



# PRODUCTS

## Key boards Pals:

Finally, a typing tutor program that's geared for not just for children of all ages, but special needs children as well. Using interactive puppetry, exciting scenery, and cute songs, Keyboard Pals helps children learn to type. What's unique about this program is its use of mnemonics (memory tricks) to help children remember which key is where on the keyboard. Each letter has its own house in Keyboard Town. The home keys A, S, D, F, J, K, and L, have names and live in a house on Home Key Street, with those characters going to visit either uptown or downtown. For example, A is for Amy who lives on Home Key Street and goes downtown to visit the zebras (for the letter Z) or uptown to visit Qwert (for the letter Q) who asks lots of questions. Each letter is taught individually, slowly building up to words as the letters are taught. An interactive hand visually demonstrates how the child's hand should move in order to press the correct key while simultaneously using auditory directions. Thus, whether your child is a visual or auditory learner, this multi-sensory approach improves the probability of their success. The program also includes coloring pages, games, and stickers to reinforce skills already taught.

Additional features include the ability to pace your child at one that is comfortable for them, by allowing the parent/teacher to begin the session where they last left off, or go back and review the previous session or one where the child needs reinforcing. Background colors can be modified to allow individuals with visual disturbances to be successful. Key Board Pals has inactivated the backspace and delete button so the child doesn't lift their hands off keyboard. This helps to limit distractions and create a stress free environment. This low pressure, positive experience will make learning to touch type fun and exciting, and foster feelings of success in the child.

Finally, some children who have difficulty writing find it hard to keep up as the writing requirements for school increases. Touch-typing allows the child to concentrate on what he is actually writing instead of focusing all their energy on the physical act of putting pencil to paper. As for the child who finds it hard to learn to touch type, this program helps by giving a simple yet effective way to learn and remember where the letters are located on the keyboard, in a positive manner that fosters success.

### Therapeutic benefit:

- A multisensory approach to learning how to touch type
- Opportunities to reinforce what's learned that cater to a variety of learning styles.
- Makes learning fun and easy to learn thus allowing better written expression for those who have difficulty with writing.
- Can effectively help young adults learn to touch type, opening up more vocational opportunities.



- Improves hand eye coordination and visual motor skills, which is the ability to coordinate visual information and execute the proper motor patterns to complete the task.
- Improves focus and attention to task by making learning interesting, pleasing to the senses, and facilitates successful outcomes.
- Ability to modify the background colors assists individuals with visual difficulties
- The slower pace allows individuals poor motor planning, slow processing speed and other deficits be successful.

Keyboardtownpals.com \$39.99

**Our New Cd-rom Teaches Typing To Children With Learning Differences Using Puppets, Humor And Music.**

Keyboard Town PALS has put together an outstanding creative team to produce our software package. These professionals come on board with years of experience in children's educational programming. Several members of our crew were part of the EMMY AWARD-WINNING MISTER ROGERS' NEIGHBORHOOD.

Students learn at their own pace, in a stress-free environment.

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A KID, A COMPUTER, AND AN HOUR

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