, always providing them with something new to do and learn. And you can connect just by pointing your XL device at the **vPort™** and pressing the 'Sync' button - it's that simple!*

*Get connected to school success. Excel with the **XL Series™**!*

- *Requires pre-existing access to Internet Service Provider and USB port on PC*

*We at **VTech®** are committed to providing the best possible products to entertain and educate your child. Should you have any questions or concerns, please call our Consumer Services Department at 800-521-2010 in the US, 1-800-267-7377 in Canada, or (01235) 546810 in the UK.*

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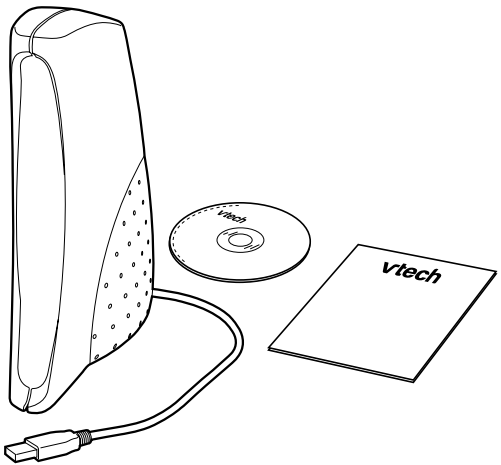
VTech® vPort™

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the **vPort**™ community! Now with the **vPort**™, you can download fun new games and activities from **VTech**®'s secure website, or you can upload your favorite creative masterpieces - virus-free, and at no additional cost! Save your telephone book and your scheduler data to PC for an easy backup. There's always something new to do when you have the **vPort**™.

The **vPort**™ is convenient and easy-to-use, creating wireless, infrared connectivity to PC and Internet. You can connect just by pointing your XL device at the **vPort**™ and pressing the 'Sync' button - it's that simple! Please take care that your PC is following the system requirements and then install the CD-ROM applications on your PC first.

- Requires pre-existing access to Internet Service Provider and USB connector on PC.



PC SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

Please check that your PC fulfills the below listed PC system requirements:

Pentium® 400MHz Base Processor or higher

Microsoft® Windows® 98 / ME / 2000 or XP

64MB RAM

95MB hard disk space or higher

640x480 screen resolution or higher

16 bits high colour or higher

4x CD ROM drive or higher

Mouse or other pointing device

USB port

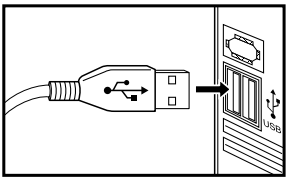
IE 5.5 or higher

Internet Access (minimum: with 28.8K modem)

Please note: **vPort**™ is PC-compatible, not Macintosh-compatible.

CONNECTING VPORT™ TO YOUR PC

Switch your PC on. Plug the USB connector of **vPort**™ into the USB connector of your PC. When connecting the **vPort**™ to the PC the first time, there will appear a window asking you whether you want to install a new external device driver or not. Please click on YES. Then follow the instructions on screen to install the USB driver. During installation, system may require your Windows CD. After finishing the installation, your **vPort**™ is now ready to transfer.

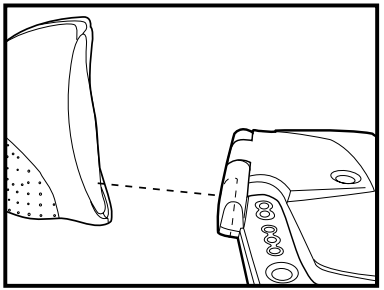


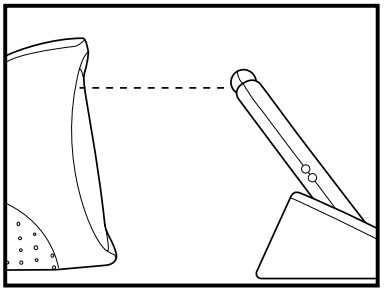
After you have installed the USB driver at the first time, you don't have to install it again. PC will detect the **vPort**™ automatically when it is plugged in.

Please note: The **vPort**™ doesn't require any battery. It will draw power from PC through the USB connector.

WORKING POSITION FOR IR COMMUNICATION

Locate the two units with their IR lenses facing to each other and at the same level.





NOTE : 1. It is recommended to have the best working distance between 5cm and 45cm (2 inches and 1.5 feet).

2. It is not recommended to work under direct sunlight.

3. If IR does not communicate, try to move the unit towards / backwards a bit and then try again.

INSIDE THE CD-ROM

VTech® Desktop Software for different products

Microsoft® Internet Explorer 6.0.2

Adobe® Acrobat® Reader™ 5.0.5

INSTALLING THE VTECH® DESKTOP SOFTWARE

Important!

Before you begin installation, save your work and quit all applications on your computer.

1. Place the **vPort**™ CD-ROM into the CD-ROM drive on your computer. Setup should start automatically.

2. If Setup does not begin automatically:

   Go to the Windows Start menu, click Run, and then type d:\autorun (NOTE: If your CD-ROM drive is not the “d” drive, then use the appropriate letter to indicate it.) Then follow the instructions on your PC screen.

3. The setup menu will pop up. Choose the learning product that you own from the menu and then follow the instructions on your PC screen.
4. Click Finish at the Setup Complete screen to complete the software installation.
5. NOTE: If you need more information on how to use the Desktop Software, please refer to your learning unit’s manual. Or you can always press F1 for HELP while you are in your Desktop Software.
6. NOTE: If you own a XL-Series product, you will need to create a desktop software account after installation is complete.

INSTALLING THE NETLINK DICTIONARY AND ENCYCLOPEDIA

1. Place the **vPort**™ CD-ROM into the CD-ROM drive on your computer. Setup should start automatically.
2. If Setup does not begin automatically:

   Go to the Windows Start menu, click Run, and then type d:\autorun (NOTE: If your CD-ROM drive is not the “d” drive, then use the appropriate letter to indicate it.) Then follow the instructions on your PC screen.

3. The setup menu will pop up. Choose the Netlink Dictionary and Encyclopedia and then follow the instructions on your PC screen.
4. Click Finish at the Setup Complete screen to complete the software installation.
5. NOTE: If you need more information on how to use the Netlink application, please refer to the HELP function while you are in the Netlink application.

INSTALLING OTHER BUNDLED APPLICATIONS

The **vPort**™ CD-ROM includes additional applications:

Microsoft® Internet Explorer 6.0.2

Adobe® Acrobat® Reader™ 5.0.5

1. Place the **vPort**™ CD-ROM into the CD-ROM drive on your computer. Setup should start automatically.
2. If Setup does not begin automatically:

   Go to the Windows Start menu, click Run, and then type d:\autorun (NOTE: If your CD-ROM drive is not the “d” drive, then use the appropriate letter to indicate it.) Then follow the instructions on your PC screen.
3. The setup menu will pop up. Choose the application you want to install.
4. Follow the on-screen instructions.
5. Click Finish to complete the installation.
6. NOTE: You may be prompted to restart your computer.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

1. Keep your **vPort**™ clean by wiping it with a SLIGHTLY damp cloth. Never use solvents or abrasives.
2. Keep it out of direct sunlight and away from direct sources of heat.
3. Avoid dropping it. NEVER try to dismantle it.
4. Always keep your **vPort**™ away from water.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

If you have a problem that cannot be solved by using this manual, we encourage you to visit us online or contact our Consumer Services Department with any problems and/or suggestions that you might have. A support representative will be happy to assist you. Before requesting support, please be ready to provide or include the information below:

- The name of your product or model number. (The model number is typically located on the back or bottom of your product.)
- The actual error message or problem you are receiving.
- The actions you took right before the error message or problem.

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