

Read, Write & Type Testimonials

The program is great. My daughter is taking to it very well. I have tried several other phonics programs but have never gotten her to sound out the words. She is sounding out the words for the first time. I am really satisfied

Tim Garvey
Jefferson City, MO

We received your program and are quite pleased with it. Wyatt did a project for the school science fair and I had him type up some conclusions. I was expecting hunt and peck. When he started typing using all his fingers I was astounded. I had no idea he knew how. I didn't learn typing till high school. It fits in so well with learning to read and spell. I have told many people about your program.

Larry Cofer
Menlo Park, CA

We have had the software in the house for about a month now and my kids love it. In fact, at Easter they were telling cousins about it. I since have had an inquiry from my sister about it. ... My kids like this so much, I will probably recommend the software to the technology person before school lets out.

Molly Ryan
Ridgeway, IA

I ordered your CD and I am very impressed. Daniel (age 6 and is homeschooled kindergarten) is about 1/3 through it. He enjoys it, but it is challenging. Thank you for this product.

Debra Fenlason
Colorado Springs, CO

I purchased the original Read, Write and Type program some time ago and used it initially as a typing program. What a surprise! I am an occupational therapist, and a lot of the LD children I work with need the extra help with typing but even more they need the help with sounds, structure and sequencing. I recently took a class from Louisa Moats and she mentioned your software. I am already sharing your program with teachers that I have met along the way. I use it to supplement a lot of the work that I do with the children. It is working and I am seeing results.

Mavis Johnson
Temecula, CA

I am an occupational therapist and use RWT with children who have mild to severe motor planning issues. For this reason they have great difficulty with handwriting. This program helps these children with an alternative to handwriting, even though they acquire the skills differently and at a slower pace than others. The ages range from first graders to age 17. I will be presenting a paper on this work at my national conference in April.

Wilma Dorman
Blue Bell, PA

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RWT has had a tremendous impact on my daughter. I explained the program briefly, we watched the introductory video together, and three HOURS later I had to pull a screaming, sobbing girl from the computer as she wailed, "But I haven't learned how to read yet..." Indeed, her expectations were very high, but her interest was held by the friendly competition with the virus, topping her previous scores, and the thrill of achievement. Jenna and I were told that we should "limit" her computer time with RWT in order to let the information process. Because it was so difficult to pry Jenna away from the program once she began, and I didn't want to thwart that enthusiasm, I instead let her work as much with the program in one sitting as she wanted, but limited those sittings to no more than once a week. Immediately, I noticed how her learning had environmental impact. She began sounding out street signs, store names, and titles of books. Instead of asking, "What's that say?" I'd hear her make the beginning, middle and ending sounds. Reading wasn't her primary achievement with RWT, however. The whole thinking process and how her curiosity was sparked and held was the main accomplishment in her beginning efforts. In spelling a word out phonetically, the answers to her questions were only a few sounds away. For fun, my daughter sits on a chair, or in the car, and writes lists of words that she has learned in only three to four "lessons" with RWT. Oh, and by the way, she is in kindergarten, and turns 6 the end of March. I applaud the competitive, challenging, and variety of RWT in opening up a whole new world for my daughter. I wish the same opportunities for every inquisitive mind.

I asked Jenna HER opinion of RWT and here are her quotes.

Why do you like this program so much?

"Because I was learning words real fast because my brain was thinking harder."

"It taught [taught] me how to write letters and periods and spaces."

"I liked it because I learned real quick"

My daughter was to write five expectations for kindergarten last fall. One of them was, "I want to learn to read." Thanks to RWT, she is on her way. She isn't just memorizing "sight words" as school has been teaching. She is sounding out and problem solving real words in the world around her.

Oh, and one more thing...that black keyboard cover that came with the deluxe version doesn't slow her down a bit. She heeded my words that peeking would never help her to learn.... Thanks so very much for making a difference in Jenna's life.

Cara Marcelle
Tuscon, AZ

I love this program. My son is using it at school in the computer lab. He is so enthusiastic about it and has been begging me to buy it. I haven't found it anywhere. I am a teacher also and I want it for my pre-k class as well.

Daphyne Douglas
Marietta, GA

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As a special education teacher, I used Read, Write & Type with adults with mild to moderate developmental disabilities. It is an excellent tool. It's flexibility was truly remarkable. It helped to build literacy, computer skills, communication opportunities, and most importantly, confidence. I had to be very, very careful when choosing appropriate software due to the highly varied (and often highly conflicting) needs of the learners I worked with, and Read, Write & Type was an excellent addition to our classroom. I guess you're the person to thank, so THANKS, and pass on my compliments to your designers.

Jeannine Lyons
Assessing Educational Capability with Technology
Rubric Development and Research
Batavia, IL

For a few years now our 8 year old daughter has been having difficulty with the physical process of writing. When we finally switched to a new, competent learning specialist, Dana was tested and diagnosed as having a mild learning disability associated with writing. A major part of the specialist's recommendation: get Dana started on typing as soon as possible. After a couple of false starts with other children's typing products, I browsed around on the internet and discovered the Talking Fingers web site. I liked what I saw and bought a copy of "Read, Write, and Type". Unlike the other competitive, time-pressured typing products we'd previously tried, Dana immediately loved "Read, Write, and Type." It was gentler, more interesting, and a lot more "fun" than the others. Dana happily plays with "Read, Write, and Type" for extended periods of time and is now well on her way toward mastering basic keyboarding skills. We were so happy with this product, we bought a copy for our kids' school! Thank you so very much.

Jeffrey Pector
San Francisco, CA

We recently checked out "Read, Write, and Type" from our local Library for our 6 year old daughter, Kyra. I was hesitant at first to get it, because I didn't think she would really get into learning how to type. Kyra began this software about a week ago, and is now obsessed with playing it! She learns so much while reading stories as they teach her how to type. This educational software is the best around to teach your child a valuable tool for the future-typing! What's the best about it all, is that your child will be learning, and not even know it!

Amy Joy
Wisconsin
(from Epinion.com reviews - Sept. 2000)

This is a course designed for ages 6-8, but even my 12 year old daughter enjoyed it and was able to type with the correct keys after only one week. I think that saying it is for ages 6-8 is being a bit conservative because I think that older kids can benefit as well.

B.K. McGill
(from Epinion.com reviews - Dec. 1999)

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My six year old son spends a lot of time with this program. He stays engaged for long periods of time, up to 30 minutes. Skylar loves that there is a bad guy that he has to outsmart and he loves when he masters the skills necessary to complete each level. He is competing against the bad guy, Vector the Virus, who isn't all that horrible a guy. The program knows where he has left off so when he logs back on he doesn't have to repeat the letters or sounds he has completed. We find that when he has been away from the program a while he logs in under a different name and repeats levels he has already completed, so it is not boring to him at all. He also really likes the awards that he receives after completing a set of letters. This gets printed out in color and he hangs them in his room.

Scott
(from Epinion.com reviews - Feb. 2000)

My daughter started using this software when she was in the first grade. She would sit for hours at a time using this program. She would get so excited when she was able to "save" a story teller by typing. And, hey, now she is a pretty good typist for a seven year old.

Kim
Rotterdam, NY
(from Epinion.com reviews - Apr. 2000)

Several years ago my son (in K/1st Grade) learned to type with your program. I attribute a great deal of his success to the "foundation" your program laid for him. He is 13 now and types 70 wpm with 99% accuracy. He is a computer geek to the max. He's an incredible testimony to the program. He attends a small Christian school now and I saw the need for the children to learn keyboarding. I was so thrilled to find your program after so many years. I just got it approved yesterday (the Principal seemed to enjoy himself as he battled "Vexor"). After I am sure the computers in the lab can run the program, we will order bundles of the program and get started typing. I am so excited. It's an excellent program.

Julie MayTucker
Durango, CO

You cannot imagine how much Read, Write and Type Learning System has helped my six year old. The games keep her interested while she is building a strong foundation for reading and writing. She can't wait to come home from school everyday and "do her read, write and type CDROM" At her first parent-teacher conference in Kindergarten, her teacher told me that she was reading and writing at a level above the other students in her class. I know this is from your software.

Alexis Cremerius
Memphis, TN

I am using RWT in my second grade bilingual classroom. All but four or five of my 17 students have finished RWT at least once. Your program exceeds all my expectations!!! They love it so much that they want to go through it again and again. The Spanish toggle is highly appreciated by the students who need it. They love the E-Mail Tower. One boy straight from Mexico, who knows (knew) no English, finished the program. I can't figure that out - How did he do it? This is ESL at its best. Thanks for making my job infinitely easier.

Donald Potter
Odessa, TX

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We are using Read, Write & Type with our 8 year-old son who has significant developmental delays and learning disabilities. He has made spectacular progress in phonics, reading, and spelling this summer using the program (in addition to developing better keyboard and mouse skills), and we like it a lot. His special education teacher has ordered several copies of the program to use at school with other students, and indeed we are talking up the program whenever we have a chance!

Alan Stanton
Sante Fe, NM

I'm presenting Read, Write and Type, along with "generated by classroom curriculum projects" in first and second grades, at the California Association of Independent Schools this coming Monday. Students and parents alike continue to be thrilled year after year with the results and it continues to be my favorite of all teaching assignments.

Barbara Wade
Computer Teacher
St. Joseph's School, Atherton, CA
(formerly at Santa Rita Elem.-Los Altos)

Several weeks ago I wrote to you asking if this program would be effective for a 10 year old child with sever reading problems. I've spent countless dollars on programs that promised to teach my son to read and never did much for him but frustrate him. I have to tell you that my son just finished working with your program and is just so tickled with himself that he was typing sentences, and I'm thrilled to hear him sounding out the words and relating the sounds to the keyboard. Wow! I think that we've found the right program at last! I'm a special education teacher for an elementary school, and after sitting with my son during these last few lessons, I'm sold on your product. I will certainly recommend your products to the parents of my students!

A grateful mother and convinced teacher!

Pat Best
Frederick, MD