Essential for NAPLAN

Typing Tournament Online

Ages 6 to Adult

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Prepare for NAPLAN Online

75% of Principals want to improve students' keyboarding and typing skills before NAPLAN Online

EdAlive is delighted to endorse the published findings of the Australian Primary Principals Association in its summary report: APPA NAPLAN Online Trial Survey. It indicated that in preparation for NAPLAN Online:

- **78.61%** of Principals want to increase teaching time allocated to keyboarding skills
- **74.87%** of Principals want to increase teaching time allocated to touch typing

For a full copy of the APPA report do a web search on:

APPA NAPLAN Online Trial Survey.

Typing Tournament Online is currently being used by thousands of schools around Australia to prepare students for NAPLAN Online.

Totally transformed

The new Typing Tournament Online is built on the rich pedigree of the original, multi-award-winning Typing Tournament CD Edition. It has been totally transformed to create the most powerful, intuitive and flexible typing tutor of all time! Its tight, innovative design and learning mastery approach mean that it is without peer in its appeal, ease of use and effect.

- √ Saves teachers time in the classroom
- √ Use from home or school
- √ Much greater motivation for children
- √ More effectively teaches children to type
- √ Works on Mac, PC, iPad and other tablets
- √ All the advantages of internet delivery

Any device, anywhere, anytime

With Typing Tournament Online children can learn to type at home and at school on any device.

- Works on Windows PCs, Apple Macs, Surface Tablets, iPads, Chromebooks and other Android tablets
- Compatible with all major browsers
- Unlimited Access 24/7 wherever there is an internet connection
- No need for an App
- Fully web delivered

iOS

Any device no matter the size or type

Fulfils curriculum requirements

There is a strong presumption within the **Australian Curriculum** and **AUSVels** that typing skills be taught. This requirement is even clearer in the **NSW Syllabus** and explicit in the US Common Core where typing speeds of up to 40 words per minute are required.

Typing Tournament Online gives educators all that is required to take beginning typists all the way from their first keyboard strokes right through to the development of comprehensive, mature typing skills.

NAPLAN Online assumes competent typing skills and life in our digital age necessitates it. Any child with such skills is at significant ongoing advantage in life.

Fulfils the requirements of your local curriculum

CURRICULUM LINKED

See back for a FREE Trial for your school

The complete, 10-finger typing course

- Jump right in at your existing skill level
- Progressively introduces the whole keyboard
- Focused Lessons, Games & Drills tied to the keys being learned
- Graded Tests & Printable Certificates
- Animated demonstrations of correct finger placement
- Teaches good posture and typing habits
- Each child can progress through the program at their own pace or continue where they left off
- Animated hands demonstrate correct typing technique
- Can be used anywhere, anytime, on any device

A fantastic typing adventure awaits you!

Complete the quest and prove yourself worthy of challenging the Dark Typist! Journey through 16 medieval environments, from the Dragon's Cave to the Throne Room. Each location presents four new keys with a Lesson, Demonstration, Practice Drills, Games and a Progress Test. Only you can rid the land of the Dark Typist's tyranny.

Journey through 16 medieval chapters, from the Dragon's Cave to the Throne Room.

Clear & simple instruction

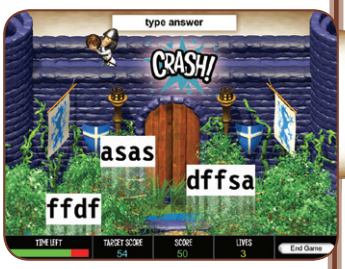
- Only four new keys per lesson
- Animations show correct finger positions
- Games require only those keys introduced so far
- Colour-coded keyboard
- Visual prompts

Builds muscle memory through Home Row and Vertical Key Path exercises

Each key stoke is part of an intentional learning sequence

Overview of skills developed		Map Locations		
		1 – 5	6 – 10	11 – 16
Multiple Progressions Model	Home Row Key-paths	✓		
	Vertical Key-paths		✓	✓
	Common Letter Combinations	✓	✓	✓
	Stimulating Texts	✓	✓	✓
Typing Skills	Keyboard Familiarity	✓	✓	✓
	Coordination	✓	✓	✓
	Muscle Memory	✓	✓	✓
	Neural Pathways	✓	✓	✓

Typeriffic Typing Games!



Castle Siege

Your castle is being attacked! Bombard your attackers with barrels to prevent them from reaching the top of the castle wall.

Powder Keg

A fun-loving dragon has found your store of gunpowder and is lighting fuses with his fiery breath! Hit the correct keys to aim your water bombs and put out the fuses before it's too late!

Dragon Chase

Don't panic! You'll need to keep your head as you type like crazy to say ahead of the hungry dragon.

Battle your way through 16 Chapters!

Complete the quest to access ***Typing Tournament: The Movie*** and find out what happens when you meet the Dark Typist!

Beat the Dark Typist!

Totally Transformed from CD to Online

Built on the solid foundation of the old

Typing Tournament Online retains all the power and flexibility of the old multi-award-winning CD version but has been massively enhanced. For children it is more engaging and actively ensures that they use the right fingers on the right keys. For teachers it is more capable, and easier to administer, and saves supervision time in the classroom.

Ongoing research based

We are continuously researching multiple issues relating to the efficacy of the system. Research strands include encouragements for students to use the right fingers on the right keys, longevity of students' engagement, the didactic efficiency of the learning progressions and ease of use for teachers. Typing Tournament Online is constantly evolving in the light of our findings, becoming an evermore efficient and motivational resource that takes the tedium out of teaching typing.

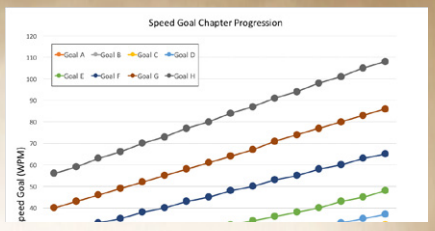
Reduced load for teachers - powerful, quick, easy!

- √ **Saves time.** Time saving administrative enhancements put teachers in control. They include the ability for children to concurrently be in multiple classes, import and export of class lists and a unique ID for each child.
- √ **Reduces the one-on-one supervision load.** Includes a host of enhancements designed to reduce the supervision load for teachers.
- √ **Home and School Access.** Gives children access from home and school instead of just at school.

Progressively unlocks the teaching sequence

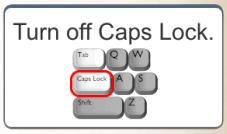
More efficient learning for students

- √ **Inbuilt spoken guidance** now reads the instructions to the children, shepherding them towards the use of the right fingers on the right keys thus reducing the teacher's load. The speed of the spoken text can be varied to accommodate readers of differing ages and competencies.
- √ **Optimal learning progressions.** Progress through the activity sequences is controlled by carefully researched parameters that are adjusted to give optimal learning.
- √ **Actively guides mastery learning.** Children now orderly progress through all the learning elements in each of the 16 sequential Chapters. This ensures that they efficiently build muscle memory as they complete the elements in each Chapter including the Lesson, Practise of Focus Keys and Drills.
- √ **Success through contextual speed goals.** Children now commence with an exit speed goal of 22 words per minute (WPM) for Location 16 and a starting speed of 6 WPM for Chapter 1. Higher speeds are recognised and rewarded.



- √ **Promotes the correct use of all 10 fingers.** A multitude of inbuilt features promote the use of all ten fingers to ensure that the children are using the right fingers on the right keys.
- √ **Active practice options.** Once passed, users have the freedom to repeat any Lesson, Drill or Game from any active Location to strengthen their typing skill. With the old CD version users could pick and choose in no specific order within a Location.
- √ **Home Row Trigger.** The biggest issue when teaching children to type is getting them to use the right finger on the right key. Now children are directed to place their fingers on the home row keys and then press any key to start drills and tests.

- √ **Eliminates cheating.** Requires users to complete every element of the learning process correctly and blocks children from simply letting the Drills run out of time or succeed by randomly and rapidly pressing the keys.
- √ **Solves Caps Lock related errors.** Automatically senses when a user has enabled the Caps Lock key and prompts them to turn it off saving much frustration.



More motivation for students

- √ **Enhanced student motivation.** More clearly shows the link between the completion of Lessons, Practice Keys and Drills, the playing of the Bonus Movie and, upon completion of the last Location, the Reward Movie.
- √ **Optimised game play boosts engagement.** The games have been optimised to better approximate the typing speed of the each of the 16 Chapters.

Powerful tools put you in control

- √ **Comprehensive class management tools.** The all new Teacher Management section has a myriad of features that puts teachers in control. Adding students, moving them between classes and organising your school is a snap.
- √ **Unique User ID and** for each student. Eliminates duplicate students and enhances the use of CSV imports and exports.

- √ **Reset children's progress scores.** Teachers are able to reset children's progress scores if a child has been progressing using the wrong fingers. It's all about 10 finger typing!
- √ **CSV Import and Export** enables the importing and exporting of student lists, greatly reducing the time required to administer the student accounts. Greatly simplifies the annual roll over of students.

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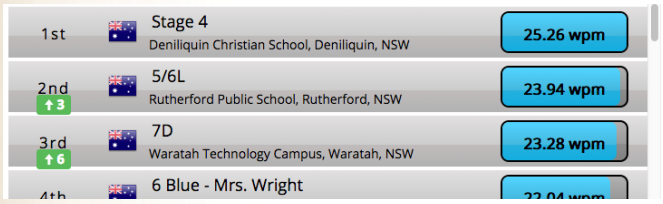
Leaderboard

The Typing Tournament Leaderboards are designed to boost student motivation and to engage students by giving dynamic feedback to the class. They create an opportunity for students in a class to work together. Many teachers have indicated that the Leaderboard has had a remarkable effect on their class.

Moment by moment the Leaderboard tracks and analyses all the words typed by each student in every class and displays the results:

- View by country or state
- View the results just for your school
- Class with the fastest average speed for the week to date
- Most words typed for the week to date
- Archives results week by week
- Archived results can be viewed retrospectively
- Compare classes by age bands
- Refresh results every 15 minutes
- Option for a school to opt out if not required
- Green arrows show the change in rank



Player Levelling

To strengthen motivation the Player Levelling system rewards students according to the number of words typed. This is innately different to the other inbuilt systems as it does not depend on speed or accuracy but on tenacity.

Players start with the status of a Villager and progress through dozens of levels all the way to Regent and beyond! Each time they type a word they progress closer to the next level. Students can check their progress at any time. As they level up, their status and icon changes.

	Comparison Old CD - New Online	Old CD	New Online
Use on any device	Mac and Windows PC	✓	✓
	All iPads		✓
	Chromebook		✓
	Android Tablet		✓
	Surface Tablet		✓
	Windows Tablet		✓
	Virtual keyboard for mobiles		✓
Where	Home		✓
	School	✓	✓
Lessons, Drills, Games & Tests	Home Row Drill Trigger		✓
	Home Row Test Trigger		✓
	Guided progress through locations		✓
	Auditory support for lessons		✓
	Optimised Lesson Progression		✓
	1 and 3 minute speed tests		✓
	Postural and fingering reminders		✓
	Unique User ID to save duplication		✓
	Caps Lock error trapping		✓
	Clear link with Bonus Movies		✓
	Cheat blocks		✓
	Fine tuning of Siege Game		✓
	Context variable Speed Goal		✓
Printables	Printable reports	few	many
	Comprehensive class reports		many
	Individual Sign In cards		✓
	Home notification letters		✓
	Export class lists		✓
	Achievement certificates		✓
Motivation	Class Leaderboards		✓
	Player levelling system		✓
	Typing competitions		✓
	Leaderboard - Fastest class		✓
	Leaderboard - Most Words Typed		✓
	Leaderboard - My School		✓
	Leaderboard - Opt Out		✓
Other	Quick Sign Out		✓
	Smart import of class lists		✓
	Easy for teacher or class to join		✓
	Advanced administration system		✓
	Reset children's progress scores		✓
	Google & Facebook Single Sign On		✓
	Quick class linking		✓
	SAML and OAuth Single Sign Ons		✓
	Students in multiple classes		✓
	Video training for teachers		✓
	Frequently Asked Questions		✓
	Typing Tips Posters		✓
	Over 100 enhancements		✓

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Video Training

There is a huge range of training videos that walk you through all aspects of the system. They are great for staff training and school-wide implementation

Single Sign On

Typing Tournament Online supports a range of Single Sign On (SSO) options. Using SSO, students can login using their existing school username and password!

SSO support is provided for:

- Google and Google Classroom
- Microsoft Office 365 and Azure Active Directory
- Most SAML enabled Active Directory Federation Services (ADFS)
- Also compatible with OAuth and Facebook

Simple Class Codes are used in conjunction with SSO to automatically link students to their classes

Windows Azure

SAML v2.0

Login with Google

Posters

Typing Tournament Online includes a comprehensive and growing range of printable posters designed to support your teaching. They are supplied in PDF form and can be downloaded and printed to A4 or A3.

Topics addressed include:

- Keyboard layout and use of the correct fingers
- Posture and ergonomics
- The history of typing
- Quirky QWERTY Facts

Mobile devices

Revolutionary on-screen keyboard. The inbuilt soft keyboards on mobile devices have many customised behaviours that make them unsuitable for typing tuition. e.g. they hide the ";" under "shift" and numerals under the "123" making it impossible to use them for typing tuition. See below for more details.

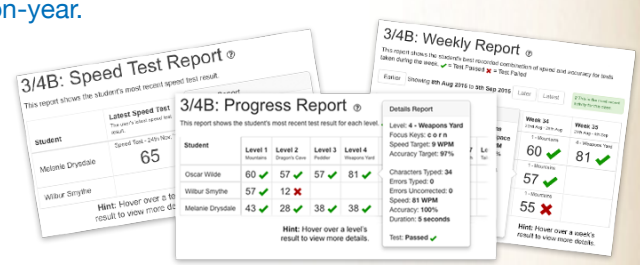
Typing Tournament Online cleverly solves these problems by subverting the system keyboard and substituting its own revolutionary, on-screen keyboard which has a standard layout and colour coding.

Works on Mac and Windows computers, iPads, Android and Surface tablets, enabling children to use any of the devices in a school to learn typing.

When used on mobile devices the special on-screen keyboard with standard layout pops up

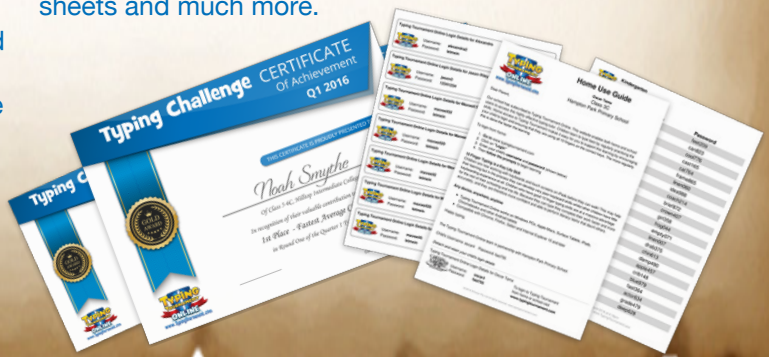
Incisive Reports

A comprehensive range of powerful reports measure each child's progress and give teachers powerful, flexible access to all data. Teachers can see at a glance just how each student is progressing. Student data endures year-on-year.



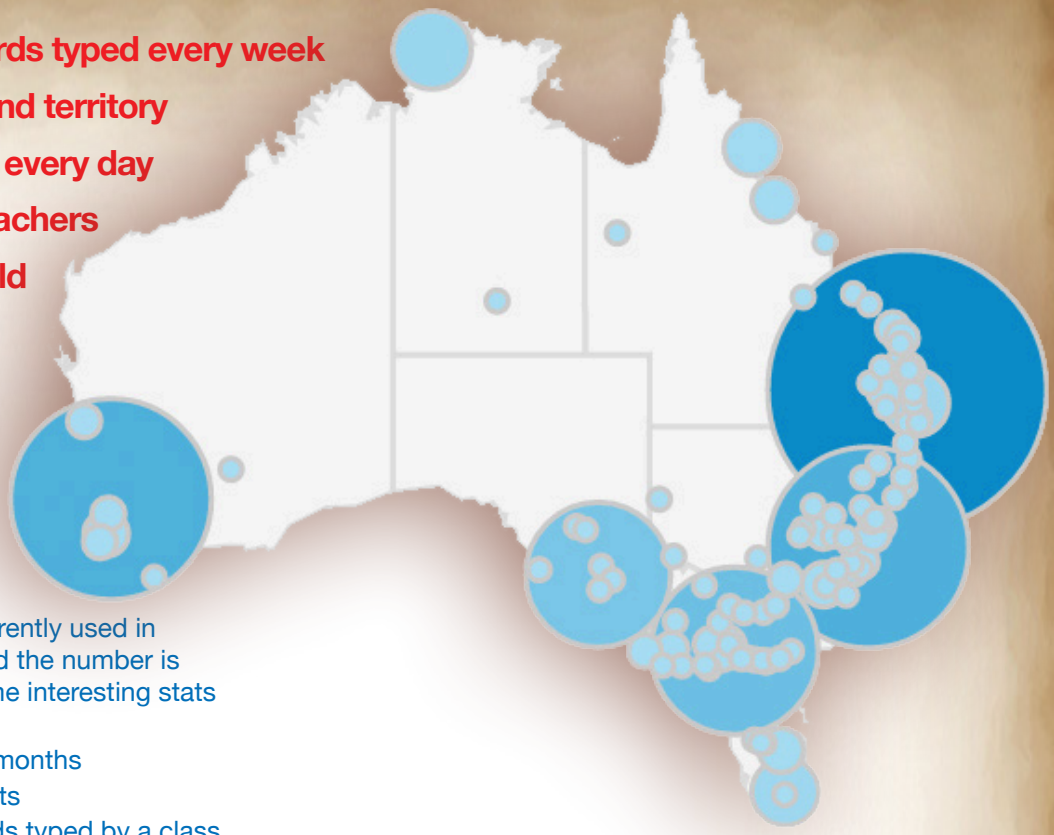
Powerful Printing

Teachers can print a wide range of current and historical certificates to reward students' progress and achievements. There are letters to parents, sign in sheets and much more.



Used in thousands of schools

- √ Approx 5,000,000 words typed every week
- √ Used in every state and territory
- √ More schools joining every day
- √ Loved by kids and teachers
- √ Used around the world
- √ Year 2 to Year 12+
- √ All love it



Typing Tournament Online is currently used in thousands of Aussie schools and the number is growing every day. Here are some interesting stats to give you more of the picture:

- 55,000,000 words typed in 6 months
- Over 220,000 student accounts
- 75,968 11978257 - most words typed by a class in a week
- 48,000 - most words typed by just one student
- 103 wpm - highest speed logged
- 50 wpm - highest average class speed
- 13 wpm - highest average year 3 class speed

What teachers are saying in 2017

Heather Scurr, Texas (Qld) State School says:

"My students' typing skills have improved enormously through the use of Typing Tournament Online."

Steve Lineham, Year 5, Larrakeyah Primary School says:

"Compared with what we were using in the past, this is much more appealing and the students are much more involved."

"Through their successes with Typing Tournament Online the students are self-motivated to improve and take responsibility for their own learning."

Sarah Jonker, Teacher, Malanda State High School says:

"The site is very accessible from a teacher's perspective. I can easily navigate to specific data-analysis for each student. It readily enables me to see if they are hitting their accuracy and speed goals."

"I thought the games were an incredible tool for consolidating the students' typing skills. They help to ensure that they are prepared to pass the room tests."

Jackie Lovie Teacher, Flagstaff Hill, R-7 School says:

"I have noticed my students are now using the correct fingers for their other typed work."

"My students find the program relaxing. They are learning, but they don't feel any pressure from it. They understand that the benefits will flow onto other areas of their schooling and life".

Dom Modoh, Teacher, Palmerston Christian School says:

"It's fabulous how you have created a program that ensures that students are ready for the future."

Jen Donnelly, Merbein P-10 College says:

"The students feel like they have won every time they achieve a goal. It really encourages them."

"The back-end, teacher admin section is brilliant, especially the way it imports xml files without any hassles."

Quarterly - Australia Wide
TypingChallenge

Each quarter we award Gold, Silver and Bronze trophies to the classes achieving the highest Typing Tournament Leaderboard ranks during the nominated: "**Typing Challenge**" week.

Certificates of participation can also be printed for each participating student. Many teachers tell us that participation in the Typing Challenge really helps motivate and engage their classes.

Here are a few of the winners with their certificates and trophies:

Winners to date

Aberfoyle Hub Primary School
Bannister Creek Primary School
Bentley Park College
Berridale Public School
Boort District School
Bunkers Hill State School
Canning Vale Primary School
Carine Primary School
Carmel Adventist College - Primary
Centaur Primary School
Channel Christian School
Colyton Public School
Comboyne Public School
Cornerstone Christian College
Deniliquin Christian School
Derinya Primary School
Donvale Christian School
Flagstaff Hill R-7 School
Forrestdale Primary School
Gilmore Primary School
Gilson College
Goodwood Primary School
Greenbank State School
Haddon Primary School
Hallam Primary School
Holsworthy Public School
HopePoint Christian School
J J Cahill Memorial High School
Kangaroo Island Community
Kawana Waters State College
Keppel Sands State School
Larmenier Catholic Primary School
Larrakeyah Primary School
Malanda State High School
Marist Regional College
Marlborough Primary School
Matthew Gibney Catholic PS
Merbein P-10 College
Millthorpe Public School
Montello Primary School
Mount St Benedict College
Mt Gravatt State School
Mt Pleasant Road Primary School
Nazareth Catholic Community
Nightcliff Primary School
Northgate State School
Our Lady of Southern Cross College
Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Primary School
Pacific Hills Christian School
Palmerston Christian School
Quakers Hill Public School
Robertson State School
Rokeby Primary School
Rostrata Primary School
Rutherford Public School
Sawtell Public School
Sherwood Grange Public School
St Brigid's School
St Edmunds College
St George Christian School
St John Jindera
St Joseph's School Payneham
St Mary's School Dubbo
Star of the Sea School School
Sutherland Dianella Primary School
Texas State School
The Essington School
The Friends' School
Thornlie Christian College
Tyndale Christian School
Varsity College
Warrigal Road State School

How to start your FREE Trial

1. Go to www.typingtournament.com/go
2. Follow the prompts and enter your details
3. Select the option: **I am a teacher and wish to manage my classes**
4. Follow the instructions
5. Enjoy your FREE trial for 2 weeks and then if required, convert the trial to a full subscription

Request a Walkthrough

Our friendly staff are available to walk you through the process of setting up your class and using Typing Tournament Online.

To request a Walkthrough contact us using the details below.

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10 finger typing is a key life skill

Children are now working with keyboards and touch screens on iPads before they can walk! This may help their learning but in the process they can develop very poor keyboard skills. The way they learn to interact with the keyboard by pointing and poking stays the same as they grow and is a huge constraint on their learning and productivity. Accurate and rapid keyboarding skills are vital for today's learners and tomorrow's earners.

There is also a generation of adults working in industry, academia and the public service who lose thousands of hours from their lives as they hunt and poke at the keyboard whilst life passes by and the cost of their reduced productivity accrues personally, corporately and societally.

Give kids a head start

Adults and children who have good 10 finger typing skills are at a massive advantage at school and in life. Because they can type they will complete their work faster and more accurately and are therefore more confident and able to perform literacy tasks that daunt others.

Use the best for the best result

Our extensive, ongoing research and testing that informs the creation of Typing Tournament Online has indicated just how complex a task the teaching of typing actually is. Some children readily learn to type but most require a highly structured mastery learning environment supported by a multi-stranded matrix of motivators. The system must also have scaffolding that guides users to use the right fingers on the right keys. All must be supported by a competent, efficient school and teacher management system.

We have had many teachers attest that Typing Tournament Online is simply the best way to teach typing. Many have used other systems or free typing sites and found them to fall short.

This vital skill is too important to leave to chance. Typing Tournament Online is simply the best and most cost effective way to impart the gift of typing to this generation.

We trust you enjoy using it.

All the best,

Graham East - Managing Director

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