1.3 Mouse Training

We are going to learn

- What a mouse is
- How to hold a mouse
- How to use a mouse

What is the Mouse?

The mouse is an input device designed to manipulate objects on the computer screen and assist you, the user, in interacting with the computer.
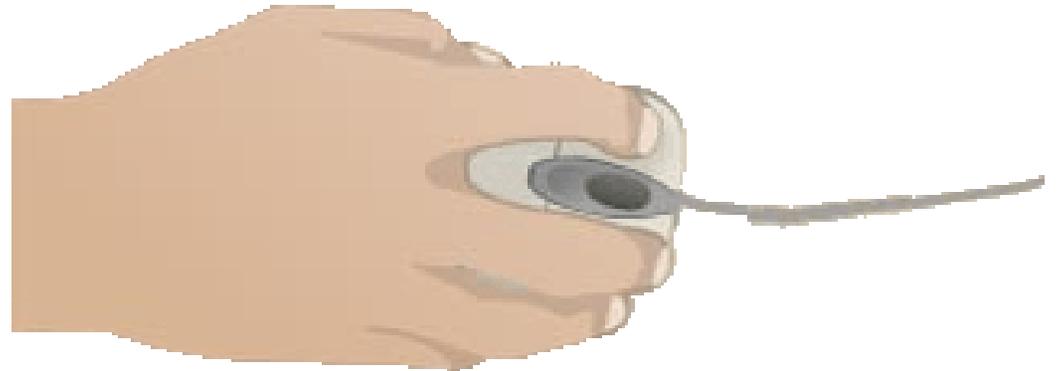
How to Hold the Mouse

Holding the mouse correctly will:

1) Make using it easier and, *more importantly,*
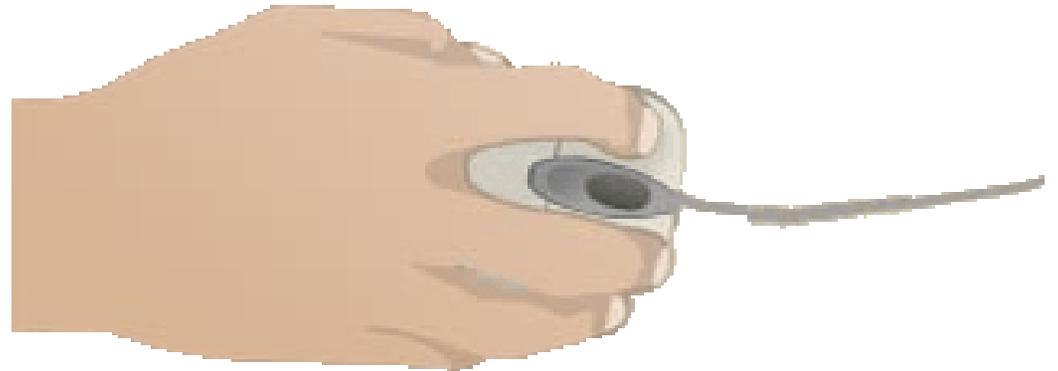2) Prevent stress and strain on your body!

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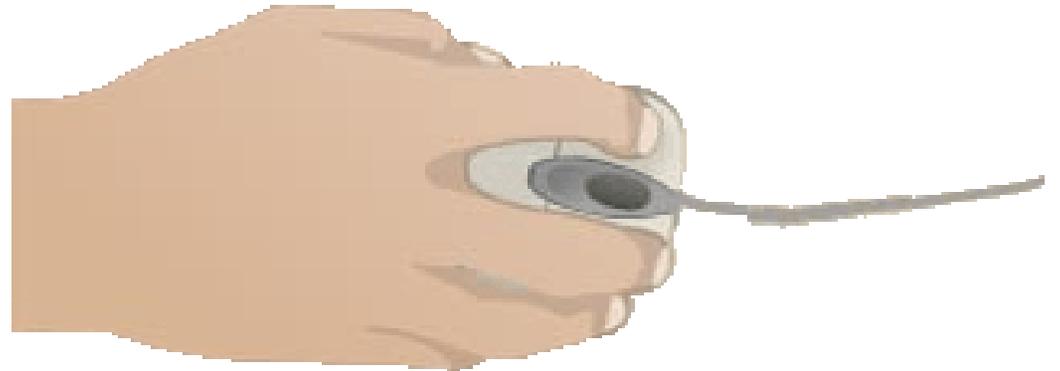
Place the mouse close to the keyboard or laptop.

Center the base of the mouse in your palm.
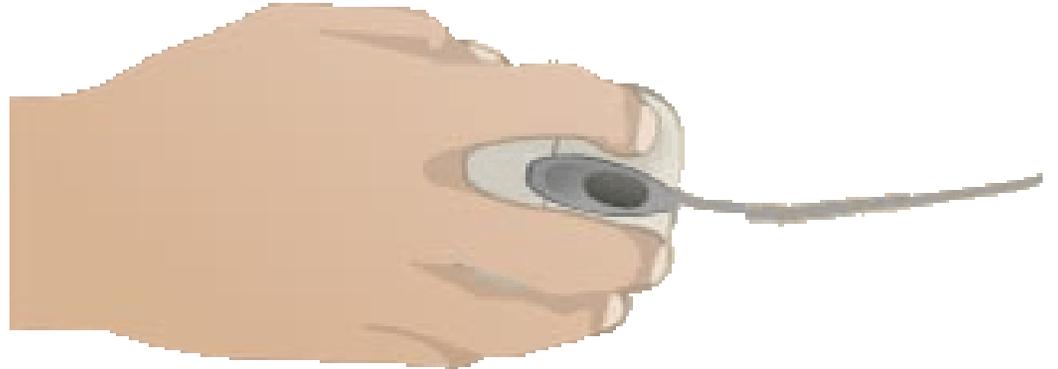
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Rest your wrist on the mouse pad or desk, with the palm of your hand resting on the back portion of the mouse.
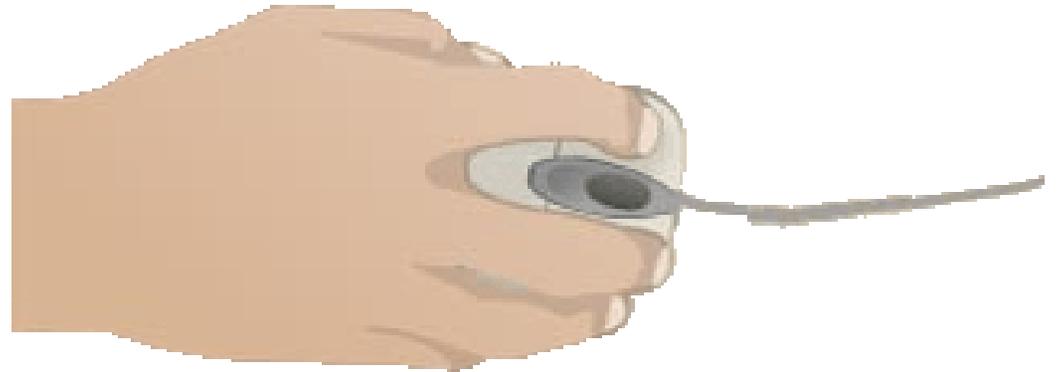
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Your thumb should rest on the table on one side of the mouse and your pinky finger should rest on the table on the other side.
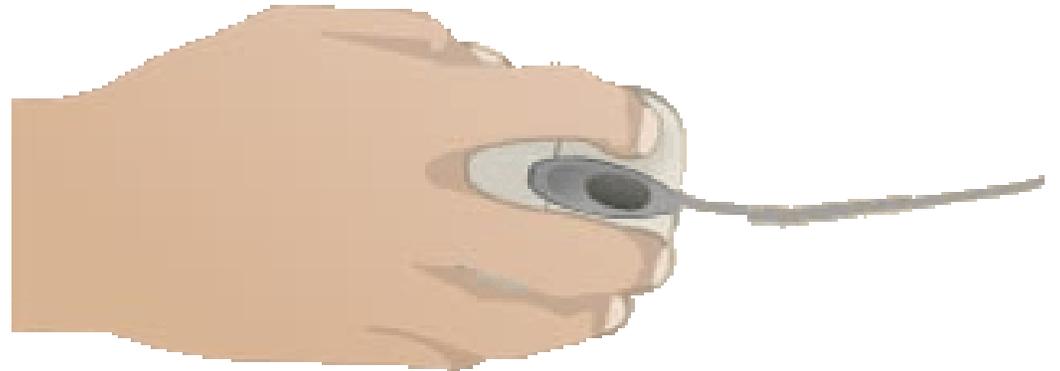
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If you are right handed, your index finger should be on the left "button" and your middle finger should be on the right button.

How to Hold the Mouse

If you are left handed, your index finger should be on the right button and your middle finger should be on the left button.

How to Use the Mouse

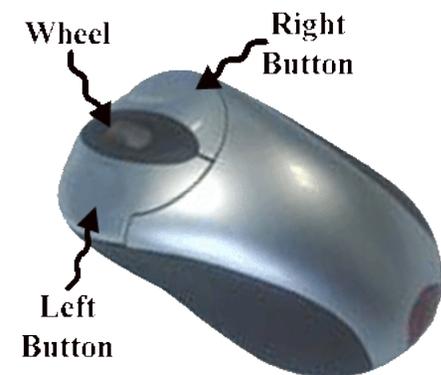The mouse controls where the cursor on the screen goes.

The Cursor

The cursor changes shape depending on its location and what it is told to do.

How to Use the Mouse

To interact with objects on the screen, the cursor is moved over the object by moving the mouse and a button on the mouse is depressed or "clicked".

Wheel

Right Button

Left Button

Time To Practice!