

All About (Mobile) Apps

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The best way to learn about an App is to try it out. Most are free and/or under \$5.

Mobile Operating Systems – for smartphones, tablets, PDAs or other mobile devices

Android – from Google, Inc.; largest installed base worldwide on smartphones; free and open-source software, but software bundled with it can be proprietary and closed source; Google Play storefront

iOS – from Apple, Inc.; second largest installed base worldwide on smartphones; proprietary and closed source; iTunes AppStore storefront

Windows 10 Mobile (Windows Phone) – from Microsoft; third largest installed base worldwide on smartphones; proprietary and closed source; Microsoft Store storefront

BlackBerry 10 – from BlackBerry; proprietary and closed source only for phones and tablets manufactured by BlackBerry; BlackBerry App World storefront

Mobile Apps – (price; mobile operating system)

–Alerting

Hearing Aide (free; Android)
 Braci Pro (free; iOS)
 MyEardroid (free; Android)
 Tap Tap (\$2.99; iOS)

–Cochlear Implant Company Apps

1) Advanced Bionics (Sonova)

AB Listening (free; iOS)
 AB Clix (free; iOS) – remote
 myNaida CI (free; iOS, Android)
 VocAB Scenes (free; iOS)

2) Cochlear

Baha Control (free; Android) – remote
 Baha Support (free; iOS, Android)
 Hope Words LITE/HD (free; iOS) – listening practice for children
 Nucleus Support (free; iOS, Android)

3) Med–El

Continents and Oceans (free; iOS)

–Hearing Aid Company Apps

1) Oticon (Oticon/Sonic Innovations/Bernafon)

Oticon Hearing Diary (free; iOS)
 Oticon Medical Rehabilitation Game (free; iOS, Android) – listening practice for children/adults
 Oticon Tinnitus Sound (free; Android) – tinnitus
 Alta Diary (free; Android)
 Connect Line (free; Android)
 Sound Gate (free; Android)

2) Phonak (Phonak/Unitron – Sonova)

Phonak Leo – Interactive Stories (free; iOS) – for children
 Phonak Support (free; Android)
 Phonak Remote Control (free; Android) – remote
 Phonak Tinnitus (free; Android) – tinnitus

3) ReSound (Resound/Beltone)

ReSound LiNX² (free; Android)
 ReSound Relief (free; Android) – tinnitus
 ReSound Control (free; Android) – remote
 Beltone SmartRemote (free; Android) – remote

4) Siemens (Siemens/Rexton)

Siemens Hearing Test (free; iOS) – hearing test
 Siemens touchControl (free; iOS) – remote
 Siemens easyTek (free; iOS) – remote
 Siemens miniTek (free; Android) – remote

5) Starkey (Starkey/NuEar/Microtech/Audibel)

Starkey T² Remote (free; iOS, Android) – remote
 TruLink Hearing Control (free; iOS) – remote
 Hear Coach (free; iOS, Android) – listening practice for adults
 Starkey Relax (free; iOS, Android) – tinnitus
 Starkey Hearing Loss Simulator (\$1.99; iOS) – hearing loss simulator
 Starkey Hearing Inovations (free; iOS) – Starkey hearing technology
 Starkey Sound Check (free; Android) – hearing test

6) Widex

Widex Com-Dex (free; Android) – remote

-Hearing Screening Apps

Hearing Check (free; iOS)
 Hearing Test/Hearing Test Pro (free/\$4.62; Android)
 Jacoti Hearing Center (free; iOS)
 Mimi Hearing Test (free; iOS)
 ShoeBOX Audiometry Pro (free; iOS)
 Test Your Hearing (free; Android)

-Personal Amplifier

BioAid beta (free; iOS)
 EarMachine (free; iOS)
 Hearing Aid Replay (Lite) (\$3.30 (free); Android)
 HearYouNow (free; iOS)
 Jacoti ListenApp (free; iOS)
 Jacoti Lola Classroom (free; iOS)
 Mimi Music (free; iOS)
 Petralex (free; iOS, Android)

-Sound Level Meter

Bosch iNVH (free; Android)
 Decibel 10th (free; iOS)
 Decibel Meter Pro (\$0.99; iOS)
 Sound Meter (free; Android)

-Speech-to-Text

Dragon Dictate (free; iOS)
 Note, Listen for Deaf (\$3.99; iOS)
 Note, Speak, Listen for Deaf (\$0.99; Android)
 Let Me Hear Again (free; Android)
 Live Caption (\$3.99; iOS, Android)
 Virtual Voice (free; Android)
 VoxSci for Mobile (free; iOS) – voicemail

-Speech/Text-to-ASL

Mimix Speech to Sign Language (free; Android)
 Sorenson Buzz Cards (free; iOS)

-Tinnitus

Hear&Tinnitus (Lite/Pro) (free, \$2.99; iOS)
 WistFree/Tinnitus (\$1.99; iOS, Android)

-TV/Cinema/Theatre

LoopFinder (free; iOS)
 Mobile Connect (free; iOS) – cinema/theater app
 TV Louder (free; iOS)

-Videomessaging

Glide (free; iOS, Android)

Resource Articles and Webinar

Medwetsky – Mobile Device Apps for People with Hearing Loss

http://hearingloss.org/sites/default/files/docs/HLM_SeptOct2015_Medwetsky.pdf

http://hearingloss.org/sites/default/files/docs/HLM_NovDec2015_Medwetsky.pdf

Hanavan – A Smart Phone Is a Hearing Assistive Technology

<http://www.hearingloss.org/sites/default/files/ASmartphoneIsaHearingAssistiveTechnology.pdf>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BlcD2jjvm4s&feature=youtu.be>