

How to choose a high quality app

There are some criteria to consider when you choose an application:

1. It must be an app. It means it must be an application made for mobile devices: Android, iOS or Windows Phone. Websites or applications for computers are not approved.
2. It must be free. Better if it doesn't include advertisements, but it's not mandatory.
3. It must be easy to find in a store: Google Play, iTunes App Store or Apps for Windows.
4. It must be easy to use.
5. It must provide feedback when you use the app. Apps that only show the text, the audio or the video selected are not approved.
6. We will not approve apps designed for general purposes like calculators, apps that only get values from the sensors. The app must be related to an educational subject: mathematics, physics, chemistry, language, social sciences ...
7. The app must not contain prejudices or stereotypes reflected and it should not encourage violence.
8. It has to be applicable to all countries. The app must be at least in English and better if it applies to several languages. We will only accept apps in other languages if they are apps designed to learn the language and only if you can understand what you are doing without knowing the language.

There are other aspects that add value without being mandatory in order to accept an app:

1. It promotes collaborative work.
2. It promotes critical thinking.
3. It helps the user to learn strategic planning and problem solving.
4. It increases the creativity.
5. It improves communication skills.