



# The Keyboarding Spelling Bee

## Objective

To give students additional keyboarding reinforcement by conducting a spelling bee

## Materials

A list of spelling words

## Time

Approximately one class period

## Procedure

A spelling bee is a great way to add excitement and variety to a keyboarding class. Note: Prior to using this activity, the students need to have learned all the letter keys.

Here's how it works: Before holding your keyboarding spelling bee, prepare a list of words that the students will spell and type. The list should begin with easy spelling words and progressively get more difficult (as is the case with traditional spelling bees).



Announce to the class that they will participate in a keyboarding spelling bee. Before the class begins the spelling bee, be sure that the auto-correct feature, found in most word processing programs, is turned off. To start the spelling bee, the teacher reads the first word in the list. The students must type and spell the dictated word correctly within a designated timeframe such as five seconds.

After reading the first word, have students run their spell checkers. Any student who did not spell the word correctly is eliminated from the spelling bee competition. Continue this pattern until a keyboarding spelling bee champion is crowned.