# Orientation to the Chromebook Keyboard & Navigating the Chromebook Environment

**Lesson 3**

## Overview

Sighted individuals navigate the Google environment with a mouse. This lesson provides an orientation to the Chromebook keyboard and how to navigate the Google environment with keystrokes.

### Top Row Keys

* Key 1: Escape key
* Key 2: Previous page in browser history
* Key 3: Next page in browser history
* Key 4: Reload current page
* Key 5: Open current page in full-screen mode
* Key 6: Switch to next window
* Key 7: Decrease screen brightness
* Key 8: Increase screen brightness
* Key 9: Mute
* Key 10: Decrease system volume
* Key 11: Increase system volume
* Key 12: Power

### Home Row

The Chromebook has a Search key in place of a Caps Lock key. The Search key is the ChromeVox key. Alt+Search will change the function of this key to a Caps Lock key.

### Bottom Row

* Key 1: Control
* Key 2: Alt
* Key 3: Spacebar
* Key 4: Alt
* Key 5: Control
* Key 6-9: Left, Up, Down, Right Arrow

Skills Taught

* Understanding of the Chromebook keyboard
* Student can navigate to Toolbar, Bookmarks, Launcher, System Menu, and Notification Center
* Student can open and close Tabs
* Student can cycle forward and backward through tabs
* Student knows the ChromeVox command to read the title of the current page

## Keystrokes for this Lesson

* Turn on ChromeVox: Ctrl+Alt+Z
* Toolbar: Alt+Shift+T
* Bookmarks: Alt+Shift+B
* Launcher: Alt+Shift+L
* System Menu: Alt+Shift+S
* Notification Center: Alt+Shift+N
* Open a new tab: Ctrl+T
* Close a tab: Ctrl+W
* Move backward through tabs: Ctrl+Tab
* Title of current tab: ChromeVox+A, W

## Activity

* Have the student practice opening and closing tabs that are of interest to the student
* Have multiple tabs open and teach the student how to navigate through these tabs.
* One functional use is to read an article on the Internet and takes notes about it in a Google Doc
* Teach the ChromeVox command that reads the title of the current page.