

# Stages of Educational App-titude

Use the chart below to judge what stage an App fits best. An app doesn't need to have all the characteristics.

<b>Stage 1</b> <b>Entry App</b>	Optional Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Easy to learn, may be an attention grabber</li> <li>• High Impact</li> <li>• Helps teach prerequisite skills (ex: the different iTouch maneuvers) , skills that would be helpful for higher level app</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have at least some educational value</li> <li>• Training usually less than 15 minutes</li> <li>• Few Options</li> <li>• Skill Builder</li> </ul>
		EX: Stage 1 of Audio Dictionary, Word Pop, Simple Calculator, Math Facts apps, Clock, Note Pad, Periodic Chart	
<b>Stage 2</b> <b>Intermediate App</b>	Optional Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Could require some content knowledge to make app usable</li> <li>• Easy to learn still, but has some options.</li> <li>• Less than 1 hour training time</li> <li>• Next Stage to a Level 1 App</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Solid Educational Value</li> <li>• Options</li> <li>• Keeps data</li> <li>• Levels of difficulty</li> </ul>
		EX: Flash card programs w/o pictures, Memoreasy, Stage 2 of WWAudio Dictionary	
<b>Stage 3</b> <b>Advanced App</b>	Optional Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stronger possibility that content knowledge is needed to make app usable</li> <li>• May require multiple phases of training</li> <li>• May require resources outside the iPod (ex: wireless)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High Quality Educational Value</li> <li>• Longevity-applicable as a multicourse tool or throughout a course</li> <li>• Offers independent educational support</li> </ul>
		Ex: Student Planner, Formula charts, Math Solver, Scientific Calculator, Flashcard programs with pictures, Organizational Apps, Awesome Notes	
<b>Stage 4</b> <b>Specialty App</b>	Optional Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• These apps are for use with specific Special Education Populations</li> <li>• Communication devices</li> <li>• High level of adaptation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specialty</li> <li>• Life Skills</li> <li>• Usually requires 1 or more trainings. Also requires knowledge of how to implement</li> </ul>
		Ex: Augmentative Communication Apps, Schedulers, behavior trackers, social/personal apps	