Educational Software Evaluations

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| Title: | Mimo: Learn to Code |
| Version: | 4.0.1 |
| Publisher/Producer: | Mimohello GmbH |
| Target Audience: | Their terms and policies state that you have to be at least fourteen to create an account. We think that is realistic because students need to be able to read fluently and think abstractly to be able to get the most out of the app. |
| Types of Software: | Tutorial: the information is new to the user  Tools: the app allows you to create codes |
| Curriculum: | We think that the best environment to use this app would be at activities when students go to the computer lab. However, this could also be used in the classroom to keep the students engaged in something while the teacher is working with other students. |
| Cost: | There is a free version (Mimo Basic) and a premium version (Mimo Premium) and it offers in app purchases. You can start a 7 day free trial of the premium version before purchasing. After this trial, it will cost $9.99/month or $59.99/year and you can cancel anytime. We noticed one day that there was a sale that reduced their prices by up to 50%. The premium version gives you unlimited access to all courses and challenges, weekly updates, and hands-on exercises/projects. |
| Description: | When you open the app, you start by making an account and answering a few questions such as how much experience you have and why you are learning to code. Starting at the first level, the app teaches you the basic concepts of coding and the vocabulary that will be used. All you have to do is click the right option or drag the rows of information, you don’t have to type in the answer. |
| Impressions: | We could see it used in class as one of the group rotations while I do individual instruction with other students. This would be more of an individual assignment rather than group work so that students can accurately track their progress.  We liked that you could set goals for yourself and that they based it off of your experience. We were also impressed with how good it explained what you were typing in and why. We thought it was great that the app won’t let you move on to harder levels until you have passed the previous one. |
| Pass APPS? | Yes |