Evaluating Apps

**Title**  Piano 3D

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| Questions | Yes | No | Comments/ Notes |
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| Have you played enough to know every aspect?<br>• Did you try things that were wrong and/or unexpected | ✔ | | We played it quite a bit, it is not very interactive. The song will play correctly regardless of whether the user plays it or not. |
| Did the software crash? | | ✔ | |
| Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs? | | ✔ | While content wasn't inappropriate, the app's method of teaching was really just to show what keys moved to make the song play. If you upgrade to the free one it will actually instruct. |
| Were the screens appealing?<br>• Color, items on screen, sounds …… | ✔ | | The pianos and the rooms around them are beautifully designed, and the music is a blend of classical and more modern. |

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| Is it easy to navigate? | ✓ | | |
| Is it easy to learn? | | ✓ | |
| Does the user need Supervision to use | ✓ | | The content was wholesome and there weren't too many ads, just be sure and have parental guards in place so that kids can't approve purchases. |
| If the App required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong) | | ✓ | The problem we had with this app was that it didn't require a response and it should have. |
| Were there bells and whistles?<br>• If so, do they enhance instead of detract?<br>• If not, should there be? | | ✓ | The music and graphics were the best part and the main purpose of this app. |
| Did you like using the App? | | ✓ | It ultimately didn't do what we expected it to based on the description. |
| What was the cost?<br>• Was there a "lite" version<br>   o If so, was it enough | | | It was free. |

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| Were there in-app purchases?<br>• If so, what were the additional costs? | ✓ | | Only to upgrade, but it was about $7 per month to subscribe. |
| How does it compare to other apps that do the same? | | | It should have been set up like a drill and practice app, but compared to others it was ineffective. |
| Additional Comments | | | Very visually appealing overall. |

## Developmentally Appropriate

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| Child Development and Learning<br>• Subject Matter appropriate?<br>• Educational Focus?<br>• Provides for Learning New Content?<br>• Follows Appropriate Teaching Sequence? | | ✓ | This app in it's free version would be best used to introduce students to classical music. It would be ineffective in instructing them in the piano though. |
| Individual<br>• Does it match individual's abilities?<br>• Does it meet individual's needs? | | ✓ | |

| Social/Cultural<br>• Bias?<br>• Commercialism Comments | | ✓ | |
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