

# STEP 1:

## Talking their way to literacy

### 10 TERRIFIC APPS

Here's a list of some of the top voted apps for toddlers. They're educationally sound, guaranteed to get them talking and you'll find it hard to leave them alone. They are listed in no particular order!

TO  
GET THEM  
TALKING

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#### 100 Words for Babies and Toddlers

Bigcleverlearning

100 words is a speech and English vocabulary learning game for preschool children aged from around one to four years old. It will help your child develop confidence while learning new words. Through colourful graphics, energetic sounds and vibrant animations, children have fun learning to recognise and start to establish basic foundation vocabulary.

**Features:**

- A clear voiceover, available in either British or American English
- 12 different subject themes, including: pets, farm, zoo, toys, activity, outside, bath time, dinner time, fruit, vegetables, clothes and vehicles.

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#### Itsy Bitsy Spider

Duck Duck Moose LLC

A multi-award-winning original tribute to a childhood classic, Itsy Bitsy Spider offers children a fun, interactive and educational experience. Khan Academy Kids present this early learning app to help young children (ages 2-6) with reading, writing, math and social-emotional development!

**Features:**

- 100% interactive illustrations with hidden surprises on every page
- Easy navigation – just poke the spider to move to the next scene
- Use the record feature to sing along

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#### Video chat with Elmo

Sesame Street

This is an app full of fun phone calls from Elmo, which will help teach your child about healthy habits, self-confidence, and letters. Pick up the phone, Elmo's calling! Receive video calls, audio calls, and voice mail from Sesame Street's own furry, red monster. Or, give him a call yourself! With Elmo Calls you can laugh, play, and sing with Elmo!

Elmo Calls encourages children to engage in imaginative play, practice listening skills and sing songs with Elmo! This app also fosters self-confidence by encouraging children to celebrate important life moments, such as visiting the doctor, going to the potty and learning the alphabet!

**Features:**

- Receive audio and video calls from Elmo, or dial Elmo yourself.
- Receive voicemail from Elmo regularly and listen to the messages any time.
- See live video of yourself in the corner of the screen while you're chatting with Elmo.
- Grown-ups can activate calls or schedule calls for a variety of situations, such as time to wake up! More calls for going to the doctor, bath time and learning to potty available with additional call packs,

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## Toddler Flashcards

ITot Apps, LLC

*Toddler Flashcards is a must-have tool to help young children (and even babies) learn basic words. Whether you're at home, on the road, or on an airplane, Toddler Flashcards lets you keep a child engaged, entertained, and learning.*

### Features:

- Hundreds of high-resolution images
- Spoken audio in 13 languages: English, Spanish, French and Chinese. German, Russian, Farsi, Greek, Hindi, Arabic, Portuguese, Japanese, and British English are also available for purchase.
- Fun animal sounds
- Easy categories (foods, animals, things), and advanced categories (alphabet, numbers, shapes, colours)
- A "mix it up" mode to shuffle across cards

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## Tallytots Counting

Little 10 Robot

*This action-packed app helps toddlers learn to count with 20 awesome mini-games. Whether they're serving up a seven-layer sandwich or finding 14 colourful cupcakes, they'll have fun with numbers in this awesome learning game.*

### Features:

- 20 puzzles and mini-games that teach quantity, order and sorting
- An awesome sing-along counting song
- An assisted counting guide that helps toddlers count all the way to 100
- No advertising or in-app purchases. No internet connection necessary

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## Monkey Preschool Lunchbox

Thup Games

*This has the reputation of being **the #1 preschool game in the app store**. Kids ages 2 to 5 will learn and have fun by helping monkey pack lunch!*

### Features:

- 7 different games that teach kids about colours, letters, counting, shapes, sizes, matching, and differences
- Lovable animated monkey helps kids along as they play the games
- Dozens of sounds and voice recordings of colours, letters, fruit names, and more
- Animated Stickers! Kids get sticker rewards to encourage their progress
- Designed for preschoolers -- no confusing menus or navigation
- Unlimited play! Each game flows right into the next

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## Talking Pierre the Parrot

Outfit 7 Limited

*This talking parrot has many tricks up his sleeve and he's ready to have all the fun in the world with you! He repeats after you and makes up new sentences, he rocks it out like a true guitar hero and he dodges those tomatoes like a pro!*

### Features:

- Talk to Pierre: He repeats and invents his own sentences
- Play with Pierre: Try hitting him with a tomato, listen to him rock out on his guitar and have him throw cutlery at you
- Interact with Pierre: Rub his belly, poke him or have him jump the way you want him to

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## Wheels on the Bus

Duck Duck Moose

*This award-winning tribute to Wheels on the Bus is a fun, interactive experience for ages 2-5 encouraging motor, language and cognitive skills through fresh illustrations, creative interaction and music.*

### Features:

- Sing along and record your own voice
- Play original music performed by a classical piano trio (piano, violin, and cello)
- Listen to "Wheels on the Bus" in English, Spanish, French, German and Italian
- Learn the sounds of different instruments: violin, cello, piano and kazoo
- Interactive surprises on every page

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## Speech with Milo: Sequencing

Doonan Speech Therapy

Created by a licensed Speech-Language Pathologist, the adorable mouse Milo will help your child develop sequencing and storytelling skills, and he's brought a friend along to entertain and help your child. Selected as the #2 Best Education App for Kids by Babble.com.

### Features:

- 35 dynamic sequencing exercises using animation to keep your child engaged
- Targets language skills including: Sequencing, storytelling and/or retelling, time concepts ("first," "next," and "last"), increasing utterance length, developing complex sentences and improving grammatical skills

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## Articulation Station

Comprehensive Speech therapy

Created by a certified Speech-Language Pathologist, Articulation Station is a full featured articulation application to help children as well as adults learn to speak and pronounce their sounds more clearly. Beautiful high-quality images represent target words to be practiced in fun-filled activities with the assistance of a Speech-Language Pathologist, teacher or parent.

Articulation Station is the only articulation application offering practice at the WORD, PHRASE, SENTENCE and STORY levels all in one app! These activities are so fun your kids will love practicing their sounds and forget they are actually "working" on their articulation. Each of the 22 sound programs target sounds in the initial, medial and final positions of words, sentences and stories. The majority of sounds (p,b,m,d,n,t,k,g,f,v,ch,j,z,sh,th) have 60 target words each. The l,r and s sound programs target blends as well. Additionally, the r sound program has ALL the vocalic r's!

### Features:

- Quick tips for teaching each sound
- 20 target words per sound position (initial, medial, final)
- Beautiful high-quality images
- Create custom word lists
- Shuffle multiple sounds
- 6 different activities, including: flashcards, matching game, rotating sentences (like carrier phrases), unique sentences, Level 1 stories (with picture prompts and comprehension questions) and Level 2 stories (with comprehension questions)
- Group sessions (Up to 6 students at one time!)
- Student profiles with in-depth scoring and data tracking for each child/student
- Voice recording and playback feature for monitoring responses
- Save audio recordings
- Backup and restore your data