



# User Manual

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## CHATTERBOT™

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## Introduction

**Thank you for purchasing Chatterbot™ from WowWee®!**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Your Chatterbot™ is a fantastically fun animated computer accessory that you can keep on your desktop. These highly stylized character figurines always have something to say about what you are up to -- and it's not always appropriate!

Your Chatterbot features a unique personality and a signature animation. Connect directly to your computer using the included USB cable, then listen and watch as your Chatterbot entertains you with its unpredictable stream of jokes, dialog, and comments about your virtual life.

You can type in key words and trigger hilarious routines that will entertain you and your coworkers, or use the on-screen interface to launch hilarious facts and quips on demand. It can even comment on upcoming calendar events and reminders. You can also use your Chatterbot as a standalone speaker to listen to music from an external audio source.

## Quick Start



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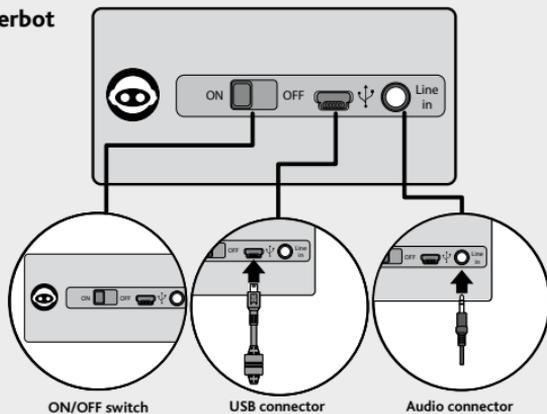


Dog/Cat



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## Back of Chatterbot



ON/OFF switch

USB connector

Audio connector

# Quick start

## Package contents



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USB cable



Audio cable



Chatterbot software CD

- 1x Chatterbot™
- 1x USB cable
- 1x Audio cable
- 1x Chatterbot software CD
- This user manual

### Battery details

Chatterbot requires 4 x "AAA" size batteries (not included) for the standalone speaker function.

**NOTE:** When plugged into your PC or Mac it does not require batteries.

### Battery installation

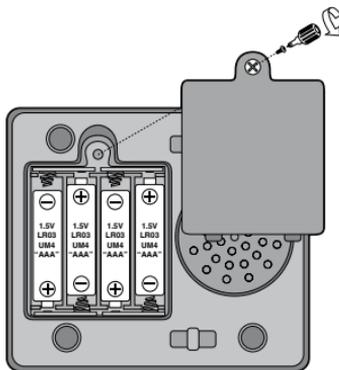
The Chatterbot's LED will begin to blink when its batteries are running low, and it will eventually go to sleep if you continue to play with it without replacing the batteries.

**NOTE:** Remove any batteries from Chatterbot when you are not using it as a standalone speaker.

### To install or change Chatterbot's batteries:

**NOTE:** Before installing or changing batteries, makes sure that Chatterbot is turned off (switch is set to the OFF position).

1. On the underside of Chatterbot, using a Phillips screwdriver (not included), remove the screw on the battery compartment cover, then remove the battery compartment cover.



## Battery details

2. Remove the 4x "AAA" batteries from the back side battery compartment, and replace with fresh batteries.

**IMPORTANT:** Make sure you align the positive and negative polarities of the batteries with corresponding markings inside the battery compartment.

3. Replace the battery compartment cover and replace the screws that hold it in place.

### Important battery information

- Use only fresh batteries of the required size and recommended type.
- Do not mix old and new batteries, different types of batteries [standard (Carbon-Zinc), Alkaline or rechargeable] or rechargeable batteries of different capacities.
- Rechargeable batteries are only to be charged under adult supervision.
- Respect the correct polarity, (+) and (-) as indicated.
- Do not try to recharge non-rechargeable batteries.
- Do not dispose of batteries in fire. Batteries might explode or leak.
- Replace all batteries of the same type/brand at the same time.
- The supply terminals are not to be short-circuited.
- Remove exhausted batteries from the toy.
- Batteries should be replaced by adults.
- Remove batteries if the toy is not going to be played with for some time.
- Rechargeable batteries are to be removed from Chatterbot before being charged.
- The packaging should be kept since it contains important information.

### Configuring your audio device

**IMPORTANT:** In order to make sure only the Chatterbot dialog plays through your Chatterbot (all audio will play through your computer's speakers but the Chatterbot audio will only play through the Chatterbot's speakers) you must configure the default audio device settings to be your computer's sound card on your computer.

**NOTE:** After configuring your default audio device, regular computer audio will still play through your computer's speakers.

#### For PC computers

*For Windows XP users:*

1. From your Windows Start menu, select the Control Panel item
2. Locate and select the **Sounds and Audio Devices** item. The **Sounds and Audio Devices Properties** dialog appears.
3. Click on the **Audio** tab.
4. In the **Sound playback** area, from the **Default device** dropdown list, select the name of your sound card device, click on the **Apply** and then the **OK** button.

## Configuring your audio device

*For Windows Vista users:*

1. From your Windows Start menu, select the **Control Panel** item.
2. Locate and select the **Personalization** item.
3. Select the **Sounds** item. The **Sound** dialog appears.
4. From the **Playback** tab, select the name of your sound card device, then click on the **Set Default** button, and then the **OK** button.

Only Chatterbot dialog should be playing through your Chatterbot speakers when it is plugged in and turned on.

### **For Mac computers**

1. On your desktop, locate the **Apple** icon in the upper left hand corner.
2. Select the **System Preferences** option.
3. Click on **Sound** and click on the **Output** tab.
4. Select the default audio device that you want to use, in this case, the Chatterbot.

**NOTE:** You need to allow the Chatterbot to work with your Mac computer by enabling access for assistive devices, if not already enabled.

To do so:

1. From the Apple menu, select the **System Preferences** menu.
2. Click on the **Universal Access** option, and select the **Hearing** tab.
3. Enable the option **Enable Access for assistive devices**.

### Chatterbot™ basics

Each Chatterbot is designed with a unique personality, remarks and jokes as you go about your day-to-day computer usage.

#### Chatterbot overview



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To have fun with your Chatterbot, you need to do the following:

- **Install the Chatterbot software on your computer.** The installation wizard will guide you through installing the Chatterbot software.
- **Connect the Chatterbot to your computer.** The Chatterbot needs to be connected to a computer (PC or Mac) via the provided USB cable.
- **Start typing away!** While you type away in your normal computer applications, the Chatterbot will make comments on what you type or the programs you use.

### Chatterbot software basics

This section describes the Chatterbot software including system requirements, installation, the interface and how to use it.

# Chatterbot software basics

## System requirements

The following are the minimum recommended system requirements for using the Chatterbot software:

Operating system	PC running Microsoft Windows XP SP2, or higher (English edition) OR Mac computer running Mac OS 10 or newer
Processor	PIII 1.5GHz equivalent or higher processor
Memory	256 MB of system RAM
Hard disk free storage space	300 MB available hard disk space
Miscellaneous	CD drive, Internet connection (required for Mac)

## Installing the Chatterbot software on your computer

To install the Chatterbot software on your computer:

### For PC computers

1. Insert the Chatterbot Software CD in the CD drive (or DVD drive if available).

The Chatterbot Software welcome dialog appears.



# Chatterbot software basics

2. Follow the instructions that appear onscreen to install the software.



## For Mac computers

1. Locate and download the Chatterbot Software image from [www.wowwee.com/chatterbot](http://www.wowwee.com/chatterbot)
2. Click on the Chatterbot Software image file.

The Chatterbot Software welcome dialog appears.

3. Follow the instructions that appear onscreen to install the software

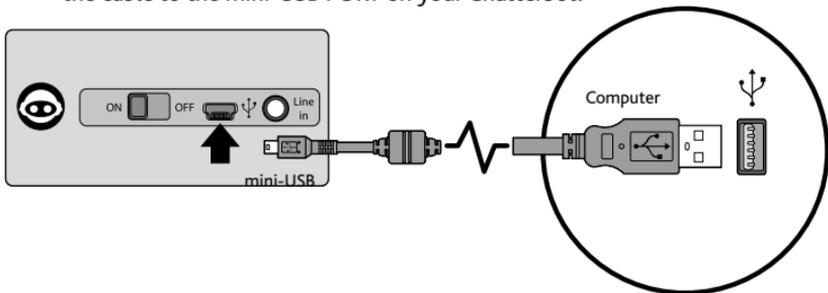
## Chatterbot software basics

### Connecting Chatterbot™ to your computer.

In order to use your Chatterbot, you need to connect it to your computer.

To connect the Chatterbot to your computer:

1. On the provided USB cable, locate and connect the mini-USB connector on the cable to the mini-USB PORT on your Chatterbot.



2. Connect the opposite end of the USB cable to a USB PORT on your computer.

You can now use your Chatterbot with your daily computer activity!

# Chatterbot software basics

## Chatterbot software interface

The following section describes how to use the Chatterbot software.



Interface component	Description
Action buttons	Trigger the Chatterbot to make a remark according to the selected action.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Factoid</li></ul>	Makes Chatterbot say a random factual tidbit.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Random</li></ul>	Makes Chatterbot say a random comment.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bodily function</li></ul>	Triggers Chatterbot to "perform" a random bodily function. <b>NOTE:</b> The function and availability of this button differs according to the Chatterbot character and its accompanying version of the software.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Punish / Curse</li></ul>	Triggers the Chatterbot with negative reinforcement and prompts it to respond to the trigger. <b>NOTE:</b> The function and availability of this button differs according to the Chatterbot character and its accompanying version of the software.

## Chatterbot software basics

Interface component	Description
• Sleep / Wake up	Toggles <i>Sleep Mode</i> on your Chatterbot which temporarily stops all remarks and movements. Click on this button once to enable <i>Sleep Mode</i> ; click on it again to wake the Chatterbot from <i>Sleep mode</i> .
Search field	Allows you to type in a term for which you want to search.
Search button	Launches the search engine retrieval of the specified search term. When you type in a search term in this field, it will trigger a Chatterbot remark, regardless of the activity level. After you click on the Search button, the software will highlight the specified term from the list of trigger words.
Chatter control slider	Adjusts the Chatterbot's random chatter levels. Move the slider towards the left for less frequent chatter; move the slider towards the right for more frequent chatter.
Volume slider	Adjusts the Chatterbot's volume levels. Move the slider towards the left for lower volume chatter; move the slider towards the right for louder chatter.
Advanced options	Allows you to set advanced options on your Chatterbot, such as toggling your Chatterbot trigger words and plugins. See the section Advanced options for more details.

# Chatterbot software basics

## Advanced options

In the **Advanced options** section of the Chatterbot software, you can toggle chatter triggers.



To access the advanced options of the interface, click on  or  to toggle the **Advanced** options.

Advanced options	Description
Trigger list	Allows you to enable or disable trigger words to be used in the Chatterbot software.
• Bodily function	Allows you to enable or disable the associated trigger word.
• Trigger word	Specifies the string (word or set of characters) that will trigger its associated trigger audio file.
Plugin list	Allows you to enable and/or disable Chatterbot components.
• Motion	Toggles the Chatterbot's movements. Enable the option to allow your Chatterbot to move when it makes a remark. Disable the option to stop the Chatterbot's movements.
• iTunes	Toggles the iTunes plugin for the Chatterbot software. Enable the option to allow your Chatterbot to make remarks when you run iTunes. Disable the option to disallow the Chatterbot from making remarks when you run iTunes.
Version number	Indicates the software version number.

# Chatterbot software basics / Important safety information

## toggling chatter triggers

If there are trigger words that you would rather not have Chatterbot recognize, you can disable them (or enable them) from the list of triggers; by default, all trigger words are enabled.

To disable or enable a trigger word:

1. From the **Trigger List** tab, locate the trigger word from the list of triggers.
- 2a. To disable the trigger word, disable the option next to the trigger word.
- 2b. To enable the trigger word, enable the option next to the trigger word.

If you've disabled a trigger word, the Chatterbot software should now ignore all instances that word being typed. If you've enabled a trigger word, the Chatterbot software will recognize when you type that word.

## Important safety information

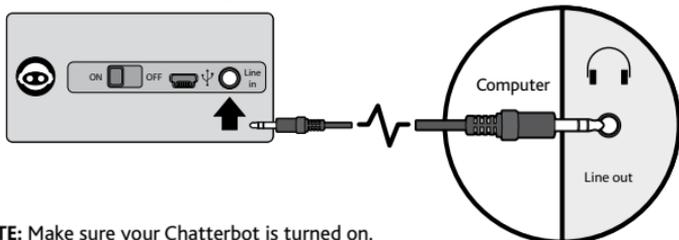
Take note of the following when operating Chatterbot:

- Do not immerse Chatterbot or any parts of it in water or any other form of liquid.
- Do not drop, throw, or kick Chatterbot as this might damage its mechanical functions.
- Avoid abruptly disconnecting Chatterbot from your computer, especially if the Chatterbot or your computer is turned on.

## Using your Chatterbot as a standalone speaker

### Using your Chatterbot as a standalone speaker

You can use your Chatterbot as a standalone speaker for your external audio device, such as an MP3 player or stereo equipped with an audio output.



**NOTE:** Make sure your Chatterbot is turned on.

**NOTE:** When you use your Chatterbot as a standalone speaker, you need to make sure there are batteries installed in it. Refer to the section on installing the required batteries.

To use your Chatterbot as a speaker:

1. Connect one end of the supplied audio cable to the external audio source's audio output jack.
2. Connect the opposite end of the audio cable to the Chatterbot's audio input jack.
3. Enable playback on your external audio source.

The sound from your audio source should play through your Chatterbot's speaker.

**NOTE:** You can also use your Chatterbot as a speaker for your computer. Refer to the section Configuring your audio device

**NOTE:** If your Chatterbot does not receive any audio for approximately 10 minutes it will enter Sleep Mode. To reactivate it, turn the Chatterbot OFF and then ON again using the power switch located on the back.

## To uninstall the Chatterbot software

### To uninstall the Chatterbot software

To uninstall the Chatterbot software from your computer:

#### For PC computers

1. From the Windows **Control Panel**, select the **Add/Remove Programs** option.
2. From the list of installed programs, select the **Chatterbot** item from the list of currently installed programs, and then click on the **Remove** button.

The uninstallation wizard will prompt you to confirm the uninstallation. Click on the **Yes** button.

When the uninstallation wizard is finished uninstalling the product, the Chatterbot software should be removed from your computer.

#### For Mac computers

1. Locate the application file for the Chatterbot software.
2. Drag the icon into the **Trash**.

The Chatterbot software should be removed from your computer.

### Warranty information

Your Chatterbot is warranted against defects for a period of 30 days. WowWee Group Ltd. warrants to the original consumer purchasers that Chatterbot ("Product") will be free from defects in material and/or workmanship under normal use for a period of 30 days from the date of purchase. This Warranty is in lieu of all other express or implied warranties which might arise with respect to this Product, including the warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. IN ADDITION, INCIDENTAL AND CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES ARE HEREBY EXCLUDED BOTH FOR PROPERTY AND TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, FOR PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGE. Some states do not allow the exclusion of limitation of incidental and consequential damages.

Should you experience any difficulty with your Product, please return it to the place of purchase, along with an original proof of purchase, and either the original box or the UPC Code label from the box. You will receive a replacement for the Product, or be issued a refund for the purchase of the Product in the event a replacement is not available at the place of purchase. Note that this warranty is automatically void for any hardware modifications (including tampering or disassembly), accidental damage, damage outside what is considered normal use, or abuse.

This warranty does not cover any hardware, software or other add-on components installed by the end-user.

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## FAQs

### FAQs

Q: Why does the LED indicator(s) not light up?

A: Verify that your Chatterbot is turned on. If it is on, try turning it off and then on again. If that doesn't work, then try unplugging it your computer and then plugging it back in. When you plug it back to your computer, the computer should recognize the Chatterbot device.

Q: Why does the Chatterbot not make any sounds?

A: There are a few possible solutions for this:

- Verify that the mute option is disabled.
- Verify that your default audio device is properly configured.
- Verify that your Chatterbot is properly connected.
- Verify that the audio file associated with your trigger exists.
- You might have an incorrect version of the Chatterbot software installed on your computer, that is, one that does not match the Chatterbot robot. Verify that you have the correct version of the Chatterbot software to match your Chatterbot robot.

Q: How do I use Chatterbot as a speaker?

A: You need to use the included audio cable and plug your Chatterbot to your external audio source. Refer to the section Using your Chatterbot as a speaker for more information.

If you have questions that are not answered in this manual, refer to the Chatterbot support site: [www.wowweesupport.com](http://www.wowweesupport.com)

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

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 and 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 experienced radio/TV technician for help.

**WARNING!** This equipment may experience difficulty and/or memory loss when subjected to any electrostatic discharge, radio frequency interference, or sudden power surge/interruption. The user is encouraged to reset the equipment should any of these occur.

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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