

**Project Software**  
**Virginia Adult Learning Resource Center**

Computer/Technology Training Software Title

***PC101- Computer Basics***

(File #55)

**RATING: 5.0**

**SUBJECT AREA:**

Computer and Technology Training

**PUBLISHER:**

Teknimedia Corporation  
4905 Del Ray Ave. #307  
Bethesda, MD 20814  
(800)366-4614  
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**COST:**

\$99.95 (1-4 programs)  
\$89.95 (5-9)  
\$79.95 (10-24)  
\$69.95 (25+)

**COMPUTER:** WIN/MAC CD-ROM

**USE:**

Basic Computer Training  
Workplace Education  
Vocational Education  
(Clerical and Computer  
Technician Courses)

**GRADE LEVEL: 7-9**

**SPECIFIC SKILLS:** Lessons cover the following topics: uses of computers, computer characteristics, types of computers, computer human analogy, hardware, circuit boards, central processing unit, memory, storage devices, input and output devices, application and system software, software compatibility, information encoding, memory and storage capacity, processor speed, information transfer, computer networks, and the Internet.

**DESCRIPTION:** *PC101-Computer Basics* provides an interactive and exciting multimedia learning experience for understanding the basics about how computers work. A "Mouse Tutorial" is presented as an option in the beginning of the program. All of the lesson information is presented by digital audio throughout the entire curriculum, with the exception of the four quizzes and the final exam. Other features of the program include: Operational Guide, Index, Table of Contents, Frequently- Asked Questions, and Records. The Operational Guide provides an audio description of the structure of each section and displays colorful graphics and diagrams to review each navigational tool in the course. The Index, Table of Contents, and FAQ'S can be used for review and practice of specific topics. The Records option compiles status reports which outline the lesson and exercises which have been completed, the number of times the student has "visited" the lesson or exercise, the time spent on each lesson, and the quiz scores. The *PC101-Computer Basics* curriculum provides twenty lessons, four application exercises, four quizzes, and a final exam.

**EVALUATION SUMMARY:** *PC101- Computer Basics* is the second program in the Computer Literacy Series from Teknimedia. I recommend *PC100* (the first program) for all adult education students to use, however *PC101* is much

more technical and advanced in its coverage of the basics of computers. So I would only recommend this program for adults who who read at a minimum of 7.0, and who have a definite interest in learning the technical aspects of how and why a computer operates. All the information is presented through digital audio and the animation and colorful graphics make the program extremely interesting and easy to use. It is a great program to use with our adult students who are thinking about purchasing their own computers and want to learn what all the technical aspects are about. Of course this program could be integrated into a curriculum centering around the "Equipped for the Future" standards by preparing adults in their role as a consumer. **PC101** can also be used as a professional development tool for teachers and administrators who need a basic computer technology training course. **PC101** has been aligned to the Virginia Standards of Learning Assessment Program and correlations are available for the Technology Standards for Grades Five through Eight and for the Technology Standards for Instructional Personnel. Many vocational education programs have effectively integrated **PC101** into their clerical and computer technician training curriculums. **PC101** is an excellent, multimedia learning tool which provides a thorough foundation in computer technology which all students and teachers will need in the future.

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