



Core apps for students with visual impairments

There are so many lists of apps for students with VI that it can be difficult to get started. Here you will find a short list of apps that we use often and know work well.

Name	Where to locate...	Description
Early Years		
Tap-N-See Zoo	App Store (free for the basic version but the paid version is £2.99)	Useful for younger children or children with CVI. Features moving high contrast images. A very good app. This is also interactive and good for introducing cause and effect
Baby View	App Store (also on Youtube) (Free)	Lovely moving high contrast shapes with music
Art of glow	App Store (Free)	Create high contrast glowing images
Eda play Toby	App Store (Free)	For the training of vision and fine motor skills
Ballyland Stay Still Squeaky	Around £2.99	A story that responds to touch with audio feedback, while teaching basic iPad skills through cause and effect.
Fluidity HD	App Store (Free)	Great for teaching cause and effect and increasing visual attention

Infant Zoo Lite	App Store (Free)	Simple high-contrast illustrations encourage visual attention and help to develop an understanding of cause and effect
School years		
TapTapSee	App Store (Free)	TapTapSee uses a phone's camera and Voice Over functions to photograph objects and identify them for the user
Magnifying glass with light	App Store (Free)	This app allows the user to magnify text or objects
Talking scientific calculator	App Store (£4.99)	High contrast background and compatible with voice over
Kindle App	App Store (Free)	Useful for downloading and reading books. The user can change font size and contrast easily
Audible	App Store (Free- subscription around £7 per month)	Excellent for audiobooks. Some children's books are offered free but otherwise there is a monthly cost after the free trial.
Seeing AI	App Store (Free)	Uses the camera to narrate the world around you. This app can read short documents, identify people or objects
Overdrive	App Store (Free)	Use your library subscription to borrow ebooks and audiobooks

Dolphin EasyReader	App Store (Free)	A free accessible reading app for readers with visual impairments. Browse & download from the World's largest collection of talking book and newspaper libraries.
Ballyland Magic App	Around £2.99	Learn basic iPad and Voice Over gestures in this fun and interactive game.
Ballyland Sound memory	Around £2.99	A fun sound-matching game for all, using listening and memory skills. Also builds a basic understanding of navigating a digital grid's rows and columns.
Ballyland Code 1	Around £2.99	A fun, fully accessible introduction to the basic concept of coding and computational thinking.

If you are stuck for ideas or need additional advice, do not hesitate to contact your teacher for students with visual impairments. Alternatively, email the VI Education Team leader Daniel.downes@salford.gov.uk