

## Evaluating Apps

**Title:** QR Reader

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Questions	Yes	No	Comments/ Notes
Have you played enough to know every aspect? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Did you try things that were wrong and/or unexpected</li></ul>	x		We created several QR codes to go to specific YouTube videos and websites, emailed them to ourselves, then viewed them.
Did the software crash?		x	The software worked correctly, it did not crash.
Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?	x		This could be a great tool to use in a classroom of iPads because students would not have to type in or search for a specific site or video. Therefore it does meet the teacher and student need.
Were the screens appealing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Color, items on screen, sounds .....</li></ul>		x	It is definitely an app geared specifically to QR codes, it was not very appealing to look at, very basic.

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Is it easy to navigate?	x		On the main screen navigation bar, there is an option to view what has been scanned, scan (camera button), create (QR code button), or adjust settings. Once in the different sections, it is still easy to work.
Is it easy to learn?	x		Learning is pretty basic, to read a code, hit the camera button and take a picture, to create, type in the desired website, or use an app to fill it in.
Does the user need Supervision to use	x		Supervision would be ideal for the first few attempts, just to make sure students are using it correctly.
If the App required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong)		x	No Q & A response was required.
Were there bells and whistles? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If so, do they enhance instead of detract?</li> <li>• If not, should there be?</li> </ul>		x	It is a very basic

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			app that provides a very basic function.
Did you like using the App?	x		It is an app that we would most likely use at some point in the classroom.
<p>What was the cost?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Was there a "lite" version <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ If so, was it enough</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			Yes, we downloaded the free "basic" version. The subscription version is \$0.99/month and includes more colors and code layouts. To remove adds, there is the option for \$2.99. However, we did not encounter any problematic ads while using the app.
<p>Were there in-app purchases?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If so, what were the additional costs?</li> </ul>	x		Yes, the cost is listed above for a premium subscription or to remove ads.
How does it compare to other apps that do the same?			This was the most user friendly app we found that did not flood the screen with ads.

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Additional Comments			This app was pretty useful, we would most likely find a reason to use it in the classroom.

### Developmentally Appropriate

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<b>Child Development and Learning</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subject Matter appropriate?</li> <li>• Educational Focus?</li> <li>• Provides for Learning New Content?</li> <li>• Follows Appropriate Teaching Sequence?</li> </ul>		x	It is possible, through use of the codes created in this app, teachers can provide different materials for subjects, learning, etc. It does follow a sequence, students can open the camera button, take a picture, and be taken to the appropriate site or video. Though the app by itself does not provide much for the questions at hand.
<b>Individual</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does it match individual's abilities?</li> <li>• Does it meet individual's needs?</li> </ul>		x	We wouldn't necessarily say that it meets an individual's needs because it is a fairly basic/simple app. The use for it is just a segway for another purpose.

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Social/Cultural <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bias?</li><li>• Commercialism Comments</li></ul>		x	No, it was a very basic/simple code app.