

## 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"><li>Did you try things that were wrong and/or unexpected</li></ul>	X		As we played with the App it would not allow us to open certain documents within the App.
Did the software crash?		X	
Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?	X		There were multiple templates and blank padlets that would allow you to center a lesson around it if you were familiar with educational material.
Were the screens appealing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Color, items on screen, sounds .....</li></ul>	X	X	Yes, brightly colored tabs make it pleasing to the eye, but there was no sound and the overall page was bland.
Is it easy to navigate?		X	No, there was no tutorial that taught you how to use the app. If you were not familiar

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			with the content, then it would be hard to navigate and build your own charts.
Is it easy to learn?	X		After playing around with it for 10 minutes we felt like we fully understood how to use the app.
Does the user need Supervision to use	X		Depending on the age group the user would need guidance. This is because there is a gallery of Padlets that a student might click on and read and the information on it might not be appropriate.
If the App required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong)	N/A	N/A	
Were there bells and whistles? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If so, do they enhance instead of detract?</li> <li>• If not, should there be?</li> </ul>		X	The app was pretty basic, because it did not give many quick and easy options

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Did you like using the App?	X		Yes, because it could possibly be used for students to create their own storyboards and KWL charts.
What was the cost? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Was there a "lite" version               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If so, was it enough</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	X		Only 1 version and it was free
Were there in-app purchases? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If so, what were the additional costs?</li> </ul>	X		Yes, with the Free version you only get 3 Padlets, so to get more you have to pay to upgrade your plan.  \$12.99/month \$99.99/year
How does it compare to other apps that do the same?		X	Compared to other apps that do the same this one is more difficult to navigate and create.
Additional Comments			Overall, the app is not one of my go to apps to use in the class

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### Developmentally Appropriate

Questions	Yes	No	Comments/ Notes
<b>Child Development and Learning</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subject Matter appropriate?</li> <li>• Educational Focus?</li> <li>• Provides for Learning New Content?</li> <li>• Follows Appropriate Teaching Sequence?</li> </ul>		X	Subject matter is all over the place
<b>Individual</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does it match individual's abilities?</li> <li>• Does it meet individual's needs?</li> </ul>		X	It does not match individual needs
<b>Social/Cultural</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bias?</li> <li>• Commercialism Comments</li> </ul>		X	