Evaluating Apps

<u>Title:</u> Global Change/Tutorial

Evaluators

Karley DuBar and Kaylee Sheppard

Questions	Yes	No	Comments/ Notes
Have you played enough to know every aspect? • Did you try things that were wrong and/or unexpected	×		
Did the software crash?		x	It did not crash, BUT IT IS SLOW!
Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?	×		Yes, if the students were learning about climate/global change.
Were the screens appealing? • Color, items on screen, sounds	X		It has a nice background, which easy and large navigation buttons.
Is it easy to navigate?	X		There is a user guide.
Is it easy to learn?	X		
Does the user need Supervision to use		X	
If the App required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong)		x	It did not require any responses.
Were there bells and whistles? • If so, do they enhance instead of detract? • If not, should there be?	X		There is a glossary student's can explore to help with vocabulary, there is introductory

Evaluating Apps

			videos, and a user guide.
Did you like using the App?	X		
What was the cost? • Was there a "lite" version ○ If so, was it enough	x		The lite version was enough, there were no in app purchases.
Were there in-app purchases?If so, what were the additional costs?		X	
How does it compare to other apps that do the same?	×		It is good, very educational and interactive. But limited to one area of Science.
Additional Comments			When you are on the homepage you can explore "What are Stomata?" "Carbon and Water Cycles", and "Climate change connections." Has interactive tutorials. There is a "Connections" tap, which lets students see the connections to all other areas. There are links that take you to internet sites for further

Evaluating Apps

	information. Once you click on the links, it is hard to get back to the app.
--	--

Developmentally Appropriate

Questions	Yes	No	Comments/ Notes
 Child Development and Learning Subject Matter appropriate? Educational Focus? Provides for Learning New Content? Follows Appropriate Teaching Sequence? 	×		It is appropriate, but limited to global change. It would provide for learning new content, if the student did not have any background information because using the app.
IndividualDoes it match individual's abilities?Does it meet individual's needs?	×		It is easy to follow along with. It provides reading and videos. It also offers English and 20 other languages.
Social/Cultural Bias? Commercialism Comments		×	