

## Technology – Using screen time for learning.

How apps can help your child's education

You know too much screen time is not a good thing for your child. But what about when that screen time is used to build skills in math, science and reading? There are a lot of apps that your child can enjoy while learning at the same time.

Check out our top picks for the best teaching apps by age group:

### **Apps for children 3-5**

**ABC Mouse by Age of Learning, Inc.**

ABC Mouse is a 1-stop shop. It features more than 5,000 games and activities for ages 3-5 that teach reading, math, science, art, music and more.

**Sago Mini School**

Your 3–4-year-old will learn numbers, shapes, early reading and other skills all while having fun. Sago Mini School has many activities spark learning and curiosity in this age group.

**Sesame Street**

Short videos, games and art projects featuring all the wonderful characters from Sesame Street on general learning as well as social skills.

### **Apps for elementary school-aged kids**

**Word Cookies by BitMango**

This word puzzle game has a virtual cookie jar where you can gather and move letters around to build words. This app is a great tool for helping children learn new words.

**ABCya by ABCya.com**

The ABCya app features over 250 games and activities grouped by grade level and school subject. There's something here for every school-aged child.

### **Apps for middle school and beyond**

**Quizlet by Quizlet LLC**

This app lets your child create their very own flashcards on a given subject or choose from ones created by others. Great for high school students preparing for SAT or ACT or other big exams.

**IXL by IXL.com**

There are numerous apps available for younger students, but IXL offers complete K-12 grade level content for math and language arts in a fun and engaging format that will even keep teens interested.

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## **Apps for kids learning English**

### **BrainPop ESL**

This app uses animated movies to help children learn English when their first language is another. BrainPop also offers other apps in different grade levels and subjects.