Educational Software Evaluations

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| Title: | BrainPOP Featured Movie |
| Version: | 3.1.9 |
| Publisher/Producer: | Dr. Avraham Kadar |
| Target Audience: | The producer states that the software is for all ages from kindergarten to twelfth grade or six to seventeen years old. We agree with this, however, we think that it appeals more to younger students than to older students. |
| Types of Software: | Discovery Learning: the kids chose what they learn  Tutorial: they probably don’t know the information or if they do it will expand on that knowledge |
| Curriculum: | We think this app would be a great resource for substitute teachers because they would not need that much of an explanation or background knowledge to use it. This app has material from all of the major subjects taught in grade school, so it could be used with the curriculum from virtually any subject or grade level. We could also see it used as a review for students to use on their own to study the material taught in class. |
| Cost: | We downloaded this version for free, but there are paid versions. You can buy different packages for teachers, homeschooling, schools, districts, and creative coding. These versions include special projects that span the curriculum. The app does offer in-app purchases. |
| Description: | The app has movies from a wide range of subjects including music, health, and technology. With the free version, there are three movies that you can watch for each subject, but with the paid version there are several more. After you watch the movie, you are presented with a quiz to take to help you review what was discussed in the movie. It also gives you the option to replay the movie if you need to go back and review it while taking the quiz.  The app has many different versions to reach all student’s individual needs. These versions include: BrainPOP Featured Movie, BrainPOP Jr. Movie of the Week, BrainPOP ELL, BrainPOP Pelicula of the Day, Film du Jour, BrainPOP Educators. |
| Impressions: | We like that the app is not limited to a certain group of students but that it is produced in several different languages and designed specifically for a range of grades. We also liked that the app expands on the main subjects that are taught and includes technology, arts, and health. The app can be used at home or in school and it does not require hardly any background knowledge to operate it properly. |
| Pass APPS? | Yes, prefer paid version |