

Evaluating Apps

Title: Padlet

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Questions	Yes	No	Comments/ Notes
Have you played enough to know every aspect? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did you try things that were wrong and/or unexpected 		X	Padlet is an app that allows you to collect data and information and format on to a virtual bulletin board. Text, images, videos, and links can be added to a board.
Did the software crash?		X	
Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?	X		It's like a sticky note but on an app.
Were the screens appealing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Color, items on screen, sounds 	X		Can be personalized for each student.
Is it easy to navigate?	X		Yes
Is it easy to learn?	X		There is help options.
Does the user need Supervision to use		X	Walls are semi-private teachers may need to insure total privacy for students use.

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<p>If the App required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong)</p>		X	
<p>Were there bells and whistles?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, do they enhance instead of detract? • If not, should there be? 		X	<p>We don't believe there should be bells and whistles</p>
<p>Did you like using the App?</p>	X		<p>It was easy to use and allows students to collaborate in a simple and fun manner.</p>
<p>What was the cost?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Was there a "lite" version <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If so, was it enough 		X	<p>There was a free version and a version that cost \$12.99 a month or one that cost \$99 a year.</p>
<p>Were there in-app purchases?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, what were the additional costs? 		X	
<p>How does it compare to other apps that do the same?</p>			<p>It is more appealing to students because of the layout. Customization options allows students to personalize.</p>

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Additional Comments			Students can post without the teacher reviewing first, which could be an issue.
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Developmentally Appropriate

Questions	Yes	No	Comments/ Notes
Child Development and Learning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject Matter appropriate? • Educational Focus? • Provides for Learning New Content? • Follows Appropriate Teaching Sequence? 	X		There is really no focus you can use it for whichever subject you want.
Individual <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does it match individual's abilities? • Does it meet individual's needs? 	X		Each students work would reflect their ability to understand the content.
Social/Cultural <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bias? • Commercialism Comments 		X	