

Using an iPad to Support Employment

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Adaptive Accessories for iPad: mounts, switches, keyguards, cases, bluetooth interface, keyboards, etc.



- RJ Cooper- <http://www.rjcooper.com/>
- Northwest Suburban Special Ed Organization- <http://ipads.nsseo.wikispaces.net/iPad+Accessories>
- Spectronics- <http://www.spectronicsinoz.com/>
- Enabling Devices- <http://enablingdevices.com>

Adaptive Settings: General>Accessibility

<http://www.apple.com/accessibility/ipad/vision.html>

- VoiceOver
- Adjustable speaking rate
- Zoom
- Large Text
- White on Black
- Speak Selection
- Mono Audio
- Assistive Touch

1. Apps for Nonverbal Employees:	Notes:
a. Verbally - individual can type a message or use keywords/phrases to put together sentences. App will speak what is written.	

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b. Choice creator - allows user to create picture boards using real pictures. No verbal output. 6 pictures max per page.	
c. Look2learn - 8 button/category communication system. Able to add your own pictures and audio. Comes with preprogrammed pages for children. Can add/delete to customize.	
d. Sonoflex, Alexicom - similar to DynaVox products. Uses picture symbols to communicate. Verbal output included.	
e. iASL Translator - sign language app that may assist with communication between hearing, and hard of hearing individuals. Allows you to look up key words to learn how to sign.	

2. Apps for Tasks:	Notes:
a. Easy Task Manager - list of tasks that include: day, duration, complete, priority level, alerts and image of task.	
b. TaskLabels - list of tasks. Can set a due date, flag for importance, have it be reoccurring, and can share tasks with other users.	
c. Task Cards - task index cards. Designed with category grouping. Also has priority, due date, and option to have reoccurring.	
d. First Then Visual Schedule - picture schedule. Displays tasks with pictures one at time, two at a time, or in list format. Gives an option to add audio.	
e. Visual Impact - step by step instructions with pictures and spoken word on how to complete tasks or learn about topics. \$50 for Pro version with several more (over 125) videos.	
f. iTimeSheet - digital time sheet to keep track of tasks completed. Good for someone who struggles with filling out paper time sheet.	

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g. Snapguide- includes several “how to” videos on a variety of things. Has the option to create your own video.

h. Video Camera- comes with iPad. Consider using to record interactions to work on social skills, or to make a video of how to complete a task.

3. Apps for Scheduling & Time:

Notes:

a. Days Until- counts down days until specific events. Can add pictures and text to describe event.

b. Calendar- comes with iPad. View events by day, week, month, year, or list format. Includes reminders.

c. Timeli- visual timeline of schedule. Color coding option.

d. TimeLogger- use a timer to keep track of how long a task took to complete. Allows someone to label what the task was, put it into a category, and add an audio clip.

e. iBeat- the Metronome- may be used to help keep appropriate pacing. Adjustable options: beats per minute, tempo, types of sounds, and emphasis on sounds.

f. VisTimerFree- pie chart that counts down any increment of minutes or hours. Visual of time elapsing.

g. Tell Time- Little Matchups Game- basic app to teach telling time. Works on matching analog clocks with digital clocks.

h. Telling Time Free- Gives examples of time on an analog clock to practice telling time.

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4. Apps for Money Handling & Use:	Notes:
a. Visual Budget - gives an individual independence in managing their own money.	
b. Count Money-Coin Matching Game - match pictures of coins that total the same amount of money.	
c. Counting Money - given a total and you have to make the coins equal the same amount.	
d. Counting Bills & Coins - works on matching coins/dollars, counting money, math skills, and making change based on a shopping scenario.	

5. Apps for Language & Vocabulary:	Notes:
a. Idiom in Use - teaches figurative language that is commonly used in the workplace	
b. Work Skills Sampler HD - videos explaining functional workplace vocabulary	
c. Life Skills Sampler HD - videos explaining functional life skills vocabulary (ATM, cashier, signs in the community)	

6. Apps for Social Skills:	Notes:
a. Social Skills Sampler HD - videos teaching appropriate social skills.	
b. Responding Social Skills - videos teaching appropriate ways to respond in social situations (handling criticism, following directions, dealing with an angry person).	

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c. **Communication Skills HD**- more videos to teach appropriate communication skills. (making phone calls, listening skills, non-verbal communication skills)

d. **Practicing Pragmatics Fun Deck**- pictures and situations to work on solving social problems or figuring out how to react to certain situations.

7. Apps for Reminders & Reinforcement:

Notes:

a. **Nudge**- like an alarm clock. Can set to remind an individual every 1-30 minutes.

b. **RxmindMe**- lists all medications with info including: name, type, strength, what it's for, quantity, rx number, doctor, and pharmacy who filled it. Can set reminders of when to take meds.

c. **Alarmed**- allows someone to set several alarms through one app. Also has timer options (hour, min, sec).

d. **Reminders**- can make a list of reminders. More like a to-do list. Comes standard with iPad.

e. **iRewardChart Lite**- reward chart. Can add your own tasks/chores/behaviors to work on. Individual earns stars in working toward each. May be used as a behavioral approach.

8. Apps for Safety:

Notes:

a. **Safety Talks**- covers first aid, fire safety and manual handling (lifting) in the work place. No audio. Pictures with written explanation.

b. **FireSafety**- tips on being prepared in case of a fire. No audio.

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c. iFirstAid Lite - written instructions for what to do in case of any emergency (CPR, bleeding, burns, choking, poisons)	
d. Safety Signs and Words - videos focusing on safety signs you would see at a workplace (caution, wet floor, danger, do not enter, exit, etc.)	

9. Additional Apps	Notes:
a. FaceTime - free video calls between Apple products	
b. Skype - call, video call, and instant message with anyone that has Skype.	
c. Calculator - full screen calculator that includes all basic functions.	
d. Pandora - free personalized radio. Make your own stations.	
e. AlphaStress and iKnowAlphabet - apps to practice alphabetizing	
f. Letter Forms - one example of several handwriting apps available.	
g. Dragon Dictation - voice recorder. Can speak email and send.	