Best Educational Apps for Kids

Apps - a short, one-syllable word that over the last few years has changed our daily lives, including the lives of our children. Whether at home, in school, at a friend’s house or all of the above, children are using tablets and the apps on those tablets to learn, play, read, communicate, and more. There are countless apps for every need in our lives. The trouble is deciding which apps are best and which apps aren’t going to break the bank. Below is a list of free apps for children to learn, grow, discover, and have fun!

**Reading & Social Studies**

**BrainPOP Featured Movie & BrainPOP Featured Movie Jr.** – Watch a video! This app has a different, short educational video every day on a variety of topics. Recommended Grades: K-6th

**News-O-Matic** – Find out the daily news, kid style! This app gives the daily news in a kid-friendly format! Recommended Grades: 1st-12th

**Read Me Stories** – Read a new story every day! This app has stories for young readers to read independently or have the story read to them. A new story is added every day! Recommended Grades: K-2nd

**Math & Science**

**NASA** – Go exploring! This app has information all about space including photos, videos, news, mission information, and more! Recommended Grades: K-12th
**Sushi Monster** – Want sushi?! This app allows your child to practice math facts to earn points, stars, and trophies in a fun, interactive way! Recommended Grades: 2nd-6th

**Organization & Creation**

**Dropbox** – Store all of your files in one place! This app gives your child an easy way to make sure he/she always has the files he/she needs. It stores documents, photos, and videos and can be used on your computer, tablet, phone, and from the Dropbox website. Great for older students who need to keep track of so many files! Recommended Grades: 5th-12th

**EasyBib** – Make a bibliography! Find out how to easily create a works cited page in either MLA or APA format. Recommended Grades: 5th-12th

**Library**

**Destiny Quest** – Discover what your school library has to offer! Connect with your school library catalog to find out what books the library has. Also includes Webpath Express, which lists kid-approved websites on virtually every topic! Recommended Grades: 2nd-12th

**LibAnywhere** – Discover what your public library has to offer! Connect with your public library catalog to find out what books the library has to offer. Type in your library number to access your account, search for books in the library, place holds, and more! Recommended Grades: 2nd-12th

For more recommended educational apps please visit the following sites:


[http://www.commonsensemedia.org/mobile-app-lists](http://www.commonsensemedia.org/mobile-app-lists)

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