

RE 3240
Comparison of Print Books and Book Apps

1. What does reading the app, either alone or with an adult, provide that reading the physical book does not?
2. What does reading the physical book, either alone or with an adult, provide that the book app does not?
3. Does the book app extend or expand the physical book? Explain.

Criteria educators use to evaluate book apps

1. Is the text presented appropriately in digital format?
2. Interdependence of features—do the text, images, narration, music and sound effects work together to support or extend the story or information provided? Why or why not?
3. Navigation—Is it easy to navigate the app? Is the navigation intuitive or is the navigation explained? Can you skip to different parts of the app easily?
4. Customization of features—Can you change the settings for different types of use?
5. Are there features in the app that let you learn in different ways? What are they?
6. Do you think a student would interact with this app repeatedly?
7. How can you use this app in the classroom?