Educational Software Evaluations

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| Title: | HOMER Reading: Learn to Read |
| Version: | 6.6.2 |
| Publisher/Producer: | Homer |
| Target Audience: | The producer’s target audience is from two to eight years old and we would agree with this. |
| Types of Software: | Tutorial: shows a child demonstrating how to say individual sounds  Simulation: simulates real life situations and things that students come into contact with on a daily basis |
| Curriculum: | We would see it used in the elementary curriculum because it helps develop student’s foundational reading skills. We could also see it used to determine if students are learning the material or not and track their progress. We think that the app would be used best in individual environments because it creates each child a personalized learning plan to meet their individual needs and goals. |
| Cost: | The app offers in app purchases. You are given a choice to start a free trial for 30 days and then subscribe to pay $7.99/month for up to 4 children. The app is free for verified teachers and librarians and allows them to track the progress of up to 32 students. |
| Description: | You begin by answering questions about your student that will help the app create a personalized learning plan for their individual needs. The app then provides you with a learning path in which you can’t advance to the next level until you complete the activities that you are working on. The student will work through all of the activities until they have completed their learning plan. |
| Impressions: | We absolutely loved this app and agree that it would be a great resource to implement in our classrooms. We liked that parents or teachers can add the child’s interests so that the learning plan will grab their attention and build their motivation to learn. We see it used in class as a way to track student progress and as a tool for assessment. Making this app free for educators was really great as well because it is such a great tool and should be implemented in all classrooms. |
| Pass APPS? | Yes |