# ASL Kids
## V 2.0
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**Target Audience: Elementary Students**

**Software Type(s): ASL Kids can be considered a tutorial application because it is teaching the students a new skill by giving step by step instruction.**

**Curriculum & Environments: I would use this in my classroom to teach my students about new languages and how to communicate by using sign language.**

**Cost: We used the free application, but there is an option to pay a one time fee of $2.99 to access the upgraded version.**

## About the Software:

ASL kids is a program targeted towards elementary aged students to teach them the basics of American Sign Language. This app is on the Apple App Store and offers 56 signs free of charge. To unlock 170 extra signs, you can pay a one-time-fee of $2.99. The application is very kid friendly. To teach the children, they press a play button and a video of a child around their age signing the given word appears. The application description states that the app is "kid-proof". It was developed by the publishers for children to be able to roam the app freely without the help of an adult. There are absolutely no advertisements and no external links for them to follow, making it the perfect app for children, especially children in a controlled classroom setting. This app does not require the internet to be run. This app contains no complex text, rather it has big, tappable pictures of common items that children who may not be able to read could still comprehend and learn with.

## Impressions and Classroom Usage:

This application would be very useful in a classroom because it is important for children to understand that not everyone communicates in the same way that we do. We could use this app when exploring different languages or methods of communication. It could also bring some inclusion in the classroom in case there is a student education student in their class or school who speaks using ASL.