

Speed Texting 2.0 Manual

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GENERAL

Have you ever wondered how quickly you can send a text message? Are you unsure about your texting skills? Speed Texting 2.0 is here to help! With this innovative new game, you can have fun while you hone your texting skills, increase your texting speed, and see how you match up to texters around the world! In this game, it's a race to the finish line, and the faster you text, the faster you'll get there! You may be a texting master and not even know it! Find out with Speed Texting 2.0!

There are two primary ways to play Speed Texting 2.0, Arcade mode and Head 2 Head mode. In Arcade mode, you can challenge your own phone as it races against you. As you progress through 25 available levels, you will be tested with longer words, faster speeds, and even full phrases! You can learn more about this mode in the Arcade mode section.

When you are ready for a greater challenge, you can race the recorded times of other players from around the world in Head 2 Head mode. Head 2 Head mode lets you view the worldwide Leaderboard and challenge the recorded race of any player! Defeat them, and you'll overtake their position on the Leaderboard. Check out the Head 2 Head mode section for more information on Head 2 Head mode.

If you want to see where you rank among your friends or another small group of people, you can join a Group. Groups are smaller entities with their own leaderboards and challenges. You can learn more about Groups in the Friends section.

Speed Texting 2.0 will periodically check for updated content, in order to keep your version as up to date as possible. Updates will include exciting new levels, new level themes, contests, and other similar extras. If an update is found, you will have the option to install it or ignore it. At any time, you can go to the My Settings menu and manually check for updates. You can learn more about updates in the Updates section.

CONTROLS

To text a word when it appears on screen, press the key labeled with each letter only once. The game will know which word you are texting and display the letter you intended to text.

To clear letters individually, you can press Clear, Back, or the Left Soft Key. You can use the Left and Right arrow keys to move the cursor through the text area, and you can use Up or Down to clear the whole text entry area.

- Left arrow or Right arrow: Move the cursor one space left or right.
- Clear, Back, or Left Soft Key: Delete one letter.
- Up arrow or Down arrow: Delete all the letters in the text entry area.

CREATE A USER

When you first enter the game, you'll see a screen asking you to create a new user or play as a Guest. If you don't want to create a new user, or you don't want to use the multiplayer features, then you can play as a Guest. You'll have access to all the single player content, but you won't be able to view the Leaderboards, post your times, or join a Group.

In order to use any of the multiplayer features, you must create a username. You may create any username you like; it does not have to be your real name. Once you've selected a username, you'll be asked to enter your area code, age range and gender. This will allow you to compare your position on the Leaderboards to other people in your area, age range and gender. This information will never be shared with anyone else. Once you've entered your information, the game will connect to the server and register your name. Helpful Hint: If your chosen username is already taken, try adding a number or two to the end of it.

PLAY MODE

Speed Texting 2.0 boasts five distinct play modes designed to cater to your every mood. Each mode targets different skills, but for every mode, the main goal is always speed! At any time, you can leave one mode to play another.

In Arcade mode, you will play through 25 increasingly difficult levels and against 25 increasingly difficult target times. In each level, you will earn Stars for your speed and accuracy. Arcade mode is the primary way to increase your rank. Every fifth level in Arcade mode is a posting level. At this point, you can post your time to the worldwide Leaderboard to see how you rank against other texters.

Head 2 Head mode is a purely multiplayer experience. In Head 2 Head mode, you can browse the Leaderboard to find another texter to challenge or you can use one of the instant challenges which will match you against the type of opponent you want. When you play in Head 2 Head mode, you are racing against the posted time of another player. If you win the race and post your score, you will move above that player on the Leaderboard.

Practice mode is ideal for perfecting your texting skills so that you can progress through Arcade mode or defeat another player in Head 2 Head mode. In Practice mode, you can set the number of letters in the words that you want to text, the speed those words move down the screen, and the number of words you will see. Each session of Practice mode will last until the number of words that you chose have appeared.

Marathon mode lets you test your speed texting endurance. In Marathon mode, you will select a starting difficulty. The words will continue to appear until you can no longer keep up your texting. You will start with three tokens and can earn more as you continue, but

once all of your tokens are gone, your marathon is over. See how many words you can text before your tokens disappear!

Finally, Weekly Words is an ever-changing challenge! Each week new levels will be available to download. These levels play like Arcade mode levels, but when you finish the group, you may be asked to guess the secret theme, so keep your eyes peeled! Periodically your Weekly Words will come with a new theme as well, giving you a whole new environment to play in. If you want to keep your texting skills fresh, then check out Weekly Words!

ARCADE MODE

In Arcade mode, you will text your way through 25 exciting levels, each one offering a new challenge. Over the course of the levels, you'll encounter more words on screen, longer words, and even full phrases. This will be accompanied by changes in the background color, signifying the increased difficulty.

The levels are organized into groups of five, and every fifth level is a special posting level. When you complete the level, you'll be able to post your time to the worldwide Leaderboard. Your best time for that level will show up on the Leaderboard. If you want to improve your time, you can replay any of the levels you've completed. If you play a posting level again and beat your previous score, your new score will appear on the Leaderboard.

When you finish a level, you will be presented with your very own performance statistics. Your time will be compared to your target time to determine if you complete the level or not. You will also see how your time compares to players around the world, represented as a percentile. If you haven't connected to the server at least once, your percentile will be 50%. Once you post a score or download any updates, you'll start seeing the real percentile. Stars are earned based upon your accuracy in the level. As you accumulate Stars, your Skill Rank will increase. You can learn more about Stars and Skill Rank in the Skill Rank section.

HEAD 2 HEAD MODE

Head 2 Head mode allows you to compare yourself to players around the world, whether that's your closest friend or the fastest texter. You can do this by posting your best times, and the races that go along with them, to the Leaderboard. You can also view the Leaderboard and challenge any player you see there.

There are several Leaderboards that you can view. The All-Time Leaderboard has the highest score that a player has ever posted, whereas Weekly and Daily Leaderboards only contain times that users have posted in that week or day. You can also filter the Leaderboard by several criteria including age range, area code, gender, or Skill Rank. Finally, you can determine the difficulty of the posting level the Leaderboard corresponds to. This will choose times set on level 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, or the downloaded level.

Viewing the Leaderboard is a great way to challenge a specific player. To challenge the recorded race of a player on the leaderboard, simply highlight their name and press OK. Next to their name you'll see their time and their Skill Rank, represented by an icon.

You don't always have to visit the Leaderboard to challenge another player. Instead, you can use the Challenge feature to have the game pick a player for you to challenge. You have three options when it comes to automatic challenges. If you choose The Best, you'll challenge the top time of the difficulty you choose. If you choose Rank Up, you'll

challenge a player just above you on the leaderboard. And if you choose Fair challenge, you'll challenge a player at a similar ability level.

When you are playing against a player's recorded game, it will be just like playing the single player game, with a few exceptions. First, you'll notice that you'll get a taunt from the player you are challenging. You can set your taunt in the My Settings menu under My Taunt. Second, you'll be able to post your score regardless of whether you win or lose. This is because you may have a new personal best score, even if you didn't beat your opponent's.

LEADERBOARD

The Leaderboard is where you will be able to compare yourself to other players around the world. As soon as you play a posting level, you will have the option to post your time to the Leaderboard. Once you've done that, the Leaderboard will store your best time ever at each of the difficulties. You can also filter the Leaderboard to show recorded times for certain time periods (the current day or week) or to show times of other players that fit a certain criteria (age, gender, area code, or skill). To select the specific Leaderboard you want to see, press Left and Right on the three buttons to choose your parameters and then press OK to proceed.

CHALLENGES

Challenges are a quick and fun way to race against another player's time. If you beat that time, you'll appear above them on the Leaderboard. You can challenge any player you see on the Leaderboard by selecting their name. However, we've also given you the option to get into a Challenge quickly by selecting one of the instant Challenges. You have three choices: you can challenge the person on the top of the Leaderboard for a given difficulty by selecting The Best. You can challenge someone just above you on the Leaderboard by selecting Rank Up. And you can challenge someone with a similar time to you with the Fair Challenge. After you make your choice, you'll be taken right to the level.

TEAM NAMES

To create a new Group, all you need to do is enter your desired Group name in the box. You'll then be given the option to invite your friends into your Group. If you've been invited to join a Group already, enter the Group name you've been invited into. Then you'll be asked for the password and you are ready to start playing with your friends.

FRIENDS

If you want some added competition, or want to see how you stack up against your friends or coworkers, then join a Group. Groups allow you to view a Leaderboard and select Challenges that are restricted only to your Group members.

Joining a group is easy, just select Create Group or Join Group from the Head 2 Head menu. If someone else has already created the Group and sent you an invitation with the Group name and password, then select Join Group, enter the information, and you will have joined the Group. If the group isn't set up already, you'll need to create the Group. Select Create Group and enter the group name in the box. The game will register your Group with the server, and then display your Group name and password. Now you can invite people to join your Group from the My Group menu. Select Send Invite, enter the person's phone number, and that's it!

Groups have their own Leaderboards and Challenges, just like in standard Head 2 Head mode. However, these Leaderboards and Challenges are restricted to your Group members, so you see the times of only the players in your Group. If you post a really good score, don't worry. Your times will still post to the full Leaderboards as well as your Group Leaderboard.

SKILL RANK

Your Skill Rank is an indication of how accomplished and accurate a texter you are. You gain Skill Ranks by accumulating Stars. Stars are earned in every level by completing the level as accurately as possible. Every level has five Stars available, plus a bonus Star for maximizing your speed. Allowing words to move off screen or deleting and retyping part of a phrase will hurt your accuracy, thus costing you Stars.

Once you've completed a level, you'll be able to see how many Stars you earned in that level by looking at the level list. If you think you can get more Stars in a level than you've currently earned, just play the level again! If you earn more Stars, the extras will be added to your total Stars. If you don't earn extra Stars, don't worry; Stars will never be taken from you. Can you make it to the top rank?

You can also earn Stars by challenging better players with the Rank Up and Challenge the Best challenges, as well as in some of the other game modes. You can even earn Stars by playing the downloadable levels. Explore the game to find those Stars!

UPDATES

Speed Texting 2.0 will periodically check for fun, updated content. Updates will include exciting, interactive new levels, new level themes, bonus games, and other similar extras. If an update is found, you will have the option to install it or ignore it. At any time, you can go to the My Settings menu and manually check for updates. If you have downloaded an update, but decide that you would like to revert back to your default set up, you can easily remove updates from the My Settings menu. This will remove any extra levels you have downloaded, but it will not affect your progress on the standard levels. Download Speed Texting 2.0 Updates to keep you game fresh and exciting!

SPEEDOMETER

In the lower right corner of the screen is your speedometer. The speedometer tracks how much your speed increases and decreases over the course of the level. As you go faster, the colors move from yellow to orange to red, and the bar grows taller. As you slow down, the bar shrinks. Going faster is necessary to get a good time, but there is extra incentive. When you reach maximum speed, you'll earn a bonus Star. There is one bonus Star available in each level, so put that texting pedal to the metal!