



## English, Maths, Science and ... Typing?!

*Help your pupils\* make healthy and productive use of IT  
- at school, and throughout their lives*

Are you responsible for...

- > equipping your pupils to **do their best** at school?
- > giving them the **best skills possible** for their future lives?

When it comes to the **most ubiquitous tool of the modern developed world** (besides the pencil)...  
here's a **rapid way** to get them **comfortable & proficient** with one aspect of ICT they may not yet have mastered...

(\* and while you're at it, maybe your staff would benefit too?)

### A short, intense touch typing programme. Engaging, inspiring & effective.

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#### Touch typing is a good thing for today's students because it:

- > frees creative & analytical thinking (so they focus more on *what* they're typing, less on *how*)
- > reduces stress and boosts confidence & self-esteem
- > improves posture, reducing discomfort & risk of injury over their lifetime
- > boosts productivity (helps them get more done, quicker – *and* maintain interest)
- > is an easy skill to see *short-term* progress in  
(break bad habits quickly before they're too ingrained!)
- > is a life-skill, with clear benefits for future study & employment prospects
- > is a great basis for improving keyboard shortcut skills in all software use (Note 1)
- > will benefit most people, often for hours a day, for their whole working lives and beyond

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#### This course wins over other methods of learning to type because:

- > All the learning is covered in a *very short time-frame* (typically just 1 day!) (Note 2)  
using Accelerated Learning (VAK, mnemonics, multiple intelligences, etc)
- > It doesn't rely heavily on boring repetitive drills
- > It doesn't try to *force* speed, but targets accuracy & motivation  
(speed comes with practice, which needs the motivation!)
- > It's an entertaining and engaging programme (Note 3)
- > It delivers fast results through an easy-to-apply, workable practice discipline (Note 4)

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#### Explore this further by:

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- 1.) Controlling a computer with 'keyboard shortcuts' is often significantly faster and more precise than a mouse (and less prone to RSI). Most people who struggle to learn shortcuts, give up because they have not realised it hinges on delegating keyboard control to the 'subconscious'. Touch typists learn to do this, so keyboard control of software is an easy and logical next step.
- 2.) Adults & older pupils take this course in a single intensive day, though it could be broken it into two, or even three shorter sessions (2-3 hours max, with break) – if possible, within a single week. Exact plans can be discussed with each school individually.
- 3.) Sample quotes from previous participants: "Made the quite boring subject of typing **exciting!**"; "...**best training course** I've been on in 4 years"; "**Excellent training style** - kept the subject **interesting & motivating**"; "...**fun & engaging. Most relevant course** this year"...
- 4.) People's progress differs but results shared in email correspondence in the weeks immediately following the course include: 6-22 wpm in **2 weeks (366% faster)**; 14-44 wpm in **2 weeks (up 214%)**; 10-41 wpm in **3 days (400%)**; and 14-31 wpm in **one practice session (121%)**!  
(note: with all of these results the speeds registered are at **90-100% first time accuracy**)