

Writing Functions Video Transcript, February, 2021

MC:

Well, well, everyone, good day wherever it happens to be that you are. It's Mike again and right now we're going to talk about the writing functions in this tutorial video for the Cosmo Braille. So, the first thing I'm going to do of course is to load the paper in because I'm going to write a couple of things, a couple of lines and then I'm going to demonstrate some of the functions that are available. Again, gently put the paper into the loading tray and then press the ALT and the CTRL key to load the paper, and voila here you have it. So, I'm going to write some text and you'll just see me, you'll just hear the Cosmo Braille do some of its thing

(sound of e-Braille....)

So it's just writing.....

All right so let's talk about some of the functions internally that we have in the Cosmo Braille. So, if I want to press enter or return, to go to a new line, I press Key 8, as you see the head will, the cursor head will move back to the beginning of the margin and the system will go back to the, will go to the next line.

If I make a mistake and I decide, whoops, I want to go back to the previous line, I press Key 1 and the Spacebar. Now here's the thing about some of these keys, internally right now this key is used to go back to the previous line because I'm using the Cosmo Braille internally, but when we hook it up to the computer and when we get to that part, that function can be used to go back to the previous character or to go to the previous line as well. So it acts as two functions.

So I'll just press Key 1 and the Spacebar and it did actually put the paper back one line. And if I press Key 4 and the Spacebar, it internally goes to the next line or will go to the next character, or in Duxbury, when we get to that, we'll go to the next line as well.

If I press the Keys 4 and 5 and the Spacebar, that will make a Tab. So, we know, you know, when you're writing a paragraph you want to do that, especially if you're writing a new paragraph and you're talking about something new. So Keys 4 and 5 and the Spacebar will go to the next... will

tab over five spaces and if I make a mistake and I didn't want to do that, I can press Keys 1 and 2 and the Spacebar to effectively go back to the beginning. And it did it.

Now the funny thing about the tab function is that if you keep on pressing, and of course it's going to indent five spaces more so if I press it twice it's going to go five spaces actually giving you 10 spaces in. Why would you, Why would you want to do that? Well you might be creating some kind of a heading or maybe some kind of a table format or want to center the carriage, or the head of the, of the Cosmo so it's uh, it has its functions and everything has its ways. Right?

So I'll press it back twice. So dots one are keys, dot Keys 1 and 2 and the Spacebar. And I'm back to the beginning. So, uh, again if I want to read my text, I press the Key 8 and the Spacebar. I want to read what I've written and I've written something here and I can read it and there you go. So I'm going to press Key 8 and the Spacebar again to return back, or any key for that function for that matter will bring me back to the right mode. So I'll write some more text here and this time I'm going to make a mistake. ...

(sound of Brailleur)

Whoops, I made a mistake and now I want to be able to erase that, that character. Now I could hit the Backspace and then overwrite but why would you want to do that? You're just going to basically make a mess. So if I press Key 7, it'll backspace but it will not overwrite the text. It will not allow me to erase the text. But Dave and the team have made it real possible for us to make things really cool and amazing, so if I press the Key 7 and the Spacebar, that just erased what I wrote and I can write something else over top.

And so there you have the major functions of the unit. To be able to Backspace is Key 7. To be able to go to a new line is Key 8. Erase is the Backspace - Key 7 and the Spacebar. And of course you have your Tab function which is Keys 4 and 5 to go forward. Keys 1 and 2 to go back. And of course your line up, which is Key 4 and the Spacebar for line down. Key 1 and the Spacebar to go back to line up.

So essentially the unit itself is quite functional and it works really well. And I look forward, you know, you're going to see a table with all the functions

and there's a lot more functions there. I encourage all of you to explore that and of course if you have any questions Mike and Mike and of course Dave are always here to support you and help you to make sure you get the best experience out of this amazing unit. So with that I bid you a fantastic day and I look forward to seeing you in the next tutorial.