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It has been known for a fact that some teachers find it difficult to get children to pay attention to a lesson or discussion in class.

And most parents are also having a hard time keeping young kids engaged in learning, especially when classes are suspended. But there are ways for learning not to stop after school. Educational apps on different gadgets and devices have given a new face and trend in learning.

Studies suggest that educational technology could be an effective tool to support the education system and that

its incorporation could play a major role in a vast range of educational designs and modern trends of learning when applied methodically. Further, the application of educational technology in various classroom settings is developing as more elaborate and creative forms of this technology are improved and integrated into the modern K-12 system (Pierce & Cleary, 2016). In this article, we will showcase the features of the best 10 educational apps that will keep children glued to their seats.



ABCmouse.comBest Overall App for Early Learning:

This app can be a crowd favorite. It is downloadable on any iPad, iPhone, and most Android phones or tablets. With a wide range of learning activities and videos that teach math, science, art, reading, and so much more, it brings "everyday" things and basic concepts to life that will keep kids' curiosity up while learning and having fun.



YouTube Kids

Best App Made Just for Kids:

This app only shows age-appropriate educational videos and is great for kids ages 2-12 as it screens YouTube content. It is created for kids to explore on their own with a wide collection of shows and topics that will surely entertain and enhance their learning skills as well. Parents and guardians can set up controls or customize the child's use with Parental Controls.



Quick Maths

Best App to Improve Mathematics Ability:

This innovative app is best for students in grades 2-6, and added to its perks is handwriting recognition, which makes it helpful and fun for kids to practice handwriting as they can draw and write their answers. The cost is free and it's available on the App Store for iPhone and Ipad.



Epic!

Best Unlimited Learning and Reading App:

Epic! is an e-book library that offers over 40,000 children's books—absolutely an amazing library that any child can have access to anytime, anywhere. It includes a vast collection of books from audiobooks and eBooks to read-along books. It is the best app for children to explore their reading interests and develop a love of reading. It is appropriate for kindergarten as well as for kids aged 6-12.



Duolingo

Best Language Learning App:

Duolingo offers free language courses for over 30 languages through fun lessons where you can practice speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Language and interactive games on computers provide learners with real and creative avenues of learning, thereby creating opportunities for learners to enhance their skills and knowledge (Senel & Akman, 2016). Indeed, Duolingo proves to be a fun and interactive app where users can practice through audio, word identification, and short, easy exercises. Most suitable for kids aged 10+, but take note, it is not just designed for children—it is also for anyone who wants to learn any foreign language be it French, Italian, Spanish or any language that one finds interesting.



ClassDojo Best Educational

Best Educational
Communication App:

Education is not just about studying and learning. Communication among teachers, students, and parents is also instrumental in learning. That is why ClassDojo was created, to make learning more fun and interactive. It is a communication app where teachers can easily keep track of the students and update the parents of their performance or inform them of any announcements, class activities, photos, videos, or any other educational content within this app. Students can also add their completed activities, such as homework and projects, and share them with the class and with their parents as well.



Science 360

Best Science App for Kids:

Science 360 is an amazing educational app that lets students explore science content, such as the latest science images and videos from around the globe. With this informationpacked app, science and engineering are brought to life on the small screen with its high-quality videos, news, and information on all major branches of science gathered from different scholars and accredited higher learning institutions.



Lightbot: Code Hour

Best App Made Just for Kids:

Learning programming at an early age does not have to be hard. Lightbot: Code Hour offers a fun way to learn programming for K-12 students by using videogames to solve puzzles. Players and users can save their own slot, and compete on different levels. Challenge stars are collected to level up. Coding has never been this easy as this app introduces basic programming logic and structures that one will find it interesting and easy to code in no time.



Spelling StageBest Spelling Challenges for Kids:

According to Yesilel (2017), there are a number of advantages that Technology-Enhanced Language Learning provides; software that enables the use of voice help students to develop skills in vocabulary, spelling, pronunciation, and comprehension as well. In that case, Spelling Stage may be an ideal app for the aspiring spelling bee wiz and champion! It comes with a paid subscription that gives access to a wide selection of words from simple to complex with audio and visual cues. The game imitates a spelling bee contest that young and older students will surely enjoy. Features also include creating your own content to practice.



Starfall ABCs

Best Alphabet App for Kids:

This fun and exciting learning app is designed for kids ages 2-5. Starfall ABCs features an animated introduction to learning words and letters in the English Language Arts. Children will love to explore and learn the alphabet for it also features a wide variety of games and songs.

Bridging the Gap with Technology:

Acquisition of knowledge can come from different sources, and teachers and students alike can become more flexible and modern by going with the in-demand flow in education and embrace the realities that trends in education have been changing. The appropriate educational app can always help teachers and even

parents in educating children by bringing a fresh and more appealing approach to a particular subject. With the use of modern technology and these educational apps, a more modern way of learning and teaching has never been this fun and effective.