# Lesson Plan 1 | Form 1 | Introduction to TSSS Computer Lab

## Objective

Students will gain basic familiarity with the computers in the TSSS computer lab.

## Warm-up

This is the first lesson of the year for Form 1, so a brief several minute introduction of the teacher, general expectations, and so on is to be done here.

## Presentation

Have students move to the computer lab. For each of the topics below, spend a minute or two describing what they will do and what to expect, then give them five to ten minutes of self-guided interaction:

- Have them turn on the computer and waiting for it to show a login prompt or desktop.
- Have them open various programs on the desktop (Tux Typing, File Browser, etc.).
- Have them create files and folders on the desktop, then reboot the computer, to demonstrate how those files will be deleted when the computer restarts (this is specific to the computers in the TSSS lab).
- Have them open their home directory and browse through the various Form 1, Form 2, and PBL textbooks.
- Have them open the Windows XP virtual machine so that they are familiar with how to access Windows in the future (it is covered in ICT Theory).

## Guided Practice

Administered on an individual basis to those students having difficulty during Independent Practice.

## Independent Practice

Interspersed with Presentation above.

## Closing

Have the students click on their username in the top right hand corner of the screen to shut down the computer, then wait for all students to complete this and close the laptop before allowing them to leave, so as to give a message of desired order in using the computer lab.

## In Hindsight

01/18/2017: More students had experience with computers than I expected, so this was easy for many of them. However, this may not be the case for future cohorts. Note that having them tilt the lids of the laptops downward is effective for ensuring that you have their attention when speaking to them.