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## Smart children learn to Touch Type

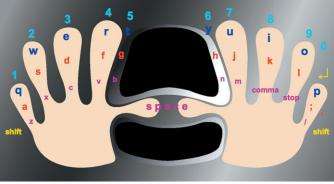
Grape County provides the essential components that children need in order to learn the life long and empowering skill of touch typing - an innovative keyboard and a touch typing software tutor.

At BETT this year, Grape County (stand M12) is introducing version 3 of the ever popular BusyFingers touch typing tutor. This version has an improved look and feel with nearly all the new features requested by Teachers.

Some of the new features included in this release are:

- multiple sizes of "hands" with the option of larger fonts, displaying more clearly the fingers and characters and making it more adaptable to children of all ages and learning abilities
- the words used in the lessons are those recommended by the National Literacy Strategy
- the phrases used in the lessons are grouped into Key Stage 1 & 2 and Key Stage 3 with the option to include or omit the Key Stage 3 phrases
- an improved and feature rich Teachers application





Children, by definition, have smaller hands than adults, and by giving them a smaller keyboard it allows them to reach the keys without over stretching. The MyKids keyboard is 80% the size of an adult keyboard and uses colour and shape to identify the keys that are used by the left and right hands. The MyKids keyboard comes with a mini-optical mouse and together they give children a better experience when using a computer.

To children, the MyKids keyboard & mini-mouse are like having shoes that fit their feet - instead of being forced to walk about in adult size shoes!

## Notes to the editor

Grape County is a family run business that was established with the sole purpose of encouraging children of primary school age to learn to touch type. We started trading in 2004 and are attending BETT for the second year. Last year there was just Grape County promoting the MyKids keyboard & mouse and BusyFingers software. This year we have 8 other resellers also promoting our products.

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