

The term "app" is a shortening of the term "application software" and commonly refers to programs for mobile devices. A mobile app is a computer program designed to run on smartphones, tablets, and other mobile devices.

The explosion in number and variety of apps made discovery a challenge, which in turn led to the creation of a wide range of review, recommendation, and dedicated online app-discovery services. (wikipedia, 2014)

### Where to get apps

- iTunes - for iPhones
- Google Play - Android
- Amazon Appstore - Android
- Samsung Appstore - Android
- Windows Store – Android
- Blackberry World – Blackberry 10
- Nokia Store - Nokia

### How to find great apps

[edululu.org](http://edululu.org)

In light of the growing presence of touch screens in the lives of children and teens, and the ever-expanding number of available apps, parents need quality guides and references to help them make informed educational content choices.

Created for parents and teachers, EduLulu is the first public evaluation service for educational apps available in Canada for iOS and Android.

EduLulu, the Canadian reference for educational apps in French and English for 2 to 17 year olds! (Under categories choose "Language Skills" and look for apps with 'f' or 'e/f')

[Appyfamily.wordpress.com](http://Appyfamily.wordpress.com)

Great little site with only a few apps recommendations, but there is always a free app of the week. (Under 'Categories' choose "French")

Don't forget to look at related or similar apps often listed at the bottom of the purchase page.

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### ONLINE GAMES AND APPS

- **La Francomobile** An engaging and motivating game-based way for kids aged 7 to 12 to learn French the fun way!
- **IDÉLLO** A new world of online learning with thousands of French-language games, apps and websites for all ages and levels.
- **Zone Jeunesse** Radio-Canada's interactive youth website
- **Le Petit Champlain** A free app for little explorers to learn about Samuel de Champlain's life in a fun way
- **La Tablette de Champlain** What if Samuel de Champlain had access to a digital tablet?
- **Les Jeux de Lulu** StopMo Studio French version of National Film Board of Canada's award-winning stop-motion app

## BOOKS & MAGAZINES

- [Club de lecture TD Bilingual](#) book club offered through participating libraries. Lots of great online activities too.
- Check out French e-books in the [Tumblebooks](#) online library – many libraries offer free access
- [La Bibliothèque des Amériques](#) Become a member for free and borrow from a huge selection of francophone e-books for all ages and interests
- [Indigo's French Book List](#) and [French Immersion Book Lists](#)
- [Kayak magazine](#) (Canadian history presented in a comic-book style in French and English)
- [GéoAdo](#) (fun science magazine for teens)
- [Bookaboo](#) Fun French preschool show about a world famous rock star puppy who needs to read a story a day to play!
- Find more reading links in our "[Let's read en français](#)" blog post

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## MOVIES

- [L'office national du film du Canada](#) (National Film Board of Canada)
- [10+ Child-Friendly French Movies](#)
- [Top 10 easy-to-understand French movies](#)
- Borrow French films on DVD from libraries, such as [Ernest et Celestine](#), [Belle et Sebastien](#), [Louis Cyr](#), [Le Coq de St Victor](#). Or watch an animated English-language movie with French subtitles or dubbing!
- Find more French movie links in our [French-language movie post](#)

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## TELEVISION

- [Radio-Canada Jeunesse](#)
- [Tou.Tv Jeunesse](#)
- [TFO](#) (Télévision française de l'Ontario)
- [Yoopla](#)
- [Oniva](#) Radio-Canada's popular Canadian magazine-format show for school-age kids
- Arts & Crafts: [Dessinatruc](#), [Transformatruc](#)
- Magic tricks: [Par ici la magie](#)
- Animal shows: [Fous des animaux](#) on UnisTV or [Animo](#) on Tou.Tv
- Nature: [Arthur l'aventurier](#)
- Sports: watch popular sporting events in French on [Réseau des sports](#) or [TVA Sports](#)
- Cooking: popular Québec chef Ricardo's [cooking shows](#)

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## ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT

- [Francolab](#) combines language learning with cultural enrichment for students aged 14+
- Language apps like [Duolingo](#) or [Babbel](#)
- [Écrire en cursive](#) Free app that allows users to practice their cursive writing skills in French!

- [Project Voltaire](#) Grammar exercises and tests
- [La Dictée P.G.L.](#) Online dictées for Grades 1-8
- [BrainPOP](#) Animated educational site for kids
- [Live feed from France](#) 24/7 French news and information
- [Quizlet](#) Many quizzes at different levels – search “French”
- [Rosetta Stone](#) Immediate access to all levels of the world's best language learning program
- [TripTalk](#) great for parents planning to travel
- [AZ Dictionnaire Larousse](#), games, dictionary and more
- [Le Robert Dixel Mobile](#) The Robert Mobile Dictionary: 4 in 1! Discover the ideal compatible iPhone, iPad and iPod touch application that requires no internet connection and takes up little space on your device.
- [C'est pas sorcier](#) Engaging science show for kids from France

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## BOARD GAMES

- [Mille Bornes](#)
- [Carcassone](#)
- [Ti-Joe Connaisseur parcourt le monde](#)
- [Tic Tac Boum](#)
- [Apples to Apples](#) (French version)
- [Qui est-ce?](#) (French version of “Guess Who?” game)
- Find more French games on sites like [Renaud-Bray](#) or [Archambault](#)

Or play word and number games you already own – Scrabble, Bananagrams, Uno, Boggle etc – *en français!*

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## MUSIC

- [Ici Musique \(Radio-Canada\)](#) Press play on the [Coin des Petits](#) “webradio” for singalong francophone music for younger kids, and for tweens there is the *9-12 ans* webradio
  - Older kids can check out popular French-Canadian bands like [Malajube](#), [Karkwa](#), [Les Cowboys Fringants](#) and many more on Radio-Canada’s music-streaming service, [ICI Musique](#)
  - [Dans l’air du temps](#) Learn about popular French-Canadian music over the decades
  - [Chanter avec Mini](#) (Karaoke style!)
  - [Chansons traditionnelles](#) (iPad app)
  - [NoteCompo](#) Have fun being a music composer in French by changing the words, instruments and vocal tracks on 3 different compositions
  - [LyricsTraining](#) A fun way to learn and improve your French through the music videos and the lyrics of your favorite songs
  - Find more music links in our [“Chantons en français”](#) blog post
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## TRAVEL

- Interactive [Mapping Tool](#) for French-language businesses and services in British Columbia
- [«Bienvenue en Colombie-Britannique»](#) Discover bilingual historic sites, culinary and cultural Circle Tours and French-speaking ambassadors ready to greet you all over British Columbia.
- [La Francophonie au Canada](#) (Discovery game)
- [Québec Original](#) A compelling and feature-packed website showcasing Québec culture and geography
- [OffQc | Quebec French Guide](#) For lovers of French and diehard fans of all things québécois!
- [Paris Day & Night](#) Time-lapse journey through the whole of Paris, day and night, including nearly every famous landmark
- [Google Night Walk In Marseille](#) Explore the sounds, streets and soul of Marseille on this immersive digital night walk
- [Parc Astérix](#) Check out this theme park based on the classic comic strip!