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Setting a Time Limit on an iPad App

Is it hard to get your student to give up the iPad when choice time is over? Try this!

First, set up a password on the device

1. Settings
2. Passcode
3. If there isn't one on the device already, you will be prompted to set one up

Next, set the timer to turn media off when the timer goes off

1. Launch the Clock app on your iPhone or iPad. ...
2. Tap Timer in the bottom right corner of the screen.
3. Select a length of time.
4. Tap When Timer Ends.
5. Scroll to the bottom and tap Stop Playing.
6. Tap Set in the upper right corner of the screen.

To see a video on how to do this:

<https://youtu.be/yp2ZJaO1a60>

Considerations:

- Most iPads are used by multiple students and teachers. Select a passcode that can be easily remembered by staff members, but remain unknown to the students.
- Protect the passcode from students!
- **The bad news:** Students will need access to you to unlock the device using the passcode when they are allowed to use the device.
- **The good news:** After an initial "extinction burst" because students aren't used to this, giving up the iPad and then building behavioral momentum through compliance with expectations toward regaining access to the device through you should be more successful.
- I recommend you still set an external Time Timer so the student can see the countdown, and the shut-off does not seem so abrupt.

