

PLTW Virtual Learning

6th Grade Intro to Tech

May 1, 2020



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Objective/Learning Target:

Students will be able to type at least 25 WPM using proper keyboarding techniques.

Warm-Ups:

Review Touch Typing Finger Placement

Video of Finger Placement

Image of Finger Placement

Lesson Introduction/Background Information:

Typing.com is a fantastic resource for touch typing practice.

Materials for today:

Computer with internet access

A piece of paper you can tape over the top (if possible)

Practice:

Please watch this video if you need help on getting started on typing.com.

Video Link

Practice:

Spend at least 15 minutes today practicing lessons on typing.com. Focus on ACCURACY over speed. Accuracy is something that you want to start with and keep at a high level - 90% or higher ideally - the whole time, while speed can increase as you grow more comfortable with touch typing.

Taping a paper over the top of your keyboard is a way to keep you from peeking at your fingers, as your goal is to memorize your finger placement.

Self-Assessment:

Don't worry about the WPM (or Words Per Minute) on the lessons, as they aren't accurate unless it's a timed test. Focus instead on your accuracy - if you are averaging 90% or higher, you are doing a great job and keep it up!

If you are averaging lower, consider going back to the lower level accuracy lessons and trying them again until your accuracy is increased, even if your speed is decreased.

Extend Your Learning/Continued Practice:

You can touch type for longer than 15 minutes - that's just a guideline. You can also try working it into your daily routine even if it isn't a part of our lesson every day!