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Getting Started

To use AIM on your phone you need an AIM screen name. This can be an AOL, AIM®, Netscape®, or CompuServe 2000® screen name. If you do not have an AIM-compatible screen name, get one free at www.aol.com/aim/wireless.

In addition to an AIM screen name, you need a **Samsung R225M** phone with service from T-Mobile. To get a phone or find additional information, visit the T-Mobile web site.

Navigate to the AIM service

To start the AOL Instant Messenger, scroll to **AIM** on the main menu (or press the **Menu** softkey and then **7**), then press the **Select** softkey:

Press the **Menu** softkey, then press **7** to navigate to the main AIM screen. Then press the **Select** softkey to access the AIM menus.

Use the AIM menus to sign on to the AIM service, send, receive, and respond to instant messages, access your Buddy List feature, and change AIM settings to fit your needs.

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Signing On to the AIM Service

You can choose to sign on to the AIM service in two ways: manually or automatically. The first time you sign on to AIM, you sign on manually—that is, by using the keypad to type your screen name and password. You can continue to sign on manually each time you sign on to AIM on your phone or you can set your phone to use your screen name and password to sign on automatically.

Sign on manually

To sign on to the AIM service by typing your screen name and password manually, complete the following steps:

1. On the phone handset, press the **Menu** softkey, and then press **7**. The AIM Offline menu appears.

2. Select **Sign On** and press the **Select** softkey.

Type your screen name by pressing the key associated with each letter until desired letter appears. For instance, to type the letter "c," press the **2** key three times.

3. When your screen name is entered, press the **OK** softkey.

4. Type your password and press the **OK** softkey.

Type your password the same way you typed your screen name, but remember to press the **Case** softkey when changing from lower to uppercase. As you type, each character appears briefly, and then, for privacy, the characters are replaced with asterisks (*). After you sign on, the AIM service retrieves your Buddy List®, indicating online and offline screen names.

Note: Remember, your password is case-sensitive—if you created your password with both upper- and lowercase letters, you must type it this way during Sign On.

Sign on to AIM using multiple devices

Signing on to the AIM service affects any other AIM session that you may have started using the same screen name. When using the AIM and AOL services, you can sign on to both services with the same screen name; however, any messages you receive will be displayed by the AOL service.

When using the AIM service or the AIM Express service, signing on to one device will sign you off a session on another device. For example, if you use the AIM service on your PC, and then sign on with the same screen name on your phone, the AIM session on your PC will be signed off.

Sign on automatically

To set your phone to use your screen name and password to sign on automatically, complete the following steps:

1. Scroll to **Settings** and press the **Select** softkey.

2. Scroll to **Automatic Sign On** and press the **Select** softkey.

3. Press the scroll button to select the correct functionality. Choose **On** to set the phone to sign on automatically whenever you return to the AIM service. Choose **Off** to sign on manually each time you sign on to the AIM service.

4. Press the **Select** softkey to complete this setting.

AIM status icons

While you are signed on to the AIM service, an icon ⚏ at the bottom of your phone's main screen is displayed. When a new instant message is received, the icon changes to indicate that a message has arrived. Stay logged in to send and receive messages while your phone is on.

Icon	Description
⚏	You are signed on to the AIM service.
⚏🗩	You have a new instant message.

Exit the AIM screen, but stay connected to the service

Press the **Clear** key repeatedly to return to the start screen. Now you can access any of the phone's other features. You still receive instant messages, and can return to the the AIM service at any time to read them.

Sign Off the AIM service and disconnect from the service

If you do not sign off, you remain signed on to the AIM service even when you turn off your phone.

1. From the **AIM Online** menu, scroll to **Sign Off**.

2. Press the **Select** softkey. A message, "Signing off from AOL Instant Messenger" appears briefly, then the phone returns to the AIM menu. Press the **Clear** key to return to the main menu.

Using the Buddy List Feature

If you use the AIM service on your PC, the entire Buddy List feature is not downloaded to your phone. Instead, the first time you sign on to the AIM service from your phone, a **Mobile Device group** is created and 30 screen names from your Buddy List feature are moved into this group. Think of the Mobile Device group as your Buddy List feature that you use from your phone.

When you use the AIM service with your phone, you can communicate with the contacts you keep in your Buddy List feature in much the same way that you would from your computer. If you are already an AOL, Netscape, or CompuServe 2000® member, or if you use the AIM service on your personal computer, up to 30 screen names from your Buddy List feature are accessible to you from your mobile phone.

In addition, when you sign on to the AIM service from a mobile phone, anyone who is using AIM version 4.8.2646 or higher, or AOL version 7.0 or later, will see a **Mobile Device icon** appear next to your screen name both in their Buddy List window and in the Instant Messaging window. This icon lets others know that you are using the AIM service from a mobile phone, and that it may take longer to type messages, or that your messages may be shorter in length.

Buddy status icons

The buddy status icons give you information at a glance about a screen name.

Icon	Description
	An online screen name appears with no icon next to it.
◌	This screen name is offline and can't exchange IMs.
▣	Open conversation is in progress with this screen name.
⬤	You are declining messages from this screen name during the current AIM session.
▣	This screen name has set an Away message: the AIM user is online but currently unavailable for instant messaging.
⬥	You have set an alert to be notified when this screen name comes online.

Buddy List options

From the Buddy List screen, you can choose specific options to manage your Buddy List feature. To access the Buddy List Options menu, complete the following steps:

1. Scroll to **Buddy List** on the AIM Online menu and press the **Select** softkey. The Buddy List appears.

Icons next to screen names indicate status.

2. Press the **Menu** softkey to access the Buddy List options.

From the Options menu, you can do the following:

- Send an instant message to a screen name.
- Update the status of the screen names in your Buddy List feature.
- Send an instant message to a specified screen name.
- Set an alert to notify you when a Buddy signs on.
- Add or remove contacts from the Buddy List feature.
- Accept messages or decline unwanted messages from a specific screen name.
- Get information on specific buddies.

Add screen names to your Buddy List feature

If you use the AOL or AIM service on a personal computer, you don't need to type screen names to the Buddy List feature on your phone—they are transferred wirelessly.

To add screen names from your phone, complete the following steps:

1. From the Buddy List view, press the **Menu** softkey to access the Buddy List options.

2. Scroll to **Add Buddy**, then press the **Select** softkey.

3. Enter the screen name and press the **OK** softkey. You'll receive a confirmation message when your friend is successfully added to the Buddy List feature.

Note: If "Buddy List Full" appears, see "Remove screen names from the Buddy List feature" on .

Remove screen names from the Buddy List feature

To remove screen names from the Buddy List feature using your phone, complete the following steps:

1. On the Buddy List screen, scroll to the screen name to delete and press the **Menu** soft-key.

2. Scroll to **Delete Buddy**, then press the **Select** softkey. The screen name is removed from the Buddy List. You will receive a confirmation message when the screen name is successfully removed from the Buddy List feature.

Update the Buddy List feature

To update the status of the screen names in your Buddy List, complete the following steps:

1. From the Buddy List screen, press the **Menu** softkey to access the Buddy List options.

2. Scroll to **Update Status** and press the **Select** softkey.

Tip: You can automatically update your Buddy List feature at specified time intervals (for example, every 60 minutes). See "Automatic Buddy List updates" on page 17 for more information.

View information about a screen name

To display the status (availability) for screen names in the Buddy List screen, complete the following steps:

1. From the Buddy List screen, choose a screen name from the list and press the **Menu** soft-key to display the Buddy List options.

2. Scroll to **Buddy Info** and press the **Select** softkey.

3. Press the **OK** softkey to exit.

Set an online alert

You can set an alert to be notified when a particular screen name comes online. The type of alert you receive depends on your phone's settings. This alert expires when the screen name comes online or when you sign off the AIM service.

1. From the Buddy List view, scroll to a screen name and press the **Menu** softkey.

2. Scroll to **Alert Me**, then press the **Select** softkey. You will receive a confirmation message that the alert was set.

On the Buddy List screen, the Alert icon ⏰ appears next to your buddy's screen name until they sign on to the AIM service. When they sign on, your phone will display a message and may make a sound or vibrate depending on your alert settings.

Sending and Receiving Messages

Send and reply to instant messages with other AIM users in the Conversation view. To start a conversation, scroll to a screen name in the Buddy List screen and press **Menu**.

In the Conversation view, press the **Menu** softkey to display the following options:

Conversations menu	
View Conversation	Displays a current conversation.
End Conversation	Discontinues a conversation and returns you to the Buddy List screen.
Send IM to ...	Prompts you to enter a screen name to begin a conversation with.
Add Buddy	Allows you to add a buddy to have conversations with.
Buddy Info	Displays screen name and availability information for the selected buddy.

Send instant messages

There are two ways that you can send instant messages:

- Send an instant message to a screen name in the Buddy List
- Send an instant message to a screen name that is not in your Buddy List

Send an instant message to a screen name in the Buddy List

To send an instant message to a screen name in the Buddy List, complete the following steps:

1. Scroll to a screen name in the Buddy List and press the **Menu** softkey.

2. Scroll to **Send IM** and press the **Select** softkey.
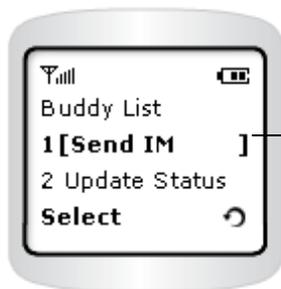
Choose a screen name from your Buddy List feature, and then select **Send IM** to begin a new conversation.

The Conversation view appears. The **<** character means you're writing an outgoing message. The blinking cursor indicates that you can now enter text.

3. Use the keypad to write your message, and press the **Send** key. Your message moves from the input screen to the Conversation view, and the **<** character appears next to it. When your friend responds, their message will appear under your message, at the **>** prompt.

4. Follow steps 1 through 3 to continue exchanging messages with your friend.

Send instant messages to a screen name not in your Buddy List feature

To send messages to AIM users who are not listed in your Buddy List, complete the following steps:

1. From the Buddy List screen, press the **Menu** softkey.

2. Scroll to **Send IM to ...** and press the **Select** softkey.

3. Enter the screen name and press the **OK** softkey. The Conversation view appears and you can begin exchanging messages.

4. Enter your message at the **<** prompt, and press the **Options** softkey.

5. Press the **Send** key to send each message.

Receive new instant messages

When you receive a new instant message:

- The New IM icon displays .

- Depending on your phone's settings, the phone may vibrate or produce an audible alert.

- On your phone's main screen, a New IM alert is displayed. Press the **View** softkey to read the message.

- If you are at the Buddy List screen, the icon appears next to the screen name of the sender. Scroll to the screen name and press the **Menu** softkey, then select **View Conversation** to read the message.

- If you receive an instant message from someone who is not saved in your Buddy List feature, you will be asked first whether you want to **Accept** or **Decline** the message.

Note: If you are signed in to the Buddy List feature on your AOL desktop, instant messages will appear on your PC and not your phone.

Reply to instant messages

You can reply to instant messages in the following ways:

- From a screen name saved in your Buddy List feature

- From an unlisted AIM screen name

- Outside the AIM service

- Exchange messages with several screen names

Reply to instant messages from a screen name saved in your Buddy List feature

In the Buddy List screen, the New IM icon appears next to the screen name of the person who sent you the message. Scroll to the name, press the **Menu** softkey, and then select **View Conversation**. A new Conversation view appears.

1. Enter your response at the **<** prompt.

2. Press the **Send** key to send the message. Your response is sent and appears in the top part of the screen.

Reply to instant messages from a screen name not in your Buddy List feature

To reply to a buddy not listed in your Buddy List, complete the following steps:

1. In the Buddy List screen, theNew Message icon appears next to the screen name of the person who sent you the message. Scroll to the name and press the **Menu** softkey.

2. Scroll to **Accept IMs** and press the **Select** softkey. A new Conversation view appears and you can type your reply.

    You'll get a confirmation message that the screen name is declined and then will be returned to the Buddy List screen.

Reply to instant messages when you are not in the AIM service

To reply to an instant message while you are not in the AIM service, complete the following steps:

Press the **Clear** key to return to your phone's main screen. The message "New IM From: *<screen name>*" appears.

If the screen name is saved in your Buddy List feature, press the **View** softkey to access the Buddy List view, or press the **Exit** softkey to ignore it. If you choose to ignore the message, it is saved and you can access it from the Buddy List screen

If the screen name is unlisted, press the **View** softkey and then select **Accept IM** to see the message, or **Decline IM** to reject the message from this user.

Managing Conversations

The Conversations screen displays your current conversations. The ⊞ icon next to a screen name indicates that you have an active conversation with this person.

Display a conversation

To display a conversation, complete the following steps:

1. From the Conversations screen, select the screen name and press the **Menu** softkey.

2. In the Conversations view, select **View Conversations** and press the **Select** softkey.

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2 End Conv.
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3. Press the scroll keys to scroll up or down to view the conversation history.

4. Enter your message at the **<** prompt to create a new message.

End a conversation

To end a conversation and return to the Buddy List screen, complete the following steps:

1. From the Conversation view, press the **Menu** softkey.

2. Scroll to **End Conversation**, then press the **Select** softkey.

Switching between conversations

You can exchange instant messages with several AIM users by switching between the names in the Buddy List screen.

1. From the Conversation view, press the **Clear** key to return to the Buddy List screen.

2. Scroll to another screen name that you want to send a message and press the **Menu** softkey, then select **View Conversation**.

   A new Conversation view appears and you can type your message.

Declining Messages

The AIM service provides privacy features so you can control who contacts you. If another AIM user sends you annnoying or offensive messages, you can decline to receive further messages from that user.

The declined user is prevented from sending you messages during the current session only. The user will be able to send you messages again the next time you sign on, or if you send the user a message during the session that you declined them.

> **Tip:** To permanently block an AIM user from sending you messages, use the AIM desktop application.

Decline messages from the Buddy List screen

To decline messages from your phone, complete the following steps:

1. From the AIM Online menu, select **Buddy List** and press the **Select** softkey.

2. Scroll to **Decline IMs** and press the **Select** softkey.

3. To search for a specific screen name, enter all or part of the screen name and press the **OK** softkey. The service will present the screen name that most closely matches what you typed. If it's a match, leave it selected, or scroll to the name you want. Or, press the **- Search** softkey (without typing anything) and scroll to the screen name.

4. Press the **Select** softkey. You'll receive a confirmation message that the screen name is declined.

Decline an incoming message

Follow these steps when you receive a message from a screen name that you want to decline.

1. If you are on your phone's main screen, a message announcing a new instant message appears ("New IM From: *<screen name>*"). Press the **View** softkey to open the Conversation view.

2. Press the **Menu** softkey, scroll to **Decline IMs**, and press the **Select** softkey.

You will receive a confirmation message that the screen name is declined.

Accept messages from a declined screen name

You can accept messages from a declined screen name by sending the AIM user an instant message, or by performing the following steps:

1. From the Buddy List screen, scroll to the appropriate screen name and press the **Menu** softkey.

2. Scroll to **Accept IMs**, then press the **Select** softkey.

   - To search for a specific screen name, enter all or part of their screen name and press the **OK** softkey. The service will display the screen name that most closely matches what you typed. If it's a match, leave it selected, or scroll to another name.

   - To search for all declined screen names, press the **Search** softkey (without typing anything). Scroll to the name you want. Press the **Select** softkey.

You'll receive a confirmation message that the service is now accepting messages from the screen name.

Send messages to a declined screen name

You can send messages to a declined screen name in the same way you would send an instant message to other AIM users.

Note: After you send a message to a declined screen name that the Decline is no longer in affect, and the AIM service will accept messages from this user.

Setting alerts

You can set an alert to be notified when your buddies come online. The type of alert you receive depends on your phone's settings. This alert expires when either a buddy comes online or you sign off the AIM service.

1. From the Buddy List screen, press the **Menu** softkey.

2. Scroll to **Alert Me**, then press the **Select** softkey.

When a buddy signs on, your phone will display a message and may make a sound or vibrate depending on your alert settings.

Making Phone Calls

Receive phone calls while using the AIM service

You can answer or ignore calls while instant messaging on the AIM service. When the phone rings, do one of the following:

- Press the **Accept** softkey to answer the call
- Press the **Reject** softkey to ignore the call

If you choose to answer the call, the phone stays signed on to the AIM service. When you're finished with the call, press the **End** softkey. Press the **Menu** softkey and then press the **7** key to return to the AIM service menu.

Receive instant messages while talking on the phone

If you receive an instant message while talking on the phone, your phone will alert you with a low beep sound (depending on your phone settings). Once your phone conversation is finished, press **View** to see the instant message.

Make phone calls while using the AIM service

You can stay signed on to the AIM service and still make calls from your phone. To make calls while using the AIM service, complete the following steps:

1. Press the **Clear** key repeatedly until you return to your phone's main screen.
2. Make a call as normal.
3. When you end the call, return to the AIM service.

Customizing Settings

Availability

You can specify when you are not available for instant messaging—for example, if you are on a long phone call or in a meeting. This will help other users know how quickly they can expect a reply from you. To set your availability, complete the following steps:

1. From the AIM Online screen, scroll to **Settings** and press the **Select** softkey.

2. At the Set Status screen, press the **Select** softkey.

3. Scroll to **Set Status**.

4. Choose either **Available** or **Away**, then press the **Select** softkey. The phone displays a confirmation message that your availability status has been changed.

Automatic Sign On

You can set up your phone to automatically sign on to the AIM service from the phone's main IM menu. To set your phone to sign on automatically, complete the following steps:

1. From the AIM Online screen, scroll to **Settings** and press the **Select** softkey.

2. Scroll to **Auto-Sign On**, then press the **Select** softkey.

3. Choose either **On** or **Off**, then press the **Select** softkey.

See also "Sign on automatically" on .

Automatic Buddy List updates

You can set the phone to automatically update the status of your Buddy List feature at a specified time interval (for example, every 60 minutes). To set your phone to update your Buddy List automatically, complete the following steps:

1. From the AIM Online screen, scroll to **Settings** and press the **Select** softkey.

2. Scroll to **Buddy Updates**, then press the **Select** softkey.

3. Choose either **Yes** or **No**, then press the **Select** softkey. If you choose **Yes**, enter the update rate (between 60 and 99 minutes) and press the **OK** softkey. The phone displays a confirmation message that the update rate has been saved.

Change password

To change your password using your phone, complete the following steps:

1. From the AIM Online screen, scroll to **Settings** and press the **Select** softkey.

2. Scroll to **Change Pwd**, then press the **Select** softkey.

3. Enter your current password and press the **OK** softkey.

4. Enter your new password and press the **OK** softkey.

5. Re-enter your new password to confirm and press the **OK** softkey. The phone displays a confirmation message that your password was successfully changed.

AIM sounds

To turn AIM sounds on or off, complete the following steps:

1. From the AIM Online screen, scroll to **Settings** and press the **Select** softkey.

2. Scroll to **AIM Sounds**, then press the **Select** softkey.

3. Choose either **On** or **Off**, then press the **Select** softkey. The phone displays a confirmation message that the alert tone setting was changed.

Using the Buddy List Feature on Your Computer
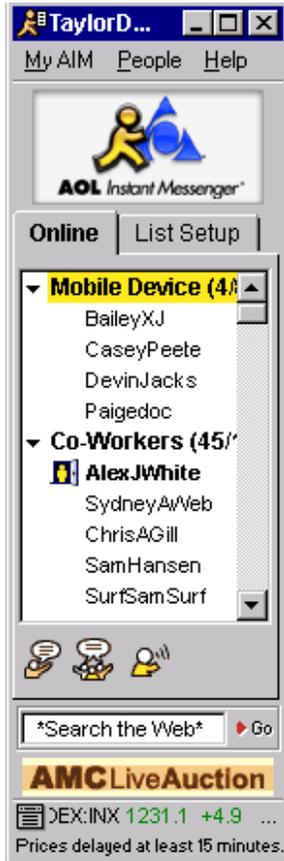
If you use the AIM or AOL service on your desktop computer, you know that the Buddy List feature is a window that displays the AOL Instant Messenger screen names for your friends, family members, and co-workers that you define.

The Buddy List feature enables you to maintain groups of contacts (friends, family, co-workers, and others) to communicate with any-time, anywhere. Whenever these contacts sign on, their screen names appear as active in your Buddy List window, allowing you to communicate with them instantly.

The Buddy List feature is available through a variety of products, including the AOL desktop application, the AIM service for your PC, the AIM Express service on the Web, and on a number of wireless devices, such as wireless phones and PDAs. With the Buddy List feature, you can maintain groups of buddies (friends, family, co-workers, and others) to communicate with anytime, anywhere. Whenever these buddies sign on, their screen names appear as active in your Buddy List window, allowing you to communicate with them instantly.

On your desktop PC, groups are used to organize your screen names in your Buddy List feature; for example, Friends, Family, and Co-Workers are the default groups in the Buddy List window.

What is the Mobile Device group?

On your PC, groups are used to organize your screen names in your Buddy List feature; for example, Friends, Family, and Co-Workers are the default groups in the Buddy List window.

When you use the AIM service with your Internet-ready phone, a special category called the Mobile Device group is created in the Buddy List you use on your PC. This Mobile Device group can hold up to 30 screen names for you to use when instant messaging from your phone.

Just as you group the screen names in your Buddy List feature into categories like Buddies, Family, or Co-Workers, the Mobile Device group is a group for your screen names that you converse with when you're on a phone or other wireless device.

Maintain your Mobile Device group

The AIM contacts available from your mobile phone are represented on your PC Buddy List feaure as the Mobile Device group. If you haven't already created a Mobile Device group in the Buddy List feature on your PC, this group is created the first time you sign on to the AIM service on your phone.

An easy way to manage your Mobile Device group is to use the AIM or AIM Express service on your desktop computer. This way, you can see the complete list at a glance and edit the group using an intuitive, graphical interface.

About the Mobile Device icon

When you connect to the AIM service from your phone, anyone who is using AIM version 4.8.2646 or higher, or AOL version 7.0 or later, will see a Mobile Device icon appear next to your screen name both in their Buddy List window and in the Instant Messaging window.

The Mobile Device icon lets others know that you are viewing and writing messages using a wireless phone. Your friends will then understand that it may take you longer to type messages, or that your messages may be shorter and use more shorthand language or abbreviations.

If you are an AOL member and you do not want the Mobile Device icon to appear, you can disable it from the AOL 7.0 Buddy List window. Click **Setup**, **Preferences**, and then in the Buddy List tab uncheck the box labeled **"Allow other members to see that I am using a mobile device."**

If you are using the AIM desktop client version 4.8.2591 or higher, select **MyAIM**, **Edit Options**, and then **Edit Preferences**. Then, select the Privacy category and uncheck the box labeled **"Allow other members to see that I am using a mobile device."**

Using T9 Text Input to Type Messages

For typing messages, T9 Text Input is twice as fast as multi-tapping, and is the easiest way to type text using the limited keypad on a wireless phone.

- Just one key press per letter with no multi-tapping

- Extensive word database including proper names

- Ability to add words to the T9 Text Input database

- Available in many languages

- Full punctuation and symbol capabilities

On wireless phones, T9 Text Input enables you to take advantage of advanced wireless communication services such as messaging, e-mail, Web access, contacts, calendar, notes, task lists, and more.

How T9 works

By using the letters grouped on each of the phone keys and a highly compressed database, T9 software requires just one key press per letter, and quickly recognizes the most commonly used word of a key sequence.

For example, to enter the word "how," you can spell out the word by pressing only three keys, 4-6-9. T9 Text Input knows that the most commonly used word with that numeric sequence is "how." If more than one word share the same numeric sequence, T9 software provides the most commonly used word, with the ability to scroll to the next most commonly used word by pressing the 0 (NEXT) key.

Adding words to the T9 dictionary

On phones with T9 Text Input, you can also add words to the T9 user dictionary. To do this, complete the following steps:

1. Start in T9 mode, and then change to alpha mode.

2. Type the word using multi-tap mode (make sure you enter a space after the word), then switch back to T9 mode. You are now able to type the word using T9 mode. You may need to press the 0 (NEXT) key if more than one word shares the same key sequence.

3. Save your screen name and password for quicker re-entry.

The AIM service ignores spaces in screen names. When you are typing a screen name that is a compound word such as "SurfSamSurf" or "CaseyPeete" using T9 Text Input, just press the space key to insert a space between words instead of compounding the word. The AIM service will ignore the spaces and interpret the screen name correctly.

Use multi-tap text input

Prior to T9 technology, typing messages on a wireless phone was extremely tedious and required using the standard "multi-tap" method for entering text. Multi-tapping requires multiple key presses per letter (for example, 3 presses of the 6 key to get the letter "o").

To enter the letter "s", for example, press the 7 key 4 times; to enter the letter "x", press the 9 key twice. Don't be afraid to experiment. To correct errors, press CLEAR or BACK key. If successive letters employ the same key, pause a moment or two until the cursor moves to the right.

For example, to type "hello," you press the following keys:

- 4-4 for "h"
- 3-3 for "e"
- 5-5-5 for "l"
- 5-5-5 for "l"
- 6-6-6 for "o"

To enter a number, you must first cycle through all the letters represented by a key. For example, pressing the 2-key four times will display the number "2."

For basic symbols such as a period, keep pressing the 1 key until the desired symbol is displayed.