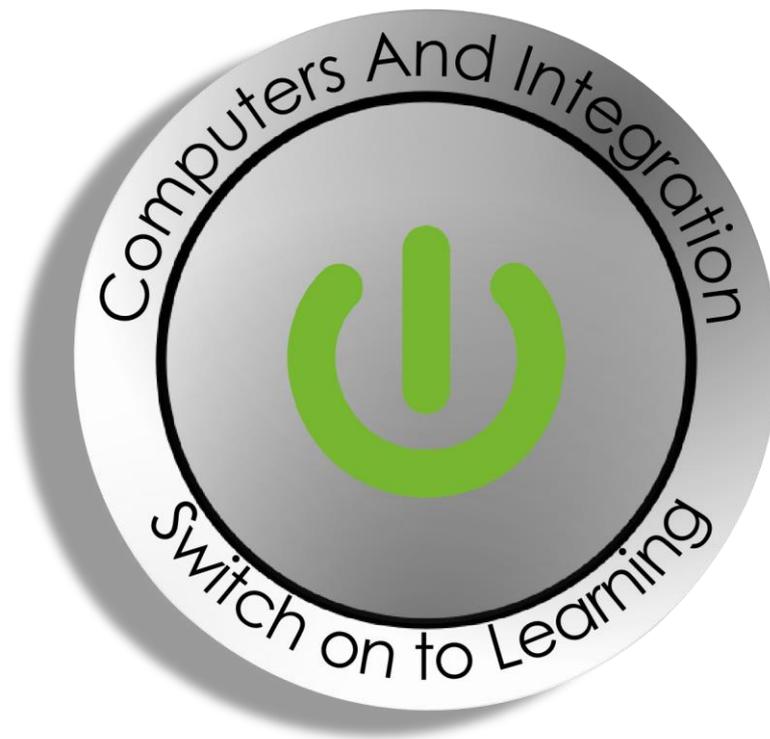


25 Best iPad Apps

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Preface

The Apple iPad is the most popular tablet computer of its kind and there are a wide range of apps in the Apple App Store for it.

This guide lists the 25 best iPad apps as deemed by the author.

All the apps included in this guide offer a range of features and functionality so that you can get the best out of your iPad.

In a nutshell, the apps in this guide will help you to:

- Watch catch-up and live TV
- Watch online videos
- Listen to the radio
- Get the latest news and weather
- Communicate with your family and friends
- Shop online
- Be productive by creating documents, spreadsheets and presentations
- Back-up your precious photos stored on your iPad to the cloud
- Play popular Scrabble-like games for mind boggling fun

Chapter 1 – Watch TV and online videos

The following apps will allow you to watch both catch-up and live TV as well as online videos:

- **BBC iPlayer** – catch-up on TV programmes from the BBC
- **STV Player** – catch-up on TV programmes from STV
- **All 4** – catch-up on TV programmes first aired on Channel 4
- **My5** – catch-up on TV programmes first aired on Channel 5
- **TVCatchup** – watch live TV from the UK's main 5 TV channels
- **YouTube** – stream a wide range of online videos

Chapter 2 – Listen to the radio

The following apps will allow you to listen to your favourite radio stations from across the world as well as from the BBC:

- **TuneIn Radio** – listen to a wide range of radio stations from all over the world
- **iPlayer Radio** – listen to just BBC radio stations

Chapter 3 – Get the latest news and weather

The following apps will help you to stay up-to-date with international news as well as the weather forecast:

- **BBC News** – national and international news from the BBC along with a range of specialist news topics such as health, education, technology and so on
- **BBC Weather** – the weather forecast for the UK as well as major cities across the world

Chapter 4 – Communicate with your family and friends

The following apps will allow you to stay informed about what your family and friends are up to as well as talk to them directly:

- **Facebook** – a popular app that lets you see what the people you care about are up to
- **Messenger** – this is Facebook’s messaging app and it allows you to chat to your family and friends
- **Skype** – a popular app for phoning and video calling family and friends

Chapter 5 – Create documents, spreadsheets and presentations, plus back-up your photos to the cloud

With your iPad you can create documents, spreadsheets and presentations just like on your desktop computer or laptop.

The following apps are useful for just this purpose:

- **Microsoft Word** – create documents and save them to OneDrive, Microsoft's cloud storage system
- **Microsoft PowerPoint** – create presentations and save them to yet again OneDrive
- **Google Docs** – create documents, spreadsheets and presentations and store them safely online
- **Google Drive** – see all your precious files, such as the documents, spreadsheets and presentations you created with Google Docs
- **Google Photos** – store an unlimited number of photos from your iPad safely in your Google account

Chapter 6 – Shop online

Shopping online is a popular pastime for many people.

The **Amazon** app is the best shopping app for the iPad as you can buy a wide range of products.

Chapter 7 – Play Scrabble-like games

If you want mind boggling fun, then you might like to play Scrabble-like games on your iPad.

The following apps are good fun on your own or against family and friends:

- **Wordfeud** – play a Scrabble-like game against random opponents or family and friends
- **Scrabble** – play solo against a range of computer opponents or against real people