












Selection of Apps on ARC DP New Play iPads

Name	Icon	Description
My PlayHome		<p>My PlayHome is a digital dollhouse app that allows children to explore a house using characters. The child can choose family characters that they wish to play with and can then enter the house and can visit all the areas and use their imagination to create their own story or complete tasks. The app is fun, imaginative and also encourages the use and recognition of routine.</p>
Toca Store		<p>Toca Store is an interactive app that can be played by multiple children. The app encourages one child to open and run the shop and others to be the customers. The store owner starts the day by selecting what items will be for sale and filling the baskets with these. Then the customer comes into the store and selects what they would like to buy. The store owner gets to set the price and then the customer pays. Once all their items are purchased, the store owner gets the receipt and then the store closes to prepare for the next day, prompting a change in turns of each role. The app encourages counting of money and provides clues for how many dollar coins the customer should be giving the store owner from their wallet.</p>
Beck and Bo		<p>Beck and Bo is a fun educational app specifically for toddlers and pre-schoolers that engages children's creativity and helps them build their early vocabulary. The app allows children to select a scene (jungle, supermarket, city street, playground etc.) where they use objects to build the scene (cars, trees, food). The main characters - Beck and Bo - are then placed in the scene and moved through the scene highlighting important sights and tasks for children to complete.</p>
Bugs&Numbers		<p>Bugs and numbers covers a wide range of math skills for pre-schoolers and early primary students. The app uses amazing graphics and realistic looking bugs to invite children into the world of counting and grouping real life objects. In the app you can identify numbers on a rotating circus line, learn your left and right in an arcade style game, sort through the junk yard looking for specified numbers of lady bugs, count and group different bugs at a local diner, colour by numbers or group matching numbers together.</p>
Toca Band		<p>The Toca Band app is a musical platform that showcases 16 different characters who all make different sounds. Children can select multiple sounds and see what they sound like when played all together, whilst also playing an instrument themselves. The app leaves a lot of room for creativity and imagination as the possibilities and sound combinations are endless.</p>
Ready Jet Go!Space Explorer		<p>Ready Jet Go! is a science-based series that teaches children about astronomy and technology through the experiences of a young alien who's taken up residence on Earth with his family. The Ready Jet Go! Space Explorer app uses augmented reality technology so that children are able to point their device towards the sky to discover more about what happens in space.</p>

Nighty Night HD		Nighty Night HD is a beautiful interactive book about animals going to bed. Children tap rooms of the scene (a barn, house and surrounds) to see who is inside and turn the lights off to say good night to animals as they go to sleep. get to tap the rooms of the house (or barn) that still have lights on, and then, once they've entered that room, they get to turn off the light and put the animals to sleep.
The Human Body by Tinybop		The Human Body by Tinybop is an interactive app that presents the human body's senses and organ systems.
Kodable		Kodable is an app designed for children ages 4 -11 to learn the fundamentals of modern programming in a fun, sequential and entertaining way. Computer science concepts and soft skills (including problem solving and collaboration) are learned/developed with this app.
Things to Spot		Things to Spot is a colourful app that will help young children develop skills in reading, counting, matching and identification. It includes animals, fairies, monsters, pirates and many others for children to find within highly detailed and bright scenarios.
Cut the Rope		Cut the Rope is an award-winning, physics-based game. The game has a green monster named "Om Nom" and the children (players really as adults love this game too) need to cut dangling ropes holding candy so that it falls into the Om Nom's mouth. Levels get harder and players need to think carefully on when and where to cut the rope and gain bonus points (stars).
Thinkrolls		Thinkrolls is a fascinating logic puzzler for children 3-8, that enhances problem solving, memory and spatial cognition skills. It is a preschool-friendly physics platformer with no instructions so children have to think critically and logically learning about concepts like force, acceleration, buoyancy, heat, elasticity and gravity while playing to move through each level.
Writing Wizard		The writing Wizard app aims to improve a child's ability to draw and recognise letters, numbers, words and shapes. On the app a child can choose any letter, number, word or shape and the app will instruct the child on how to trace the selection. The app also uses small images and colours instead of a pencil line, which makes it interesting and fun. Additional words can also be added to the app, for example, a child's name or specific words that a parent or teacher might be introducing or explaining can be added into the app for the children to learn and trace.
Gro Garden		Gro Garden is an entertaining and easy to use app to learn about organic gardening and sustainable farming. Children can learn about environmental issues by following Connie the Compost and her friends the Micro organisms. Composting and harvesting patiently can easily be learned using this app.
Playschool Art Maker		<p>The Play School Art Maker iPad app allows children to interact with the world of Play School like never before.</p> <p>The app is fun and easy to use by 2 to 6 year olds. The app encourages imagination and creativity by allowing children to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create pictures with a variety of backgrounds • Animate a Play School movie • Make a story slideshow • Watch Play School episodes

Toontastic		Toontastic allows children to create their own animated films easily. Children choose the character and scene, record the dialogue, add music, etc. They can then share their videos too. It is a fabulous tool to teach children about storytelling.
Mister Maker		Mister Maker is inspired by the hit ABC Kids TV show Mister Maker Around the World and allows children to imagine and create an unlimited number of pictures and designs.
Lego Junior Create & Cruise		In LEGO® Juniors Create & Cruise, children age 4-7 can use their imagination to create their very own LEGO® vehicles and minifigures. The game allows children to collect coins that unlock virtual LEGO® sets that can be built easily.
Toca Builders		Toca Builders was designed for children ages 5 to 11. It is ideal for children with an initial interest in Minecraft as it is a sandbox-style play app to create and build different worlds with the added benefit of easier play and no zombies or monsters to fight.

Descriptions have used information and some wording from Common Sense Media (www.common sense media.org) Parent and Educator Reviews, iTunes Store reviews and developers' descriptions of their own apps.