

## Evaluating Apps

**Title: Blue Apprentice**

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Questions	Yes	No	Comments/ Notes
Have you played enough to know every aspect? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Did you try things that were wrong and/or unexpected</li> </ul>	X		We explored the app as much as the demo would allow.
Did the software crash?		X	
Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?	X		The app allowed students to learn the materiel and have fun at the same time.
Were the screens appealing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Color, items on screen, sounds .....</li> </ul>	X		
Is it easy to navigate?	X		
Is it easy to learn?	X		The app does a great job of guiding you through each step.
Does the user need Supervision to use		X	
If the App required a response, was it appropriate? (right or wrong)	X		
Were there bells and whistles? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If so, do they enhance instead of detract?</li> <li>• If not, should there be?</li> </ul>	X		I am afraid that there are a lot of on the app that

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			might be distracting to some students.
Did you like using the App?	X		I thought the app was very cool.
<p>What was the cost?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Was there a "lite" version             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ If so, was it enough</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			<p>Free demo download. Monthly: 10.99</p> <p>Quarterly: \$27.99</p> <p>Yearly: \$97.99</p>
<p>Were there in-app purchases?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If so, what were the additional costs?</li> </ul>			You can buy subscriptions to certain parts of the app.
How does it compare to other apps that do the same?			The app is running smoothly and clearly written by the Scribe
Additional Comments			

**Developmentally Appropriate**

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<b>Child Development and Learning</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subject Matter appropriate?</li> <li>• Educational Focus?</li> <li>• Provides for Learning New Content?</li> <li>• Follows Appropriate Teaching Sequence?</li> </ul>	X		
<b>Individual</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does it match individual's abilities?</li> <li>• Does it meet individual's needs?</li> </ul>	X		
<b>Social/Cultural</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bias?</li> <li>• Commercialism Comments</li> </ul>	x		

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### Evaluation Write Up:

**Title:** Blue Apprentice

**Version:** 1.8.5

**Target Audience:** Ages Rating 4+; Grades 3-8

**Publisher:** Galaxy, Inc.

**Type:** Simulation

**Curriculum:** Science

**Possible Environment:**

**Cost:** Free downloads; occasional subscription

**Description of the Software:** Blue Apprentice is a Simulation app that circles around a story line that introduces lots of different science topics to students.

**Impressions of the Software:** I thought this app was very interesting. I enjoyed how easy it is to work with. This would be a great tool to teach science classes.

**Pass or Fail:**

Pass