

## Evaluating Apps

**Title:** Kids Planet Discovery (Discovery Learning)

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| Questions                                                                                                                                                        | Yes | No | Comments/ Notes                                                                      |
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| Have you played enough to know every aspect?<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Did you try things that were wrong and/or unexpected</li> </ul>           | X   |    |                                                                                      |
| Did the software crash?                                                                                                                                          |     | X  |                                                                                      |
| Was the content appropriate? Did it meet the user's needs?                                                                                                       | X   |    | The content was appropriate and focused on the topic of continents.                  |
| Were the screens appealing?<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Color, items on screen, sounds .....</li> </ul>                                            | X   |    | The app uses a variety of colors and sound effects which enhance the use of the app. |
| Is it easy to navigate?                                                                                                                                          | X   |    |                                                                                      |
| Is it easy to learn?                                                                                                                                             | X   |    |                                                                                      |
| 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?<br><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   |    | This app includes bells and whistles that include the use of sound                   |

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|                                                                                                                                                                                           |   |   | effects. Sound effects are often used when the user answers a question wrong by a certain sound.                                           |
| Did you like using the App?                                                                                                                                                               | X |   |                                                                                                                                            |
| What was the cost? <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> |   | X | This app was free but only lets the user learn about the continents and their different cultures.                                          |
| Were there in-app purchases? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If so, what were the additional costs?</li> </ul>                                                                   | X |   | For users to have access to more options within the app, they will have to purchase each that have different costs.                        |
| How does it compare to other apps that do the same?                                                                                                                                       |   |   | This app is well designed, however, I feel like there are better apps that have been created that would be more efficient for young users. |
| Additional Comments                                                                                                                                                                       |   |   | N/A                                                                                                                                        |

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### Developmentally Appropriate

| Questions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Yes | No | Comments/ Notes                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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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   |    | The subject matter in regards to the app focuses on the different cultures of the world. This could be used as a tool within a classroom for students to use to greater their knowledge on each continent. |
| <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   |    | This app allows young users to work and learn at their own pace based on their individual needs and abilities.                                                                                             |
| <b>Social/Cultural</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bias?</li> <li>• Commercialism Comments</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                  |     | X  | This app uses little creatures instead of people which make the app appear to be non-bias in regards to social/cultural aspects.                                                                           |