

Evaluating Apps

Title: Encyclopedia Britannica

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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		Not every hard to figure out when first looking at it.
Did the software crash?		X	It had hardly any glitches. A few from wifi issues we think.
Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?	X		The app is detailed and extremely easy to follow.
Were the screens appealing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Color, items on screen, sounds 	X		Appealing is a great way to explain the app, but it is an encyclopedia. Still pretty boring.
Is it easy to navigate?	X		
Is it easy to learn?	X		
Does the user need Supervision to use		X	There does not have to be supervision all the time, but students should be aware of the consequences of looking up

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			inappropriate terms.
If the App required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong)		X	
<p>Were there bells and whistles?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, do they enhance instead of detract? • If not, should there be? 		X	The app looks good as it is. No bells and whistles needed.
Did you like using the App?	X		
<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 			Free, but there is a \$14.99 fee if the user would like a subscription
<p>Were there in-app purchases?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, what were the additional costs? 	X		The subscription was an in-app purchase.
How does it compare to other apps that do the same?			This app reminds us of any other dictionary or encyclopedia app. Free and easy to use.
Additional Comments			

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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? 	X		An encyclopedia is great for anything when it comes to education. The app would be great for history lessons or language arts.
Individual <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does it match individual's abilities? • Does it meet individual's needs? 	X		Also any encyclopedia need could be met with this app.
Social/Cultural <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bias? • Commercialism Comments 		X	