

TOTAL RECALL: LEARN VOCABULARY



VERSION	PUBLISHER	TARGET AUDIENCE	COST	PASS OR FAIL?
N/A	Indrani Ghatare	17+	Free	PASS

DESCRIPTION OF APP:

This app helps the user to learn new vocabulary by making cards for each word. The user chooses which word to learn, research the definition, rewrites the definition in his or her own words, makes up a sentence that will help remember the word, deconstruct the word for better understanding, and can even write a story using the word. There is an option to upload a picture that can help the user remember the definition of the word. There is also an option to choose different colors for the word according to what the user thinks of the word.

However, the user can write any definition including a wrong definition. The app does not help the user to come up with correct sentences. This is why there should be some kind of supervision or revision of how the user used the new words just to make sure that the user wrote the correct information. This app does not have an option to share the cards with other users. It just has the option that up to six family members can use this app with Family Sharing enabled.

OUR REVIEW:

Our first impression was very good. It is user friendly. The options in the app are very useful, and can help the students understand and recall the meaning of new words. The picture option is very creative, although not always applicable. This app allows the user to personalize vocabulary in each user's own way to help recall the new word.

Each student could use the app to make a card for each new word they learn in class. The students could discuss their sentences and stories with the teacher to make sure they used the new vocabulary correctly. They can then use the cards to learn and review the words on their own. This app will engage the students to learn new words in a creative way.

TYPE OF SOFTWARE/ ENVIRONMENT:

Software: Discovery learning and drill and practice. It is discovery learning because the user chooses what words he or she wants to learn. It is drill and practice because the users can use the cards they made to practice learning the words they choose.

Environment: This is a single user. The users can use it individually according to their needs. Each user can find the definitions and sentences that will be helpful.

CURRICULUM:

The curriculum includes many new vocabularies that the students need to learn. This app helps the students learn and organize the new words that the students need to know.

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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		We wrote wrong definitions, but the app accepted them.
Did the software crash?		x	
Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?	x		
Were the screens appealing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Color, items on the screen, sounds 	x		
Is it easy to navigate?	x		
Is it easy to learn?	x		
Does the user need Supervision to use?	x		A teacher or parent needs to check that the user has written the definitions and sentences correctly.
If the App required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong)			N/A
Were there bells and whistles? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If so, do they enhance instead of detract? If not, should there be? 		x	
Did you like using the App?	x		
What was the cost? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Was there a "lite" version <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If so, was it enough 	x		Free

APPS EVALUATING

Were there in-app purchases? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If so, what were the additional costs? 		x	
How does it compare to other apps that do the same?			We do not know because we have not used other apps with the same purpose.
Additional Comments			We would like it more if the app checked that the user used the words correctly.

Developmentally Appropriate

Questions	Yes	No	Comments/ Notes
Child Development and Learning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is subject Matter appropriate? Educational Focus? Provides for Learning New Content? Follows Appropriate Teaching Sequence? 	x		
Individual <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does it match an individual's abilities? Does it meet an individual's needs? 	x		
Social/Cultural <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bias? Commercialism Comments 		x	