Technology Integration: Apps for All Ages

Create, share, and discover beautiful stories.

Storehouse - Create stories using your pictures.

Best Practices that can be utilized with this App:

- Decision Making
- Participant Interaction
- Incorporates social history and preferences
- Appropriate for all ages
- Participants can document shared experiences

Child developmental and early education skills that can be supported with this App:

- Hand eye coordination
- Turn Taking

Technology Integration:

A CYFAR Project

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Adult developmental skills that can be supported with this App:

- Fine motor skill from using the iPad
- Short term memory
- Social engagement, which may include reminiscence
- Generativity if adult helps the child

This is a fact sheet on Apps that use emerging best practices associated with intergenerational programs.

Intergenerational programs are those that connect younger and older generations to foster positive experiences. Research continues to grow noting that when successfully delivered, intergenerational programs result in positive health effects, child learning, and appropriate socialization for both young and old (Jarrott, 2011).

For more information, check out the Best Practices in Intergenerational Programming fact sheets, available at http://www.intergenerational.clahs.vt.edu/trip/sample.html
Facilitator Ideas

Intergenerational

1. One adult and several children can take turns selecting pictures to put into the Storehouse album.
2. An iPad can also be connected to an LCD projector to do as a group activity allowing different participants to work on typing text together that describes images used.
3. If done as an IG activity the app allows for participants to discuss the pictures they are placing in the album incorporating story telling and reminiscence.

Single generation

1. Children can be put in groups and select pictures to put in the album.
2. Adults can also view the pictures in large groups when attached to the LCD projector while using the app.
3. As with using the app in IG format, story telling and reminiscence are likely

Best Practices for Intergenerational Programming

1. Staff members of the adult and the child program collaborate to plan activities.
2. Participants involved in decision making about the activity and during activities.
3. Participants are prepared ahead of time and reflect on activity afterwards.
4. Participation is voluntary.
5. Activities reflect interests, backgrounds, and social histories of program participants.
6. Activities are age and role-appropriate.
7. Activities support interaction among IG participants.
8. Facilitators skillfully stage the environment to promote interaction.
9. Adaptive equipment is used as appropriate.
10. Facilitators consider the social environment and the role of staff members.
11. Document & communicate experiences to build upon in future activities.

Price: Free