

- **Title:** Toontastic
- **Version:** 3D
- **Publisher:** Google
- **Target Audience:** Everyone
- **Type:** Tool (This app is a canvas, you make it to your standards)
- **Curriculum:** Science (app includes the layout of scientific method), reading (turn a book into a movie), language (make your own story line) , technology (create your own video), drama (act out a scene through a cartoon)
- **Cost:** There is a Toontastic Jr., it is also free, just for a younger age group.
- **Description of the software:**

When you start the app it gives you an option on what mode you want: short, classic, or scientific method (great for a science project). After you choose the mode you go onto choosing the setting, picking or drawing a character within the app, and you can even put your face on it. Some of the characters include a shark, a monkey, a blue monster, and different people, of multiple skin colors. You can either the videos look realistic or fantasy. Then you choose the setting and the graphics are really nice. We made a video camping, in outer space, and on a pirate ship. You can move the characters, but sadly the characters do not interact with each other or any objects. You do however get to record your voice as the characters and use a mood changer to change the tone of voice. You can even make it a spooky tone. It takes you through story concepts which are a big plus. For each concept, you make a scene. It could easily be used in a reading class. Lastly, the finished products can be saved and uploaded where you want.

- **Impressions:**

We were very impressed with this app. It is very user friendly, cute, and simple. We thought of a few ways you could use this technology in the classroom. The app is very easy to learn how to use so instruction would not take up too much class time. The parts of a story are within the classic mode of the app. This would work great in a reading class. They could first, learn what each part of the story is, and then brainstorm their own story and then make it into a video. You could give them specific topics or let them be free to create their own. The students could also make a science project on the scientific method using this app. This app also contains a science report mode that has the parts of the scientific method. Have a lesson on the scientific method and have them create a video that reflects their assigned project. Lastly, you could tie this app into a computer/technology, or drama class.