

## A Poc·ket·ful of Num·berS

It add<sup>S</sup>, sub·tract<sup>S</sup>, mul·ti·plie<sup>S</sup>, and di·vide<sup>S</sup> in an in·stant. It give<sup>S</sup> the right an·swer<sup>S</sup>. It can sit on a desk. It can al·so be made small e·nough to fit in·side your poc·ket. Peo·ple u<sup>S</sup>e it ev·ery day in all kind<sup>S</sup> of wOrk. It is found at home, in of·fi·ce<sup>S</sup>, in store<sup>S</sup>, and at sch<sup>0</sup>ol. What i<sup>S</sup> it? You can guess that "it" i<sup>S</sup> a cal·cu·la·tor!

To·day, al·most all cal·cu·la·tor<sup>S</sup> are e·lec·tron·ic. Man·y of them have a me·mor·y in which num·ber<sup>S</sup> can be stored for la·ter on. Peo·ple like e·lec·tron·ic poc·ket cal·cu·la·tor<sup>S</sup> be·cau<sup>S</sup>e they can carry them a·ny·where and be·cau<sup>S</sup>e these cal·cu·la·tor<sup>S</sup> can d<sup>0</sup> so man·y task<sup>S</sup>.

E·lec·tron·ic cal·cu·la·tor<sup>S</sup> can show num·ber<sup>S</sup> on pa·per or in a small dis·play win·dow. Poc·ket cal·cu·la·tor<sup>S</sup> u<sup>S</sup>e the dis·play win·dow.

One kind of e·lec·tron·ic cal·cu·la·tor can u<sup>S</sup>e pro·gram<sup>S</sup> like a com·put·er. The pro·gram<sup>S</sup> let the cal·cu·la·tor go through man·y steps to fig·ure out prob·lem<sup>S</sup>. This kind of cal·cu·la·tor come<sup>S</sup> in desk·top and poc·ket size. So you real·ly can have a poc·ket·ful of num·ber<sup>S</sup> when you have a poc·ket cal·cu·la·tor!