Title: Hopscotch

Version: 3.40.1

Publisher: Hopscotch Technologies

Target Audience: The target audience of this app is users who are 4 and up, but is more specifically designed for users aged 9-11. If used in a younger elementary classroom, some supervision may be needed or extra time may need to be allotted for students to follow the tutorial. However, if this is used in an older elementary classroom, the students could work on this individually without help from the teacher.

Type of Software: Hopscotch is a coding type of software, which means that it could fall under the tools category since the user creates the desired type of file, which is a code.

Curriculum: The app Hopscotch is very beneficial to introduce how to code in the classroom. The app is fun so students won't necessarily think they are coding while they are using the app, but they will be still be learning how to code.

Cost: There is a free version of Hopscotch, but it only offers access to a few coding lessons and tutorials. If you want access to all of the coding lessons, it costs $7.99 per month, or you can pay $79.99 for a membership for the whole year.

Software Description: This software is an app that allows the user to experiment with different templates ranging from science to cooking that teach children how to code. The app seems like it is set up more like a game, but the students are programming and changing the settings based on their desired outcome. Once students finalize their project, they can post it to the classroom community, where the teacher is able to see all of the student's progress and work. It is very beneficial for the teacher that all of their work can be found in one place.

Software Impression: Our first impression of the coding app Hopscotch is that it was very easy to navigate and would be very fun to incorporate into a lesson in the classroom. One thing that we really liked is that you can watch the tutorial video in the top right-hand corner of the screen and follow along to the instructions at the same time. The tutorial is reasonably paced, so we were never rushing to do what the instructor was doing on their screen. We also liked how Hopscotch included free lesson plans that went along with what the students were doing in the app, so it makes it easier on the educators to just adapt this lesson plan for their class needs.

Does the app pass? Yes.