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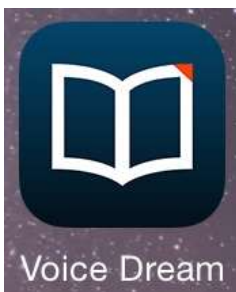
All apps below have been considered for students with a vision impairment. The success of these apps with different students will vary.

### GENERAL NEW APPS



Adobe Voice **Adobe Voice**

Creation of videos, similar to that of a PowerPoint presentation in less than 10 minutes. Students can record their voice to add to the icons, text and pictures they add.



Voice Dream **\$12.99 – Offers In-App Purchases**

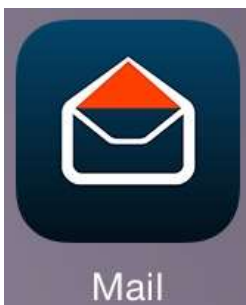
Read eBooks, audiobooks and PDFs or have them read to you.

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### **Voice Dream Writer - \$12.99**

Write a document, spell checks automatically, have the text read to you as you are writing it or all at once, adjust font sizes, colours and spacing and get definitions, phonetic words and thesaurus features.



### **Voice Dream Mail**

Emails are read out to the user. Emails can be moved through via a series of swipes. Replying to emails requires a subscription.

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Talking Calc **Talking Calculator - \$2.49**

Calculator with large buttons which speaks the key that is pressed as it is pressed as well as the answer as requested. High contrast mode available.

Voices are human and clear.



Talk Sci Calc **Talk Scientific Calculator - \$6.49**

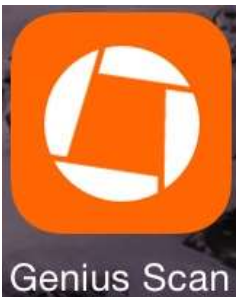
As above but with scientific calculator features built in. A larger number of buttons make the screen more cluttered.

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**Big Browser - free**

Enlarged internet browser with large keyboard, address bar and other features.



**Genius Scan – free**

Document scanner that allows the user to take a photo of text and save it in a variety of formats and settings. It can then be exported to a number of different apps as required.

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## LEGO APPS



### **Fix the Factory – free**

Help the Lego robot to achieve a number of different tasks by providing step-by-step instructions. This is a pre-cursor to using the Lego Mindstorms kits, getting students think about the steps involved in achieving a task.



### **Commander – free**

Commander app to control a Lego Mindstorm robot via Bluetooth.

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3D Builder

**3D Builder – free**

Step-by-step instructions on how to build various Lego Mindstorms robots.



ScratchJr

**Scratch Jr – free**

Pre-programming lessons designed for students from age 6-8, this app features a simple but effective interface for adding elements to a scene ending up with a simple animation.

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### WRITING/CREATING



**\$6.49 for full version. Free (limited) version available.**

Create your own books that can be published into the iBook store.



**Free – Offers In-App Purchases (\$1.29 each or all \$3.79).**

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**\$4.99 – Offers In-App Purchases (\$1.29 each)**

Create your own books that can be published



**Free**

Create a story using animated characters, includes the elements of a story and you can record your own voice.



**CBB (Creative Book Creator) - \$4.99**



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## MUSIC



**\$1.29**

Record and loop noises and voice to create a beat.



**\$3.79**

Play guitar, bass, drums and keyboard with 3 friends simultaneously.



**Free**

Record and loop noises and voice to create a beat.

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LOOPIMAL \$3.99

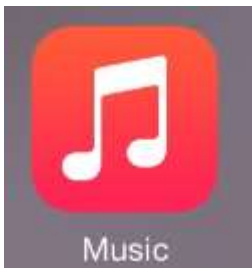
Add blocks to make the characters change their pitch to create a looped melody.



GarageBand

Music creation (made by Apple) – Free after September 2013.

### AUDIOBOOKS/eBOOKS



Music

**Built-In**

Music player app, comes with the iPad.

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**Free**

Access to the local library system via library card and pin.

### **ORIENTATION & MOBILITY (O&M)**



Smudge Co... **Free (full version \$1.29)**

App to help learn the different directions on a compass.



**Free**

Compass app.

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### APPS FROM PREVIOUS SHORT COURSES (VARIOUS AGES)



Pages

Word processor (made by Apple) – Free after September 2013.



Numbers

Spreadsheet (made by Apple) – Free after September 2013.



Keynote

PowerPoint (made by Apple) – Free after September 2013.



GarageBand

Music creation (made by Apple) – Free after September 2013.

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Photo manipulation (made by Apple) – Free after September

2013.



Movie creation (made by Apple) – Free after September

2013.



Game to test learning skills - \$4.99



Maths challenges at various levels of difficulties and in

various areas of mathematics – free version has limited options, \$2.49.

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Quick Math Maths questions of various types, write on screen – \$2.49.



Quick Math+ Maths questions of various types, write on screen – \$2.49.



Virtual History ROMA Interactive app investigating the history of Rome – \$10.99.



Photon Internet browser with Flash capabilities – \$6.49.

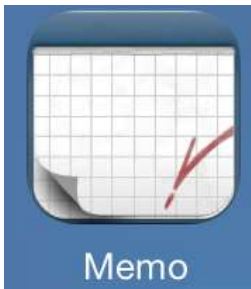


Stopwatch Huge stopwatch timer – FREE.

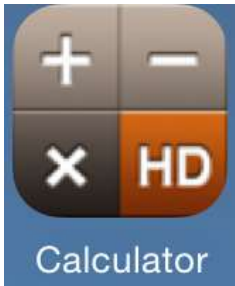
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Access dictionary definitions – FREE.



Hand write notes – FREE.



Big keys on calculator – FREE.



Hand write and solve mathematical problems – FREE.

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Use the iPad camera to invert colours, enlarge, change

brightness – not convinced on effectiveness for price – \$7.49.





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### Websites to visit to find out more information about apps:

<http://www.applevis.com> - Apps reviewed with references to their accessibility.

<http://childrenandmedia.org.au/app-reviews/> - not specifically for students with a vision impairment but offers general advice on suitability of apps for children.

<https://www.spectronicsinoz.com/blog/apple/> - apps for special education with reviews.

[http://appadvice.com/applist\\_ipad\\_client\\_view/apps-for-the-visually-impaired](http://appadvice.com/applist_ipad_client_view/apps-for-the-visually-impaired) - Information and descriptions of apps.

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### Downloading books:

Lots of apps (some free) have books built into them (they are often the books that are out of copyright). Search 'ebooks' in App Store.

Websites:

<http://www.free-ebooks.net> (cost involved)

<http://www.gutenberg.org> (Free)

<http://www.visionaustralia.org/living-with-low-vision/library> (need to join

Vision Australia) – both audiobooks and other texts.

iBooks has a built-in store where recent releases can be purchased.