CLAIMS

1. A token sorting apparatus arranged to supplement a game using gaming tokens, the game having a plurality of stages, the token sorting apparatus comprising:
   an entry aperture arranged to accept gaming tokens into an internal cavity;
   a sorting mechanism arranged to sort the gaming tokens according to a predetermined characteristic of the gaming tokens;
   a displacement member positioned within the internal cavity and arranged to urge the gaming tokens accepted by the entry aperture to the sorting mechanism;
   a camera positioned within the internal cavity and arranged to obtain an image of the sorting mechanism and the displacement member;
   a display member in digital communication with the camera, the display member arranged to display the image to a user; and
   a signalling member arranged to provide a signal to the user, the signal being arranged to indicate a stage of the game or a status of the game.

2. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein the signal is further arranged to indicate a status of the token sorting apparatus.

3. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1 ~~or claim 2~~, wherein the signalling member comprises at least one illumination member.

4. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, ~~claim 2 or claim 3,~~ wherein the signal comprises a display of illumination.

5. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 4, wherein the display of illumination comprises a sequence of illumination.

6. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 4 ~~or claim 5~~, wherein the display of illumination is arranged to be customised according to a predetermined list of game stages.

7. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in any one of the preceding claims~~ of claim 1, wherein the signalling member is located about ~~the~~ a circumference of ~~said~~ the entry aperture.

8. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in any one of the preceding claims~~ of claim 1, wherein ~~said~~ the gaming tokens comprise gaming chips.

9. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in any one of the preceding claims~~ of claim 1, wherein the predetermined characteristic comprises one ~~selected from the range~~ of: a colour; an opacity; a size; a shape; a density; a mass; a weight; an indentation; an engraving; an embossment; a surface marking; a surface number; a surface image; a surface indicia; a surface pattern; or a data value stored on the token.

10. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in any one of the preceding claims~~ of claim 1, wherein the sorting mechanism is further arranged to present sorted tokens to the user.

11. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in any one of the preceding claims~~ of claim 1, wherein the token sorting apparatus further comprises at least one sensor arranged to obtain first operation data relating to ~~the~~ an operation of the token sorting apparatus.

12. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 11, wherein the token sorting apparatus is arranged to record and store the first operation data.

13. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 12, wherein the first operation data comprises at least one ~~selected from the range~~ of: a status of the token sorting apparatus; a sum of the gaming tokens; a duration of ~~a~~ the game; or a duration of a game stage.

14. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 13, wherein the token sorting apparatus is arranged to communicate the stored operation data to a server.

15. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in any one of the preceding claims~~ of claim 1, wherein the token sorting apparatus is arranged to communicate with at least one physical random number generator, the physical random number generator used to play the game.

16. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus as claimed in claim 15, wherein the physical random number generator comprises at least one physical random number generator sensor arranged to detect ~~second~~ operation data, the ~~second~~ operation data relating to the operation of the physical random number generator.

17. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus as claimed in claim 16, wherein the token sorting apparatus is further arranged to receive the ~~second~~ operation data from the physical random number generator sensor.

18. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 17, wherein the token sorting apparatus is arranged to record and store the ~~second~~ operation data.

19. ~~A~~ The token sorting apparatus ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 16, ~~claim 17 or claim 18,~~ wherein the ~~second~~ operation data comprises at least one ~~selected from the range~~ of: a stage of ~~a~~ the game; a status of ~~a~~ the game; a start of ~~a~~ the game; an end of ~~a~~ the game; a duration of ~~a~~ the game; a start of ~~a~~ the game stage; an end of ~~a~~ the game stage; a duration of ~~a~~ the game stage; ~~the~~ a result of ~~a~~ the game; a zone bias; a number bias; or a physical orientation of the physical random number generator.