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Science Friday App (free)

Standards:

Speaking and Listening Standards
Comprehension and Collaboration

2: Interpret information presented in diverse media formats and explain how it contributes to a topic, text.

3. Delineate a speaker's argument and specific claims.

Reading for informational Text

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

7. Integrate information presented in different media... to develop a coherent understanding of a topic or issue.

Website: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/science-friday/id474235924?mt=8>

Description: This site has short, entertaining videos as well as articles and pictures on quite a variety of topics. Topics are organized on the sidebar and are easy to navigate. Originally produced for NPR, the videos are really interesting and the photography is fantastic. The site has articles and a blog and it is free.

Unfortunately, the articles and the blog will not load on my old iPad. I'll try it again on a more updated iPad, but for me it really doesn't matter. I love the videos!

Classroom application:

I have used the regular website in my class- in fact, I use it on Fridays as a quick science moment. The topics presented are timely, such as the physics used in Olympic events, or formation of snow crystals. I will introduce this app and encourage students to use it for fun (They can suggest good videos for me to show in class.).

Another way to use this is to have students watch a video and write a paragraph expressing the author's claim and support the claim with evidence from the video. They can also make their own claim about how the video shows the material that is currently being taught in class.