Apps in a Flash: 23 Mobile Things Preview

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Welcome!

Welcome to 23 Mobile Things!

Over five years ago, the Minnesota multitype library systems brought you 23 Things on a Stick, a self-paced learning program about Web 2.0 tools.

When it comes to technology, five years is a long time and there have been a lot of changes. A big change is the shift to mobile devices. We know that PCs are on the decline and mobile devices are skyrocketing. It only makes sense to continue the 23 Things program with 23 Mobile Things.

23 Mobile Things is a self-paced learning program that will identify 23 types of apps for you to discover.

Who can participate

This program is open to all staff in any Minnesota library – public, academic, school, or special – as well as members of their Governing Boards, their Friends groups, or Advisory Groups. Experienced users as well as novices and everyone in between are invited to join. This is self-paced and self-directed.
The 23 Things

Click on a link for one of the Things to view the content. Try some of the apps or content listed and then write a blog post for that Thing describing what you learned and how you could use what you learned personally or professionally.

1. Blogging & Registering
2. Mobile Device Tips
3. Utilities
4. Keeping Up
5. Notetaking
6. Creating & Editing Docs
7. Content Saving & Sharing
8. Social Media
9. Taking & Editing Photos
10. Sharing Photos
11. Library & Reference
13. Presentations
Tumblr

Tumblr: Apple / Android

Tumblr is a free, short-form blogging platform. It is fast-growing and popular with teens and college-aged users. It is owned by Yahoo. Tumblr is media heavy in that they make it easy for users to post multimedia content to their posts. You don’t have to include media, but if you look at other Tumblr accounts you’ll see a lot of gifs, images, and videos.

Getting Started

1. Download the app and click the Get Started button.
2. Either select areas you’re interested in or deselect them and click the Skip button. (If you select areas you’re interested in, it will automatically start following some popular blogs in those areas for you.)
3. Choose whether or not Tumblr can access your contacts.
4. Enter your email address, password, and username. Your username will also be part of the URL for your blog. Your blog’s address will be: username.tumblr.com.
5. Take a picture of yourself or click the Skip button.
6. Give your age and agree to the terms of service. You have set up your Tumblr!

Now, dive in and write some posts. Here are some screenshots that should help get you started.

When you open Tumblr, here are what the icons mean (click to make it larger):

After you click on the post icon, you’ll see multiple different types of posts you can do. This screenshot explains them (click to make it larger):

You’ll most likely be using the “Ask” button a lot to write some text-based posts, so here is
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Thing 4: Keeping Up

Flipboard

Create your own digital magazine, filled with websites you want to follow.

Apple & Android
Thing 5: Notetaking

Dragon Dictation

Speak your notes, Dragon will type them for you. Multiple ways to share them.

Apple & Android

So this is Dragon dictation. It's a way that you can record your own voice. It could be helpful when you're trying to take notes if you record them out loud. Obviously not in a large room with a lot of students. But if you are in a quiet area and want to take notes, just speak them and it will type them out for you. So I'm talking about Dragon dictation. This is a nice way to also record your voice. It doesn't do very well with proper nouns. But I think it looks pretty good.
Thing 5: Notetaking

Remember the Milk

Set your tasks for the week, give yourself some notes for tasks, and mark when completed.

Apple & Android
Thing 6: Creating & Editing Docs

Cloud On

Bring Word, Excel, and PowerPoint to your tablet with Cloud On.

Apple & Android
Thing 7: Content Saving & Sharing

Pinterest

Store items that have images, video and other objects by pinning them to boards.

Apple & Android
Thing 8: Social Media

Snapchat

Take a video or picture, send it to friends, and it disappears after they look at it. Big with kids & teens.

Apple & Android
Thing 9: Taking & Editing Photos

LINE Camera

Use filter effects on images and add text. Large variety of fonts and colors available.

Apple & Android
(For Apple, this is an iPhone app, but those work on iPads, too.)
Thing 9: Taking & Editing Photos

Color Splurge

Take color photos, then gray them out and select only certain colors to appear.

Apple & Android
Thing 11: Library & Reference

YP Mobile

Bring the Yellow Pages to your device. Easily find businesses, gas prices, and local deals near you.

Apple & Android
Thing 12: Books, Books, & More Books

YALSA Teen Book Finder

Discover YA literature, save favorites, search by genre, awards, etc.

Apple only...for now.
Thing 14: Videos

Vine

Take 6-second videos and share them via Vine, Twitter, and/or Facebook.

Apple & Android

Anna Haase Krueger
Glen Everhart rocking out with his show "The Heebie Jeebies" at RCL White Bear Lake @rclreads
Topeka Library

Wow - HUGE turnout for our Dr. Who 50th anniversary party!

TOPEKA & SHAWNEE COUNTY PUB...
K_Haugo
New books for December!

K_Haugo & LeAnn Suchy like this
Welcome
Brian Floca

From PCS Third Graders

Laura Given
Getting ready for @brianfloca's visit tomorrow!

John Schu, akgal & LeAnn Suchy like
dv Prompter brings a teleprompter to your tablet. You provide the text, the prompter will scroll through it at a speed you choose.

Apple & Android

More breaking news tonight, this is the fiery wreck that killed "Fast and Furious" star Paul Walker, there's new video tonight showing the moment of impact and a question that investigators are trying to
Thing 17: Audio

Audioboo

Record your voice, for up to 3 minutes. Great for short podcast-like presentations.

Apple & Android
Thing 19: Education

Bill Nye the Science Guy app

Learn about science the fun way, with Bill! Play games, try experiments, and even learn how to tie a bow tie.

Apple only.
CARBON DIOXIDE

How can you make carbon dioxide out of household items?

What you need:
1. A balloon
2. A soda bottle
3. 1 cup white vinegar
4. 1 tablespoon baking soda

What to do:
1. Pour the vinegar into the bottle.
2. Put the baking soda inside the balloon.
3. Cover the opening of the bottle with the opening of the balloon.
4. Hold up the balloon and shake the baking soda into the bottle.

What’s happening:
Combining vinegar and baking soda creates heat and carbon dioxide gas. Because the heat is less dense than the air in the bottle, it rises up with the carbon dioxide gas and expands the balloon.
HOW TO TIE A BOW TIE
Thing 19: Education

MyScript Calculator

Write the equations with your finger or a stylus and the calculator gives the answer. So cool!

Apple & Android
Thing 19: Education

Project Noah

Take pictures and organize your sightings of plants and animals. Go on missions to locate certain things.

Apple & Android
Thing 22: Discovering Apps

AppsGoneFree

Fabulous app showing a wide variety of apps that have gone free for the day. Apps for productivity, education, games, fitness, photos, video, and more. Apple only.
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Droid of the Day

Fabulous app highlighting a different app every day. Apps for productivity, education, games, fitness, photos, video, and more.

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For more apps, look for 23 Mobile Things on January 15, 2014!