

Section 11:

Apps

In this section:

- **Download** and **install** an **app** for your **android tablet**.
- **Download** and **install** an **app** for your **iPad**.

You can use apps to:

- Practise **speech and language activities**.
- **Communicate** with family and friends.
- Have **fun**.



An **app** or **application** is a piece of **software** on your smartphone or tablet.

There are many **different apps**.

Some apps can **help** you with **communication**.

Other apps help with **practical** activities like **banking** and **shopping**.

Apps can also be for **fun**, like **games** and **music**.

Cost



Some apps are **free**.

You have to pay for some apps.

The apps might have a **one-off cost** or **monthly subscription**.

Some apps might be **free to download** but may have **in-app purchases**.

This means that you can choose to buy **extra features** in the app.

Always check the **cost of apps**.

Before buying an app, always **check** if there is a **free version**.

The free version is often called a '**lite**' version.

Test the **lite version** to see if you find the app **helpful**.

Most **free apps** use **advertising** to cover their costs.

You might find **adverts distracting**.

Apps to help you communicate



Many people who have **aphasia** use **speech therapy apps**.

Speech and language therapy can help you **communicate** better.

Using **apps** to **practise** speech and language therapy **activities** can also help.

You can use an app **anywhere** and at **any time**.

Apps can focus on **different communication activities**.

You can **choose** what you want to practise.

For **example**, some apps will have activities for **reading** and **writing**.

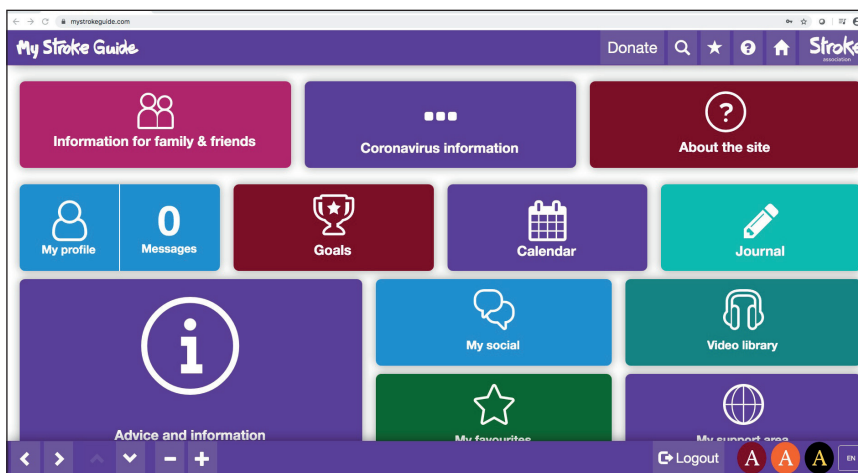
Choosing apps for communication

You can find apps on **My Stroke Guide**.

Visit **mystrokeguide.com**.

The list of apps will give you some ideas.

If you have a **speech and language therapist**, ask them about **apps** you can try.



Apps for fun



There are many **different apps** you might enjoy.

For example, you can use an **app** to:

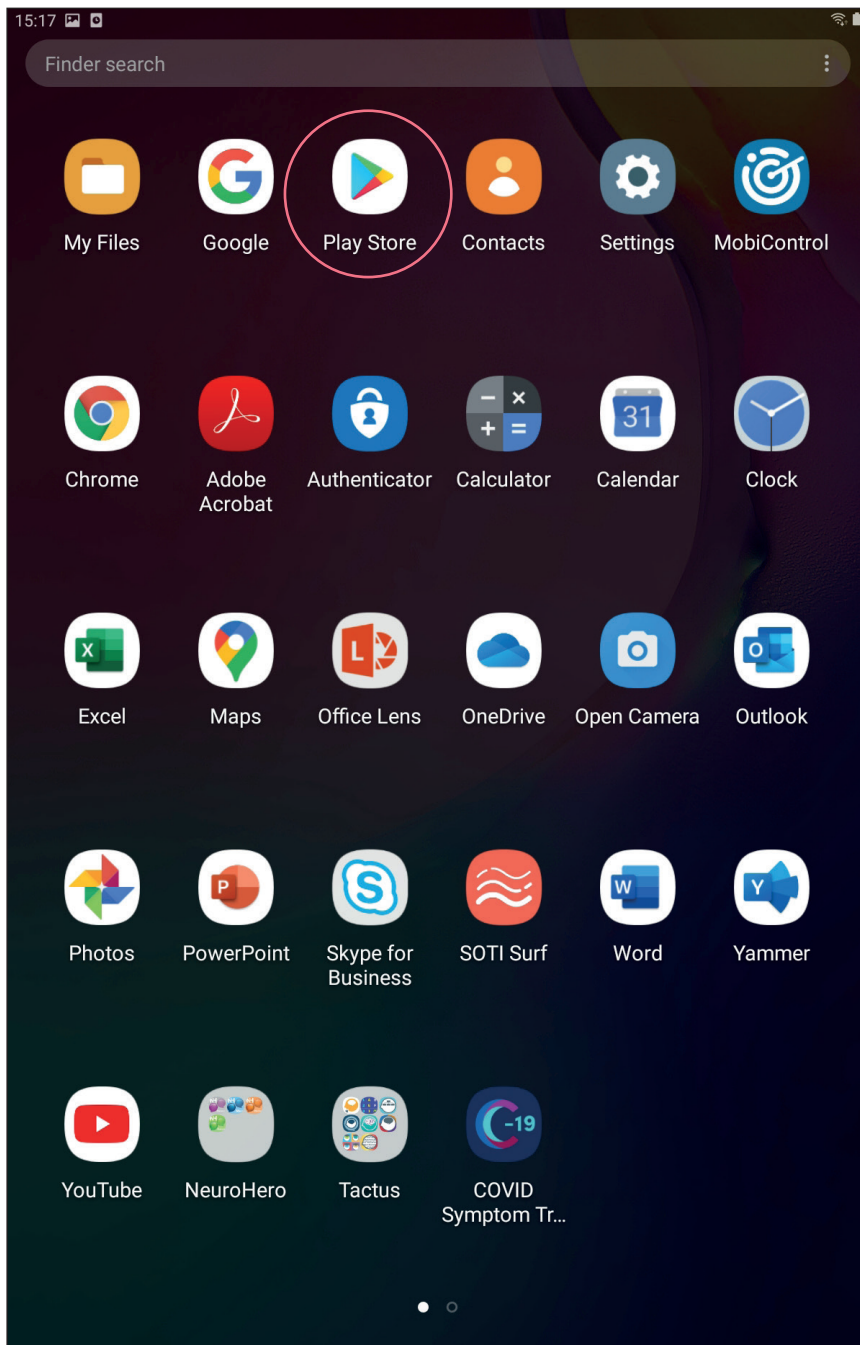
- Play **games**.
- Listen to **music**.
- Send **messages** and have **video chats**.
- Edit **photos**.

How to download an app on your Android smart phone or tablet.

Step 1: Open the Google Play Store app.

Look for an icon like this: 

To **open** the Play Store app, **tap** on the icon.



Step 2: Search for the app you want to download.

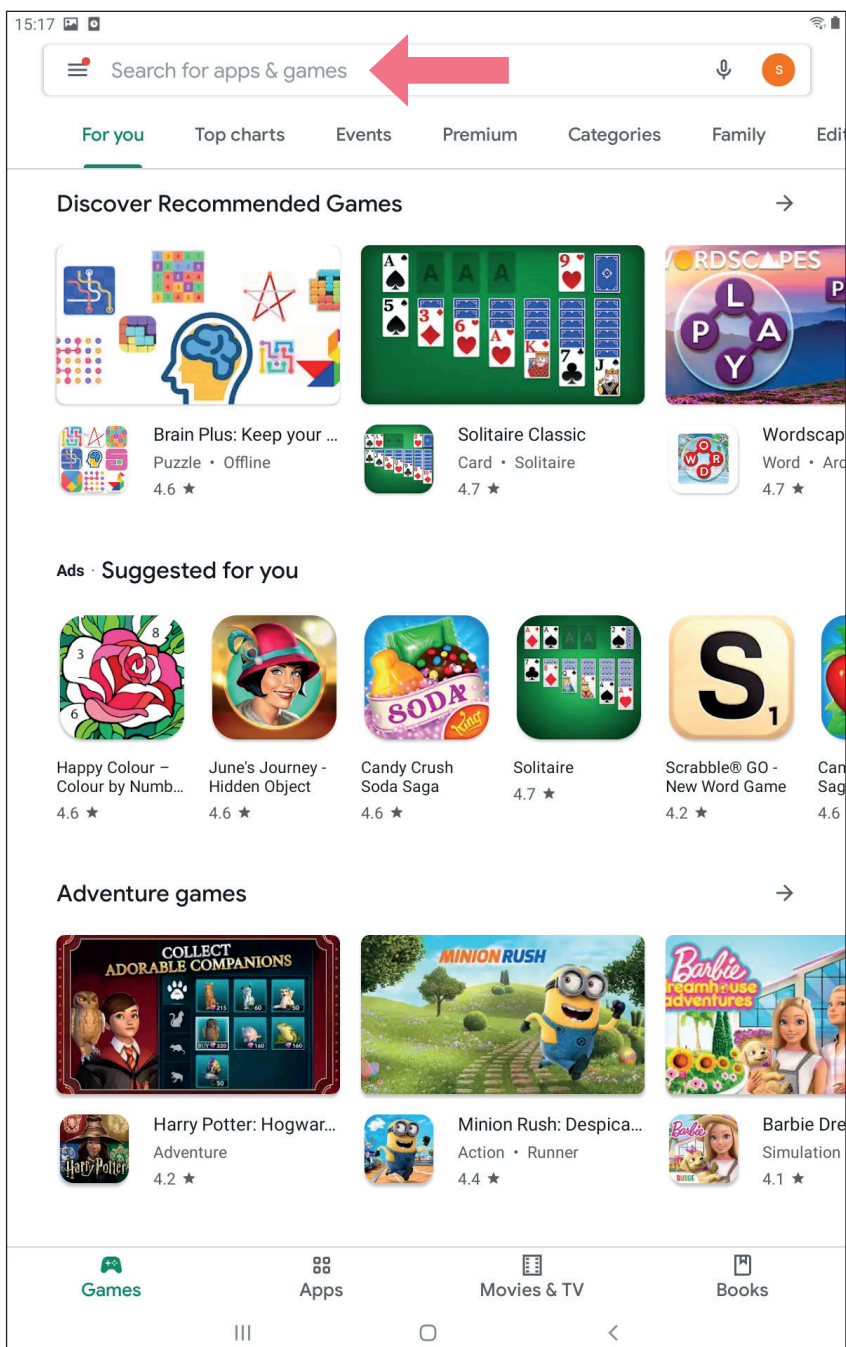
Once you have signed in to Play Store, you will see the **home page**.

At the **top** of the screen is a **search bar**. 

Type in the **name** of the app.

You can also search for key **words** like 'aphasia' or 'communication'.

Tap the **magnifying glass icon** to **search**.



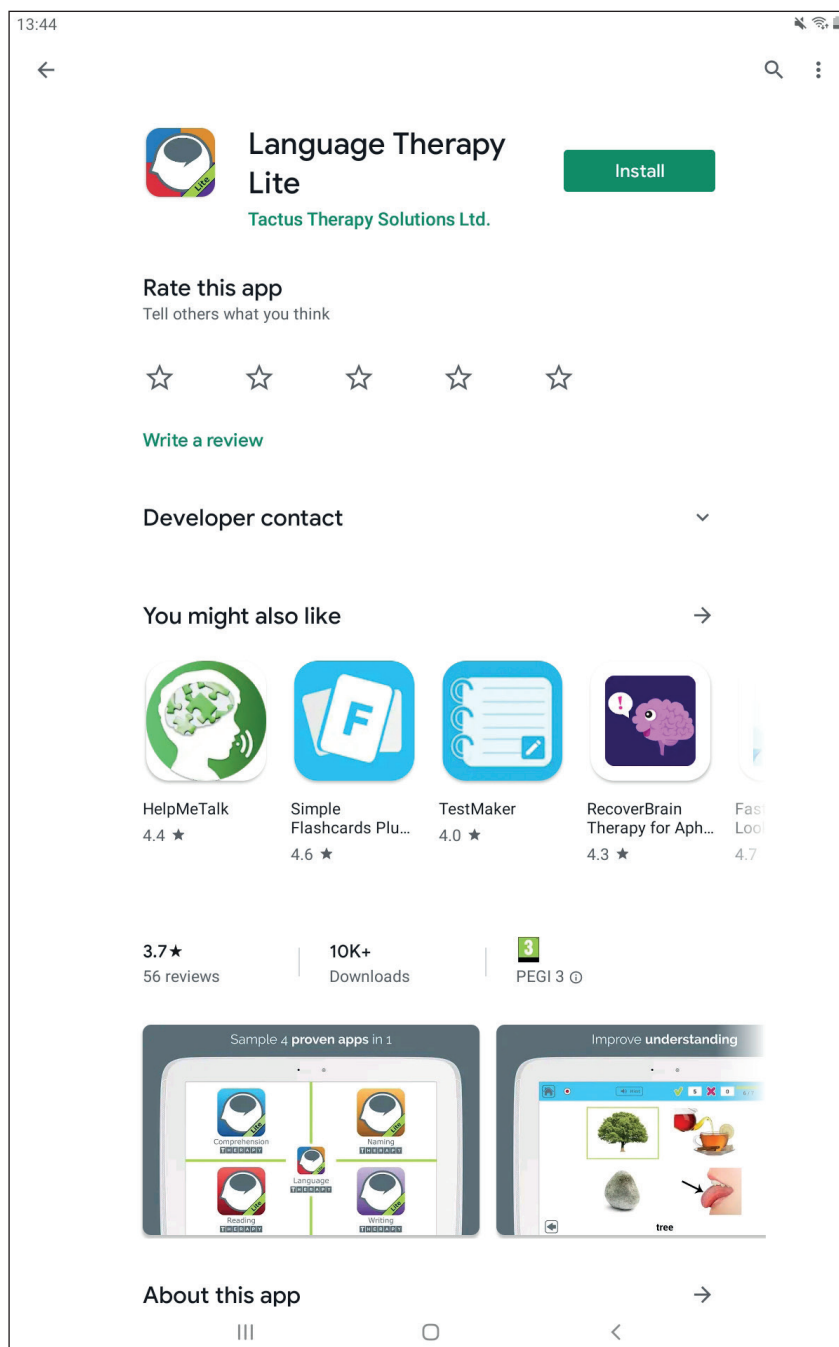
Step 3: Tap the app you want from the search results.

Tap the app you want to open.

There might be many **apps** with **similar names**.

If you tap the **wrong app**, go back to the search results.

To go back **tap** the **arrow** in the **top left corner**.



Step 4: Install or buy the app

If the app is **free** to download, you will be able to **install** it straight away.

Tap the green 'install' button.




If your app costs money, you will see the **cost** of the app.

If you would like to buy the app, click the **green button**.

The device will ask you to **confirm**.

Tap the green 'buy' button.



Your account is linked to a **credit card** or **debit card**.

If your card is **not linked** it may ask you for **details**.

It might ask you for your **password**.

The app will begin **installing**.

A **green status circle** will appear around the app.



Step 5: Open the app

When the app has downloaded, tap the green 'open' button.



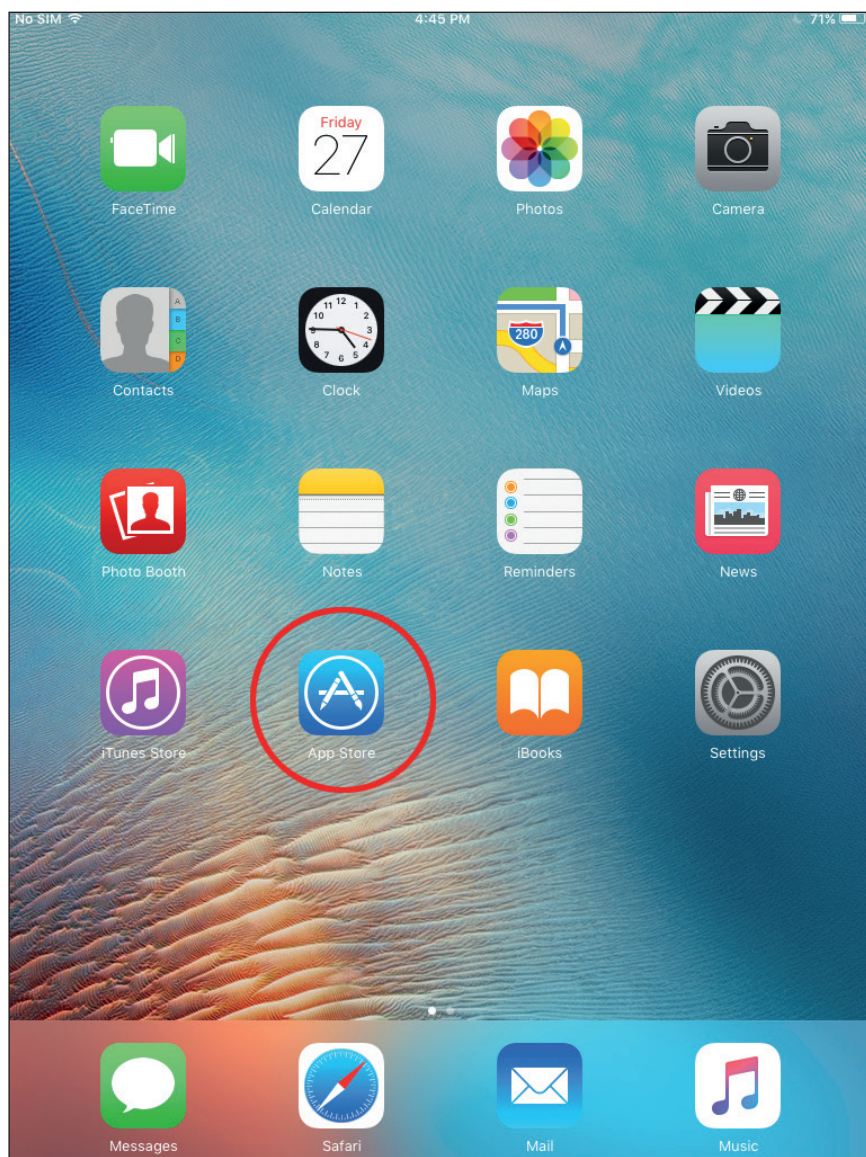
You can now **begin** using the app.

How to download an app on your iPhone or iPad

Step 1: Open the Apple Store

Look for an icon like this: 

To **open** the Apple Store, **tap** on the icon.



Step 2: Search for the app you want to download

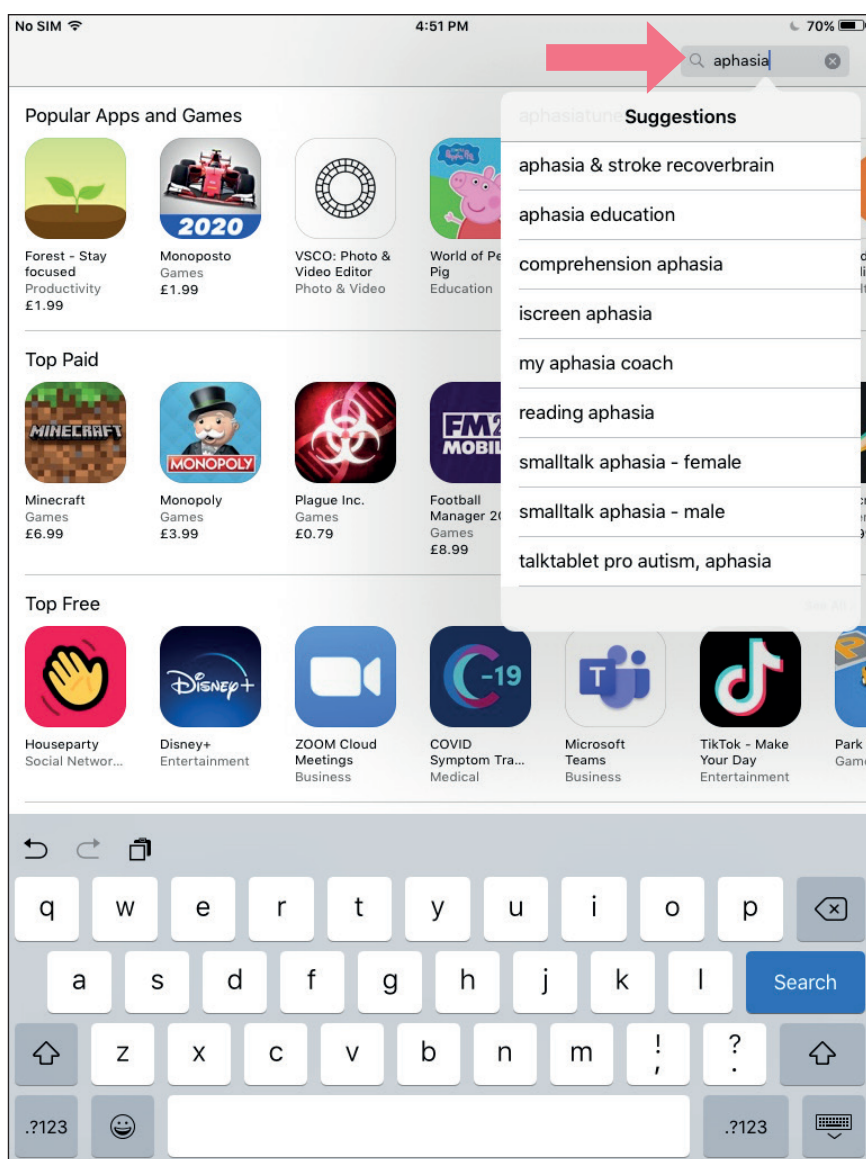
At the **bottom of the screen** is the **search** button.

Tap the **magnifying glass** icon to **search**. 

Type in the **name** of the app you are looking for.

You can also search key **words** like 'aphasia' or 'communication'.

Tap the app you want from the **search results**.



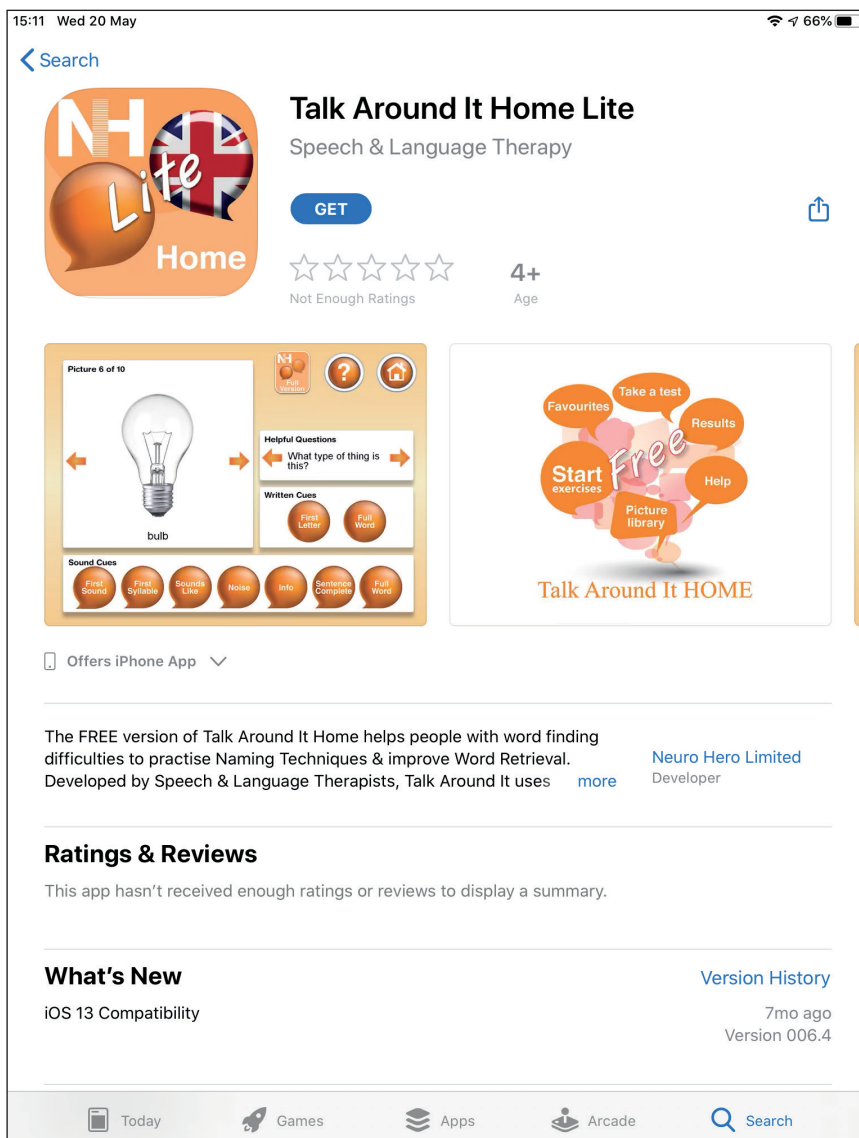
Step 3: Select the app you want from the search results

Tap the app you want to open.

There might be many apps with similar names.

If you tap the wrong app, go back to the search results.

To go back tap the arrow in the top left corner.



Step 4: Install or buy the app

If the app is **free** to download, you will be able to **install** it straight away.

Tap the blue 'get' button:



Some apps cost money.

Instead of the blue 'get' button, you will see the **cost** of the app.

If you would like to **buy** the app, tap on the **price**.



The device will ask you to **confirm**.

Your Apple account is linked to a **credit card** or **debit card**.

If your card is **not linked** it may ask you for **details**.

It might ask for your Apple **password** or your **fingerprint**.

The app will begin **installing**.

There will be a **small status circle** to the **right** of the app.



This shows the app **downloading**.

Step 5: Open the app

When the app has downloaded, tap the blue 'open' button.



You can now **begin** using the app.