

Websites and Apps for Success (Fall 2019) (Formerly Called "Tech for Success")

Resources

All-in-One Study Suite

www.goconqr.com/en/

Purpose: A whole range of applications to help you study, take notes, etc. Well worth exploring!

Platform: Web, iOS, Android.

Cost: Free.

Memorize.com

Purpose: Helping you to learn and remember.

Platform: Web.

Cost: Free.

Study/Assignment Digital Planner

Schooltraq.com

Purpose: You can add in when assignments are due, when that major research paper is due, or when mid-term or final exams are. Made by students for students.

Platform: Web, iOS, Android.

Cost: Free for basic, a small amount each month for added features.

Flashcards

Brainscape

Purpose: Create flashcards for tests on any device. The user can share with others and search cards created according to subject or topic.

Platform: Online, iOS, Android.

Cost: Basic version is free; a cost for upgrades with more features.

Flashcards + by Chegg and Study Note

(Please note that Study Note was recently purchased by Chegg and they will soon be “combined,” according to the Study Note website)

Purpose: Create flashcards. As an added bonus, you are able to add images to flashcards.

Platform: iOS, Android.

Cost: Free.

Quizlet.com

Purpose: Study card (flashcards).

Platform: Web.

Cost: Free for basic; a cost for upgrades with more features.

studystack.com

Purpose: Create your own flashcards, or use app’s flashcards.

Platform: Web, iOS, Android.

Cost: Free.

Mind maps

Coggle

Purpose: Coggle is a mind mapping web application. Like other mind-mapping software, Coggle produces hierarchically structured documents, like a branching tree.

Platform: Online, iOS, Android.

Cost: Basic version is free; a cost for upgrades with more features.

Mindly

Purpose: Mind mapping for mobile devices.

Platform: iOS, Android, Mac.

Cost: Basic version is free; a cost for upgrades with more features.

Draw.io

Purpose: Mind mapping and more!

Platform: All mobile and desktop devices, online and offline.

Cost: \$10/year.

MindMup

Purpose: Create and share amazing mind maps.

Platform: Online only.

Cost: Basic version is free; \$2.99/month for upgrades that include more features.

Grammar/Editing

Grammarly

Purpose: Checks grammar, spelling, punctuation, sentence structure and more, on a Microsoft platform.

Platform: Online, mobile apps available.

Cost: Basic version is free; a cost for upgrades with more features. NOTE: NVIT does provide premium user license for NVIT students. Contact the Student Success Centre for more information.

Hemmingway

Purpose: The app highlights long, complex sentences and common errors; if you see a yellow highlighted sentence, shorten or split it. If you see a red highlighted sentence, your sentence is so dense and complicated that your readers will get lost trying to follow its meandering, splitting logic – try editing this sentence to remove the red.

Platform: Desktop- Windows and Mac.

Cost: \$19.99.

E-Reader

Q-Read

Purpose: An e-text reader compatible with Windows. Some features include bookmarking, open multiple books, researching and copying text to other applications.

Platform: Web based, Windows.

Cost: \$30.00.

ReadAloud

Purpose: Text to speech, in multiple languages.

Platform: Desktop with Windows.

Cost: Free, offers in-app purchases.

Note Taking

Note Taker HD

Purpose: Can be used for writing and organizing handwritten notes and diagrams by writing with a stylus or with fingers. You can also download PDF files and make notes directly onto the PDF.

Platform: Ipad only.

Cost: \$6.99.

Evernote

Purpose: Very good at taking any kind of notes.

Platform: Web, Windows, Android, iOS, macOS.

Cost: Free, with limitations. Premium and business plans, with more features, available.

MS OneNote

Purpose: Very good free note taking- mimics paper in ability to add items to page.

Platform: Web, Windows, Android, iOS, macOS.

Cost: Free.

Simplenote

Purpose: Excellent, distraction-free note taking- no bells or whistles.

Platform: Web, Windows, Android, iOS, macOS.

Cost: Free.

Relaxing, Calming, Breathing

MindShift CBT

Purpose: MindShift is designed to help teens and young adults manage symptoms of anxiety. Some features include 'Anxiety 101,' 'Chill Out Tools,' and 'Thinking Right.'

Platform: Mobile- Apple and Google Play.

Cost: Free.

Rest & Relax

Purpose: Provides deep relaxation, stress relief and help with falling asleep. Examples of relaxation tools include 'Breath Awareness Meditation,' 'Deep Rest Guided Meditation,' and 'Whole Body Relaxation.'

Platform: iPhone, iPad, and iPod Touch

Cost: \$2.79

Calm.com

Purpose: Meditation and breathing exercises.

Platform: Web, iOS, Google Play.

Cost: Free, subscription available.

Headspace

Purpose: Meditation and mindfulness.

Platform: iOS, Android.

Cost: Free, subscription available.

Breathe 2 Relax

Purpose: Focuses on breathing and other tools to reduce stress.

Platform: iOS, Android.

Cost: Free.

Free Courses

Edx.org

Purpose: Free courses, from introductory to advanced, Architecture to Zoology and everything in between!

Platform: Web, iOS, Android.

Cost: Free, with a small fee if wanting a certificate of course completion.

Coursera.org

Purpose: Free courses, which appear to be more specialized than edx.org.

Platform: Web.

Cost: Free.

Textbook Buy/Sell

Abebooks.com

Purpose: Sell textbooks you no longer require or purchase used textbooks for a reduced price.

Platform: Web.

Cost: Free.

There are several other websites you can have a look at for buying and selling used textbooks. A few are: amazon.ca, ebay.ca, kijiji.ca