

Toy Gift Ideas

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Speech


- ABC Mouse – website
- Barnyard Bingo
- www.eeboo.com – buy tons of games!
- Candyland – shapes, colors, matching, talking tools
- Cootie
- Discovery toys – Bugs
- Fibber 
- Guess What?
- Guess Where?
- Guess Who? 
- HeadBanz
- Jake and the Neverland Pirates games – matching, Who Shook Hook? , Neverland Challenge game
- Melissa and Doug – cookie, b-day, pizza
- Mr. Potato Head
- Fisher-Price Laugh & Learn: Learning Piggy Bank
- Princess Cupcake – Directions, matching
- Rory’s Story Cubes – www.storycubes.com, amazon, etc.
- Sneaky Sneaky Squirrel
- Spot It – find matches, similarities/differences between cards
- Train set – put together, on, under, over
- Uno Moo
- Zingo

OT Fine Motor



- Caterpillar Scramble – place beads/small objects onto his hands, he dances!!
- Clothes Pins
- Coloring books, crafts
- Connect 4
- Cool Circuits (for older kids, requires higher cognitive level)
- Cootie Game
- Dominoes
- Feed the Bunny, Monkey, Dog, kitty etc – use tweezers – Available at <http://www.lakeshorelearning.com>
- Fisher-Price Laugh & Learn: Learning Piggy Bank - Inserting coins
- Funny Bunny
- Hi-Ho Cherrio
- Jumpin' Chipper



- Lacing Cards
- Lite Brite
- Mancala
- Operation
- Pick-up sticks
- Pop the cow (not it's really called but find it at Bed Bath & Beyond)  sure what you can
- Pop the Pig game
- Putty/Playdough- finding beads/other small objects in the putty, charades with play dough
- Small magnets
- Sorting small objects/beads
- Stacking blocks
- Stringing/lacing beads, making necklaces
- Writing activity books

OT Sensory

0-12 Months

- Activity gyms
- Activity tables
- Animals that project lights onto bedroom ceiling and wall (ex: Tranquil Turtle)
- Baby Mirror
- Baby music tapes
- Baby Swings
- Balls with different texture (Sensory Ball Mega Pack –set of 4 @Fatbraintoy.com)
- Black and white toys
- Blankets/toys with “tags”
- Books that have openings to place family photos (Sassy)
- Bubbles



- Busy boxes
- Clear bolster with balls in it
- Crinkly sounding toys/rattles
- Folding plastic or cloth Books (squeaky noises, different textures)
- Foot and Wrist Rattles
- Giggling or vibrating toys (Giggle Gang –Fisher Price)
- Links
- Mobiles



- Mozart Magic Cube
- Musical balls that move to encourage crawling after them
- Musical infant toys such as drum to bang on



- Peek-a-boo blocks (Fisher Price)
- Play phones with music buttons
- Playtime mats and gyms
- Pounding bench
- Pull toy with a string
- Ring stackers on pole (musical or non-musical, cloth or plastic)
- Sleep Sheep (soothing white noise sheep)





- Small toy on wheels so that baby can move toy side to side
- Smaller “rain stick” rattles
- Stacking cups
- Tactile Blocks
- Teething Rings/toys with various textures
- Toys with suction cups to put on trays
- Water mats

OT Sensory-1 year olds


- Activity books or electronic books with various buttons to push
- Ball drop toys (balls go in holes and down ramps)
- Balls with various textures on them
- Bead maze
- Books/toys with mirrors
- Bubbles
- Farm Sound Blocks (Melissa and Doug) – make animal sounds when matching
- Fill and spill toys –putting in/out of containers
- Gear boards
- Giant Legos - halves are placed together.
- Large pegboard
- Large pop beads
- Large puzzles with knobs
- Large stacking blocks
- Musical instrument sets
- Pounding benches / Pound-a-ball toys
- Puzzles with sound
- Ring stackers (some have different textures or sounds/lights)
- Rockin Rody horse
- Small ball pits
- Small bead mazes
- Stacking cups
- Stacking cups or other containers for tiny hands to dump and pour in bath tub.
- Toddler swings
- Touch and feel cards and books
- Twilight animals that project stars onto bedroom walls/ceiling
- Walkers and push toys



OT Sensory -2 year olds

- Ball pits
- Beginning tape recorders or toy radios
- Bowling pin and ball set
- Bubbles and bubble toys such as various blowers.
- Colored foam soap for bathtub
- Fruit and vegetable halves to pull apart that are Velcro'd together
- Gear board toys/puzzles
- Jack-in-the Box
- Jungle Waterfall (make a cool waterfall in your tub) –by ALEX. The pieces stick to the tub or tile wall with suction cups.
- Koosh balls or animals
- Large crayons
- Large Rain Sticks
- Medium Legos
- Musical Instruments
- Piano
- Play barn or house (may have sounds or cloth textured characters)
- Play Doh and accessories – pushing, cutting, rolling. (try homemade scented or edible Play Doh)
- Play microphones
- Puppets
- Ride on toys
- Sand and water box play
- Shape sorters (ex: Lamaze Multi Sensory Soft Sorter)
- Sit 'n Spin 
- Squigz 
- Tunnels to crawl through
- Twilight animals that project stars onto bedroom walls/ceiling
- Whistles/blowers

OT Sensory -3 year olds

- “What’s in Ned’s Head?” game
- Ball pits
- Beanbag chair
- Beanbag games
- Bilibo - (sit on, sit in, spin in it, hide under it)
- Bubbles
- Dress up clothes
- Easel – white board/chalk board
- Felt board activities and books
- Finger paints
- Floor puzzles
- Foam soap for the bathtub
- Hop balls (sit on and hold handle to bounce along)
- Lacing cards
- Large enough ball to sit on and roll on
- Latches board
- Magnadoodle
- Magnet letters for fridge or easel
- Magnetic building toys such as Magna blocks
- Marble runs
- Parachute games
- Play Doh and various Play Doh Accessories
- Play tent
- Playground equipment
- Puzzles
- Sand box
- Shaving in the Tub (by ALEX)
- Squigz 
- Squirt toys
- T-ball sets
- Toddler trampoline
- Tunnels
- Twilight animals that project stars/light on walls and ceiling
- Velcro fruit/vegetable cutting
- Water/sensory table
- Whistles/blowers

OT Sensory - 4 year olds

- “What’s in Ned’s Head?” game
- Balance boards such labyrinth board or “Wobble Deck”
- Beanbag Chair
- Bubbles
- Dizzy Disc
- Dress up clothes with various textures, and manipulating fasteners
- Finger painting, painting on easel
- Foam soap for the bathtub
- Gears Lights and Action Building set (fatbraintoys.com)
- Hop on balls
- Hyper dash game
- Lite Brite
- Magnetic mazes
- Molding clay
- Musical instruments
- Parachute play
- Parachute play
- Play Doh
- Play tents/tunnels
- Playground equipment
- Sand box
- Scooter, skateboard
- Squiggle Wiggle Writer by Hart Toys (wiggly pen)
- Stomp Rocket Jr.
- T-ball sets
- Trampoline
- Velcro mitts to catch ball that sticks to mitt
- Velcro Play food to cut
- View Masters
- Whistles/blowers
- Wikki Stix



OT Sensory - 5-6 year olds

- Beanbag chair
- Blow up punching bags
- Electronic Hot Potato Game
- Foam soap for the bathtub
- Giant piano mats
- Gooley Louie Game (youngexplorers.com)
- I Spy/Find It tubes with hidden objects to find
- Inflatable Tumble Tire (Youngexplorers.com)
- Lite Brite
- Moon sand
- What's in Ned's Head game
- Painting sets
- Parachute play
- Play Doh or molding clay
- Stomp Walkers
- Sumo Bumper Bopper (youngexplorers.com)
- Musical Super Skipper
- Swings and playground equipment/climbing equipment
- Trampoline
- Twister
- Whistles/blowers
- Wikki Stix
- Zoom Ball





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OT Sensory - 7-9 year olds

- All Surface Swingball (youngexplorers.com)
- Beanbag Chair
- Easy bake ovens
- Enormous Outdoor Bumbalo Ball (to tumble in) (youngexplorers.com)
- Fake snow
- Inflatable Tumble Tire (youngexplorers.com)
- Jump ropes (ex Kid powered LED Jump Rope @ youngexplorers.com)
- Lava lamps
- Pogo sticks
- Scooters
- Snow cones
- Sumo Bumper Boppers (youngexplorers.com)
- Various science experiment kits found in stores
- View Masters



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OT Sensory - 10+ years-tweens

- All Surface Swing Ball (youngexplorers.com)
- Art activities with clay, paint, and other media
- Balance boards
- Beanbag chairs
- Candy/cooking factory kits (ones that make candy, cotton candy, freeze pops, snow cones, ice cream makers)
- Fake snow
- Find It tubes (items hidden in a sealed container to turn, shake, twist, and find the items)
- Hoola-hoops
- Illuminated Ant Farm (sensoryuniversity.com)
- Jump ropes
- Kites
- Large Parachute play
- Pogo sticks
- Science activity kits
- Scooters
- Sensory Vision Light up Football (sensoryuniversity.com)
- Stress balls or other fidget balls
- Trampolines
- Twister

OT Sensory - Teenagers

- “Find It” tube games
- Air hockey table
- Art sets
- Fiber optic lights
- Hoola-hoops
- Jewelry making kits
- Large beanbag chairs
- Lava lamps
- Nail art kits
- Origami
- Pogo Sticks
- Pottery Wheel Art Studio (ALEX)
- Sand panels
- Science experiment sets
- Scooters
- Sliders Carpet Skates
- Trampolines
- Ucreate Music (Mattel) –easy to use digital music making system



HOMEMADE SENSORY ACTIVITIES - (not age specific)

- There are many ideas on the internet if you search something like “sensory play” or “sensory activities”. Pinterest is an excellent resource for sensory play as well.
- Blowing pom poms or cotton balls with a straw – can blow into a cup, or blow along taped lines on the floor that make a maze. Also can play with blowing it across table to another.
- Bubble wrap to pop with fingers, jump on or put in a line in a hallway to run on and pop.
- Fill small swimming pool with larger foam blocks or other sensory items.
- Food coloring ice cubes – play with them on the tray alone or in vanilla pudding and see the colors melt and mix.
- Goop (cornstarch and water play)
- Guess the smell game – use household extracts or other scents on cotton balls and have child guess by closing eyes and smelling.
- Help with cooking and baking activities at home.
- Hide items in jello
- Homemade play dough’s – search edible and scented play dough.
- Jumping on bed or pile of pillows. Climbing over couch cushions or making a tunnel out of couch cushions.
- Play dough or spaghetti hairdos: Cut out familiar faces from pictures and cut off the hair. Tape the pictures on construction paper and slip into a page protector. Tape to table. Create hair out of play dough and place on plastic covered picture. A garlic press can be used to squeeze out “hair”, or just roll out or cut into whatever type of hairdo desired!
- Put various items in empty pop bottles. Colorful beads would be a good visual noise maker. Oil, water and food coloring with glitter is a quiet visual “shaker”.
- Rainbow rice (food coloring in rice)
- Roll down a “ramp” made of the couch cushions stacked in a row from couch to floor.
- Sensory bins (examples: rice, dry pasta, beans, oatmeal cotton balls, pom pom balls, un-popped popcorn. Hide small toys/items to find in any of the above.)
- Shaving cream play (add food coloring or Kool-Aid)



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- Swinging smaller children in Lycra material or other blanket – 2 people each holding corners to swing.
- Washing car or washing a toy car.
- Yard work, gardening, outdoor scavenger hunt.
- Ziploc bag filled with hair gel and a little water. Add some glitter and small toys that won't poke through .
ALSO seal with bag over the Ziploc with duct tape so that it can't open when squeezing the bag.

PT Gross Motor

- Animal Scramble
- Balance board
- Balls –various sizes
- Bike/trike
- Bilibo chair – sitting in
- Bumble Bee (Skip-Bo) Game
- Bumbo seat
- Hopscotch – mats or draw outside
- Hula Hoop
- Hyperdash
- Jump rope
- Musical Super Skipper
- Peanut balls – Walmart?
- Physioball
- Push/ride along toys
- Scooter boards
- Slides - climbing up
- Trampoline
- Twister
- Yoga cards



Social Activities

Ages	Games	Target Skills
Less than 1 year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rattles • Activity Gyms • Pretend Phones • Pretend Keys • Lots of Links • Blocks • Fisher Price Laugh and Learn: Learning Piggy Bank (6months +) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eye Contact • Exploration
1 to 2 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Musical Instruments • Shape Sorters • Dolls • Trucks • Look and Find Books • Blocks • Little People toy collections 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eye contact • Shows Toys • Pulls Toys • Imitation Skills • Parallel Play • Put away Toys • Pretend Play (starts to emerge at age 2)

Social Activities

<p>3 to 4 years</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Musical instruments • Dolls and/or doll houses • Kitchen Set • Trucks • Dress-up clothing • Doctor's kit • Puzzles • Play dough • Finger paints • Blocks/Legos • Puppets • Memory (3+) • Hi Ho Cherry-O (3+) • Uno Moo (3+) • Chutes and Ladders (4+) • Candy Land (4+) • Pop the Pig (4+) • Sequence for Kids (4+) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eye Contact • Imitation Skills • Sharing • Turn Taking • Problem Solving • Cooperation • Pretend Play • Associative Play
<p>5 to 6 years</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cash registers with pretend money • Dress-up clothing • Legos/Mega Bloks sets • Connect 4 (4+) • Trouble (5+) • Sorry (6+) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eye Contact • Inviting Others to Play • Organizing Play • Cooperation • Sharing • Turn Taking • Listening • Perspective Taking

Social Activities

7 to 12 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legos/Mega Blocks Sets • Uno (7+) • HedBanz (7+) • Bananagrams (7+) • Skip Bo (7+) • Phase 10 (7+) • Twister Dance (8+) • Cranium (8+) • Rory's Story Cubes (8+) • Farkle (8+) dice game • Monopoly Millionaire (8+) • Wits and Wagers (10+) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eye Contact • Inviting Others to Play • Organizing Play • Cooperation • Sharing • Turn Taking • Listening • Perspective Taking • Decision Making
13 years +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HedBanz (7+) • Would You Rather (12+) • Apples to Apples (12+) • Say Anything (13+) • Catch Phrase (18+) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eye Contact • Inviting Others to Play • Identifying and asking questions to get to know people better • Organizing Play • Cooperation • Sharing • Turn taking • Listneing • Perspective Taking • Decision Making

Assistive Technology/iPad Apps

Speech Apps

- If someone is already set up with a switch and is looking for additional/new switch toys - from Enabling Devices (enablingdevices.com)
- Ben Kachoo – this comes with a plush hippo that sneezes when the switch is activated and a story about Ben Kachoo.
- Dora Blubble Blower (also comes in Deigo) – Motorized bubble machine that is switch accessible.
- Regular bubbles, books, puzzles, games, etc. that can be used to communicate about using simple switches or more advanced communication devices

- Art Maker by Play School (Free) – Create scenes with different objects and characters, then move the items and record your voice to make a video that you can save and play back.
- Kindergarten.com flashcards – they have tons of flashcard decks that work on a variety of receptive language concepts. For the kids that love flashcards J
- Little Finder (free) – race against the clock or a partner to find the labeled item (food, household objects, etc.).
- My Play Home(\$3.99; also a lite version) – like a dollhouse for your ipad.
- News-2-You – geared towards older kids. You can buy a one year subscription for \$49.99 or just purchase single editions for \$1.99. There are news articles written using pictures and words, along with activities related to each article.
- PBS Kids Video (free) – watch pbs videos
- Peekaboo Barn by Night & Day Studios – Hear the animal sound, guess what it is, then open the barn door to find out.



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- RadSounds by RJ Cooper (\$4.99) – This is a music app that is switch accessible if the child has a blue tooth switch that can access their iPad. I’ve heard that the most recent iOS update allows switch access, but have not had the opportunity to try yet so I don’t know for sure.
- Splingo’s Language Universe by The Speech and Language Store (\$2.99) – this is a fun way to practice following directions containing 1-4 key concepts.
- Story Creator (free) – talking photo album. Take or upload pictures, draw or add text, record a caption, then watch your photo album play.
- Story Wheel – (\$2.99; there’s also a free lite version) – spin the wheel to help create a story about space, dragons, etc. – record your story to play back later.
- The Monster at the End of this Book – Sesame street book
- Toca Boca apps (range in price, up to approx. \$3.00) - (Toca House, Toca Hair Salon, Toca Band, Toca Builders – kind of like the younger kid’s version of Minecraft, etc.)



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OT Fine Motor Apps - Handwriting/tracing

*Chalk Walk: Allows children to use their pincer grasp to enhance their grasp on writing utensils. Encourages fine motor skills and hand position awareness. (\$1.99)

ABC Spy: Allows children to take a creative route to learn the ABCs and the environment around them. They are encouraged to choose a letter, and find an object that starts with that letter and take a picture. They can even make a film out of it when they are all done. Adaptable for many ages starting at 3. (\$.99)

Alphabet Tracing: Train, truck, and worm animations come to life to show children the proper way to form a letters and numbers. (Free)

iWriteWords: Teaches children ways to write in while playing a fun and interactive game. Preschool ages and up. (\$2.99)

Letter of the Day: Children learn the whole alphabet with visuals as well as letter sounds. Ideal for ages 4-6. (\$1.99)

Letterschool: Kids learn the letters shape, name and sound. They are then able to trace the letter and try to remember it from memory. Includes all letters as well as numbers 1-10. Ideal for ages 3-7. (\$2.99)

Little Match Up: Helps children learn important concepts about uppercase and lower case letters at even very young ages. Ideal for ages 0-4. (Free)

TapTyping: This app is ideal for teens or adults who may want to master their typing skills. It measures how many words per minute you can type. It is a nice way to measure objective progress. (Free)

Touch and Write: Developed by classroom teachers and combines fun with learning to create effective strategies. Kids can choose different materials (foam, ketchup, frosting, etc.) to write with making it more engaging. For children learning how to write and form letters appropriately. (\$2.99)



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OT Fine Motor Apps - Drawing/Activities

*Dexteria: It is a set of therapeutic hand exercises that improve fine motor skills for handwriting readiness in children and adults. Developed by OTs, and allows one to track progress made for the user. Helps build fine motor integration, fine motor precision, hand exercises, handwriting, writing speed, etc. Many good reviews from OTs. (\$4.99)

*Sam Phibian: Counting, fine motor, and visual motor skills. Fun for kids to match bugs and make Sam the frog grow bigger. Ages 4+. (Free)

*Shelby's Quest: Created by an OT to address special needs such as developmental delay, fine motor delay, and visual perceptual deficits. You can track progress on clients. A great tool to use in the clinic and at home. (\$4.99)

Alien Buddies: Many games for pre-school and kindergarten kids. Includes matching, puzzles, dot to dot. Many pre-school teachers gave good reviews. Ideal for ages 3-7. (\$1.99)

Cake Doodle: Same concept as cookie doodle as stated above. (\$.99)

Clickysticky: Tap to drag stickers on the screen from place to place. This is a great app to use to help fine motor skills. (\$.99)

Cookie Doodle: Allows children to follow recipes and make/decorate cookies on the device being used. Helps kids to learn to sequence and follow instructions as well as work on visual motor skills when playing with this app. (\$.99)

Doodle Buddy: An app that allows for children to be creative while they draw and work on fine motor skills. (Free)

Fingerfun: This app has more than 200 button patterns that can be used. Requires finger isolation and bilateral integration. Designed to help toddlers develop their fine motor skills. (\$.99)

Glow Coloring: A drawing app with eye-catching bright colors. Entertaining for kids to draw with colors that glow. (Free)

MeMoves: Can perform finger puzzles to the beat of the music. This app allows children to become calm with soothing music and a nice background picture. Helps children with autism and other disorders to become calm. (\$.99)

Mulberry FingerPlays: An app for children and parents to complete together. Includes many nursery rhymes and hand gestures for parents to learn and teach their kids. A great way for children and parents to bond. (Free)



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Paint Sparkles: Has many bright colors to choose from to color with. It also contains coloring pages so children can learn to stay within the lines of pictures. Great for many ages. (Free)

Pirate Scribblebeard's Treasure: Encourages children's creative imagination while working on their fine motor skills. Helps children to think imaginatively and outside the box. Great for ages 6+. (\$1.99)

Preschool Connect the Dots: Traditional dot to dot game for children ages 2-6. Involves lower case and uppercase letters, and numbers to connect. They can connect the dots to form upper case letters, animals, and more. (\$.99)

Squiggles: Children can create drawings and then have the drawings become animations by pushing a button. (Free)



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OT Fine Motor Apps - Cause/Effect

*Falling Stars: Touch the screen to create music with falling stars. (Free)

*Monster Chorus: When you tap on a monster they play a note. Kids can be creative while getting to know the cause and effect of the touch screen. (Free)

*Peeping Musicians: Touch the screen as musicians appear to send them to center stage and play a tune. Attention and early scanning/observation, hand-eye coordination. (\$1.99)

Baby Touch and Hear: Allows children to touch pictures of various animals, hear the name, and hear what noise it makes. Ideal for ages 0-7. (Lite version free)

Balloon Pops: Touch the balloons as they float up. Background music if desired. (\$.99)

Cause and Effect Sensory Light Box: Was created for teens with autism, developmental delays and/or visual impairments. Each swipe, tap, and controlled movements create different effects. (\$1.99)

Dropophone: Tap on different raindrops to have it make sound. When you tap on the same raindrop you can make the sound stop. Fun for kids to be creative and have fun making music and sounds. Works on fine motor skills too! (Free)

Ilovefireworks: Lets children create their own fireworks and then push on the screen to have them explode. Had good reviews by consumers. (Lite version is free).

Peekaboo Barn: Encourages children to touch the screen and learn about their favorite animals. Ideal for ages 1-3. (Lite version free)

Pocket Pond: Touch the pond of fish and get the nice relaxing sound of ripples. Great for any age. (Free)

Random Touch: An app for infants and children to touch the screen and create a noise and objects. Many reviews by parents who used with their infant or a child with disabilities. (\$.99)

Sound Touch Lite: Has 180 real images of objects that create sound when you touch them. Good for young children to learn new objects and see real pictures. (Free)



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Visual Perceptual Apps

*Bug Games: Includes many games for preschool age children. Has audio to help kids sound out letters as they spell words. Also includes connect the dots and other puzzles that can help challenge visual perceptual skills. (\$1.99)

*Little Finder: Hidden object game for both children and adults. Has a two person mode to compete against each other. This game is good for younger children too as it speaks what object to find instead of only having the written word. (Free)

Barnyard Mahjong: Fun way for kids to match and use their visual perceptual skills. (\$.99)

Doodle Find: Find objects hidden among many others. Great app to work on visual perceptual skills. Good for teens and adults. (Free)

Flow Free: Connect matching colors with pipe to create a flow. Pair all colors, and cover the entire board to solve each puzzle. Helps to challenge visual perceptual and problem solving skills. Ideal for ages 6+. (Free)

Little Finder ABC: Allows kids to search for letters of the alphabet within a busy background. Works on learning the alphabet and visual perceptual skills. You can even customize the app to fit the child's needs. (Free)

Little Things: The seek and find game that has had great reviews and ratings. A different game each time you play. (\$2.99)

Visual Motor Apps

Buzzle: A drag and drop puzzle that works on shape matching, motor skills, and hand-eye coordination. over 31 puzzles and matching games. Ideal for ages 3 and up. (Free)

Imazing: Holds many different versions of mazes at different difficulty levels. Challenges visual motor skills. (Free)

MatrixBasic: Works on visual perception and visual discrimination skills. Also helps develop attention, concentration, and spatial orientation. Matrix1 for kids up to 6 and Matrix 2 for kids 6+. (Free)

My Mosaic: Visual perception skills and hand-eye coordination. They copy a given image by dragging matching the correct color dots. Ideal for ages 4 and up. (Free)



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Shape Up: Interactive picture book that allows for children to participate in activities and find shapes throughout the story. Makes learning fun and effective. Ages 3 and up can use. (\$2.99)

Tracing Lite: Tracing lines in different scenarios. The levels can get more challenging and can be scored on accuracy, reaction, logic, and endurance. (Free)

Wood Puzzle Maze: Works on visual tracking, visuospatial skills, and problem solving skills. (\$.99)

Visual Discrimination Apps

Baby Game Little Shape Sorter: Interactive game that allows children to rapidly read and recognize letters, numbers, and shapes. Parents can record their own voice. Ideal for ages 0-4. (\$.99)

Little Match-Ups: A fun way for kids to learn about animals, fruits, vegetables and more. Allows kids to match objects presented in different forms (whole fruit vs. cut up fruit). Ideal for ages 0-4. (\$.99)

Figure Ground Apps

Doodle Find: A hidden object game that is great for children to challenge their figure ground abilities. Suitable for all ages. (Free)

Highlights Hidden Picture: Find objects hidden among a busy background. Children can advance levels as they master the game. Offers good figure ground challenges. Suitable for all ages. You can trial the game for free, but may need to pay for certain bundles.

Little Finder: Hidden object game for both children and adults. Has a two person mode to compete against each other. This game is good for younger children too as it speaks what object to find instead of only having the written word. (Free)

Little Things: A seek and find game that is a different game everytime you play. Very kid friendly. (\$2.99)



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Form Constancy Apps

Look Again: A little more difficult game of finding hidden shapes among random art work. This game offers 250 levels. (\$1.99)

Look Again Jr: A simpler version of the one stated above. Recommended for kids ages 1 and up. (\$.99)

Visual Sequencing Pattern Apps

Kindergarten Pattern Recognition: Offers many sequences that allow for kids to recognize a pattern. Patterns get more difficult with success. Ideal for ages 5-6. (\$.99)

Little Patterns-Toys: Helps develop critical thinking and mental reasoning. Games start with very simple patterns and get more difficult with success. Difficulty levels can be set. There are many other Little Patterns Apps (animals, shapes, numbers). Ideal for any age. (\$.99)

Moofy Recognizing Patterns: Kids can learn the sequence of the alphabet and numbers with this app. They can recognize patterns by shapes given. Provides a progress report on children to track progress in categories. The difficulty can be set for children to limit or maximize the amount of numbers, letters, etc. (\$1.99)

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Create and Play: Allows children to create their own characters and then play them in a game. Includes a memory card match game in which all of the characters created are used. This makes it motivating for children to want to play the games with their own characters being used. Many games are fun brain exercises. Appropriate for many ages. (\$.99)

Simon Game: A computer generated sequence is given and gets faster with each turn. Try to see how many sequences you can keep going. Ideal for ages 6 and up. (Free)



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Memory Games and Aides

*My Little Suitcase: This game is a fun way for young children to work on their memory. They have to try to match cards based on what they have in their suitcase. Can be played with 2 people. Helps to encourage young kids about taking turns. (Free)

It's Done: Was given wonderful reviews for those who may struggle with planning or memory loss. May be useful for teens who like to be shown a visual schedule of things. (\$2.99)

*Monster Hunt: A fun way for all kids to sharpen their memory skills. Visual memory and working memory skills are challenged. Appropriate for all ages. (Free)

Apps for Autism

Social Skills:

Neo Paul/Neo Kate: These apps allow one to type text into the box and it speaks for them. Could be good for those families whose "talkers" go faulty or if they need something more portable. Good for Iphone and Ipad. (Free)

Social Skill Builder: This app uses real children photos and interactive videos that could be used to help kids with social norms of what is/isn't appropriate. Ideal for children 7+. (\$2.99)

StoryKit: Allows children to develop and write their own story. Enhance creativity and social skills. This app could also be used for parents to create social stories for kids who have a hard time with transitions. (Free)

Toontastic: Enables kids to draw and use their imaginations. This could allow for children 4-10 to really work on their creative side and make their own story line. (Free)

Mood Regulation:

Autism 5 Point Scale: This allows a child to use a scale to demonstrate/identify how they are feeling. Parents and children can work together to determine what each level means. This is something that could be more discreet for a teenager with ASD instead of having to use a picture scale. (Free)

AutismXpress: This app offers many visuals of emotions to help kids determine what they are feeling. (Free)



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Breathe2relax: help users learn the stress management skill called diaphragmatic breathing. Breathing exercises have been documented to decrease the body's 'fight-or-flight' (stress) response, and help with mood stabilization, anger control, and anxiety management. Breathe2Relax can be used as a stand-alone stress reduction tool, or can be used in tandem with clinical care directed by a healthcare worker. Older children could utilize it, but would need training to learn how to use it. Younger kids could benefit if used together with a parent.

Moody Me: Records daily emotions and keeps records of the days. Helps one distinguish daily what types of things makes them happy or mad. Keeps a daily log and creates visuals to see how your mood has changed over a 90 day period. Ideal for kids 10 and up or younger if parents help implement. (Free)

SOSH the Shredder: Allows child to type in negative thoughts and then shred them so they have a way to let the negative behaviors go. (\$.99)

Visual Timers:

StopGo: A fun stoplight timer that allows kids to get a better idea of time. Can be used to teach turn-taking. (Free)

VisTimer: A visual timer shaped like a pie graph. Includes features to give early warnings. (\$1.99)