The cursor (a moveable on-screen arrow)
- Move the cursor by moving the mouse
- To type, first set the cursor
  - Move the cursor to the appropriate place, such as a search box
  - Once there, click
    (If any text is in the box, it will now be highlighted; ignore it.)
  - Type when the cursor changes to a blinking vertical bar

How to scroll (move the page up or down)
- Click the arrowhead (up or down) at the far right margin
- Or click the arrowhead and hold down the left button until the page moves to the desired position
- Or place the cursor on the up or down arrow at the far right margin
- Or move the page up and down with the arrows on the keyboard

To Turn the Computer On & Off
- To turn the computer ON
  - Press the power button (the small black button on the front of the computer’s tower on the floor, to your left)
  - Turn on the monitor via the button at the far lower right of the screen
  - When the screen pauses, follow the directions to press Ctrl-Alt-Delete (press all 3 keys at the same time)
  - Type the Password in the blank box
    - The Password is case-sensitive; type it exactly as posted.
    - Warning: If the wrong password is typed three consecutive times, the computer will lock-up
    - To avoid a lock-up, ask Kelly for assistance.
      - Either click OK or hit the Enter key
  - The screen will go dark if the computer has been inactive for a while; move the mouse to reactivate it
- To turn the computer OFF at the end of the day
  - Click Start, at the far left of the Task Bar at the bottom of the screen.
  - In the popup menu, click Shut Down
  - The next pop-up menu is labeled “What do you want the computer to do?”
    - If the highlighted box says Shut Down, click OK
      (The tower automatically shuts down and the screen goes dark)
    - If the box says something else, click the arrow at the far right
      - Click Shut Down
      - Click OK (The tower automatically shuts down and the screen goes dark)
    - Turn off the monitor via the button at the far lower right
To Access the Internet

Caution: Updates to websites and software may affect these general guidelines.

- Click the Firefox icon (the orange & blue icon) in the Quick Launch Toolbar (bottom left of the screen; Fig 1)
- Or double click the Firefox desktop icon (Fig 2)

The screen opens to the Clackamas County Extension Service page
http://extension.oregonstate.edu/clackamas/

- To access a website from a Desktop icon, double click the icon

Finding Things Fast with Bookmarks

Bookmarks is a list of useful websites sorted into alphabetized subfolders. Just one click takes you to the desired website. You can find a complete list of MG Favorites later in this section.

To access Bookmarks from any web page

1. Click Bookmarks in the menu bar at the top of the computer screen, between History and Tools (Fig 4: 1)
   - Move the cursor to the subject of choice
   - To see contents, slowly move cursor to the right
   - Move to desired topic, then click

2. Or click on the Bookmark icon (just below the menu bar) (Fig 4: 2)
   - Move the cursor to the subject of choice; click it
   - Locate desired topic; click it
Search Engines

A search engine is a retrieval system that helps you locate information.

To access a search engine

1. To go to the desired search engine from any web page
   - Move cursor into address bar near top of the screen (Fig 4: 3)
   - Click to set cursor (Any existing text is highlighted; just type over it)
   - Type the address of the search engine you would like to use
     (e.g.: google.com; yahoo.com; or msn.com)
   - Click GO (to the far right of the address box) or press Enter

2. Or access search engines in Bookmarks (just below the menu bar)
   - Click Bookmarks
   - In the drop down menu, go to the folder Search Engines; click to open the folder
   - Scroll to the desired search engine; click

Generic instructions to use any search engine

After the search engine page is open
- If needed, move the cursor to the search box, and click
- Type your search terms (Any existing text is highlighted; just type over it)
  - Note: Capital letters aren’t needed in search words/phrases
- Hit the Enter key

To search for images with any search engine

e.g.: You want to use Google to find images of lilac bacterial blight

- Go to google.com
- Click on Images (near far left top corner of the page)
- If needed, click in the search box to set the cursor
- Type the search phrase “lilac bacterial blight” but without quotes
- Hit the Enter key
- The result pages display images of lilac bacterial blight, possibly plus some extraneous items
- To see an image in the original context, click it

To limit your search to relevant, credible, research-based information

Note: Also see Research-based & Credibility (Tab I)

- Use search terms such as oregon state extension, wsu extension, pnw, or pacific northwest (Capital letters unnecessary in searches)
- Or use the Advanced Search within the search engine
- Or limit the search to specific domains (e.g.: gophers site:edu)
edu (colleges and universities)  usda.gov (U.S. Department of Agriculture)
gov (government)        gov.bc.ca (British Columbia)
org (organization)    aphis.usda.gov (Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service)
Examples of an Advanced Search

Note: Each search engine has its own method for an advanced search.

- **Example using google.com**
  e.g.: You want information about bronze birch borer, and you want to limit your search to education (edu) websites
  - Click on Advanced Search at the right of the search box
  - When the Advanced Search page opens, type your search words (bronze birch borer) in the search box, but omit the parentheses
  - To limit the search for education sites, type edu in the box to the right of the phrase “Search within a site or domain”
  - Click on the Advanced Search box at the right

- **Example using yahoo.com**
  e.g.: You want to use yahoo to locate information about giant hogweed, and you want to limit your search to government (gov) websites
  - Type your search words “giant hogweed, but omit the quotes
  - Click on Web Search at the right
  - When the next window opens, click Options at the right of the search box
  - Click on Advanced Search
  - Go down to Site/Domain
  - Click the bubble in front of “Only .gov domains”
  - Click on Yahoo! Search (at either the top or bottom of the page)

- **Example using msn.com**
  e.g.: You want to use msn to locate information about vireya rhododendron, and you want to limit your search to organization (org) websites
  - Type your search words “vireya rhododendron” in the search box, but omit the quotes
  - Click magnifying glass icon at the right
  - Click Advanced
  - Click Site/Domain (The words Site/Domain change to boldface)
  - Type the letters org in the box
  - Click Add to Search (This adds site:org to your search term)
  - Click on the magnifying glass icon at the right

- **Example using any search engine**
  - Type “vireya rhododendron site:org” (without quotes),
  - Hit the Enter key
Finding OSU Extension Publications online

From the computer Desktop
- Double click the icon for OSU Extension Gardening (See Fig 5)
- On the new page, click on “How-to and other Publications” in the menu towards the left
- On the new page, set the cursor in the search box if needed (Fig 6)

From an outside search engine (e.g.: google.com, etc.)
Note: Sometimes the internal search fails to locate a publication you know is there
- If so, use the desired search term (e.g.: cabbage) plus the phrase ‘Oregon State Extension’ (without quotes); don’t use OSU as it’s also Ohio State University
- When the search results appear, select publications from Oregon State University