Enabling “Kid Mode” in iOS 8.1.3 with Guided Access

(Any iOS device can be locked into an application with the hardware buttons disabled - a must have feature for teachers and parents!)

- Open “Settings” and tap on “General”
- Navigate to “Accessibility” and under the Learning section tap on “Guided Access”
- Flip the switch to ON, then tap “Set Guided Access Passcode” to set a password you’ll use to escape out of Guided Access mode.
- Note that you can set time limits for guided access.
- Accessibility Shortcut - If this is turned on, then you can triple click the home button when Guided Access is enabled to have your Accessibility settings displayed.

Now that Guided Access is configured, you can use it to lock the iOS device into any app you want.

Using Guided Access to Lock Into an App

- Launch any app as usual, then triple-click the Home button to summon the Accessibility menu.
- You will see a message saying Guided Access Started.

The iPad, iPhone, or iPod touch is now effectively locked into the current application, and pressing the Home button will no longer leave the app.

Leaving Guided Access

Triple-click the Home button and enter the passcode chosen during setup of Guided Access to unlock the device. You will see two options at the top of your screen - End at the top left, and Resume at the top Right.

If you’d like to turn off Guided Access completely, go back to Settings > Accessibility > Guided Access > and flip the setting to OFF.