Khan Academy Kids

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Target Audience

This app is a drill and practice app and is made for ages 4+ according to Khan Academy. We agree with their age rating.

Curriculum

Students participate in activities that review then asses through games skills such as counting, identify letters, read, and code through this app. This could be used in the classroom as well as at home. We would love to have students do this during their spare time to review what is being taught in class; doing it at home just gives them that extra practice.

Cost

This app is completely free and is to be used individually and for educational purposes in group settings.

Software

This app has 4 animals that talk and take students on learning adventures where they play games, sing songs, and participate in curriculum-based activities. There are also short songs that help students with reviewing curriculum as well as assessment mechanisms. Cody is an additional animal that gives instructions to users and guides them throughout the app. The library in this app includes books, videos, a pad for students to draw and create things, and activities that review ABCs, numbers, reading, and logical thinking skills. The number of games on this app is exciting. We look forward to getting to use it one day.

Impressions

We love the diversity of the subjects taught in the app. They go beyond the normal literacy and math and dig deep into logical thinking skills such as coding, following rules, sorting, memory, and even social-emotional development. Our favorite thing was the wide range of books that the app provides. We could use them in our classrooms on a daily basis because some of them even focus on a specific letter of the alphabet. An example of that type of book would be, "Monkey and Mice."

Does the software pass?

This app passes because it gives students reviews in a wide range of academic areas. It both reviews and assesses their knowledge.