



## **Apps for Autism**

Check out the links below for various Education, Task Analysis, Timers, Fine Motor, and Language and Communication resources for your child.

### **Education:**

- **Vooks** (available on the app store or online). An online streaming library of read-aloud animated books. They are offering a 1-month free trial. <https://www.vooks.com/>
- **Otismo** (available on the app store). Fun, educational games developed according to ABA practices and designed specifically for individuals with learning disabilities, autism, or other special needs. Requires a subscription for full access, but there is access to some games for free. <https://otsimo.com/en/>
- **Epic!** - access to hundreds of books. Subscription fees are being waved through the end of June. Reach out to your classroom teacher for an access code!  
<https://www.getepic.com/>
- **Scholastic Classroom Magazines** (online) Scholastic has free books and resources related to the books all about different subjects. It will be updated frequently with new material. <https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html>
- **StoryLine Online** (online). A site with lot of videos of books being read by celebrities  
<https://www.storylineonline.net/>
- **Starfall.com** (online and via app) A site with games, songs, and activities related to the main subjects of the curriculum. <https://www.starfall.com/h/>
- **Paul V. Sherlock Center for Disabilities** (online). The Paul V. Sherlock Center has a massive online library of specially adapted books perfect for emerging readers, or those who prefer extra symbol support. They span all the way from simple picture books to classic chapter books, and are free to download.  
<http://www.ric.edu/sherlockcenter/wwslist.html>
- **Tarheel Reader** (online). even more books! A lot of them are modified to our student's level and cover a lot of topics <https://tarheelreader.org/>
- **The Autism iHelp series** (available on the app store) has a massive library of simple apps on a variety of topics, from shapes to emotions, colors and much more. Some apps are completely free, while others have a small purchase price, depending on the amount of content provided <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/autism-ihelp-play/id521485216>



- **TeachersPayTeachers** (on the app store or online) is also a great resource, and has a ton of free content that can be printed for use at home, including these fun St. Patrick's Day activities. <https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/Product/St-Patricks-Day-Kindergarten-Worksheets-Freebie-1136632>
- **Bitsboard Flashcards & Games** (only on App Store) has 35 learning games like matching, opposites, and sequencing and it's free. <http://bitsboard.com/>
- **BrainPOP** is an educational website that is offering free access during the school closure. It covers multiple subjects like science, social studies, English, arts & music, health, and engineering & technology <https://www.brainpop.com/>
- **National Geographic for Kids** is a site with games, videos, and covers animals and science. <https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/>

### Task Analysis:

- **Choiceworks App** (available on the app store, but I'm not sure if it is available on the play store) can be used to make visual schedules, visuals with a timer and what someone is waiting for, and feelings visuals (when I am *feeling* I can *blank* or *blank*). Comes with icons loaded in the app or you can take pictures to make your own icon. <http://www.beevisual.com/>
- **First Then Visual Schedule HD by Good Karma Applications** (available in App Store and for Android) it can be used to create a task analysis or visual schedule of the day's activities as well as choice boards. It allows you to add video or sound. The schedules can be printed out for hard copies from pdf. <https://www.goodkarmaapplications.com/first-then-visual-schedule.html>

### Timers:

- **TimeTimer** (available on the app store and android market). Great visual timer for our students. <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/time-timer/id332520417> Note that while this is the official "TimeTimer" app, there are several similar apps on the store that are completely free of charge.
- **Visual Countdown Timer** - a visual timer that allows you to set a picture to be gradually revealed as the timer runs. If the student is waiting for something specific, I like to set the picture to a visual representation of what the student is waiting for so they can visually see when it becomes "available". Available on the app store. <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/visual-countdown-timer/id541364004>



- **DayCape- Daily Visual Planner.** Allows parents/caregivers and students to create visual daily schedules to help keep the students on track, knowing what they are doing that day. <https://www.daycape.com/>

### **Fine Motor:**

- **Writing Wizard** (available on App Store): provides tracing for pre-writing shapes and uppercase/lowercase letters that have eye-catching visuals. <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/writing-wizard-for-kids/id631446426>
- **Dexteria Jr** - provides a beginning to pointing with 1 finger, working on pinching using thumb and index finger, and tracing within the lines. <http://www.dexteria.net/>
- **Jigsaw Puzzles** ( available at retail stores i.e. Dollar tree, lucky, CVS) : Provides in hand fine motor manipulation as well as index finger strengthening by use of picking up the pieces with index and thumb. Also supports visual motor skills. Also available as an app: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/jigsaw-puzzle/id495583717>
- **Alphabet Wooden Blocks:** (available in app stores) has puzzle shapes of alphabet letters to place the correct letter and also exercises for matching upper and lower case letters. In between each brief activity, there are bubbles/rockets/more that the student can try to tap quickly. [https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.edubuzzkids.alphabetwoodenblocks&hl=en\\_US](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.edubuzzkids.alphabetwoodenblocks&hl=en_US)
- **Kids Puzzles:** (available in app stores) offers activities to connect the dots, color, and then complete a puzzle of various animals. <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/kids-puzzles/id461777211>
- **GoNoodle** is more gross motor movement videos that use animation and real people. <https://family.gonoodle.com/>

### **Language and Communication:**

- **Skill Champ** (available on the App Store) - Skill Champ uses your child's interests to teach new skills. The App covers a range of early academic skills: Picture Matching, Letters, Numbers, Colors, Put In, 1:1 Put On, Big & Little, Happy & Sad, A/B Patterns, and Shape Puzzles. <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/skill-champ/id917542124>
- **ArticPix** (available on the App Store) - Engaging articulation app with flashcard and matching activities for children with speech sound delays <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/artikpix-full/id356720379>



- **WH Question Cards** - This speech therapy app by Super Duper Inc. is a virtual version of their “wh-” question cards that they sell on their website and we use at PACE. Each set of cards includes many questions using the target “wh-” word.  
<https://www.superduperinc.com/products/view.aspx?stid=660&s=font-color=#.XnJqKBdKhQl>
- **iCommunicate**, by Grembe Inc. – This app lets you design visual schedules, storyboards, communication boards, routines, flash cards, choice boards, speech cards, and more. It is customizable to meet your child’s needs.  
<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/icommunicate/id320986580>
- **Alphabet Puzzle** (Available on Apple and Android) - This free App is an educational and entertaining game that helps your kids develop matching, tactile and fine motor skills while playing different puzzles.  
[https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.ragassoft.alphabetpuzzlesfortoddlers&hl=en\\_US](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.ragassoft.alphabetpuzzlesfortoddlers&hl=en_US)
- **Endless Alphabet** (Available on Apple) - Kids will have a blast learning their ABC's and building vocabulary with the adorable monsters in Endless Alphabet. Each word features an interactive puzzle game with talking letters and a short animation illustrating the definition.  
[https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.originorkids.EndlessAlphabet&hl=en\\_US](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.originorkids.EndlessAlphabet&hl=en_US)
- **i Create- i Create...** Social Skills Stories is an application with the ability to customize sequential steps of a storyline for individuals who need help building their social skills. The app is designed to make unlimited personalized social skill story books.  
<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/i-create-social-skills-stories/id513666306>
- **Pictello** (available on app store) - a make-your-own visual story app with lots of options for customization! Great for social stories or showcasing fun memories.  
<https://www.assistiveware.com/products/pictello>
- **Smarty Symbols** (online) has visual support items. With a promo code families get 1 month access Promo Code: HOMEVISUALS <https://smartsymbols.com/>