

Evaluating Apps

Title: Swift Playgrounds

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Questions	Yes	No	Comments/ Notes
Have you played enough to know every aspect? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did you try things that were wrong and/or unexpected 	x		
Did the software crash?		x	
Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?	x		This teachers the basics of coding on a level students can understand.
Were the screens appealing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Color, items on screen, sounds 	x		It is very colorful and has good graphics. It would be eye appealing for kids
Is it easy to navigate?	x		
Is it easy to learn?		x	It is easy to navigate through but difficult to learn how to actually work the app, even after going through the tutorial.
Does the user need Supervision to use		x	
If the App required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong)			N/A
Were there bells and whistles? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, do they enhance instead of detract? • If not, should there be? 	x		Very good graphics and sounds to go along with the coding

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Did you like using the App?		x	I found that it was more difficult and harder to understand than move the turtle.
What was the cost? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Was there a "lite" version <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If so, was it enough 		x	Free
Were there in-app purchases? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, what were the additional costs? 		x	
How does it compare to other apps that do the same?		x	This app was hard to understand, even after the tutorial. Move the turtle teaches the same material in a more kid friendly way.
Additional Comments			None

Developmentally Appropriate

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Child Development and Learning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject Matter appropriate? • Educational Focus? • Provides for Learning New Content? 	x		This app taught coding at a minimal level. It taught it in a way that older kids might could understand.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follows Appropriate Teaching Sequence? 			
<p>Individual</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does it match individual's abilities? Does it meet individual's needs? 	x		<p>Individuals can navigate through the app do what appeals to them. They can also go through and create their own codes.</p>
<p>Social/Cultural</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bias? Commercialism Comments 		x	<p>No Bias.</p>