

✅ Day 7: Keyboard Shortcuts That Save Time

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📌 What Is It?

GitHub's web interface includes several **built-in keyboard shortcuts** that help you **navigate, search, and interact faster** — without needing to click around.

Whether you're browsing a repo, reviewing code, or managing issues, these shortcuts can **save serious time** in your daily workflow. 🕒 🖱️

💡 Why It's Useful

- ⚡ Boosts productivity with fewer clicks
- 🔍 Quickly jump to files, PRs, issues, or search
- 👤 Helps power users and contributors move faster
- 🚀 Works across GitHub — profile, repos, issues, PRs

🔧 Most Useful GitHub Shortcuts

Shortcut	Function
?	Show all available keyboard shortcuts
t	File finder – jump to any file in repo
y	Copy permalink to file version (freeze URL)

Shortcut	Function
s	Focus on search bar
g c	Go to code tab in a repo
g i	Go to issues
g p	Go to pull requests
g n	Go to notifications
.	Open the repo in web-based VS Code

Example Scenarios

- ◆ Inside a large repo? Press t and start typing the filename — no scrolling.
- ◆ Want to share a specific file version? Hit y to copy a **permalink** (not affected by future commits).
- ◆ Switching between tabs? Use g i, g p, or g c to go to Issues, Pulls, or Code fast.

Bonus: GitHub + VS Code Online

Just press the . key on any repo page —

It instantly opens the entire repo in **GitHub.dev** (a web version of VS Code).

Example: <https://github.com/user/repo> → Press . → Opens <https://github.dev/user/repo>

No installs. No setup. Just code in the browser!

Pro Tips

- Try these on your own repos to build muscle memory
- Use ? anytime to see context-based shortcuts
- Combine with GitHub CLI for full-speed development

Resources to Explore

- GitHub Shortcut Reference: <https://docs.github.com/en/get-started/using-github/keyboard-shortcuts>
- GitHub.dev (VS Code in browser): <https://github.dev>

Final Thought

"Small keystrokes make a big difference. Master shortcuts, and you'll master your time."