

Title: Swift Playground

Version: 2.2 (11-12-18)

Publisher: Apple Inc.

Target Audience: Ages 15+

Curriculum(s): coding

Cost: Free to download, to unlock additional courses it \$1.99-\$9.99.

Description: Swift Playground is an app that was created by apple as a way to teach coding to people who already have an understanding of what coding is.

There is no tutorial or explanation as to what you are doing, but it takes you step by step. It has you type a response and is very specific as to what you input. If you get it wrong, it just tells you wrong not what is wrong with it, so you have to keep trying till it turns green and moves to the next step.

Impressions: We were not impressed with this app. It was hard to figure out and the responses were super specific. If you got it wrong, you had no idea what to fix. It also did not tell you why you were doing what you were doing. As a teacher, we got stuck and there was no way for us to figure out what was wrong. We decided that we would not use this program in the classroom because it would not fit in an elementary classroom, and we would not have a way to figure it out ourselves.