

## THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT - JUST FOR KIDS!

If your child has access to any form of mobile device, take a look at these FREE apps. Although some have in-app purchase options and advertisements, they are still fun to play without paying. To get these apps go to the iTunes or Amazon App Stores or the Google Play Store:

Kid Mode: Play + Learn (Gr. PK-3) uses familiar movie and T.V. characters to engage kids in games to help them learn the alphabet, basic reading skills, and math skills, too!

**Letter Cross-Tracking** (age 5+) provides practice activities to help students discriminate easily confused (m, n), reversed (b, d) or inverted letters (u, n) as well as to pay attention to detail about position in space. All of these skills are vital for reading success. Some children may need outside motivation to complete assigned work so they don't lose interest because the entertainment value lasts only a short time on this app.

**MeMeTales** have a text-highlighted audio read-along option to help beginning readers who need help. Kids earn points and stickers when they read. It comes with 20 free books when you first install it.

**Public Library e-Books** (Gr K-12) Check out a free e-book online with your Ray County Library card. Go to <a href="www.raycountylibrary.homestead.com">www.raycountylibrary.homestead.com</a> and click on e-books, or stop by the Library for information on downloading. The great thing about these books is, you can't get fined for returning them late – they get automatically removed from your device when they're due!

**Sight Words List** (Gr. K-2) makes the task of learning to read those first frequently used words easier. This app has 315 sight words broken down by age. You can select the words you want your child to learn and record them with your own voice. Change the list as your child improves.

**StoryKit** (Gr. 1-4) has four beautifully illustrated classic stories for young readers to use as a starting point for their own creative writing skills. After reading the books, kids can change the stories to fit their own ideas, or make their own illustrations. It's a very versatile app.

**Word Domino Free**/Android is a fun letter game that helps children on their vocabulary and reading skills.