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Evaluation Write-Up

**App Title:** My Story Book Maker

**Version:** 3.6.5

**Publisher/Producer/Creator:** MY STORY, LLC

**Target Audience:** The publisher says that it's appropriate for 4+ and I think this is accurate, since the really young students could just use the app to draw and place stickers. Early elementary students would most likely love using this app to make their own books.

**Type(s) of Software:** I would label this as a tool software since it allows you to create your own storybook.

**Curriculum(s):** This would be great in just about any early elementary literacy curriculum. Teachers can use it to assess spelling and writing skills as well as comprehension. Students could use it to retell a story that was read to them or create their own story using characters, setting, and plot.

**Cost:** The free app allows for one author and two books. It can be upgraded for $5 to allow unlimited authors and books, no ads, several more font and sticker options.

Software Evaluation:

When you open the app, it has you create an avatar as an author. When you select your name, you are given the option to create a new book or look at an existing one. You create the title and select a cover color. There are tools along the bottom of the screen to use to create your book such as a pencil for drawing, text for typing, colors to change, stickers, backgrounds, and voice recording. You can add and delete pages and when you're finished, it will take you back to the main screen and give you the option to view your story.

I like this app and think it would be great to have in an elementary classroom. I like that the books are completely customizable yet simple. There are not so many tools that the students would get lost trying to navigate the app. I do wish more than 2 books could be added without having to pay the $5. You can delete an existing book to replace it with a new one, so it's avoidable, but that still

stinks that the students would have to delete one of their books to make a new one.


Does the software pass **Review?** Yes

Does the software pass **Evaluation?** Yes