

Calculator Basic

Be able to turn the calculator on and adjust the screen contrast



Keystrokes

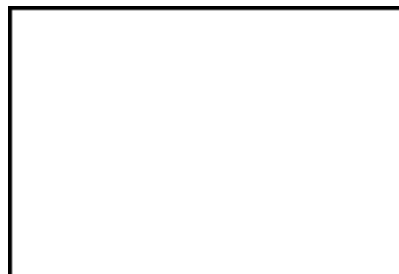
Screen

When you first turn on your calculator you may not see anything on your screen or you just may want to adjust the contrast of the screen.

Note: as you perform the actions below, notice the number flashing briefly in the top right corner of your screen. This is the contrast number and ranges between 1 and 9.

To adjust the contrast:

- i. Press the **ON** key.
- ii. To increase the contrast and release the **2nd** key the press and hold the  key.
- iii. To decrease the contrast, press and release the **2nd** key the press and hold the  key.



TI-83 Keyboard

Keyboard Zones: Graphing keys access the interactive graphing features. Editing keys allow you to edit expression and values. Advanced function keys display menus that access the advanced functions. Scientific calculator keys access the capabilities of a standard scientific calculator.

Using the Color-Coded Keyboard: The keys on the TI-83 are color-coded to help you easily locate the keys you need. The gray keys are the number keys. The blue keys along the right side of the keyboard are the common math functions. The blue keys across the top set up and display graphs. The primary function of each key is printed in white on the key. For example, when you press **MATH**, the MATH menu is displayed.



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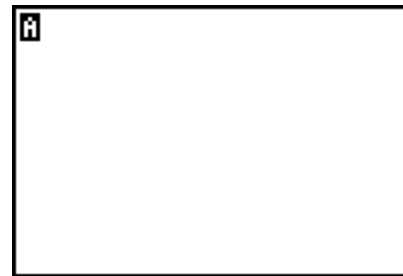
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Using the 2nd and Alpha Keys: The secondary function of each key is printed in yellow above the key. When you press the yellow **2nd** key, the character, abbreviation, or word printed in yellow above the other keys becomes active for the next keystroke. For example, when you press **2nd** and then **MATH**, the TEST menu is displayed. The guidebook describes this keystroke combination as **2nd** [TEST].



The alpha function of each key is printed in green above the key. When you press the green **ALPHA** key, the alpha character printed in green above the other keys becomes active for the next keystroke. For example, when you press **ALPHA** and then **MATH**, the letter A is entered. The guidebook describes this keystroke combination as **ALPHA** [A].



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