

Tools For Productive Use of iDevices

- Download iTunes - <http://www.apple.com/itunes/>
- How to set up an iTunes Store account - <http://support.apple.com/kb/ht2731>
- Create an iTunes App Store account without a credit card - <http://support.apple.com/kb/ht2534>
- These are videos that go through the authorisation and syncing processes - watch the first one on this page, then there are links to others underneath it:
<http://www.wonderhowto.com/how-to-authorize-de-authorize-computer-itunes-330989/>

Communication

1. Skype – Free – for mobile device and desktop - www.skype.com
2. Tango video calls – Free – mobile device only - mixed reviews
3. PingChat! – Free – free unlimited cross-platform, smartphone to smartphone text messaging – includes group chat – and media messages

Social

1. TwitPic Photo/Video Loader - £0.59
2. TwitVid – Free
3. PhotoTweeter – Free (Lite) / £1.19
4. VR+ Voice for Twitter/Facebook/Blogger/MySpace - £1.19 – www.shapeservices.com - <https://vr.shapeservices.com/recordings.php>
5. BoxCar – Free - allows push notifications from apps that don't do this.
6. Shhmooze – Free – connect with people at conferences and events
7. Twitterrific – Free – my personal favourite for Mac desktop and iPhone
8. Osfoora HD - £2.39 – my personal favourite on the iPad
9. TweetDeck – Free – was my personal favourite for my Mac – *very good on the iPad but relies on wifi*
10. SimplyTweet – £2.99 – was my personal favourite for iPhone
11. Tweet Library - £5.99 – iPad – way of archiving tweets
12. Facebook – Free – best for the iPhone
13. Friended – Free / £0.59 – my personal favourite for iPad
14. Flipboard – Free – iPad - excellent way of showing Twitter, Facebook etc

Productivity

1. Dropbox – Free – a *'must have'* – for mobile device and desktop – www.dropbox.com
2. Quickoffice – Free / £2.99 / £5.99 / £8.99 (iPad) – syncs to Dropbox, Google Docs and others – allows editing of office files – and email attachments.
3. Evernote – Free – capture text, photo or voice – syncs with desktop – www.evernote.com
4. GoodReader - £1.79 – connects to Dropbox and Google Docs – can annotate PDFs – can send docs to other apps (Quickoffice, DocsToGo, Evernote etc) – add/remove docs via iTunes
5. Documents To Go - £5.99 / £9.99 – similar to Quickoffice – add/remove docs via iTunes
6. Pic Transfer - £0.59 – transfers between mobile devices and to Mac across wifi network – www.objectiveapp.com
7. DropCopy – Free (Lite) / £2.99 – same as Pic Transfer, but with most file types - ** I have had trouble with this over Uni Wi-Fi network, but works fine on home Wi-Fi* – add/remove docs via iTunes
8. DropVox – voice memos to Dropbox in one click – US only (\$0.99)
9. Doodle for iPhone - £1.79 – meeting scheduler – www.neos.ch/products/doodle-for-iphone - www.doodle.com
10. EasySign - £1.79 – sign and complete documents – www.easysignmobile.com
11. VideoMail - £0.59 – send video, photo or audio quickly via email
12. USB Disk – Free – add/remove files via iTunes – can access Dropbox for a fee
13. PDFReader – £0.59 / £1.19 - accesses Dropbox, Google Docs etc – will connect to a desktop via wifi - will scan and create PDFs (Pro Edition) – *I have found it works fine, but reviews are poor*
14. Elements – Dropbox Powered Text Editor - £2.99 – quick and easy .txt file editor
15. WikiServer - £1.79 – mobile wiki server – *not tried this myself, but have read multiple positive reviews and tweets by both geeks and academics*

Browsers

1. Skyfire - £2.99 – for viewing Flash on websites
2. Instapaper - £2.99 – read website content off-line
3. Side by Side – Free – A multi-window browser, text editor, and file reader for iPad

Photography – obviously only for devices with cameras

1. Gorillacam – Free – multiple settings and options
2. Scanner Pro - £3.99 – scan (photograph) documents, whiteboards etc then email or upload to Dropbox, Google Docs (with OCR function), EverNote etc.

3. DocScanner - £1.19 – scan (photograph) documents, whiteboards, receipts etc then email or upload as PDF to Dropbox, Google Docs, EverNote etc – has built-in OCR – syncs to desktop via wifi
4. 360 Panorama - £1.19 – take 360-degree photos – can share via email, SMS, Facebook, Twitter
5. CamCard – Free (Lite) / £3.99 – photograph business cards and OCR automatically adds fields to contacts
6. Optiscan – £1.19 - QR code scanner – *it says generator but not had any success yet...* (use www.2cdodeme.com for this)
7. QuickMark - £0.59 – QR and barcode reader
8. Lynkee – Free – QR and barcode reader

Books

1. Stanza – Free – Read ePub, eReader, PDF, CBR/CBZ, DjVu books – add/remove docs via iTunes
2. iBooks – Free – same as Stanza – add books from the iTunes bookstore - includes accessibility features such as speaking words on a given page
3. Kindle – Free – create an Amazon account and download books

Writing/Notes

1. Notes Plus – £3.49 – iPad only - this is my favourite handwriting note-taking tool – includes voice recording, exports PDF, share by email or Google Docs – Dropbox and EverNote in development – <http://notesplusapp.com>
2. Note & Share - £1.79 – note tool – send to Twitter, EverNote, Facebook, Dropbox, Google Docs, SMS, email etc. Built in URL shortener and word counter for Twitter – hash tags recognized by both EverNote and Twitter – image sharing function
3. Underscore Notify – £1.19 – handwrite notes – annotate documents from email, Dropbox, Google Docs, EverNote etc – make audio notes – add photos (iPhone) – insert from the web – inbuilt OCR (for a price) – export by email as PDF or image – www.underscore.se - *not used this much myself*
4. Notica - £1.79 – visual memory companion – stores text, location, time, date and photos/videos on notecards – share on Facebook, Twitter, email
5. Geonoter - £0.59 – notebook for locations – tag locations – add photos and notes to a location
6. Trunk Notes - £2.39 – note taking and personal wiki – sync with Dropbox – add images, sound etc – connects to desktop over Wi-Fi
7. Tanzaku Pad - £1.19 – handwritten note-taking – *not used this much myself*
8. Mental Note – Free (Lite) / £1.79 – note-taking – combine photos, audio recordings, drawing and text – share via Twitter – add location to notes - <http://www.zymbiotic.com/menternote>
9. FastFinga – £1.19 - use for hand-written notes, doodle on a photo, send handwritten email, write mathematical equations, write musical scores, create hand-written Twitter messages, post hand-written notes to Evernote - <http://www.catalystwo.com/web/FastFinga.html>

Voice

1. AudioNote – Notepad and Voice Recorder – Free (Lite) / £2.99 – synchronise notes and audio recordings – *'relive a lecture or a meeting through sound and notes'* – download recordings and notes onto Mac
2. Dragon Dictation – Free – voice recognition app – use your voice to write SMS, email, update Facebook and Twitter – with practice *'it's up to five (5) times faster than typing on the keyboard.'*
3. Dragon Search – Free - speak your search queries and get simultaneous results from a variety of websites and content sources including, Google or Yahoo, YouTube, Twitter Search, iTunes, Wikipedia
4. Vlingo – Free – voice commands, send texts and email, update Twitter and Facebook - <http://www.vlingo.com/apps/iphone>
5. Voice Memos - £0.59 – record and review audio

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1. iPDP
2. UniApp

If you use other apps, please let me know about your experiences – good and bad – it will help build up our knowledge base.

Many thanks

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