

# Writing Resources

## Grammar and Punctuation

### Language Tool

#### [Language Tool](#)

Students can paste text into the box on this website, click the “Check Text” button, and find potential errors in their writing.

## Graphic Organizers

### Education Oasis

#### [Education Oasis](#)

This website contains 58 PDF graphic organizers . Some of the graphic organizers are fillable prior to printing. Graphic organizers are listed by category or topic.

### Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Education Place

#### [Education Place](#)

This website is dedicated to providing graphic organizers for structuring writing projects, problem solving, decision making, studying, planning research, and brainstorming. A rich resource.

## Handwriting/Keyboarding

### Adapted Paper and Writing Guides

#### [Adapted Paper and Writing Guides](#)

Links to vendors/sources of adapted paper and writing guides.

### Aunt Lee’s Typing Games

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Games for typing letters, words, timed games, numbers and freestyle typing games.

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## **Dance Mat Typing**

### **[Dance Mat](#)**

A keyboarding program that teaches typing at 4 levels in 3 stages.

## **DeCoste Writing Protocol (DWP)**

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Formerly known as the Written Productivity Profile. This tool helps teams “make informed decisions about accommodations for writing. This site provides information regarding the process used in the DWP: 1. Timed Handwriting; 2. Timed Keyboarding; 3. Spelling; and 4. Extended Writing.

## **Handwriting for Kids**

### **[Handwriting for Kids](#)**

Handwriting resources for writing numbers and letters in writing tasks in grades 1-12 are provided on this website. Resources for manuscript, cursive, English, etc.

## **Handwriting Worksheets**

### **[Handwriting Worksheets](#)**

Teachers are able to make their own handwriting worksheets in 4 steps. Several handwriting styles are available.

## **Inspiration**

### **[Inspiration Quick Guide](#)**

Printable files for use, activities, and accommodations for Inspiration software used for organizational webs. Video tutorials are included on the site.

## **Keyboarding Printable Quick Guides**

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Quick Guides are provided for basic typing programs and websites. Strategies for improving keyboarding are also provided. Webinars and information for one-hand typing are listed.

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## **Keyboarding Resources**

### **[Keyboarding Options](#)**

A wiki dedicated to listing and linking to keyboarding programs and options.

## **Kidspiration**

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Printable guides for use of Kidspiration software include basic information and steps to take when using the software for writing with younger and cognitively challenged students.

## **Printable Paper**

### **[Printable Paper](#)**

Approximately 1600 paper formats/styles to be downloaded for free.

## **Printable Tools**

### **[Printable Tools](#)**

This website was designed for the needs of students with high incidence needs. It includes download materials for assignment sheets, goal setting, keyboarding data, strategies, and other graphs for data.

## **Touch Typing Tutors**

### **[All the Touch Typing Tutors](#)**

Freeware and shareware keyboarding programs are listed as links.

## **[Note Taking](#)**

### **The 4s of Note-Taking with Technology**

#### **[4s of Note Taking](#)**

Information about the efficacy of note taking and the needed support for students taking notes using laptops.

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## Process

### **The Language of Writing: Creating a Writing Program** **[Creating a Writing Program](#)**

Using technology (including AAC) in the writing program to facilitate writing.

## Speech to Text

### **Audacity**

#### **[Audacity](#)**

“A free, easy—to-use, multi-track audio editor and recorder for Windows, Mac OS X, GNU/Linux and other operating systems. An excellent option for writing.

## Worksheet Completion

### **Working Around Worksheets**

#### **[Working Around Worksheets: Two Free Apps to Help Gain Access](#)**

Information shared to help students use Paper Port Notes or CamScanner to complete worksheets.