

## TEACHERS: What's Your Favorite App?



The [Apple Education App store](#) states: “*1,000’s of apps. Endless potential.*” While that may be gloriously true, it’s also overwhelming!

One has all this wonderful knowledge, “at our fingertips” but like the Internet, not a whole lot of time to sort through it all to find “the best”.

We also don’t have the time in our classrooms to use all of it either.

We need a few great resources that click on the light bulb quickly, hold our students' interest, so that we can move right along through the inordinate amount of standards we have to teach.

When one needs to find a new doctor or a dentist I feel the best resource is to ask someone for a reference. I think the same is true of all of these apps.

What do you use that’s successful with your students? What are your favorites?

Thankfully, there are websites who have done just that and taken surveys that list everything from the top ten all the way up to the top 100 picks by teachers themselves. I even found a contest for best apps in the educational category!

I always say go to the source. Teachers know what they want. We’re in the trenches.

We've test marketed your baby with our babies, and if there's a glitch we'll find it, because children are apt to do most anything.

FREE of course is always wonderful, but we're willing to pay for something if it's one of those "must haves" that gets all the rest of the train running.



I've spent a lot of time amassing this list of everyone else's list so that you don't have to. I hope it helps save you some time in the proverbial quest for the best apps.

Like everything else, this list is already outdated as I'm typing, because there are apps. being created for more wonderful things that will help light bulbs shine even brighter--that's just one of the reasons I LOVE LOVE LOVE technology!

Click on the links for the following "Best" to check out their interesting lists. Relax and enjoy.

**[2011 Best Teacher App Ever Awards Page.](http://bestappever.com/awards/2011/winner/the)** Lists the Winners and the ability to download them. Also has past winner archives to 2008  
<http://bestappever.com/awards/2011/winner/the>

**[10 Best Apps for Education:](http://appsineducation.blogspot.com/2011/06/apps-for-teachers.html)**  
<http://appsineducation.blogspot.com/2011/06/apps-for-teachers.html>

**[There's An App For That:](http://www.eschoolnews.com/2011/01/18/readers-here-are-our-favorite-apps-for-education/)** A Wiki with 86 favorite Apps.  
<http://www.eschoolnews.com/2011/01/18/readers-here-are-our-favorite-apps-for-education/>

**Top 10 teacher picks for the iPod Touch:**

<http://www.classroominthecloud.net/2010/03/top-10-teacher-apps-for-ipod-touch.html>

**Top 10 From the people at Emerging EdTech:**

<http://www.emergingedtech.com/2011/03/10-excellent-ipad-applications-for-teachers/>

**10 terrific web apps for teachers for back-to-school:**

<http://mashable.com/2009/09/07/web-apps-teachers/>

**Top 15 Favorites from Emerging Tech:** Selected by teachers.

<http://www.emergingedtech.com/2012/03/15-favorite-ipad-apps-as-selected-by-teachers/>

**Top 20 Must Haves:** A list of favorites of real teachers.

<http://www.appolicious.com/education/articles/9492-top-20-must-have-educational-iphone-ipad-apps-used-by-real-teachers-in-the-classroom>



**I Love Ed Tech:** 37 Teacher Favorites. <http://blog.simplek12.com/education/37-teacher-favorite-ipad-apps/>

**Live Binders:** Earl Wilderson filled a binder with his favorites.  
<http://www.livebinders.com/play/play/42223>

Check out **my binder** while you're there: FREEBIES for elementary school teachers.

**100 best free I phone apps for educators:**  
<http://www.onlinecolleges.net/2009/10/19/100-best-free-iphone-apps-for-educators/>

**6 Top Smartphone Apps:** Improve Teaching, Research, and Your Life.  
<http://chronicle.com/article/6-Top-Smartphone-Apps-to/125764/>

**Top 20 Apps for teachers and librarians:**  
<http://www.slideshare.net/scyuen/top-20-free-web-applications-for-teachers-and-librarians>

**Top 10 Apps for the classroom with Common Core Content:** From A Teacher's Perspective.  
<http://educationappreviews.com/>



**[Teacher's With Apps.](http://teacherswithapps.com/)** A great blog that lists favorite apps. and explains them.  
<http://teacherswithapps.com/>

**Top 50 iphone apps for teachers:**  
[http://oedb.org/library/features/top\\_50\\_iphones\\_for\\_educators](http://oedb.org/library/features/top_50_iphones_for_educators)

**100 apps for tech savvy teachers:**

<http://www.rasmussen.edu/student-life/blogs/main/100-apps-for-teachers/>

**Best Free iPad Apps.** Just-for Fun "Must Haves" from a good tech blog:

<http://tabletbuzzblog.com/the-best-free-ipad-apps/>

**30 Awesome Apps.** With 25,000 followers this tech blog must know something. <http://web.appstorm.net/roundups/30-awesome-web-apps-for-your-ipad/>

**Some of Apple's top Pix:** <http://www.makeuseof.com/pages/best-ipad-apps>

**Apple's list of all the educational apps by aligned by subject.** You go shopping.

[http://www.apple.com/education/apps/?kmed=ppc&gclid=CNtMqY-d\\_aMCFYlt7Qodd0FIw](http://www.apple.com/education/apps/?kmed=ppc&gclid=CNtMqY-d_aMCFYlt7Qodd0FIw)

*So now you've got the apps. How about some tips and tricks of how to use your iPad...*

**22 Useful iPad Tips:** <http://db.tidbits.com/article/11167>

**50 Useful iPad Tips & Tricks!**

<http://www.techradar.com/news/computing/apple/75-really-useful-ipad-tips-and-tricks-688556>

I hope you found this list helpful and that you were able to download a few new Apps.

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Please let me know if any of the links are no longer hot. Thanks in advance.