**Evaluation Write Up** 

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Title: Homer: Learn to Read

Version: 5.4

Publisher: HomerLearning, Inc.

Target Audience: kids ages 2-8

Use in curriculum: Reading

Cost: It can be free but to get the upgrades it can range from \$1.99 to \$79.99. There are 10 different options.

Description of the software: "Teach young children early literacy skills using a comprehensive program full of interesting activities. Featuring everything from letter tutorials and short books to poems and folk songs, this expertly designed app will engage students with diverse learning styles. To help keep lessons fun and active, kids are

prompted to draw pictures and record their thoughts, and they can even exchange virtual postcards with friends and family."

Personal review of the software: We thought this app would be great for our first grade classrooms! We love how the app is interactive and how short and fun the stories and games are. This helps keep kids' attention and learn educational concepts, such as the different letters of the alphabet or to read in general! It covers a variety of stories such as science fiction, fiction, and nonfiction. One unique aspect is at the end of stories, kids are able to record themselves and parents can later access them.

Does the app pass: Yes