

Title: Google Slides - iPhone

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Target Audience (if your opinion differ from the publisher, state that): 4+. I think that this app would be more useful for ages 7+ because some of the features are not obvious to find or understand, so some more technological awareness than that of a four year old would be needed.

Type(s) of software with your justification: Tools because the app is strictly for the user to make and share slide presentations. Its one function is to provide that tool for the user.

Curriculum(s) - How does it (or can it) fit into the curriculum -Possible environment(s) and Why: This app could be used in any curriculum. In a science or history class, students could make slide presentations as a project to present a particular topic to the class.

Cost: Free

Write a paragraph or two describing the software: When you first enter Google Slides, you have the option of starting with a blank slide or with different templates modeled towards specific purposes, like a book report, flash cards, etc. Once you have chosen one of them a new page will open. Different pre-made themes are available as well. Many options are then put into the hands of the user. You can type in text in any form, using different fonts, font sizes, and colors. You can edit the background to be a certain picture or color. Shapes, images, transitions, and more can be explored and chosen in order to make the slide that you want. More slides can be added and edited in the same ways. An entire presentation of different and customized slides can be created. The presentation can be displayed in “present” mode if you are sharing straight off your computer onto a screen. Your work can also be shared virtually via link or email. Other users can also be given access to editing abilities for collaboration. Finally, the slide presentation that has been made can be downloaded and converted into any type of file needed, such as a pdf or a Microsoft PowerPoint file.

Write a paragraph or two on your impressions of the software and possibly how you see the software being used in your class: Overall, this program is very

well done. Navigation is fairly easy and the amount of creative options are good. Everything saves automatically, which can be annoying at times, but is generally a good feature. I think that the simple sharing ability is helpful as well. For my class, I could very easily make a presentation to teach from on this app. This could apply to multiple subjects. For students, the app could still be used. It would be better to use it on an iPad due to a better layout and a bigger space to work with. Students could make their own projects using Google Slides for any class. Presenting their slides to the class would also help them develop confidence in front of their peers and public speaking ability.