

## Using Your PRS Transmitter (aka Clicker)

**Seeley Mudd 110 Hours** (Spring '09)  
Monday – Wednesday: 8:30 AM – 7:30 PM  
Thursday: 8:30 AM – 5:30 PM  
Friday: 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM  
Sunday: 3:30 PM – 7:30 PM

1. Transmitters can be checked out from **Seeley Mudd 110**.

*Transmitters must be returned by the end of the semester.*

**Important:** If you don't have an Amherst College computer account or you aren't registered for the class yet, you *must* go to your course web page from [www.amherst.edu/academiclife/departments](http://www.amherst.edu/academiclife/departments) and click on "get temporary access to course materials". Don't delay as this could take a day to process!

2. Use the transmitter as if you are changing to a specific channel on a television rather than changing its volume, i.e. press a key firmly and release immediately.
3. Turn on the transmitter by pressing the  **On/Off** key:

 **Battery** light will briefly turn solid green

 **Connection** light should flash green rapidly.

4. Initially you must establish a **connection** to the **receiver** attached to the computer.

On the computer projection screen, you should see a yellow banner that looks something like this:

**RF Class: ECON55 <15>**



The number between the <...> is the **channel** for your classroom; punch in that number and watch for:

 **Received** light turns solid green, and then turns off

 **Connection** light turns solid green, and then switches to a slow flash.

which means you are connected; if, instead, you see:

 **Not Received** light turns solid *red*, and then turns off

 **Connection** light turns solid green, and then switches back to a *rapid* flash.

this means that a connection was *not* established and you should try again.

5. When you are asked to answer a question, choose your answer from the possibilities displayed on the projection screen, and then press the corresponding key : **1A, 2B, 3C, 4D, 5E, 6, T, or F**. Again, watch if:

 **Received** light turns solid green; this means your answer was received; or

 **Not Received** light turns solid red; your answer *wasn't* received and you should try again.

6. Usually you can change your answer simply by pressing a different key; the computer only remembers the last one. *However*, your professor may limit the number of **chances** allowed.

7. Your transmitter will eventually turn off by itself if it's not used for a while. You can turn it off immediately and save some battery charge by pressing and *holding* the  **On/Off** key until:

 Battery light flashes.