Title: ABCMouse

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Questions	Yes	No	Comments/Notes
Have you played enough to know every aspect? • Did you try things that were wrong and/or unexpected	✓		
Did the software crash?		✓	
Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?	✓		Very individualized
Were the screens appealing? • Color, items on the screen, sounds, ect.	✓		Very colorful Cute animations
Is it easy to navigate?	✓		Organized and labeled
Is it easy to learn?	✓		Didn't take me long to figure out
Did the user need supervision to use it?		✓	
If the app required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong)	✓		Right answers are rewarded with tickets which can be used in the shopping center
Were there bells and whistles? • If so, do they enhance instead of detract? • If not, should there be?	✓		Shopping Center- child can spend more time buying things rather than doing the lessons
Do you like using the app?	✓		One of my favorite early learning programs
What was the cost?	✓		$9.99/month

• Was there a "lite" version? o If so, was it enough?			30-day free trial
Were there in-app purchases? • If so, what were the additional costs.		✓	
How does it compare to the other apps that do the same?			
Additional Comments			Covers every subject in one app

Developmentally Appropriate

Child Development and Learning · Subject Matter appropriate? · Educational Focus? · Provides for Learning New Content? · Follows Appropriate Teaching Sequence?	✓		Can choose what child needs to work on
Individual · Does it match individual's abilities? · Does it meet individual's needs?	✓		Customizable to each child's learning level
Social/Cultural · Bias? · Commercialism Comments		✓	Many races are present in the "classroom"

ABCMouse was developed by Age of Learning Inc. and is on version 8.3.0. The early learning program is intended for kids ages 2-8. ABCMouse is free to download, but it costs $9.99 each month to use. This application could be used in general education classrooms for further understanding of certain topics since it has material for every subject. All you have to do is search up a content area, and games, puzzles, activities, art, books, ect pops up. This could also be used in the special education classrooms for older children with disabilities who are behind other students their age. It is a good interactive way for them to learn skills. ABCMouse can be defined in many ways. It is a tutorial app when kids are beginning to learn new skills such as their letters and numbers. It is drill/practice as it continues to offer multiple ways to practice skills it has taught the child. It is also a discovery learning tool since you can search any topic you want the child to learn or work on, and it pulls up the different activities, books, games, ect.

After downloading ABCMouse, create an account and enter your credit card information to be charged monthly. You then will create your child's profile which includes their academic level of understanding. After this, the app will then create a learning journey for your child based on their age and learning level. You can also add multiple children under one parent account. Under the child's home page, you will find:

- Their learning path- activities designed to teach the child certain topics such as the letters of the alphabet or numbers

- The classroom- things to click on for other mini-lessons such as a clock, a calendar, a fish tank, ect

- A map of the ABCMouse community

    o topics are provided based on where the child clicks to go

        ▪ The farm

        ▪ The zoo

        ▪ The library

    o The shopping center allows the child to buy things using the tickets they have won by completing lessons, games, ect.

    o The learning path for the child can also be found here.

- About Me- this is where the child's achievements can be seen

- Live Video Lessons

- Reading Games

- Math Games

- Things To Do

- What's New in the App

The search bar on the child's homepage allows you to search for specific topics or content areas.

ABCMouse is a very popular early learning program. It has been advertised everywhere. Based on reviews and playing around with the app, I think it is a good program to have for children who are beginning school to get a head start on their learning as well as children who may be behind on their understanding of some topics. I like how every subject area is incorporated into the app. ABCMouse can be accessed on Apple products with iOS 9 or later. It can also be used online through the ABCMouse website. The learning path really couldn't be incorporated into a lesson in the classroom, but if you cover a certain topic (ex: zoo animals), then you could search it, and the app would pull up different games, books, ect. that you could have children do during "free time" or for extra practice. This app would be beneficial to use at home if a child is just starting out learning their letters, numbers, ect. or if they are falling behind in class.