

Total Recall

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Target Audience: Students

Software Type(s): This app would best be described as a discovery and tool app because it allows the user to create flashcards but also use the internet to discover different meanings and information on words.

Curriculum & Environments: I would use this in any class to help students learn important category at school and at home.

Cost: Free

About the Software:

Total Recall allows users to create vocabulary cards and use the internet to learn more about vocabulary and the meanings behind many words. Users can also attach specific experiences and/or cues to their vocabulary cards in order to enhance their memory. They can also write a story about their vocabulary words or deconstruct the word to get a better grasp on its meaning and origins. This app is completely free to use and has zero ads.

Impressions and Classroom Usage:

We were immediately impressed with the simplistic design of this app and how easy it was to navigate. When you begin to make a vocabulary word, the app guides you through finding the definition online and showing you different ways that you can enhance your memory. We especially liked how the app was easy to use, simply colored, and free with no ads. This app beats out flashcard apps, in our opinion, because of the way that it allows users to make their own connections to the vocabulary words. We would definitely use this in our classroom and encourage our students to use it as home as well. You would need to walk around the room while students use this, considering that they are given easy access to Google and could drift away from the task at hand. However, this app is great for giving students the freedom to learn vocabulary in ways that work for them rather than only giving them one way to learn their vocabulary.