Best Apps for Teacher Productivity

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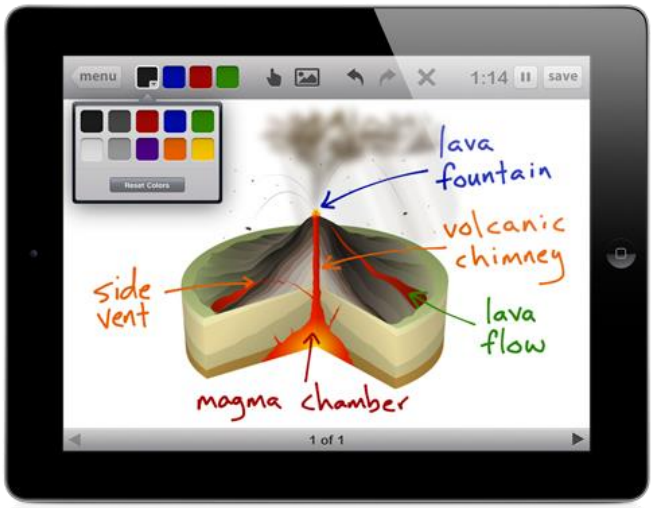
EduCreations (Easy) ☆ 	FREE	This app, which makes your device into an interactive whiteboard, allows the user to write, record his/her voice, integrate graphics and more while a concept is explain. This is great for flipping a lesson, or creating a supplementary video for your students to review. Post online and make the links available to your students.	Writing works better with a Stylus No export available. Embed / web hosting only.	• 10 Pen Colors • Scroll for additional space • Easily pull images from Camera Roll, Dropbox and the Web • White Paper, Lined Paper, and Graph Paper Available	iPad Web version available
TouchCast (Hard) ☆☆☆ 	FREE* **Will become paid once out of beta*	This app acts like a video but feels like the web. Viewers can click *within* the video to access live webpages or view up-to-date Twitter feeds without stopping video feed.	If exported (.mp4 file), no longer interactive (websites will not work). One hour worth of uploads. Subscriptions coming soon. Embed features limited at this time.	• Perfect tool for showing students how to navigate or use a website. • vApp (live web feeds) placement flexible • Effects, text and whiteboard also available	Desktop iPad

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Nearpod (Medium) ★★ 	FREE *Upgrades available for increasing space, presentation size and exporting options.*	Push interactive multimedia (easily created or chosen from a shared library) presentations out to student mobile devices or PC/Macs. Have them follow along while you control the presentation, engage in content and answer questions.	Free version Storage Space 50MB Free version Presentation Size 20MB Dependent on adequate wireless network and number of devices available	• Modes available: Live (synchronized) and Self-Paced • Engaging Features such as: Poll, Draw It, Quiz, Share Web Pages, Video, Audio and more • Reporting features for assessment	iPhone/iPad Android Chrome PC/Mac Windows 8
Too Noisy Lite / Pro (Easy) ★ 	FREE *Upgrade (Pro) available which offers additional visual effects, awards, themes and screens*	Sound monitor is a great classroom management tool that creates a visual for students to gauge their noise level.	Only one background on free version directed at elementary level	• Modes available for Silent, Quiet, Group, Class, etc. • Sensitivity adjustment • Dampening adjustment	iPad / iPhone *Comparable app for Droid: Be Quiet!*

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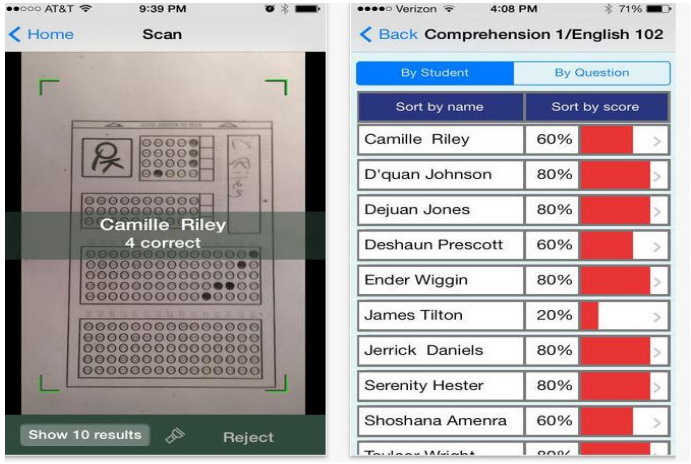
Splashtop (Easy) ✯ 	$4.99	Remote Control your computer from your mobile device from across the room. No needs to return to the front of the room to continue your lesson, advance a slide, or add to your presentation.	Dependent on wireless network; mobile device and computer must be on same application Writing on a whiteboard application (such as SMART Notebook) works best with a stylus). Must download Splashtop Streamer for desktop as well	• Have students complete problems from their seat – and still show the entire class! • Improve classroom management, save time and increase in individualized instruction with teacher moving freely throughout room	iPad iPhone Mac / PC Droid Windows 8
Quick Key (Medium) ✯ ✯ 	FREE *Upgrades available to increase number of questions on an assessment.*	Grade assessments using your phone's camera. Bubble sheets are printed from quickkeyapp.com.	Free version limited to 30 questions Only multiple choice and T/F questions supported Good lighting mandatory Some setup of classes needed	• Saves time grading • Includes data analysis per question and per student • Export data to a .CSV file to import into electronic gradebook	iPad iPhone

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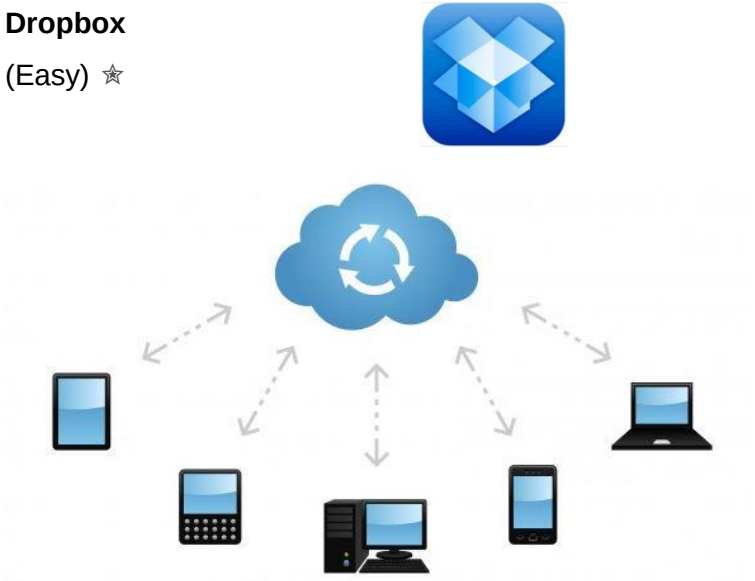
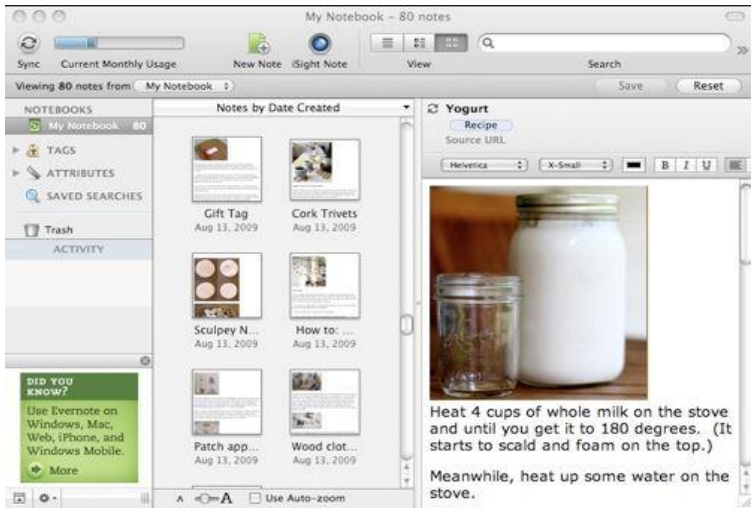
Dropbox (Easy) ✯ 	FREE *Upgrades available for additional space $9.99/mo or $99.00/yr*	Dropbox, an easy-to-use cloud storage space, allows users to save documents and open them from any device with ease – no browser launch required (if Dropbox is installed)! Just drag your documents into the folder and organize from within.	Only 2 GB of space included with free app Collaboration is asynchronous	• Sharing options available • Refer new Dropbox users to increase your space (250MB/user) • Enable automatic camera upload • Sync automatic	PC / Mac iPad iPhone Droid Windows 8
Evernote (Medium) ✯ ✯ 	FREE *Premium available for $5.00/mo or $45.00/yr to increase size limitations and unlock other features*	Sync everything in your life. Use Evernote to create notes, add pictures, audio and more. Organize notes into notebooks or places and search it later. Open Evernote from any device without launching a browser (if installed).	Collaboration on notes does not show revision history in free app Offline access limited to a handful of notes Note size max 25MB Attachment max size 25MB	• Syncs with calendar to automatically create notes based on event • Automatic geo-tagging • Add notebook collaborators • Export Notes, show in presentation mode, task functions and so much more.	iPad iPhone Droid PC / Mac Windows 8 Blackberry

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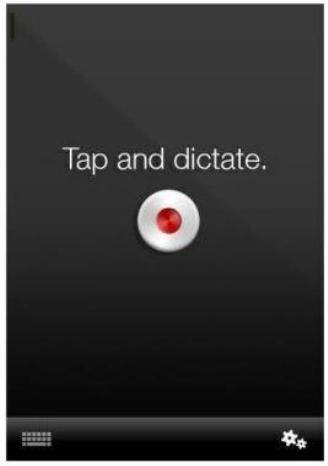
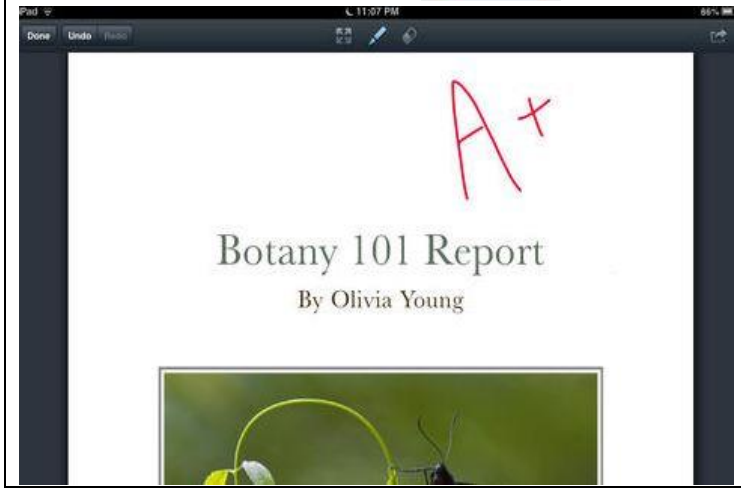
Dragon Dictation (Easy) ✯  	FREE	Dragon Dictation, powered by the same technology as Dragon Naturally Speaking, gleans accuracy and ease of use. This hands-free voice-to-text app can be used to generate text without typing, saving you time.	Although accuracy in high, recognition of some words, including unique names, may not be recognized.	• Easy-to-use punctuation guide for seamless insertion of breaks in text. • Push directly to Facebook, Twitter or email.	iPhone iPad *Comparable Droid App: Dragon Mobile Assistant (also FREE); many more features than Dictation*
Showbie (Easy) ✯ 	FREE *Premium accounts for individual teachers or for districts available with additional features.*	Setup assignments, collect student work, review/annotate by adding comments (written, typed, audio and/or video) and return. All without wasting paper!	35 students per class 25MB file size limit 100 assignment max per teacher Voice comment / video comment max 1 minute	• Unlimited classes per teacher • Easy to use for both students and teachers • Students enroll themselves with class codes • Tracks when assignments are submitted (date and time)	iPad Web

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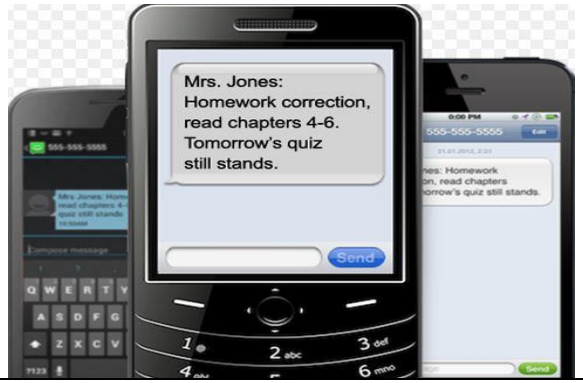
Remind 101 (Easy) ✯ 	FREE	Send text messages to students and/or parents without using your phone number.	Data rates apply for text messages for subscribers	• Enrollment is easy • Admin can remove subscribers • Set up multiple classes with different subscribe handles under a single admin account	iPhone iPad Web version

Other Noteworthy Apps for Teacher Productivity:

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Classroom Timer

Classroom Dice

Google Drive

Notability

PaperPort Notes

Class DOJO

GoodReader