

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		
Did the software crash?		x	
Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?	x		It appears to meet the needs of whatever someone might want to use it for
Were the screens appealing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Color, items on screen, sounds 	x		The color scheme was very appealing to the eye and improved the organized look of the template options
Is it easy to navigate?	x		
Is it easy to learn?	x		
Does the user need Supervision to use	x		Even though the app is listed as 4+ I would not suggest letting a 4-year-old use this app unsupervised, if at all. It was my impression that this app would be appropriate in 4 th grade and higher or for the teacher's use only to organize their lesson plans and resources for their benefit.
If the App required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong)			NA
Were there bells and whistles? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, do they enhance instead of detract? 			NA

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If not, should there be? 			
<p>Did you like using the App?</p>	x		<p>I could see myself using this app as a teacher for organization or with older students</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 is a free version, however it only allows you to make 3 padlets that take up no more than 10 MB total and after that, the Pro version is \$8.33 a month to access unlimited Padlets and 250 MB of storage</p>
<p>Were there in-app purchases?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, what were the additional costs? 	x		<p>There were no in-app purchases that I encountered while evaluating other than the option to upgrade to the pro version after creating 3 Padlets</p>
<p>How does it compare to other apps that do the same?</p>			<p>I personally have never seen an app that does exactly what this app does. As I looked through all the different Padlets students had made, I realized that this app could be used for a lot of different things from personal organization like chore lists and party planning to school-wide polls to determine the theme for prom or a contest for who took the best photos at a field trip.</p>
<p>Additional Comments</p>			

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Developmentally Appropriate

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Child Development and Learning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject Matter appropriate? • Educational Focus? • Provides for Learning New Content? • Follows Appropriate Teaching Sequence? 	NA	NA	If this app was implemented for student use within the classroom it would not be for development and learning. It would be appropriate for things like organization, portfolios, group projects, class polls, etc.
Individual <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does it match individual's abilities? • Does it meet individual's needs? 			It would match and meet the individual's abilities and needs if the individual using it were the teacher/educator
Social/Cultural <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bias? • Commercialism Comments 		NA	