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Title: Swift Playground - iPad

Version (if there is one or if it is one of a series): 3.3.1

Publisher or Producer: Apple

Target Audience (if your opinion differ from the publisher, state that): 4+.

Type(s) of software with your justification: Tutorial because the user is learning how to code.

Curriculum(s) - How does it (or can it) fit into the curriculum -Possible environment(s) and Why: This app could fit into the curriculum of a computer class. It teaches users how to code but there are also games integrated into it that involve coding. This app could be used in any class that has access to Apple devices.

Cost: Free.

Write a paragraph or two describing the software: When you first open the app, you get to choose your playground. The playgrounds are the different platforms that you can code with. Some examples include “Learn to Code 1”, “Learn to Code 2”, a maze, battleship, or you can start with a blank sheet. When you click on a playground, different activities are available. For example, when you click “Learn to Code” it takes you through an introduction on how to code. The objective is to type a code that your character can use to get a gem. Another example would be the “Sensory Arcade” teaches students how to code using different sensory aspects of the device, such as the touch screen, the camera, and the microphone.

Write a paragraph or two on your impressions of the software and possibly how you see the software being used in your class: Our first impression was that the app was confusing. However, in a technology class, the app would be great because of how kid-friendly it is. It is an app that we would need to work with for a while ourselves before we began teaching it to students. Overall, the app was appealing, and we liked how colorful and organized it was. Another way this app could be used in the classroom would be for indoor recess. Students could spend

some time playing with the app and having fun with the activities while also learning about coding.

Does the software pass: Yes.