Notability – Quick Tips

Description: Notability is an efficient studying app available on the iPad, iPhone, and Mac. Combining user-friendly simplicity with a wide range of interactive tools, it helps create, organize, and modify notes for different courses and semesters.

Benefitted Learners: Visual

Cost: $3.99/ iPad ; $5.99/ Mac

Website: http://www.gingerlabs.com/

- iTunes
- Google Play

Using Notability

- Video Introduction (to iPad)

Basic Introduction (to App)
Notability offers various paper types—graph, printer, lined, etc.—on which you can begin taking notes. Using the dividing section, label semesters and delineate between classes to place your notes into easy-to-find locations for future use.

The utility icon in the top right (marked by a ‘wrench’) allows you to choose the paper type and color.
- From here, the middle icons will allow you to choose your pen/pencil type, colors, highlighters, and will also allow you to cut, copy, and paste.

Features of Notability

Organization

- Once notes have been created, organizing them is not only important but simple. Going into ‘All Notes’ will open sub-categories below: You can name semesters, within which you can place classes, and so on.
- You can also search your notes by keyword using the task bar in the top left.

Cloud Backup

- Notability allows you to back your notes up using the Cloud, as well as Dropbox and Google Drive. This will ensure you not only don’t lose your notes, but that you have other ways to view your work.

Graphic Representations

- Using the middle icons, Notability makes it much simpler to create pictures, graphs, and other representations that will come in handy in, for instance, Chemistry and Trigonometry courses.
- Prefigured shapes like squares and circles can be added as well.

Possible Limitations

- While there aren’t any overwhelming drawbacks to the app, some small limitations include the lack of an erase feature while drawing figures, as well as the delay involved when using the ‘Zoom-in’ feature.

Additional Resources

- App Review (helpful introduction included)

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