

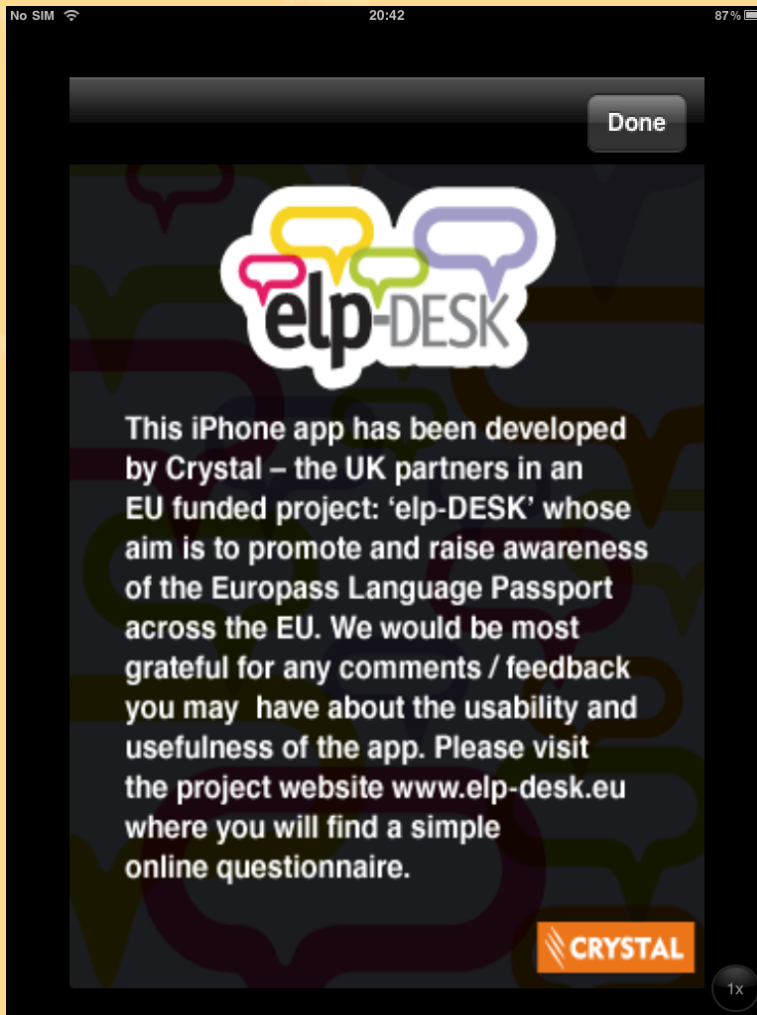
The Europass Language Passport iPhone application (and other technological solutions)

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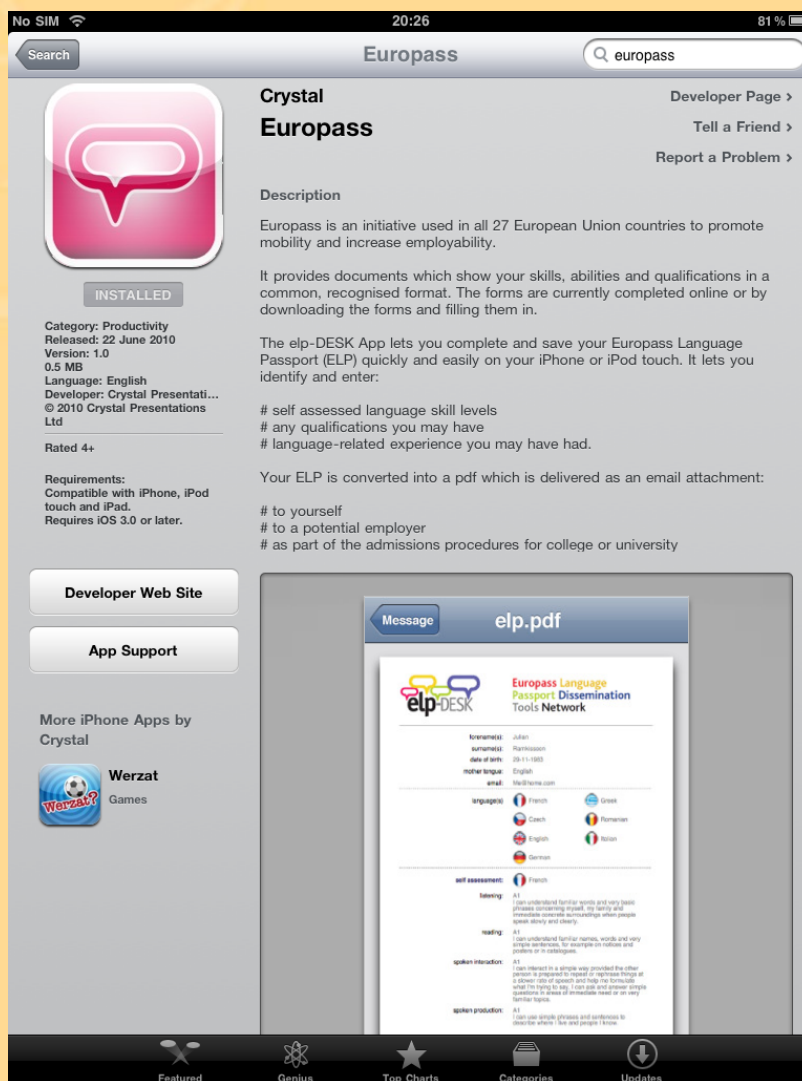


How did it come about?



- Funded by the European Commission as part of the LLP.
- Elp-DESK project was developed to raise awareness of the Language Passport, in particular through IT initiatives – one of which is the iPhone Application.
- Elp-DESK is made up of partners from Austria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, France, Greece, Italy, Romania and the UK.
- Crystal were the IT company commissioned to develop the software.
- The UK NEC were involved in an advisory capacity.

Available now from the Apple App Store



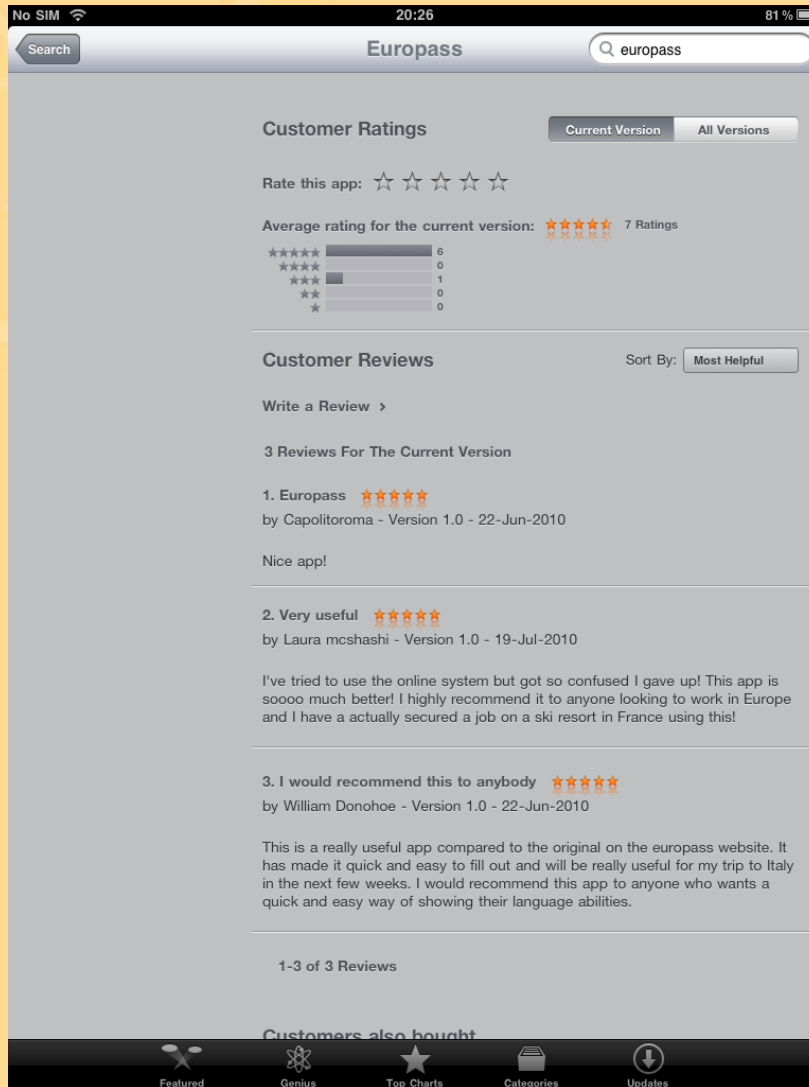
- Available for free download, just search for Europass in the App store.

- The application can be use on the iPhone, iPod Touch or iPad.

- Currently only available in an English language version.



User Reviews to date?



- Current average customer rating is four and a half out of 5.
- Very positive user reviews can be seen in the screenshot.



A walkthrough of the application:



The screenshot shows the 'Passport Details' screen of the europa pass application. The status bar at the top indicates 'No SIM', signal strength, time '20:46', and battery level '77%'. The screen has a black background with grey input fields. The fields are labeled: 'Forename(s)', 'Surname', 'Date of Birth', 'Mother Tongue', 'Email', and 'Language(s)'. The 'Language(s)' field has a red '0' next to it. A red star icon with the word 'Edit' is in the top right corner. At the bottom, there are icons for a speech bubble and a document, and a '1x' magnification indicator.

Passport Details 

Forename(s)


Surname

Date of Birth

Mother Tongue

Email

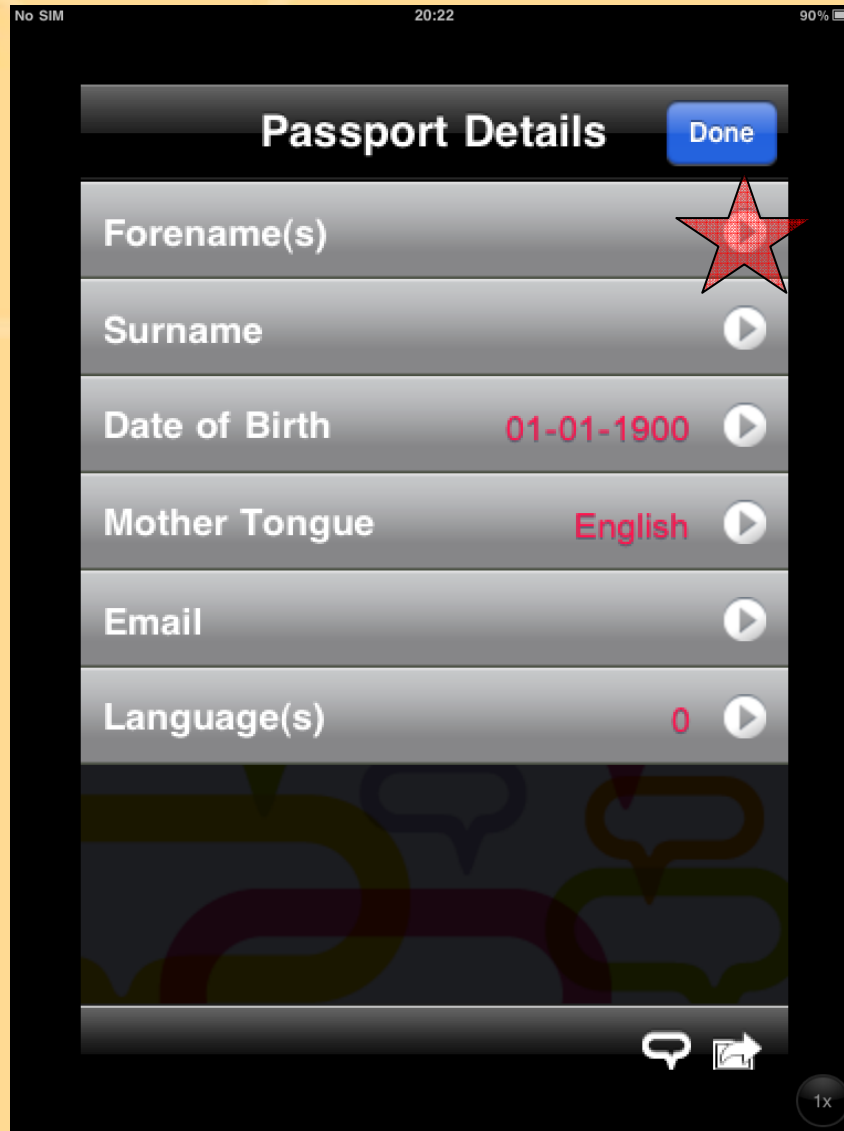
Language(s) 0

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- On downloading the application, the screen to the left will appear.
- The fields will be blank.
- Tap on edit to enter details of the user.



A walkthrough of the application:



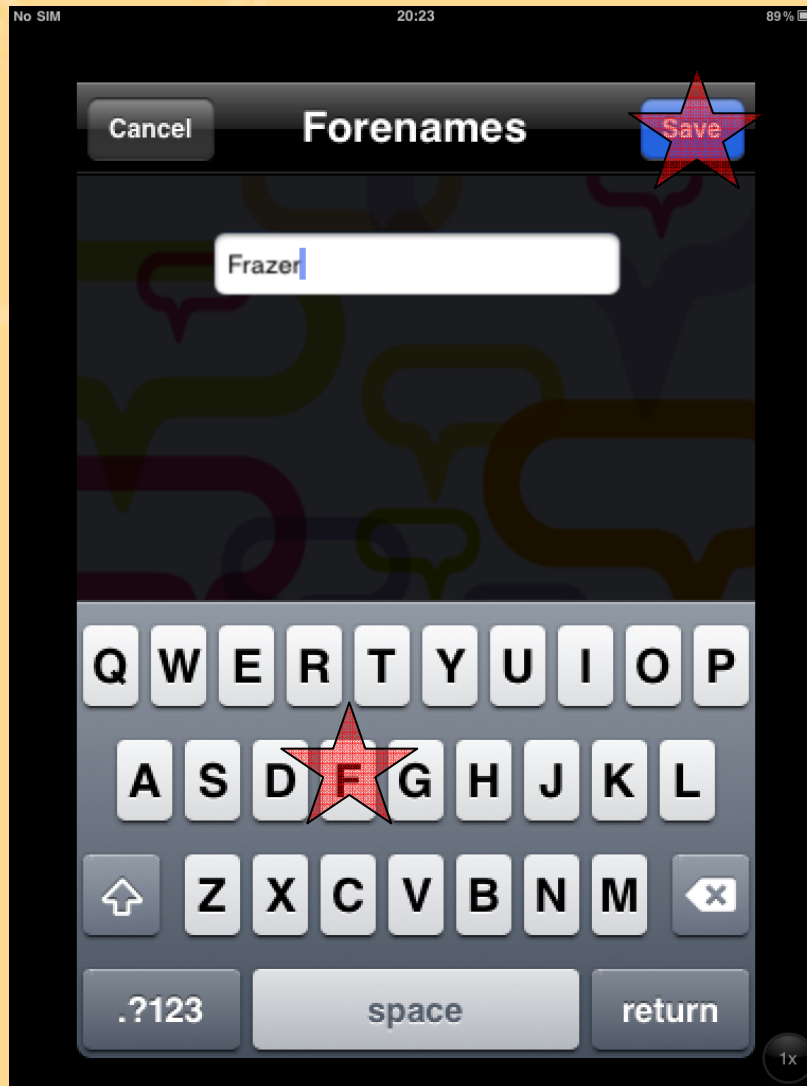
The screenshot shows a mobile application interface titled "Passport Details". At the top right is a blue "Done" button. The form contains several fields, each with a play button icon on the right side. A red star is placed over the play button for the "Forename(s)" field. The fields and their current values are: "Forename(s)" (empty), "Surname" (empty), "Date of Birth" (01-01-1900), "Mother Tongue" (English), "Email" (empty), and "Language(s)" (0). At the bottom of the screen, there are icons for a speech bubble and a share icon, and a "1x" magnification indicator.

Field	Value
Forename(s)	
Surname	
Date of Birth	01-01-1900
Mother Tongue	English
Email	
Language(s)	0

- Tap on the arrow on the right hand side of the screen to enter data.



A walkthrough of the application:



- Use the on-screen keyboard to enter the user's Forename.
- Tap the "Save" button to save the inserted data.
- Repeat the process for the user's surname.



A walkthrough of the application:

No SIM 20:23 89%

Passport Details Done

Forename(s)	Frazer	▶
Surname	Wallace	▶
Date of Birth	01-01-1900	▶
Mother Tongue	English	▶
Email		▶
Language(s)	0	▶

1x

- Tap on the arrow on the right hand side to insert the user's date of birth.



A walkthrough of the application:



- Tap on the arrow on the right hand side to insert the user's date of birth.
- Swipe up or down to scroll through to the user's date of birth.
- Tap "save" to save the data



A walkthrough of the application:

No SIM 20:24 89%

Passport Details

Done

Forename(s)	Frazer	▶
Surname	Wallace	▶
Date of Birth	01-01-1985	▶
Mother Tongue	English	▶
Email		▶
Language(s)	0	▶

1x

- Tap on arrow on right hand side to select user's mother tongue.



A walkthrough of the application:



- Swipe up or down to scroll through optional languages.
- Tap save to save the data.



A walkthrough of the application:

No SIM 20:24 89%

Passport Details

Done

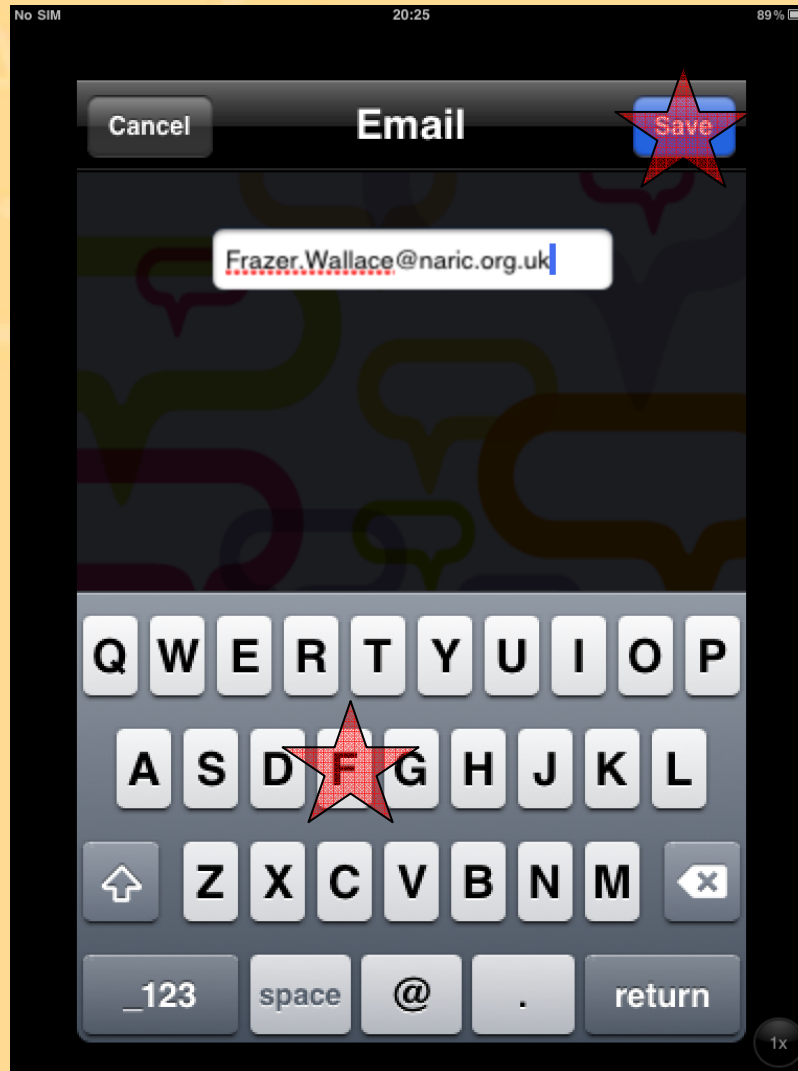
Forename(s)	Frazer	▶
Surname	Wallace	▶
Date of Birth	01-01-1985	▶
Mother Tongue	English	▶
Email		▶
Language(s)	0	▶

1x

- Tap on arrow on right hand side to enter the user's email address.



A walkthrough of the application:



- Insert the user's email address using the on-screen keyboard – this will later be used to email the completed document.
- Tap on “save” to save the data.



A walkthrough of the application:

Passport Details Done

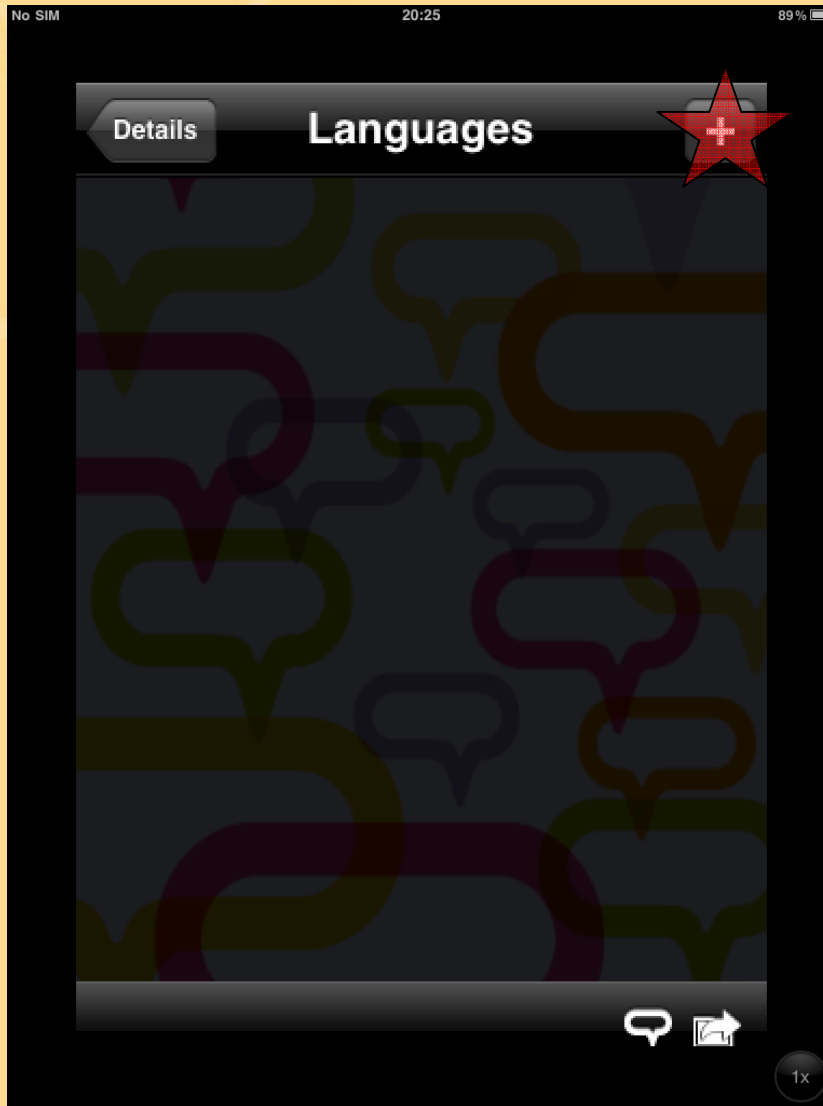
Forename(s)	Frazer	▶
Surname	Wallace	▶
Date of Birth	01-01-1985	▶
Mother Tongue	English	▶
Email	Frazer.Wallace@naric.org.uk	▶
Language(s)	0	▶

1x

- Tap on the arrow on the right hand side to self-assess the user's language skills.



A walkthrough of the application:



- A blank screen will appear as no languages have yet been inserted.
- Tap the “+” button to add a language.



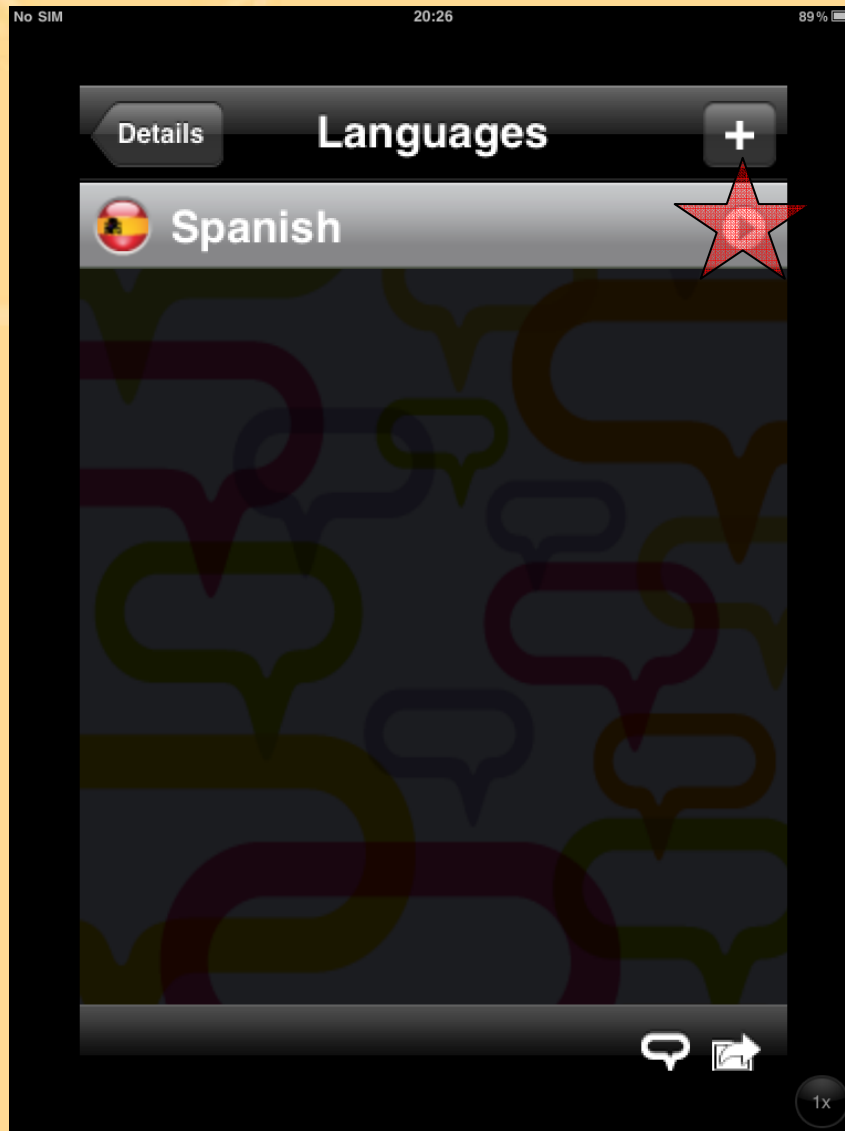
A walkthrough of the application:



- Swipe up or down to select the user's language of choice.
- Tap "save" to save the data.



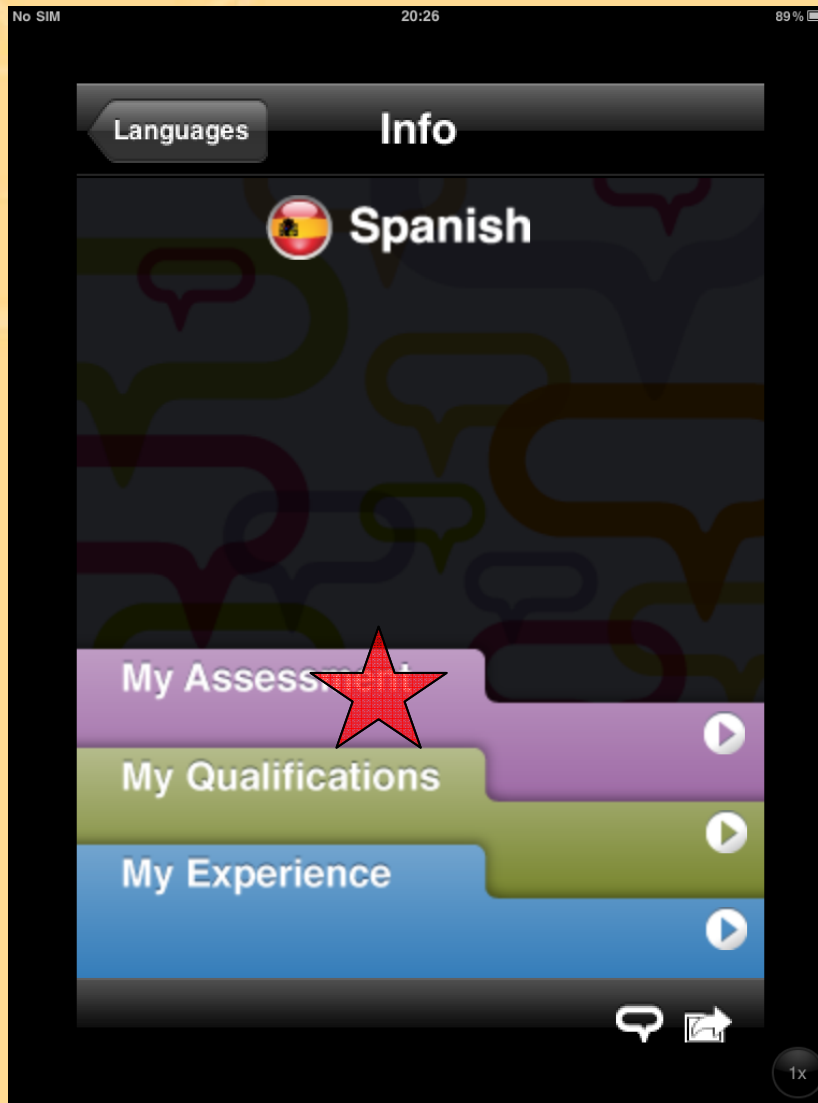
A walkthrough of the application:



- The selected language will be added to the list.
- To enter language specific assessments, qualifications and experience tap on the arrow on the right hand side of the screen.



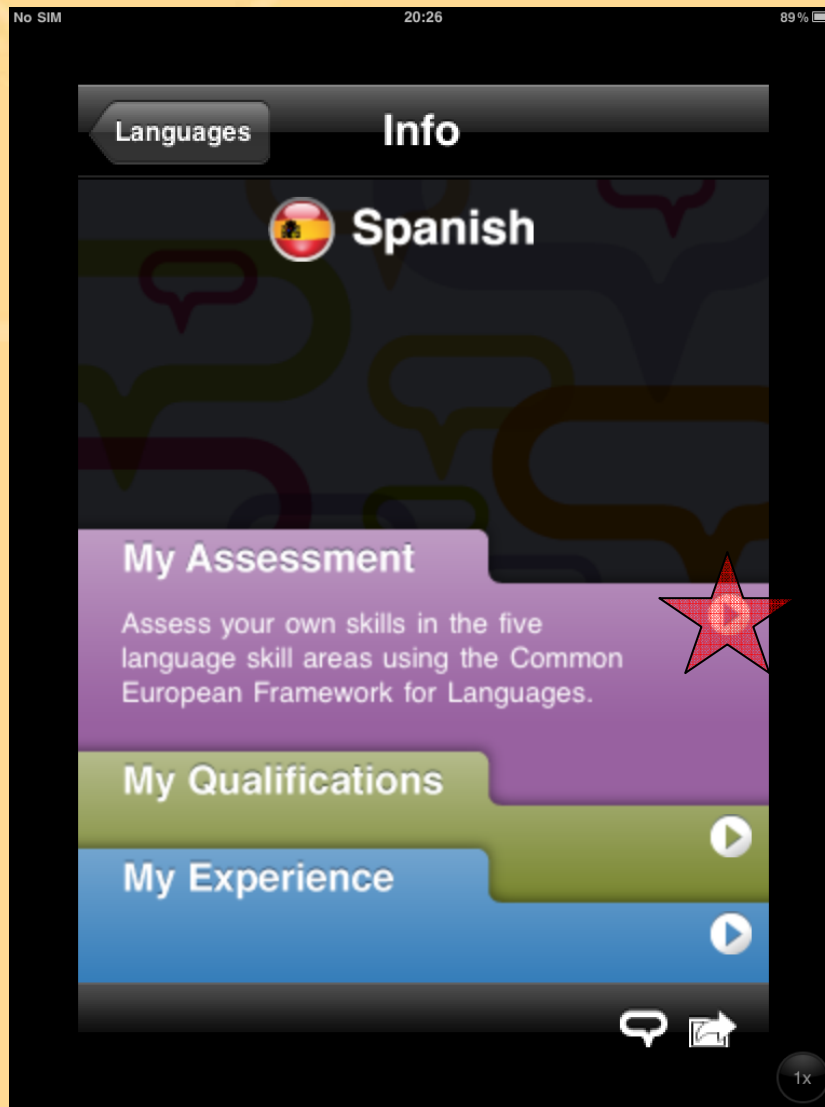
A walkthrough of the application:



- Tapping on the purple area will expand the folder and provide an explanation of what is to be entered in this section.



A walkthrough of the application:



- Tap on the arrow on the right hand side to self assess the user's language skills.



A walkthrough of the application:



- Tap on the attribute you wish to assess.
- The coloured section at the bottom of the screen will change colour to indicate the particular attribute.
- Swipe horizontally on the coloured section and choose the level the user believes best describes their ability



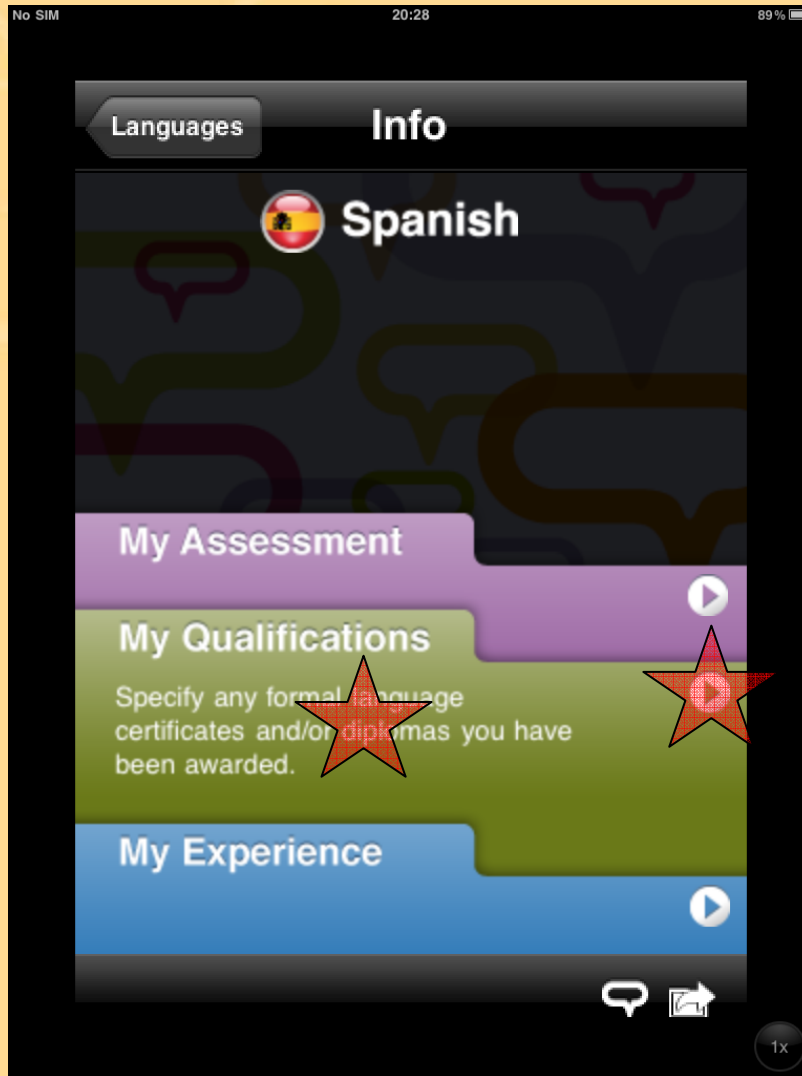
A walkthrough of the application:



- Repeat for the other language skills
- Once all the attributes have been assessed, tap “save”



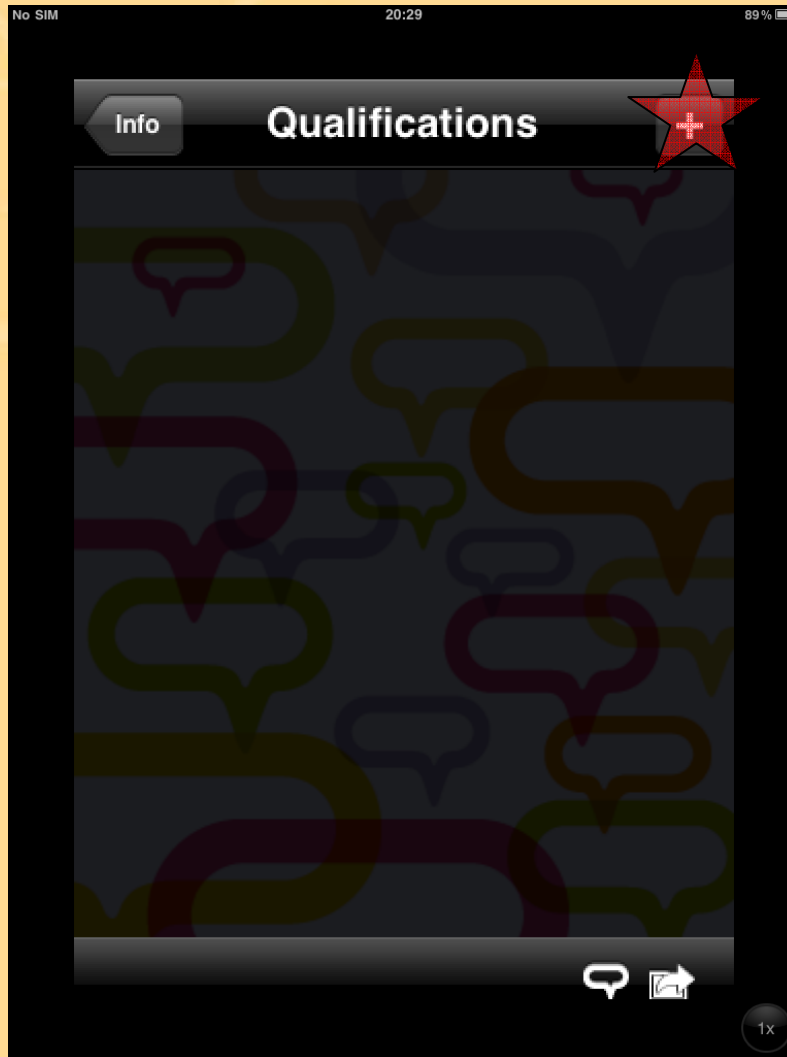
A walkthrough of the application:



- Tapping on the green area will expand this folder and provide an explanation of what is to be entered in this section.
- Tap on the arrow on the right hand side to add the user's details.



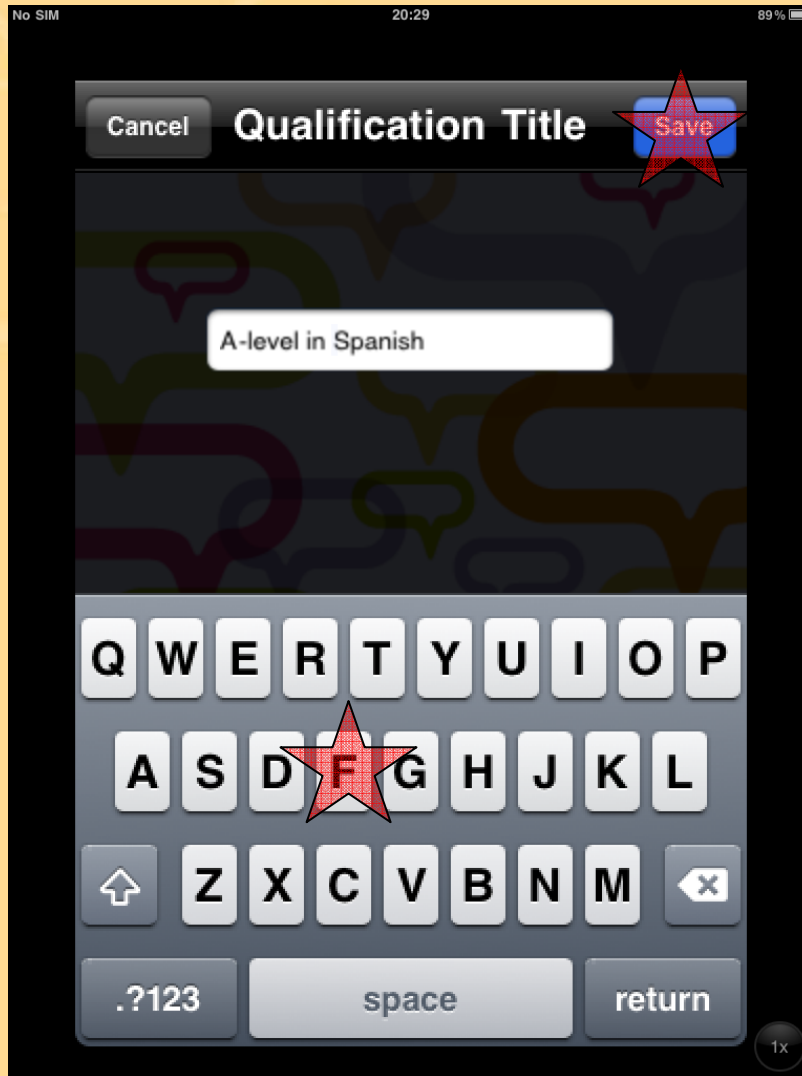
A walkthrough of the application:



- A blank list of language specific qualifications will appear.
- Tap on the “+” button to insert qualifications.



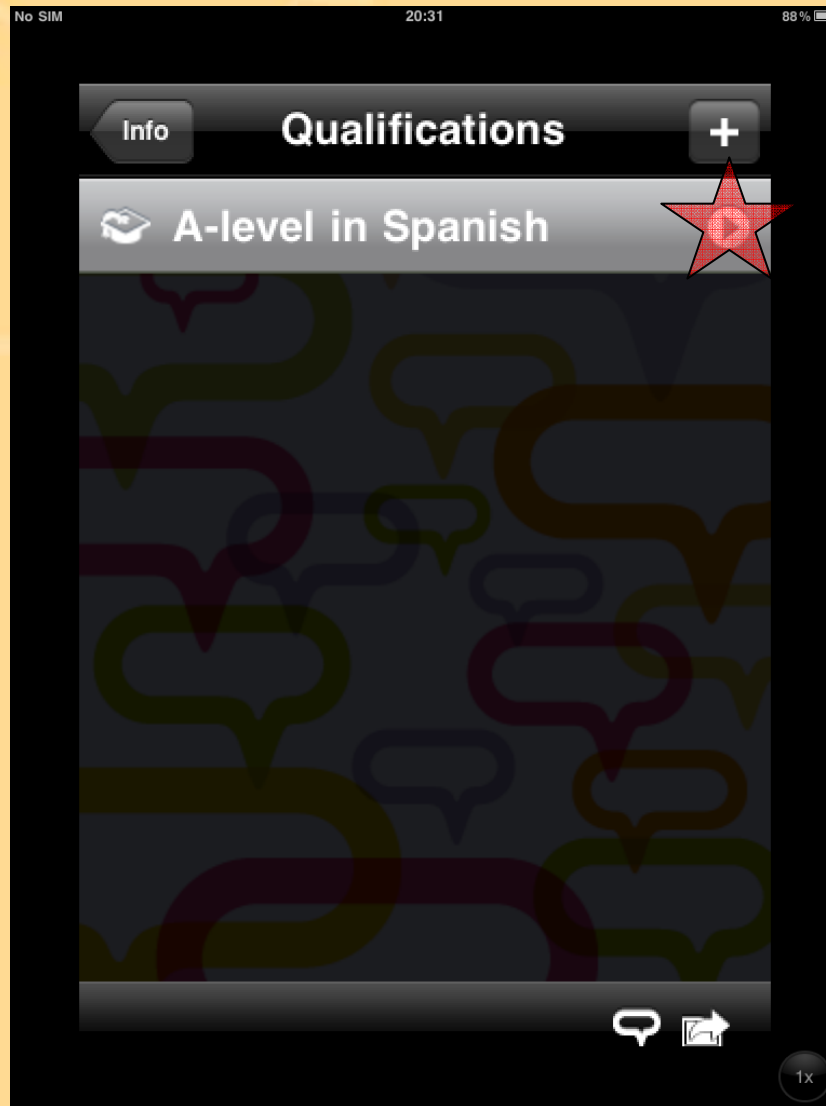
A walkthrough of the application:



- Insert the name of the qualification using the on-screen keyboard.
- Tap “save” to save the user’s data.



A walkthrough of the application:



- The qualification will be added to the list.
- Click on the arrow on the right hand side to add detail.



A walkthrough of the application:

No SIM 20:30 89%

Cancel **A-level in Spanish** Save

A-level in Spanish

Awarding Body

Edexcel

CEFL level - if known

A1 A2 B1 **B2** C1 C2

Q W E R T Y U I O P

A S **D F** G H J K L

↑ Z X C V B N M ↵

.?123 space return

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- Enter additional detail using the on-screen keyboard, and add the CEFL level by tapping the relative box on screen.
- Tap on “save” to save the data.
- Repeat for any other qualifications that might be held by the user.



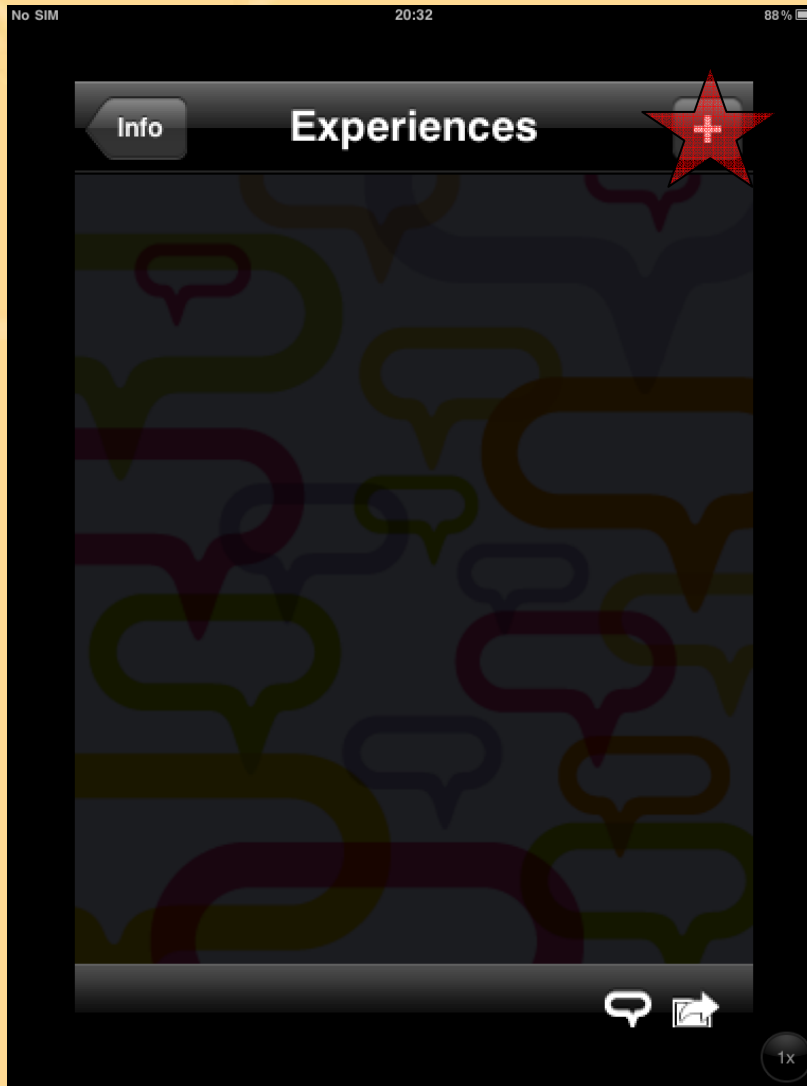
A walkthrough of the application:



- Tap on the blue area to expand the folder and provide a summary of the section.
- Tap the arrow on the right hand side of the screen to add user detail.



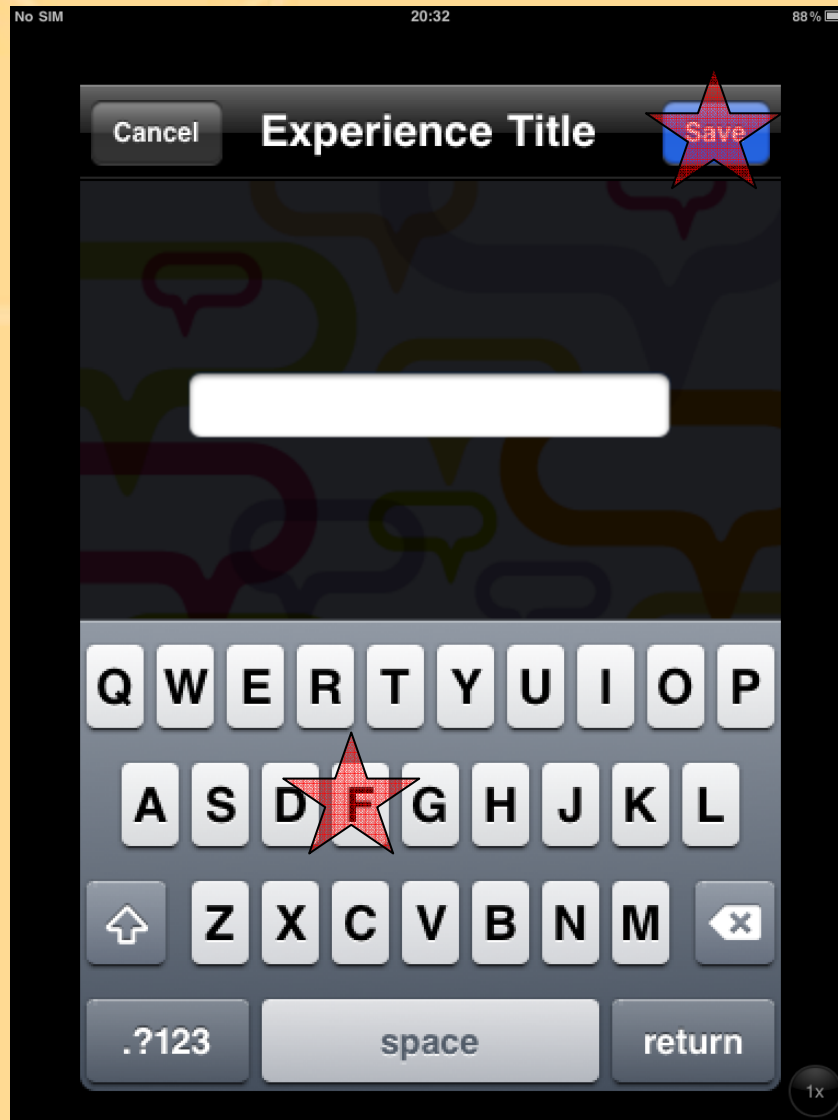
A walkthrough of the application:



- A blank list of language specific experience will appear.
- Tap on the “+” button to add detail of the user’s language experience.



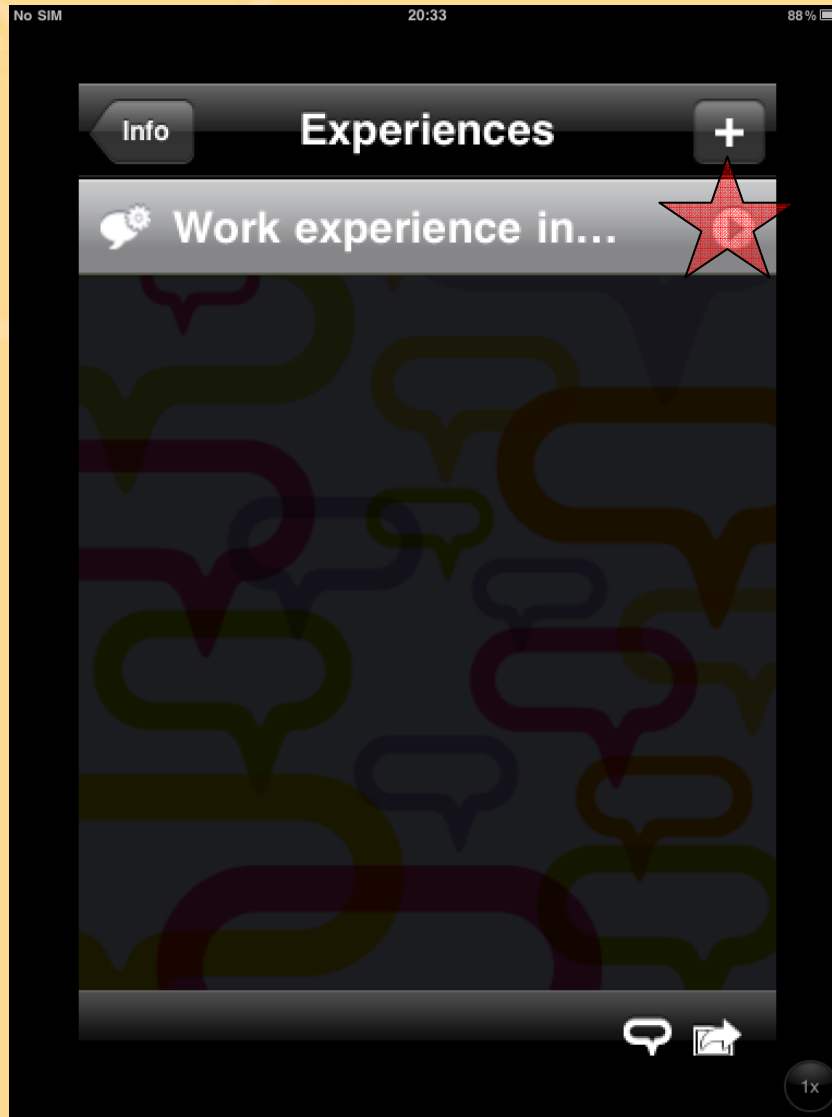
A walkthrough of the application:



- Insert a title for the experience using the on-screen keyboard.
- Tap on “save” to save.



A walkthrough of the application:



- The experience will be entered into the list.
- Click on the arrow on the right hand side to add detail.



A walkthrough of the application:

No SIM 20:33 88%

Cancel Work experience... Save

Linguistic Experience

Date from 19-11-2010

Date to --/--/----

17 September 2008

18 October 2009

19 November 2010

20 December 2011

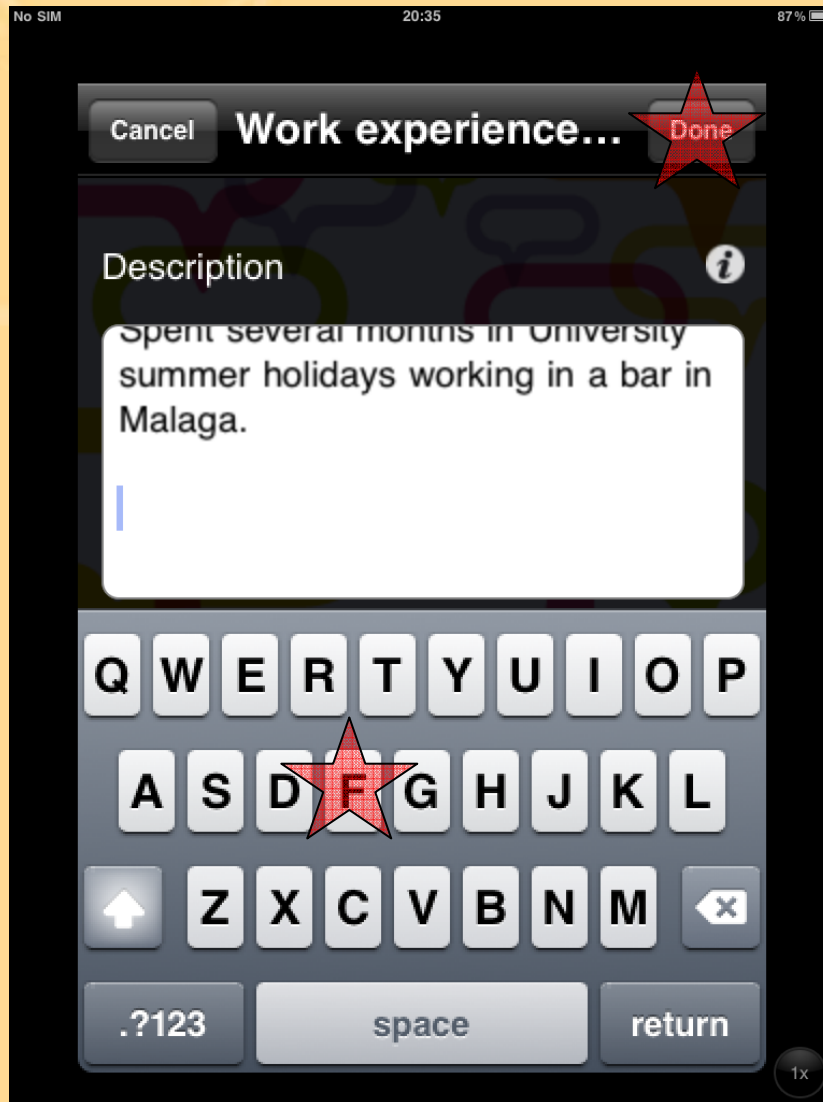
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- Insert the start and finish date by tapping on the coloured sections, then scrolling to the correct date by swiping up or down.
- Tap “save” to save.



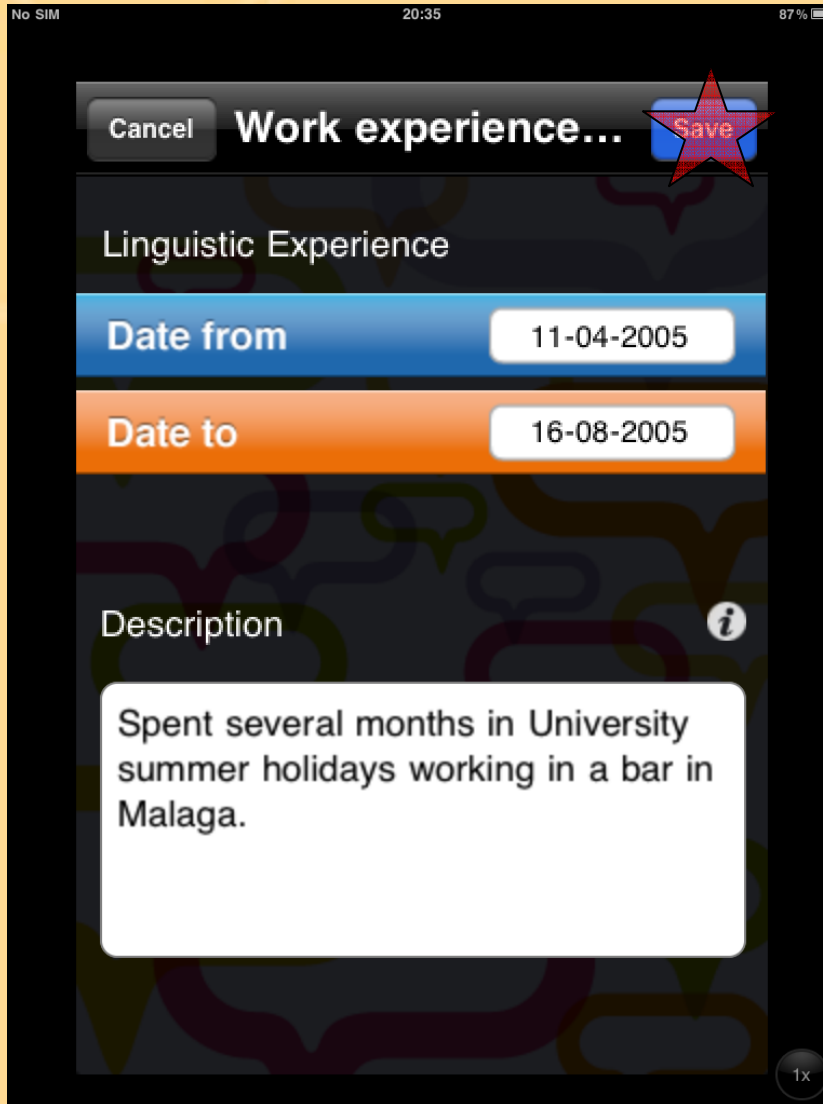
A walkthrough of the application:



- Insert a description of the experience using the on-screen keyboard
- Tap “done” when finished.



A walkthrough of the application:



The screenshot shows a mobile application interface for entering work experience. At the top, there is a status bar with 'No SIM', '20:35', and '87%' battery. Below this is a header bar with a 'Cancel' button, the title 'Work experience...', and a red star-shaped 'Save' button. The form is divided into sections: 'Linguistic Experience' (which is currently selected), 'Date from' (11-04-2005), 'Date to' (16-08-2005), and 'Description'. The 'Description' section has an information icon (i) and a text box containing the text: 'Spent several months in University summer holidays working in a bar in Malaga.' At the bottom right, there is a '1x' icon.

No SIM 20:35 87%

Cancel Work experience... Save

Linguistic Experience

Date from 11-04-2005

Date to 16-08-2005

Description ⓘ

Spent several months in University summer holidays working in a bar in Malaga.

1x

- Check the details on the summary page
- Tap “save” to save the data.



A walkthrough of the application:

No SIM 20:40 87%

Passport Details Done

Forename(s) Frazer

Surname Wallace

Date of Birth 01-01-1985

Mother Tongue English

Email Frazer.Wallace@narl.org.uk

Language(s)

1x

- Repeat the process for all the user's languages.
- Once the application is complete, tap the icon in the bottom right hand corner.



A walkthrough of the application:

The screenshot shows the 'Passport Details' screen of an application. At the top, there is a status bar with 'No SIM', '20:40', and '87%'. The title bar says 'Passport Details' with a 'Done' button. Below the title bar, there are several input fields: 'Forename(s)' with the value 'Frazer', 'Surname' with 'Wallace', 'Date of Birth' with '1-1985', 'Mother Tongue' with 'English', and 'Email' with 'Frazer.Wallace@nec.org.uk'. A modal dialog box titled 'Email Address' is open, showing the email address 'Frazer.Wallace@nec.org.uk' and buttons for 'Cancel' and 'Send'. An on-screen keyboard is visible at the bottom of the screen.

- If the user wishes the document to be emailed to an email other than their own, an alternative email address can be added using the on-screen keyboard.



A walkthrough of the application:

No SIM 20:42 87%

Passport Details Edit

Forename(s)	Frazer
Surname	Wallace
Date of Birth	01-01-1985
Mother Tongue	English
Email	eric.org.uk
Language(s)	2

Thank you
Your ELP has been successfully sent
Ok

1x

- The completed document will then be emailed accordingly.



The Completed Document:



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forename(s): Frazer
surname(s): Wallace
date of birth: 01-01-1985
mother tongue: English
email: Frazer.Wallace@nario.org.uk

language(s) Spanish

self assessment: Spanish

listening: C1
I can understand extended speech not clearly structured and when I only implied and not signalled understand television programmes without too much effort.

reading: B1
I can understand texts that contain frequently everyday or job-related information. I can understand the description of events in personal letters.

spoken interaction: B2
I can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible. I can participate in discussion in familiar contexts and sustaining my views.

spoken production: C2
I can present a clear, smoothly-flowing argument in a style appropriate to the recipient to notice and remember points.

writing: A2
I can write short, simple notes or write a very simple personal letter thanking someone for something.

qualification(s): Spanish



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title: A-level in Spanish

awarding body: Edexcel

CEFL level: B2

date awarded:

experience(s): Spanish

title: Work experience in Spanish bar

date from: 11-04-2005

date to: 16-06-2005

description: Spent several months in University summer holidays working in a bar in Malaga.

self assessment: Russian

listening: A1
I can understand familiar words and very phrases concerning myself, my family and immediate concrete surroundings when I speak slowly and clearly.

reading: A2
I can read very short, simple texts. I can understand specific, predictable information in simple material such as advertisements, prospectuses and timetables and I can understand simple personal letters.

spoken interaction: B1
I can deal with most situations likely to arise travelling in an area where the language I can enter unprepared into conversation that are familiar, of personal interest or part of everyday life (e.g. family, hobbies, work, current events).

spoken production: B2
I can present clear, detailed descriptions of subjects related to my field of interest. I can explain a viewpoint on a topical issue and the advantages and disadvantages of various options.



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writing: C1
I can express myself in clear, well-structured text, expressing points of view at some length. I can write about complex subjects in a letter, an essay or a report, underlining what I consider to be the salient issues. I can select a style appropriate to the reader in mind.

qualification(s): Russian

title: GCSE Russian

awarding body: CBE

CEFL level: A2

date awarded: 15-03-1992

experience(s): Russian



Other Technological Solutions:

- Elp-DESK developed data stick software which allows files to be uploaded to support the self assessment section of the Language Passport
- Users can upload sound files, movies, text or other files which can then be presented along with the Language Passport as proof of ability.

And the app?

The Elp-DESK project is close to a conclusion, however the UK NEC is considering whether it is possible to develop other tools, and updates to the existing application:

- A CV app?
- Non-english language versions?
- Other formats – for example Android and windows versions?



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