

iPad Apps

Here is a list of apps that will benefit your child's English/language arts abilities. Most of these are free; however some may be a minimal cost. These were all found in the Apple iTunes store; however some are available for Android devices.

Teach Me

iwritewords: Students trace upper and lowercase letters to spell words.

Teach Me Kindergarten: Students work at their own pace with addition, subtraction, spelling, Dolch sight words, letter and number writing. They earn stickers for their hard work!

Teach Me 1st grade: students work at their own pace with addition, subtraction, spelling, and Dolch sight words. They earn stickers for their hard work!

Preschool & Kindergarten Early Learning games: Math, reading and writing games.

Learn Zillion: Math instruction for K-4. Individualized based on students – can be tracked.

Letter & Sound Recognition

Sound it Out Land: Letter recognition, songs, beginning sounds, vowels (short), easy reading words CVC (sounds out the word if you get it wrong), can click on the word to sound it out.

Wee Sing ABC: ABC song, reads letter sentences, pics that begin with each letter. Cute songs for each letter.

ABC Magic: Many pics for each letter in the alphabet library. When you click on the pic, it says the name and annunciates the sound. Sound matching – match each pic to the letter it begins with.

App Crayon: trace the letters, click on the speaker to give the letter, sound and a sentence.

Pocket Phonics: Letter tracing, word blending, letter/sound recognition.

Starfall ABCs: Letter sounds, beginning sounds, sign language for letters, vowel focus.

SV Letters: Upper and lowercase letter recognition. Students fly their spaceship to hit the correct letter.

A is for Apple: Word sliders with letter sounds, using pics and words; match pics to letters or letters to pics.

ABC order: put letters in alphabetical order, match upper and lowercase letters.

Gappy: Letter tracing (upper & lower), first sound and pics to go with.

Vowels

Long Vowels: match long vowel words to long vowel pics

Hungry Monster Vowel: Short, long, bossy r, and vowel teams. Use letters to match sounds and make words.

Spelling 4 Magic: Make cvc, and cvce words. Spell words shown in pics.

Fruit Phonics: Cut fruit with a specific short vowel sound.

Fun Phonics: Cut vegetables with a specific long vowel sound.

Rhyming Bee: Match rhyming words with a picture.

Long Vowels: Spaceship shoots long vowel words.

Phonics Fun: Long and Short Vowel Sounds (Vowels): short and long vowel words, tracing and word finding.

Beginning Sounds

ABC Magic 6: Beginning, middle or ending sounds. Match letter to picture, click on picture for the word.

ABC Magic Phonics 5: Match sounds to the picture that begins with that sound, or the letter that makes the sound. Match letters to pic that begins with that sound.

ABC Magic 4: Match multiple pics to the beginning letter.

ABC Magic 5: Match pics to the beginning letter, or match the letter to the pic beginning with that letter.

Squirts Adventure: Find treasures that begin with specific letters.

Phonics

Hooked on Phonics: This is an AMAZING app, for beginning readers, that helps students learn to read and reinforces what they already know. There is a free version that offers the first lesson, you can then choose from several subscription options if you would like to get more lessons.

Build a Word-Hungry Monster: Choose between short vowels, long vowels, bossy r's, other vowel teams. Make word using word parts – 4 choices for each word.

Word Family-Hungry Monster: Choose between short vowels, long vowels, bossy r's, other vowel teams. Create a word, then change the word to a new one within the same word family.

Spelling Magic 2: Shows a picture, tells the word, and students spell the word using the letters given. They can also do the same, but with all letters, not just the letters for the word.

Gappy: Review of letters and sounds by pressing a letter. Has you finish words using letter recognition, then blends the words. Several levels can be chosen.

Build a Word Phonics: Learn to spell words by breaking apart sounds, word is shown so students could just copy the word. Many options are available for word lists. Practice uses same word list, separating words by sounds, but doesn't show word. Test – tests same words by sounds. Also has 5 games you can play to practice. (There is a free version, just doesn't have all the word lists)

Word Wheel: Choose a vowel or view all words. Shows a pic of a word, students can spin wheels to make more words in family or rhyming words.

Pocket Phonics: Students can trace the letters, the letters are then used to reinforce letter sounds and word blending.

Reading Magic 1: Works on 3 skills – blending, segmenting and reading using short vowel CVC words.

Blending: The picture and letter areas are blank, students can click on the letter boxes and the sounds will be told to them. After listening to all the sounds, students can blend the word together and then click on the picture box to see if they are correct.

Segmenting: students are shown a picture and can hear what the picture is by tapping on it. The word is spelled under the picture and students can click on the letters to hear the sounds that make up the word.

Reading: The picture area is blank, but letters are shown, students can click on the letter boxes and the sounds will be told to them. After listening to all the sounds and looking at the word, students can blend the word together and then click on the picture box to see if they are correct.

Reading Magic 2: Works on 3 skills – blending, segmenting and reading using short vowel words with consonant blends.

Blending: The picture and letter areas are blank, students can click on the letter boxes and the sounds will be told to them. After listening to all the sounds, students can blend the word together and then click on the picture box to see if they are correct.

Segmenting: students are shown a picture and can hear what the picture is by tapping on it. The word is spelled under the picture and students can click on the letters to hear the sounds that make up the word.

Reading: The picture area is blank, but letters are shown, students can click on the letter boxes and the sounds will be told to them. After listening to all the sounds and looking at the word, students can blend the word together and then click on the picture box to see if they are correct.

Reading Magic 3: Works on 3 skills – blending, segmenting and reading using multiple syllable words.

Blending: The picture and letter areas are blank, students can click on the letter boxes and the sounds will be told to them. After listening to all the sounds, students can blend the word together and then click on the picture box to see if they are correct.

Segmenting: students are shown a picture and can hear what the picture is by tapping on it. The word is spelled under the picture and students can click on the letters to hear the sounds that make up the word.

Reading: The picture area is blank, but letters are shown, students can click on the letter boxes and the sounds will be told to them. After listening to all the sounds and looking at the word, students can blend the word together and then click on the picture box to see if they are correct.

Reading Magic 4: Works on 3 skills – blending, segmenting and reading using “magic e” words.

Blending: The picture and letter areas are blank, students can click on the letter boxes and the sounds will be told to them. After listening to all the sounds, students can blend the word together and then click on the picture box to see if they are correct.

Segmenting: students are shown a picture and can hear what the picture is by tapping on it. The word is spelled under the picture and students can click on the letters to hear the sounds that make up the word.

Reading: The picture area is blank, but letters are shown, students can click on the letter boxes and the sounds will be told to them. After listening to all the sounds and looking at the word, students can blend the word together and then click on the picture box to see if they are correct.

Words!: Students use the letters given to make words for points.

Rhyming Bee: Students choose two different rhyming sounds, each of the sounds appears on a flower pot. Bees then appear with words that rhyme with the words on the flower pots. Students must drag with word to the correct flower pot.

Endless Reader: Choose from 3 different levels of words (only level 1 is available with the free version), then choose the word. Letters for the word are given, you have to drag them to the correct spot. A sentence with the word in it appears and you have to put some of the words in it. The sentence is then read and acted out to you.

Sight Words

SightCards: Uses the Dolch Sight Words lists, so you can choose between pre-primer, primer (kindergarten), grade 1, and grade 2. You can choose to listen to the words and read them, or play a game where 4 words are given and the student has to choose the correct word that is said aloud to them.

Sight Words (Alligator Apps): Uses the Dolch Sight Word lists, to choose between preschool, kindergarten, first grade, second grade, third grade and nouns. This app also allows you to make your own lists.

Sight Words Match: Uses the Dolch Sight Word lists, students can choose their sight word level and play a matching game to help reinforce their words. Pre-primer, primer and grade 1 levels are free – grades 2 and 3 are available for purchase.

Sightwords Space Edition: Students choose from different sight words and then trace the word, choose things that are associated with that word and listen to a sentence with that word in it.

Sight Words (Learn to read with Wordaliens): Fun game options to help students read and recognize sight words.

Books

Kids A-Z: Students can access their account all summer long on the free app or on the computer. Raz Kids will allow them to read books at their levels and keep up on their reading practice. Headsprout (available on a computer only) will allow students to continue to work on reading skills.

Epic!: Students can sign into an account (with the help of an adult) and choose from multiple books to practice their reading!