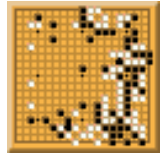


Go on the Internet



As Go is such a minority game in Britain, Go players are few and far between. This often makes it difficult to find others to play. The growth of the Internet has now made it possible learn, discuss and even play Go online.

Below are listed Internet sites that you may find of interest.

Playing Go

The largest Internet Go site is the Internet Go Server (or IGS) run by a Japanese company. To access Go sites you either have to download a program (called a client) or use a Java program online. Either method will connect you to a server where you sign in using a user name and a password. Once online, you can arrange games with other players of a similar standard or observe other better players. The school will be using a site called Cgoban. More detail can be found at the following sites:

Name of Server	Address	Comment
Internet Go Server	http://igs.joyjoy.net/	My own choice at home
Kiseido Go Server	http://kgs.kiseido.com/	We will be using this one to play other schools
No Name Go Server	http://nngs.cosmic.org/	Another popular server

A complete list can be found on the British Go Association home page - <http://www.britgo.org/>

When studying Go, players tend to focus on specific areas of the game like joseki, fuseki or tsumego. This is either done by examining old games with commentary or trying to solve Go problems. Many sites on the Internet contain problem pages with their solutions.

Studying Go

Discussing Go

As a player you can register for Go newsgroups where you can become involved in discussion of games or Go in general.

Two Web sites I recommend are:

The British Go Association at <http://www.britgo.org/>

The Web Go Page Index at <http://nngs.cosmic.org/hmkw/golinks.html#study>