**Best APPS for your IPAD:**

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**You can buy all the Apple programs that your child uses at school for the Ipad.**

***I-movie, Pages, Numbers, Garageband, and Keynote.***

**Casey’s Contraptions:** Creative thinking and problem solving. Smooth physics based game play with over 70 levels. Solve Casey’s contraptions and then create your own to share with friends.

**Spellboard:** Practice your spelling all year long. Create your own spelling list for your child to practice. You can even RECORD your voice or your child voice saying each word before they practice!

I use this with my daughter in 3rd grade!

**Mathboard: \*\*\*\***Worth every penny to reinforce math skills. (+, -, X, /) Best feature is the chalkboard on the bottom for students to do their work. You can change the difficulty of problems and how many problems.

**Rocket Math HD:** A great way to practice your math skills while you prepare a rocket ship for takeoff! (+, -, X, /)

**Math Bingo** Ranked top 50 educational app for over 10 months. Practice adding, subtraction, multiplication and division in a fun bingo game.

**Toontastic:** Creating cartoons: An easy was to teach the writing process. The app is for ALL AGES! Your child will create a story and the program will record their voice as they animate their characters. A MUST HAVE!!!

**SLICE IT:** LOVE IT…play with the student in grades from 2 to 5 at Fox Meadow! And the kids love it.!!! Teaches geometry, percentages, and problem solving. (also seasonal updates)

**IMAGE QUEST**: (works on Iphone and Ipad) Fun game for all ages. It brings up a variety of photos and you need to figure out the category! I have played many hours with my family in Starbucks! HA!

**Stack the States**: Have fun leaning the shapes of each state and answer a variety of questons about our 50 states. Then have fun trying to stack the states without having them fall. ALL AGES!!!

**Stack the Countries:** Same as “Stack the States” but with Countries! ALL AGES!!!

**Read me Stories-Children Books: (FREE Preview)** Download books

**Teachme: Kindergarten and Teachme: 1st Grade: ($0.99 each)**

Teaches addition, subtraction, sight words, spelling.

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**Google (voice activated):** **(FREE)** use in school and tutoring…great for when a kid does not know how to spell a word.

**Speak it:** you can paste text into the app and it will read it back to you. (voice is okay..still a little computer robotic)

**Dragon Dictation:** Speak into the speaker of the Ipad and it will type up what you said. Works well if you speak each word individually. I do use this is class at time and then paste it into SPEAK IT so it can read it back to you.

**ART PROGRAMS:**

**Hello Crayons: (Free)** Draw with crayons

**Hello Colored Pencils: (FREE)** Colored Pencils

**DoodleBuddy:** Young Ages

**Draw Free:** Young Ages

**Art Studio:** Best top-notch app for art but difficult to use.

**Qvik Sketch:** Black and white quick draw with a few colors and a few brushes.

**Penultimate:** A MUST..I would also buy a POGO STICK or ANY STYLUS (Great for setting up different notebooks…also has 5 different colors…and you can email your notes.)…I would use this over the summer for students to write about vacation trips or just great summer experiences. You can also draw in it!!!

**Dictionary or Merriam Webster Dictionary**: great for looking up words…best feature..you do NOT have to be connected to WiFi

**Fotopedia- Heritage**: App organized with 25,000 photos, 3,000 points of interest and information.

**Animalia**: from the book series by GREAME BASE…GREAT SOUND and fun games…great for younger kids. Find the missing kid and objects in his pictures from the books. (has sound also) Note: my 5 year old has almost completed the entire program.

**ANGRY BIRDS**: If you have NOT bought this game you do NOT live on EARTH….highest selling APP in the HISTORY of APPS…a physics games with seasonal (Halloween, X-mas, valentines day) updates…**A MUST!!!!! ALL AGES!!!!!**

**CUT THE ROPE:** another addictive MUST buy game for all ages. The object of the game is to feed the little creature in the box by cutting ropes and using different physics and devices to collect as many stars before he eats. AMAZING…TOP SELLER!!!

**ULTIMATE HANGMAN**: Great HANGMAN GAME with categories for ALL AGES…only downside…when he gets hung, it can be a little inappropriate! CAT: (verbs, nouns, sat words, countries, etc)

**SCRABBLE**: EXPENSIVE but a MUST BUY for all ages. Play one-on-one…shared against the computer or online! GREAT $9.99

**CROSSWORDS**: For older grade levels!!!! AMAZING AND ALSO A MUST BUY…crosswords from all over the country. Come with PLENTY of free ones and some you can buy. Will last forever! GREAT!

**STAR WALK**: **($4.99)** great for studying astronomy. Use this app to look at constellations in the night sky. Used this for my 3rd graders during the LUNAR LOG project. Just walk outside your door and move the IPAD around the sky and it will match up with your location.

**NG Kids:** National Geographic Magazine for kids…interactive!! $9.99 for a year subscription.

**Find it Free:** Look for mistakes in two photos! FUN!!!

**Creationary:** Lego solving puzzles.

**Toodledo**: Organize your tasks for the day. Could be used by adults and children. Will sync between your ipad – iphone – and website. Also comes with alarms and a special location button that will open up in “maps” and give you directions.

**Notability:** My new favorite program for taking notes. Will record your voice or lectures. Could be used for students who have a hard time remembering their homework assignments. The student can voice record the homework assignment from the board and the teacher could add a voice note.

MORE TO COME…..I will post and continue to update the list on my Schoolwires!

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