Notebooks 5 for iOS: A Note-Taking and Organization Productivity Suite

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While Notebooks was originally designed to do away with paper notes, it has evolved into a suite of productivity apps and includes a text processor for plain text, rich text, and Markdown text, provides space to store and organize files and documents, and even supports complex task management.

Users can create beautifully formatted documents using WYSIWYG style editing, create formatted HTML using Markdown, or simply type plain text notes, and all while using custom fonts, colors, and patterns.

Notebooks supports unlimited nested structures (books) to organize documents by topics, subjects, projects or any personal preferences. This makes it easy to separate private notes from business documents, client data from journal entries, school subjects from each other and so on.

A book in Notebooks displays its contents either as a list of documents or as a list of tasks, all with due dates and alert times if desired. Just as books can be nested, so can be task lists, and this allows users to break complex projects down into smaller, less intimidating packages that are easier to manage.

Notebooks is also a PDF converter that can convert documents from directly within the app. Users may set the page orientation and include password protection on the resulting PDF, saving time and providing document security.

The app also features embedded audio recording. Users may record Voice Memos while they are typing, and can copy and paste memos between notes, creating an interactive note-taking experience.

Notebooks handles all of a user's notes and documents: HTML, RTF, PDF, MS Office, iWork, photos, videos, web archives and more. It features a number of options that facilitate import, export and synchronization:
* Import iPhone Notes and Palm Memos
* Create documents from the Clipboard
* Import web pages from Safari
* Import and extract ZIP archives
* Create ZIP archives
* Convert documents to PDF
* Send documents to other apps

* Synchronize with Dropbox and WebDAV servers
* Synchronize between Notebooks on multiple devices (iPhone, iPad, Mac)
* Use WiFi sharing via a built in WebDAV server
* Use iTunes File Sharing

Notebooks 5 is a substantial update with a completely new interface designed to be modern and intuitive, and it delivers numerous new features and improvements. The update provides support for formatted documents in iOS 5 with WYSIWYG editing, document styles, paragraph formats, embedded images and lists, text styles, font colors, highlighting, and more. A user-defined row of extra keys for characters that are hard to reach on the built-in keyboard allows customization and provides timesaving shortcuts. Users may now work on documents that have over 300,000 characters, more than 100 printed pages.

Feature Highlights:
* Manage nested task lists
* Assign due dates and alarm times
* Leverage user reference library
* Assign context tags to documents and books
* Create nested books
* Move and rename documents and books
* Sort documents by various attributes
* Search books and documents by title
* Search full text of text, HTML, iWork, Office, RTF, and web archives
* Protect confidential documents with a code
* Use Notebooks links (URLs) to cross-reference books and documents

Whether users want to draft or outline a business presentation, type a chapter of a short-story, list inventory, save web pages for reading later, write an entry in a diary or journal, tick off tasks, or just capture notes and ideas on the go, Notebooks is the all-inclusive note application that will effortlessly handle all tasks.

"Write and store all your journals, ideas, notes, drafts, diaries, projects, and task lists with ease," stated independent developer Alfons Schmid. "Notebooks is the one and only notebook that you'll ever need."

Language Support:
* U.S. English, German, French, and Spanish

Device Requirements:
* iPhone, iPad, or iPod touch
* Requires iOS 4.0 or later, iOS 5 required for some features
* 7.8 MB

Pricing and Availability:
Notebooks for iPad 5.0.1 is $8.99 (USD) and Notebooks for iPhone 5.0.1 is $5.99, and both are available worldwide exclusively through the App Store in the Productivity category. Review copies are available on request.

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Based in Salzburg, Austria, indie developer Alfons Schmid holds a degree in Computer Science and has spent the past ten years in sales and consulting in the field of Document Management. Today he works as a freelance consultant for customers throughout Central Europe. He originally created Notebooks for iPhone and iPad to meet his own requirements.
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