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<u>Title</u> Spelling Magic 2

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| Questions | Yes | No | Comments/ Notes |
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| Have you played enough to know every aspect? Did you try things that were wrong and/or unexpected | × | | |
| Did the software crash? | | X | |
| Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs? | X | | |
| Were the screens appealing? • Color, items on screen, sounds | × | | |
| Is it easy to navigate? | X | | |
| 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 | | |
| Were there bells and whistles? • If so, do they enhance instead of detract? • If not, should there be? | x | | I found it to be appropriate for the game |
| Did you like using the App? | X | | |
| What was the cost? | | X | Free |

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| Was there a "lite" version If so, was it enough | | Deluxe Upgrade \$1.99 |
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| Were there in-app purchases? • If so, what were the additional costs? | X | |
| How does it compare to other apps that do the same? | | |
| Additional Comments | × | |

Developmentally Appropriate

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|---|-----|----|---|
| Child Development and Learning Subject Matter appropriate? Educational Focus? Provides for Learning New Content? Follows Appropriate Teaching Sequence? | × | | |
| IndividualDoes it match individual's abilities?Does it meet individual's needs? | x | | |
| Social/Cultural | | | |
| • Bias? | | X | |
| Commercialism Comments | | | There were two levels of difficultly to |

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Version: 4.4

Publisher: Preschool University

Target Audience: Ages 4+

Types of Software: Drill and Practice, Tutorial, and Discovery Learning. This app is Drill and Practice because a great deal of the words pictures the students would have seen before. It is tutorial because it introduces new information. The app is discovery learning because the child gets to decide what words they want to use.

<u>Curriculum:</u> Language Arts because you are seeing new words introduced. Possible <u>Environment(s)</u>: Home or school. This would be good at school to learn about blends. This could be used at home for reinforcement. Cost: Free, with option of deluxe upgrade for \$1.99 <u>Description:</u> Spelling 2 can help students learn the alphabet letter sounds, learn blends, vocabulary, and other reading skills. First you will pick from a set of topics. There are actions, animals, children, food, objects, outdoors, and etc. Then a picture will show up with the letters. Then you look at the pictures and try to find out what word they are want you to spell. Impression: I feel that this app would be good for learning to spell words with phonetic sounds. There are two levels to choose from, easy and hard.

Does the software pass APPS: yes