

10 APPS THAT WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE

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The first step is admitting you have a problem, and I have a big one when it comes to apps. I guess you could say I'm "appdicted." I'm not one of those penny-pinching app addicts either; I'll pay anything to improve productivity and efficiency and decrease online angst.

The problem with apps is that a lot of them were designed by 17-year-old tech wiz kids and they are, well let me say, not so sophisticated, reliable, or consistent. There are bugs in most apps. I search for apps that have a rating of four stars or more, and have had recent (past six months) updates to fix the bugs and make improvements.

So here are the top 10 apps that have made my 24/7 online life just a tad easier. Hope they work for you, too.

UPLOADER FOR INSTAGRAM

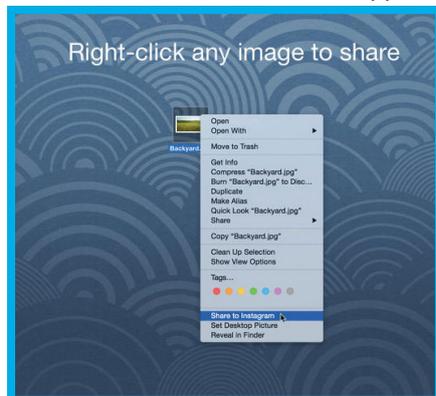
Function: Post images to Instagram from your Mac
Cost: \$9.99

The biggest problem with Instagram is the very essence of the platform—it's an app and it lives on your smart phone. So if you're struggling to keep up with your 'Insta' posts or your screen is too tiny to avoid majorly embarrassing spelling errors, Uploader has your name on it. It's not perfect, but it makes the process of uploading fast and easy from any Macbook.

WATERMARK PLUS

Function: Add text/image watermarks and resize and rename batches of photos at one time
Cost: \$9.99

There are a ton of Watermark apps available, but this one



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gets high marks for ease of use and you can watermark multiple photos at one time.

ULYSSES

Function: Writing app | **Cost:** \$19.99

This is an ideal iPhone/iPad app for physicians who like to write papers, notes, or hope to pen the next great American novel. It helps you organize your topics and work.

POCKET

Function: Saves articles and videos for a later date
Cost: \$4.99 Premium – in app purchases*

Instead of having a squillion open tabs on your browser, Pocket allows you to save articles with one click. It also helps keep them organized in folders by topic.

WORDSWAG

Function: Provides cool fonts, creative quotes, and text over pics
Cost: Free – In app purchases*

This app makes really cool quotes and text over photos for Instagram or Facebook super simple for novices.

TURBOSCAN PRO

Function: Document and receipt scanner | **Cost:** \$3.99

TurboScan turns your iPhone into a scanner for documents, receipts, notes, photos, whiteboards, and other text. This does it all – scan, send, store in PDF or JPEG.

RAPID REPOST

Function: Revs up the speed at which you can repost images on Instagram

Cost: \$2.99 - In app purchases*

This app allows you to repost photos and videos for Instagram quickly, and you can remove ads from clogging up your feed.

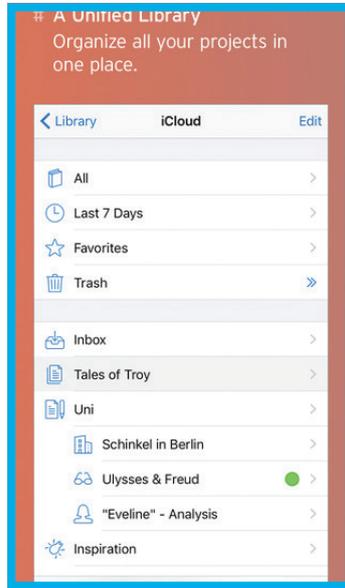
UNROLL.ME

Function: Get rid of junk e-mail
Cost: Free

Declutter your inbox from all of



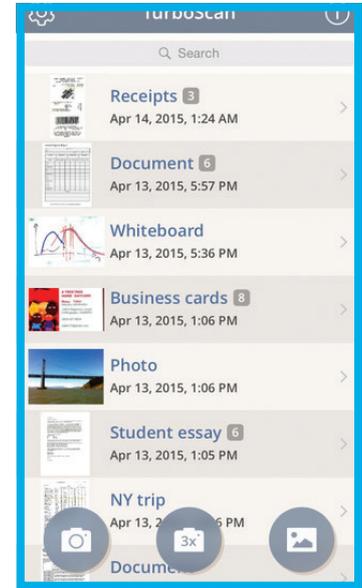
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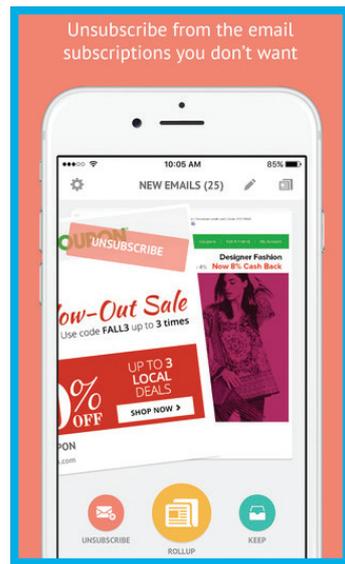
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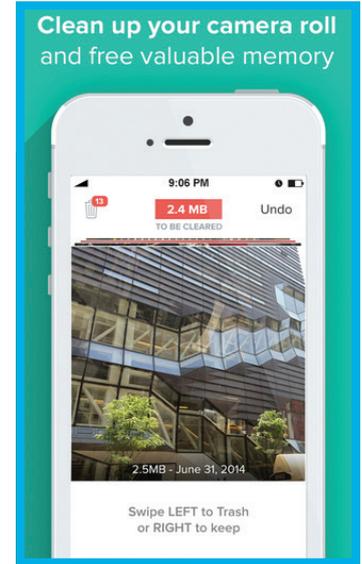
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FLIC

those subscriptions you signed up for (or didn't). You can unsubscribe or group emails into categories to revisit later (or not).

FILTERRA

Function: Photo editor with image effects and filters for photos

Cost: Free – in app purchases*

Unleash your inner creativity with this fun app and take your photos to the next level.

FLIC

Function: Manage your camera roll | **Cost:** \$2.99

You know all of those outtakes, fuzzy shots, and accidental

pics, well Flic helps you clean up your camera roll, just a few swipes will free up some seriously precious disk space. ■

**Buyer beware: If you see 'In-app purchases' that means it will cost \$0.99 and up to add premium features to the app.*



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