

## Signing On and Navigating PLATO® Web Learning Network

- You must be rostered into PLATO® by a staff member at the Teaching/Learning Center.
- PLATO® will not work well on a dial-up connection; you need cable or DSL.
- You may use computers in Delta labs on the main campus or any of the centers.
- Use Internet Explorer.
- Turn off **all** popup blockers.
- Go to the PLATO® Web Learning Network page at <http://www.platoweb.com>
- The first time you sign on from a particular computer, the system asks for an account number; the Delta account number is 51336.
- Enter your PLATO® name which is your first and last names with a space between them, like this: Robert Smith or susan jones
- Your group name is students with an s
- The first time you log in, do **not** simply type in a password. Click **Send** to create a personal password. In the future you can type in this password.
- Your PLATO® name and group name are NOT case-sensitive. Your password IS.
- If the system tells you to install a simple, easily downloadable Flash plugin, please do so.
- Once you have accessed the site, there is Help menu at the left of the screen. You may download a User's Guide (PDF file) and save it for future reference. You need Adobe Acrobat Reader to open PDF files.
- Click on the assignment to open it.
- How does PLATO® work?
  - The basic unit is the module. Most modules have three parts: Tutorial, Application or Drill(s), and Mastery Test(s).
  - A Tutorial has information, demonstrations, and sample questions and problems. You should usually go through the tutorial first.
  - Application/Drill provides practice problems. You must complete the Tutorial to unlock Application/Drill. Feedback will tell you whether you should review the tutorial.
  - ALL Mastery Tests must be passed to master a module. You may attempt tests before the tutorial. If you pass them, the module is mastered. If not, the tests are locked and you must review at least part of the tutorial before retaking the tests.
  - If you have an assessment assignment, you must complete the assessment first. You will then be exempted from modules you have mastered.
  - Page navigation is simple and there is always a help page available. There is a downloadable User Guide in PLATO®
- No one should appear on the PLATO® roster more than once or have more than one PLATO® name. Students must consistently use the same PLATO® name and password to access all PLATO® activities they may need. If you are enrolled in PLATO® and want to add or remove activities, contact the T/LC.
- At the menu screen, choose any activity and follow on-screen directions to navigate and complete lessons.
- Many lessons use audio. You will need headphones in campus or other public labs.
- See the PLATO® FAQ at [www.delta.edu/tlc/plato.aspx](http://www.delta.edu/tlc/plato.aspx) for assistance with using the software.
- Be sure to **exit** the PLATO® lesson, and then click **log out** to exit PLATO® Web Learning Network website!