

KEYBOARDING MYTHBUSTING

Clearing up six misconceptions about how and when to teach typing

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Fact

Kids today are digital natives, so they “**naturally**” **know** how to type.



91% of today's kids play video games, but typing words and sentences **requires different skills** than playing games.

Keyboards are being **replaced by speech-to-text**, so typing will soon be obsolete.



Speech-to-text is **impractical** for the classroom. Imagine a room full of 4th-graders all talking to their tablets at once!

Today's schools **don't have time** to teach typing.



Many teachers work keyboarding exercises into class time **as a warmup**—and typing games make a **great reward** for students who finish assignments early!

Kindergarten kids are **too young** to type.



Kindergarten is a logical time to start students' typing journey. They're learning to read and write letters, and **typing reinforces letter recognition**.

Teachers **need to know how to touch-type** in order to teach touch-typing.



With typing software like **TypeTastic**, kids can see proper technique modeled on the screen, and can repeat lessons until they've mastered all the techniques they need to type fluently.

Typing lessons are **boring exercises** in repetition.



Kids actually **learn typing better** when they're having fun!