

Evaluating Apps

Title: Move the Turtle

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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	✓		
Did the software crash?		✓	The software worked well. It has had updates.
Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?	✓		It was appropriate. If the user's needs were to learn the basics of coding, then yes it did meet the needs of the user.
Were the screens appealing? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Color, items on screen, sounds	✓		It was colorful with good graphics. There were no sounds.
Is it easy to navigate?	✓		It is easy to navigate because there are very few places you can go.
Is it easy to learn?	✓		It begins simple and increases in difficulty as you

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			progress to higher levels.
Does the user need Supervision to use		✓	
If the App required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong)	✓		You have to learn how to move the turtle so it will reach the gem.
Were there bells and whistles? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, do they enhance instead of detract? • If not, should there be? 	✓		There are no adds or sounds. Perhaps some sounds or music will make it more interactive.
Did you like using the App?	✓		It is fun and entertaining.
What was the cost? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Was there a "lite" version <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If so, was it enough 	✓		\$3.99 There is not a free version.
Were there in-app purchases? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, what were the additional costs? 		✓	There was only the initial fee to purchase the app.
How does it compare to other apps that do the same?			This app required the user to get the turtle to move until it reached the gem. I did not see any apps that had the same concept.

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			Other coding apps require different activities to be completed.
Additional Comments			There was not a "help" or settings option. You have to learn as you go without assistance.

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? 			It says it is for ages 9-11 which is developmentally appropriate for this app. It does help students learn how to code. It follows an appropriate sequence because it adds skills the further you go.
Individual <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does it match individual's abilities? • Does it meet individual's needs? 			Yes. It begins with small coding tasks. Then moves up to more complicated as you reach new levels.

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<p>Social/Cultural</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bias?• Commercialism Comments			<p>There were no ads or comments. There were no biases. It was appropriate.</p>
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