

The Super Stumpers™ word cartridge for grades 6 thru 8 adds 125 words to the *Speak & Spell*™ unit's built-in word list. With this cartridge, your child can practice the spelling of difficult words. The Super Stumpers activity book provides your child with challenging enrichment exercises.

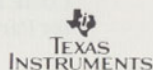
For a seventh or eighth grader, good communication skills are vital. Because of the emphasis on verbal and written communication, development of a growing spelling vocabulary is essential. The Super Stumpers™ 6 thru 8 word cartridge, designed to work with the *Speak & Spell*™ talking learning aid, encourages development of a spelling vocabulary while improving communication skills.

The 125 words in the Super Stumpers 6 thru 8 cartridge are divided into four levels of increasing difficulty. The words in the cartridge are difficult to spell because they involve:

- Silent letters such as **receipt**
- Irregular spellings such as **acre**
- Multiple spellings for the same sound, such as **ie** and **y** for **e**
- Suffixes that require a variety of changes to the root word, such as **y** to **i**, doubling consonants, or dropping an **e**

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**The Super Stumpers 6 thru 8 activity book** offers your child additional practice in spelling difficult words that he or she can play alone or with friends. Some activities can be played without the *Speak & Spell*<sup>TM</sup> unit and some require additional materials, such as markers, paper and pencil, or crayons.

**Spelunker Spelling** (pages 2-3)—A cave exploration acquaints your child with a variety of language activities.

**Spell for Par** (page 4)—With this activity, your child can spell words to win a game of miniature golf.

**Reporting for Hollywood** (page 5)—This activity provides your child with practice in adding **-ing** to a variety of words and using them in sentences. (**Note:** the answer for “drown” is “drowning.”)

**Around the World in 40 Words** (pages 6-7)—This activity encourages your child to spell difficult words while competing with other players. Your child may want to use a dictionary to check spelling and word usage.

**Head for Home** (page 8)—This activity emphasizes the spelling of words with silent letters and fosters your child’s vocabulary. When your child successfully completes the activity, the answer is “Space Station.”

**Double Bubble Crossword Puzzle** (page 9)—This activity helps strengthen your child’s vocabulary while helping him or her learn the spelling rule “The vowel before a double consonant usually has a short sound.”

The directions for each activity explain what your child needs for the activity.

**Put Yourself in the Center Ring** (pages 10-11)—This game lets your child practice spelling words with **r**-controlled sounds. When complete, the message in the center reads “You are a performer.”



**Untangle the Jewels** (page 12)—This activity lets your child practice recognizing the “l” sound when it is at the end of a word. The jewels remaining in the Sheik’s jewel box are a diamond, an opal, a ruby, an emerald, and a sapphire.

**Let’s Chart Your Progress!** (Inside Back Cover)—Your child can use a bar graph to record spelling progress and accomplishments.

### Additional Activities

Your child may wish to expand the activities in the *Super Stumpers 6 thru 8* book by:

- Playing “Spell for Par” on all levels
- Making his or her own list of “super stumpers” and trying to find them in a newspaper

**Note:** Remind your child to press the  **ERASE** key after “decoding” each word with the  **SECRET CODE** key in all activities except “Spell for Par.”

## Word List

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The Super Stumpers 6 thru 8 word cartridge vocabulary is divided into four levels of increasing difficulty. To access the cartridge word list, press the **#** Module/Cartridge Select key when the cartridge is in the unit. Press this key again to return to the unit's built-in word list.

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### Level A

acre	carried	deposits	imagined	policies
applied	channel	envied	injured	portion
applying	confirm	exceed	issuing	religion
assemble	contrast	excess	manual	rivalry
assist	customer	finance	operator	splendid
budget	debtor	guessing	planning	surround
carnival				

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### Level B

absolute	briefly	justify	rarely	surveyed
activity	civil	military	register	theme
actually	colleges	numerous	renewal	urging
announce	conceal	omitting	salaries	valuable
arrival	defense	phrase	scarcely	vigorous
article	director	positive	summon	visible
athletic	faults			

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### Level C

absences	cancel	fatality	liable	routine
accurate	democrat	fierce	majestic	scenery
aquarium	denying	geometry	organize	severely
audience	distinct	grateful	pigeon	supreme
boundary	existed	immortal	premium	terribly
cabinet	existing	instinct	research	trifle

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




### Level D

acquire	courtesy	immense	peculiar	sensible
annual	descend	initial	physical	specific
apology	eligible	mortgage	possess	sympathy
appetite	extreme	murmur	pursued	theories
attitude	gracious	official	receipt	thorough
campaign	icicles	pageant	scheming	virtuous
condemn				


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The *Speak & Spell* electronic learning aid includes several basic operations that provide your child with enjoyable, educational activities.


### Spell

The  key activates the unit. Four tones let you know the device is ON and working—the display shows “Spell A.” Four levels of difficulty are available and selected by pressing , , , or  when the display shows “SPELL A.” “SPELL A” means that the *Speak & Spell* learning aid is ready and will select words from the Level A list. Difficulty increases from Level A through Level D (see “Word List”).

### GO

Press  to begin. You are directed to “Spell \_\_\_\_.” Then press the letter keys to spell the word.



### ENTER

When you have finished spelling the word, press the  ENTER key to have the spelling checked.


If the spelling is correct, you are praised and asked to spell a new word. If the spelling is incorrect, you are asked to try again. If the second attempt is incorrect, the word is pronounced and the correct spelling shown.

After each group of ten words, the display shows you the score. The voice tells you how many words you spelled correctly on the first try and how many were misspelled.



### REPLAY

The  REPLAY key provides you with the same list of ten words again. (Pressing  starts a list of ten new words.)





### REPEAT


If you want to hear a word again, press  REPEAT.

### ERASE

If you make a mistake or want to try again before pressing  ENTER, press  ERASE.



### SAY IT

Pressing the  SAY IT key starts the SAY IT, SPELL IT activity. The display shows “SAY IT A.” You can select another level of difficulty by pressing , , or . This activity is designed to provide practice in reading, pronouncing, and spelling words.






Press  to begin. A word appears in the display, and the voice instructs you to “say it.” After a short pause so that you can say the word, the word is pronounced. A new word then appears. After ten words have been pronounced, the unit directs you to spell the same ten words. The spelling operation and scoring are the same as in the spelling activity.

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## LETTER

Press the  **LETTER** key. A letter appears and is pronounced. Letters are randomly selected each time  **LETTER** is pressed.



## SECRET CODE


Press the  **SECRET CODE** key to code or decode words and phrases. Simply press , type in a word, press  **ENTER**, and the word is coded. Or press , type in a coded word, press  **ENTER**, and the word is decoded.

## MYSTERY WORD

Press the  **MYSTERY WORD** key and a word from level C or D is selected. Dashes appear for each letter in the word. Guess a letter by pressing a letter key. If the letter you enter is one of the letters in the mystery word, tones sound, and the letter appears in its correct position. If the letter is not one of the letters in the mystery word, it counts as an incorrect guess. After seven incorrect letter guesses, the correct word is displayed.






## CLUE

Used with the **Mystery Word** game, the  **CLUE** key can be pressed to get one letter of the mystery word and its position. Using the  **CLUE** key counts as two incorrect guesses in your score.

The  key is used to place an apostrophe in the display.

Additional word lists expand the available vocabulary. These cartridges fit into the back of the *Speak & Spell* electronic learning aid. Consult your dealer for information on cartridge availability.

## Cartridge Select/Module Select

When a cartridge is in place, pressing  **Cartridge Select** accesses the new word list. Press the  **Cartridge Select** key again, and the unit returns to the built-in word list. If you press the  **Cartridge Select** key and a cartridge is not in place, nothing happens. **Note:** Some units are labeled  **Module Select**, which has the same function as  **Cartridge Select**.

One additional key deserves special attention. **OFF** turns the unit OFF. Note that to conserve batteries, the *Speak & Spell* electronic learning aid is designed to automatically turn itself off after approximately five minutes of non-use. However, considerable battery life can be saved if the unit is turned off promptly after use.

## Battery Installation

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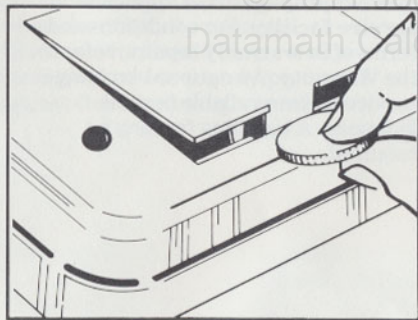
With the proper care and maintenance of the unit, the *Speak & Spell* electronic learning aid can provide years of educational enjoyment for your child. Installing batteries is simple and easy. You can also purchase an AC Adapter to conserve batteries or an earphone to use for private listening.

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### Battery Information

Remove the battery compartment door by prying gently with a key, coin, or similar object. Be sure to insert the batteries as shown in the picture on the floor of the battery compartment.

Use Alkaline Batteries Only. Four "C" Cells Required.



### Low Battery Information

The *Speak & Spell* electronic learning aid provides approximately 15 hours of actual use when using alkaline batteries. If you observe any of the following indications, the batteries should be replaced.

1. Erratic or dim display
2. Erratic performance
3. Imprecise word pronunciation or unusual and unexpected sounds or tones

4. No effect when keys are pressed
5. Unusual or inconsistent operation.

### Optional Accessories

Your *Speak & Spell* unit includes ports for an earphone and an AC Adapter. If you are unable to locate these accessories at your local retailer, contact Consumer Relations at (800) 842-2737 (toll-free within all contiguous United States). If outside the contiguous United States call (806) 741-4800. (We regret that we cannot accept collect calls at this number.)

## Cartridge Installation

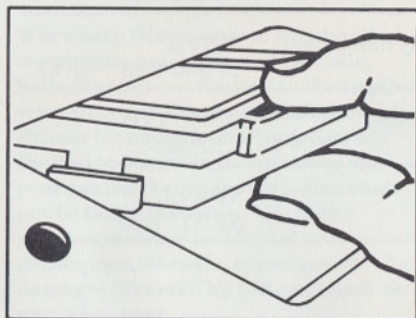
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You can install a word cartridge quickly and easily. Carefully read this information before installing a cartridge.

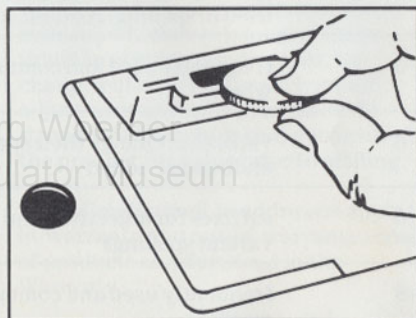
### Cartridge Information

The batteries must be removed before inserting or removing a word cartridge. When inserting a word cartridge into your *Speak & Spell* learning aid, be sure to press the cartridge in as far as it will go. This ensures that the battery compartment door will close correctly.

**Important:** Be sure to hold the cartridge with the label visible when inserting cartridge (see illustration). Firm pressure may be required to insert the cartridge the first time.



If you have problems, remove and insert the cartridge one or two times to ensure that the cartridge connects properly with the *Speak & Spell* learning aid.



## Family of Cartridges

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The *Speak & Spell* family of cartridges enables you to expand the capabilities of the *Speak & Spell* unit to include other important spelling concepts at several levels of difficulty.

General Grade Range	Spelling Concepts	Available Speak & Spell Cartridges
2-4	vowel sounds in words	VOWEL POWER™
2-4	primary sight words—words frequently used in spelling, reading, and writing	BASIC BUILDERS™
4-6	frequently used and commonly misspelled words	SUPER STUMPERS™ (4-6)
4-6	verbs that change their spellings when endings are added	MIGHTY VERBS™
4-6	suffixes for adjectives and adverbs with variant spellings	MAGNIFICENT MODIFIERS™
6-8	frequently used and commonly misspelled words	SUPER STUMPERS™ (6-8)
6-8	sound-alike words that are spelled differently	HOMONYM HEROES™
6-8	advanced vowel patterns	VOWEL VENTURES™



If you experience difficulty with your product, the following instructions should help you analyze and possibly correct the problem without returning the unit to a service facility.

1. Check to make sure that the learning aid is ON.
2. Check for low battery indications:
  - Erratic or dim display
  - Indistinct word pronunciation or unusual and unexpected sounds or tones
  - Unusual or inconsistent operation
  - No response when the keys are pressed
3. If a word cartridge is being used, remove and insert the cartridge to be sure it is connected properly.
4. If the display is blank and pressing the keys has no effect, remove all batteries and re-install them. If proper operation is not restored, replace the batteries.
5. If the batteries are new and properly installed, review the operating instructions to be certain that the operating steps are followed correctly.

Your *Speak & Spell* unit may occasionally turn on in the "SAY IT" mode instead of the "SPELL A" mode. When this happens, you should press the **[CS]** Cartridge Select/Module Select key and then the **[ON]** ON key again. Press **[GO]** GO to start the activity.

If none of the preceding procedures corrects the difficulty, return the product **prepaid** to the applicable service facility. For conditions and terms of in-warranty repairs, refer to the Warranty. An optional exchange service is also available in some locations. A handling fee may be required.

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For your protection, the product should be sent insured; Texas Instruments cannot assume responsibility for loss or damage during shipment.

Please include information regarding the difficulty experienced with the unit, as well as return address information including name, address, city, state, and zip code. Also include the optional word cartridge if in use when the difficulty occurred. The shipment should be carefully packaged and adequately protected against shock and rough handling.

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#### **If You Need Service Information**

If you need additional service information for in-warranty and out-of-warranty products, write to:

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Consumer Relations  
P.O. Box 53  
Lubbock, TX 79408

or call Consumer Relations at (800) 842-2737 (toll-free within all contiguous United States). If outside the contiguous United States call (806) 741-4800. (We regret that we cannot accept collect calls at this number.)

### **This Texas Instruments Electronic Learning Aid Warranty Extends Only to The Original Consumer Purchaser of the Product.**

**Warranty Duration:** This Texas Instruments product is warranted against defective materials and construction. This warranty covers the electronic and case components of the product or software cartridge. These components include all semiconductor chips and devices, plastics, boards, wiring and all other hardware contained in this device or cartridge ("the Hardware"). This limited warranty does not extend to the programs contained in the software cartridge and the accompanying book materials ("the Programs"). **The warranty is void if the product has been damaged by accident or unreasonable use, neglect, improper service or other causes not arising out of defects in materials or construction.**

**Warranty Disclaimers:** Any implied warranties arising out of this sale, including but not limited to the implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, are limited in duration to the above one-year period. Texas Instruments shall not be liable for loss of use of the product or other incidental or consequential costs, expenses, or damages incurred by the consumer or any other user.

Some states or provinces do not allow the exclusion or limitation of implied warranties or consequential damages, so the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to you.

**Legal Remedies:** This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights that vary from state to state.

**Warranty Performance:** During the above one (1) year warranty period, your defective product will either be repaired or replaced with a reconditioned model of an equivalent quality (at TI's option) when the product is returned, postage prepaid, to Texas Instruments Service Facility listed in the guide. The repaired or replacement unit will continue the warranty of the original unit or six (6) months, whichever is longer. Other than the postage requirement, no charge will be made for such repair, adjustment and/or replacement. TI strongly recommends that you insure the product for value prior to mailing.

The following mail-in addresses apply to in-warranty and out-of-warranty repair of products as referenced in the Warranty.

An optional exchange service is also available in some locations as indicated in these instructions; however, a handling fee may be required. Out-of-warranty products will be repaired or replaced with the same or equivalent reconditioned model (at TI's option) for a flat fee based on the latest repair rates, which will not exceed 50 percent of the latest suggested retail price. Because our Service Facility serves the entire United States, it is not feasible to hold units while providing repair estimates. To obtain the charges for a particular model, call Consumer Relations at the number listed in the previous section.

### U.S. Residents:

U.S. Mail:  
Texas Instruments Incorporated  
P.O. Box 2500  
Lubbock, TX 79408

U.P.S. or Other Carrier:  
Texas Instruments Incorporated  
Service Facility  
2305 North University Drive  
Lubbock, TX 79415

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Torrance, CA 90502  
(213) 217-7095

Texas Instruments Consumer Service  
6700 Southwest 105th Street  
Kristin Square, Suite 110  
Beaverton, OR 97005  
(503) 643-6758

### Customer Service Centers

If your electronic learning aid or word cartridge requires service, instead of returning the unit to your dealer or to a service facility for repair, you may elect to exchange the unit for a factory-reconditioned learning aid of the **same model** (or equivalent model specified by TI) by mailing or bringing the learning aid or word cartridge to one of the Customer Service Centers which have been established across the United States. No charge will be made for the exchange with proof-of-purchase during the first 90 days. The exchanged unit will be in-warranty for the remainder of the original warranty period or for 6 months, whichever is longer. **A handling fee will be charged for exchange after 90 days from the date of purchase.** Out-of-warranty exchanges will be charged at the rates in effect at the time of the exchange.

To determine if there is a Customer Service Center in your locality, look for Texas Instruments Incorporated Customer Service Center in the white pages of your telephone directory or under one of the following two headings in the yellow pages: "Calculator and Adding Machines" or "Computers—Service and Repair." Please call the Customer Service Center for availability of your model. Write or call Consumer Relations for further details and the location of the nearest Customer Service Center.