

Evaluating Apps

Splash Math

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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 	x		
Did the software crash?		x	
Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?	x		There were many different math content areas presented for students to practice.
Were the screens appealing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Color, items on screen, sounds 	x		The screens were full of bright and colorful animations, which are appealing to students!
Is it easy to navigate?	x		There are very clear, spoken instructions!
Is it easy to learn?	x		Yes! The entire app follows a pattern that is easy to follow.
Does the user need Supervision to use		x	The app is kid-friendly
If the App required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong)	x		When you get the answer right you are given a reward, and when you get the answer wrong, you get and "oof" sound, prompting you to try again.

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<p>Were there bells and whistles?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, do they enhance instead of detract? • If not, should there be? 	x	<p>There are sound effects, spoken instructions, and bright animations.</p>
<p>Did you like using the App?</p>	x	<p>There were great incentives for the children to earn.</p>
<p>What was the cost?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Was there a "lite" version <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If so, was it enough 		<p>The lite version was free. I would suggest buying the full version</p>
<p>Were there in-app purchases?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, what were the additional costs? 		<p>The full version is \$29.99 per quarter.</p>
<p>How does it compare to other apps that do the same?</p>		<p>This app offers an email progress report to parents or teachers each week. The app is also very engaging for students and offers incentives.</p>

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Additional Comments		x	n/a
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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? 	x		The app offers content for grades k-5 and allows practice for older grades to get ahead and younger grades to catch up. Does not require internet access, so easily available on the go.
Individual <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does it match individual's abilities? • Does it meet individual's needs? 			Yes, the app has a Spanish option as well as an option for spoken questioning rather than just the written for younger students who cannot read yet. The app is aligned to common core standards
Social/Cultural <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bias? • Commercialism Comments 		x	No bias.