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Editor's Desk

Dear friends,

“Your success and happiness lie in you. Resolve to keep happy, and your joy and you shall form an invincible host against difficulties.”

-Helen Keller

Happy Reading,

Regards

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Innovative Ideas

Audible

Audible's tagline is, "when you can't read, listen." One can use it via Amazon Alexa or Ipad. In just seconds, you can download any type of book, podcast, TV program, or audio version of magazines and newspapers. Obviously, this is awesome for people who are blind and visually impaired, but it is also great for those of us with fine motor challenges who have difficulty holding books and gripping pages.

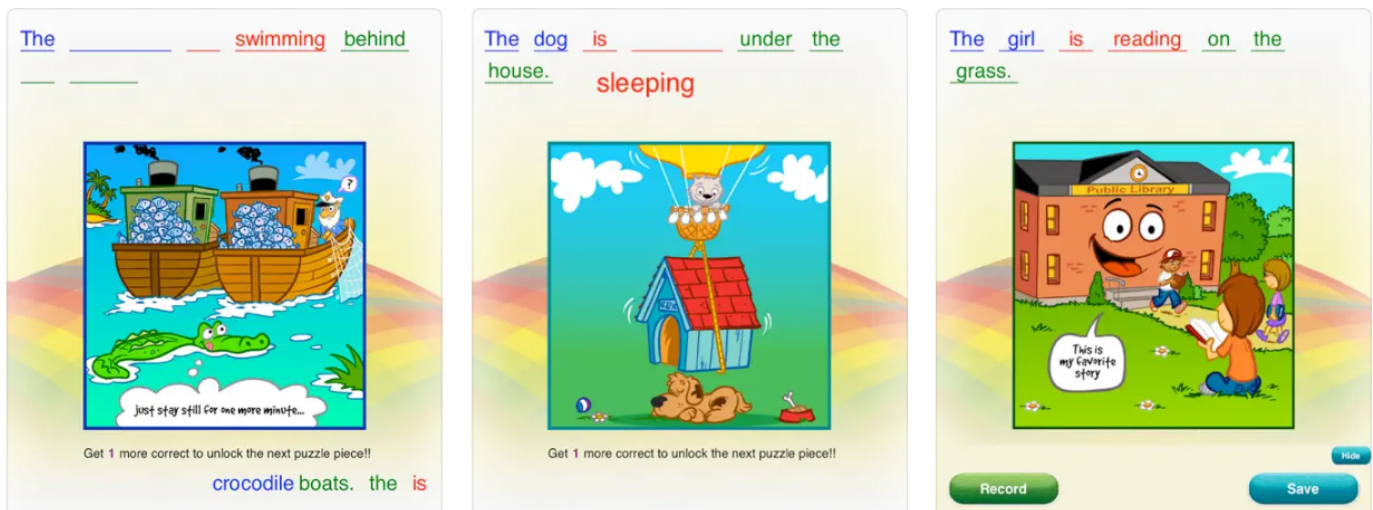
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Rainbow Sentences

Rainbow Sentences app helps children who struggle with forming sentence structures. The app comes with features, like color-coded words, text-to-speech and picture-based sentence lessons, that help children to construct English sentences in a way they understand.

Children can also record as they read and play the recording to improve their reading. Rainbow Sentences app is available in App Store.

<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/rainbow-sentences/id427578209>

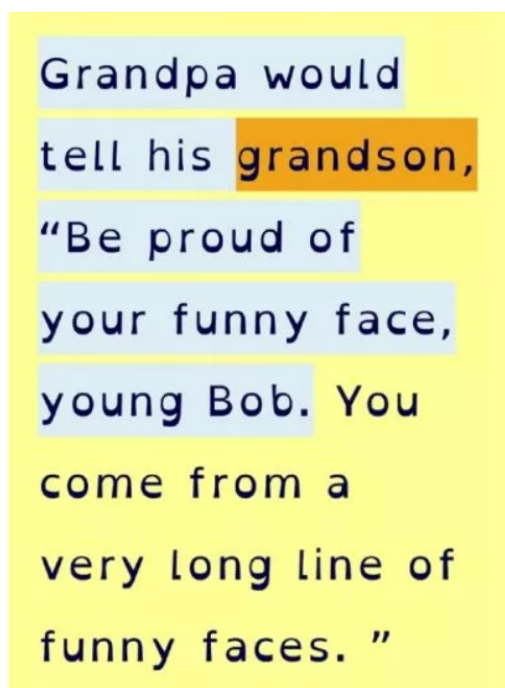


Picture description-screenshot of examples of sentence building using rainbow app

EasyReader

It offers convenient access to your favorite accessible book libraries and talking newspaper stands, in one place for Neuro-divergent readers – especially readers who have dyslexia as they can customize their reading experience with dyslexia-friendly fonts, adjustable colour schemes and word highlights that synchronise with audio.

Designed for accessibility, EasyReader enables blind and partially sighted readers to read with magnified text, audio, or a combination of both - where each word is highlighted on screen as it's read aloud. It also links to braille displays for braille readers.



Picture description -screenshot of easy reader in use

EasyReader provides global access to millions of books from accessible book libraries around the world. Text magnification in EasyReader is easy to adjust. Simply pinch in and out on the screen to find the text size that's best for you.

Listen to narrated audio books or listen to text-only books and newspapers, which EasyReader converts to human-sounding synthesized speech. Audio perfectly synchronizes with on-screen text highlights, so you can read along as you listen.

<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/dolphin-easyreader/id1161662515>

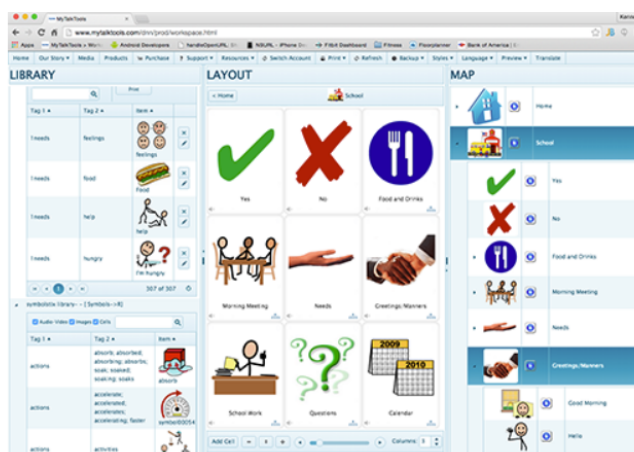
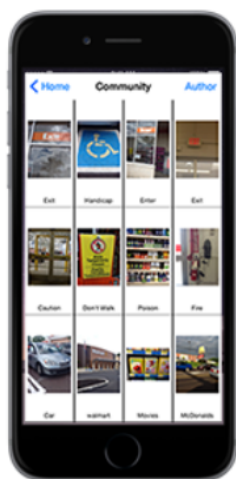
MyTalk Tools Mobile

MyTalk Tools app is an augmentative alternative communications (AAC) app that is suitable for children with communication difficulties. It helps children with Down syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, hearing or visual impairments, autism or other conditions that hinder communication ability.

MyTalk Tools allows users to express themselves using a sequence of words, sounds and images, text, and text-to-speech.

Users can customize the app to view only certain images and play certain sounds that are best suited for them. It helps them to child communicate better.

<http://www.mytalktools.com/dnn/2/Home.aspx>



Picture description-Screenshot of mytalk tool mobile and my talk tool workspace

Sensory Processing App- DayCape

This is an app to help children with visual structure. It very simply displays with images and visual time what tasks need to be done during the day. Also, it enables an app and web tool for supporters to the child,

such as parents, teachers, and mentors, to plan and send tasks directly to the child's app. This can be used to plan the day for whole families or school classes.

<https://www.daycape.com/>

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