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Tablets Versions, Gestures and Settings

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Android Versions

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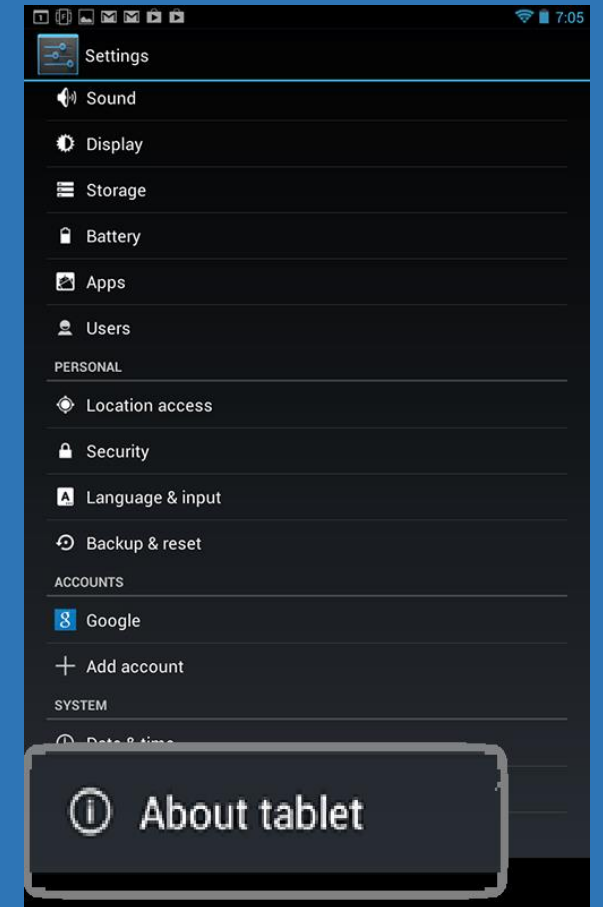
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How to check your Version

Select Settings e.g.



Select About Device
or About Tablet e.g.



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Name	Internal codename ^[11]	Version number(s)	API level	Release date	Latest security patch date ^[16]	Latest Google Play Services version ^[17] (release date)
Android 12	Snow Cone	12	31	October 4, 2021	March 2025	
Android 12L	Snow Cone v2	12.1 ^[a]	32	March 7, 2022		
Android 13	Tiramisu	13	33	August 15, 2022		
Android 14	Upside Down Cake ^[26]	14	34	October 4, 2023		
Android 15	Vanilla Ice Cream ^[27]	15	35	September 3, 2024		
Android 16	Baklava ^[28]	16 Beta 3 ^[29]	36	March 13, 2025 ^[29]	March 2025 ^[29]	25.07.33 (February 2025) ^[29]

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Android Tablets

Best Budget £132



11 inch
64GB
Android 8
WiFi, usb, stylus
5 MP Front & Rear Cameras

Best High End £999



12.4 inch 4k screen
256GB
Android 13
WiFi, usb-C, stylus
13 MP Front & 8 MP Rear

Pixel Tablet £499



11 inch 4k Screen
126GB
Android
WiFi, usb-C
8 MP Front & 5 Rear

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Apple IOS Versions

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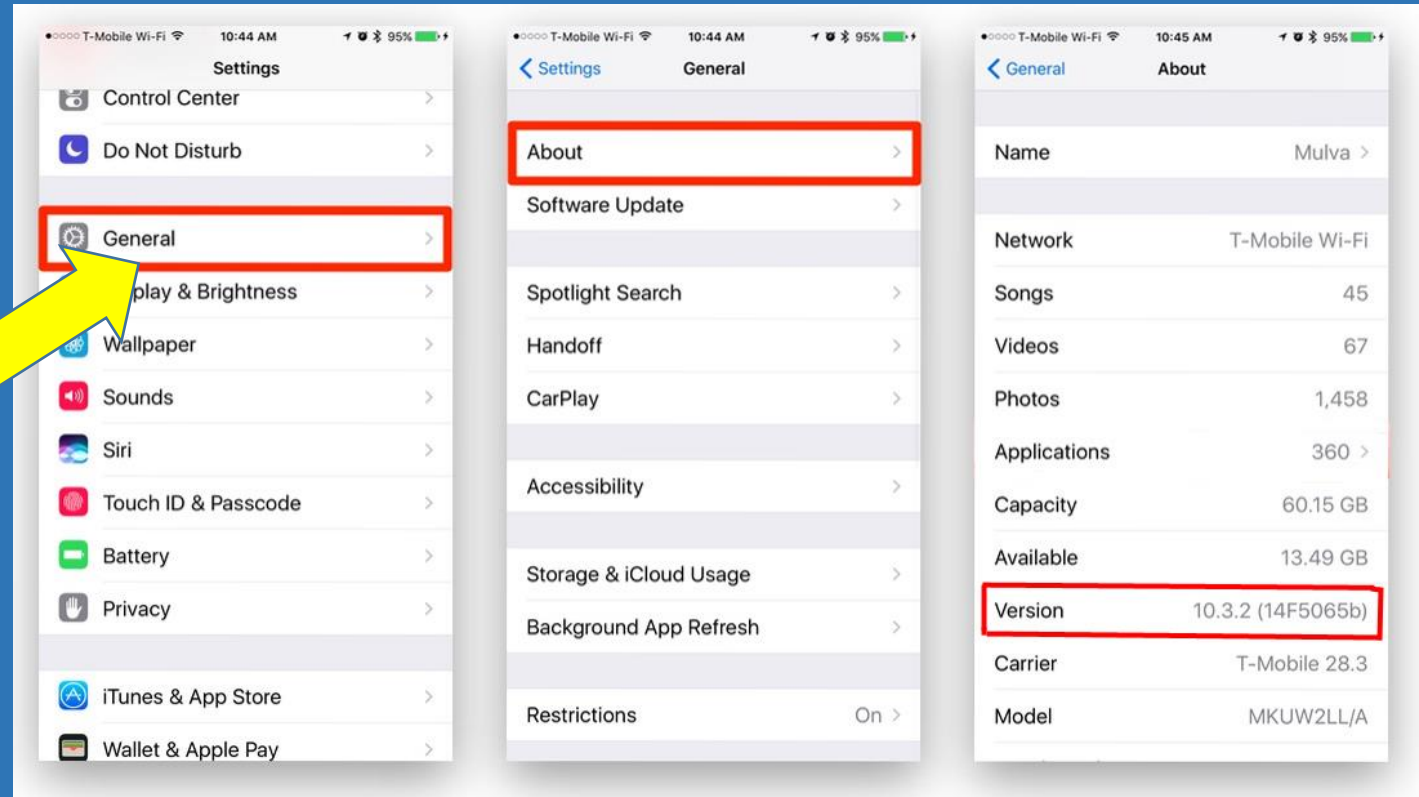
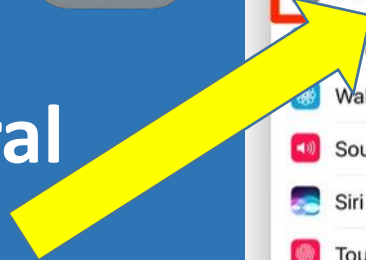
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How to check your IOS Version

Select Settings e.g.



Then Select General
Then About e.g.



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Apple – Model & iOS Versions

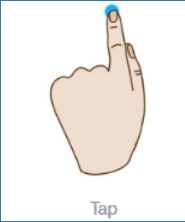
Model	Announced	Release(d)		Discontinued	Support		
		With OS	Date		Latest OS	Ended	Lifespan ^[a]
iPad (5th)	March 21, 2017	iOS 10.3	March 24, 2017	March 27, 2018	iPadOS 16.7.10	August 7, 2024	7 years, 4 months
iPad (6th)	March 27, 2018	iOS 11.3	March 27, 2018	September 10, 2019	iPadOS 17.7.5	February 10, 2025	6 years, 11 months
iPad (7th)	September 10, 2019	iPadOS 13.1	September 25, 2019	September 15, 2020	Latest iPadOS 18.3.2	Supported March 11, 2025	5 years, 6 months
iPad (8th)	September 15, 2020	iPadOS 14.0	September 18, 2020	September 14, 2021			4 years, 6 months
iPad (9th)	September 14, 2021	iPadOS 15.0	September 24, 2021	May 7, 2024			3 years, 6 months
iPad (10th)	October 18, 2022	iPadOS 16.1	October 26, 2022	March 4, 2025			2 years, 4 months
iPad (11th)	March 4, 2025	iPadOS 18.3.1	March 12, 2025	Current			0 months

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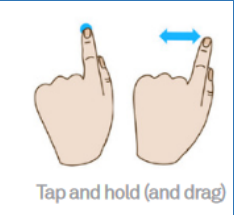
Tablets Gestures

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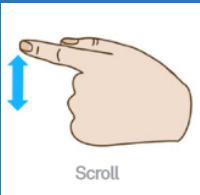
Android & IOS



Tap is a quick touch of the screen with one finger



Touch part of the screen keeping finger in contact with the screen (with Drag)



Scroll by a touch of the screen that doesn't have a button or link keeping finger in contact and moving up or down, right or left

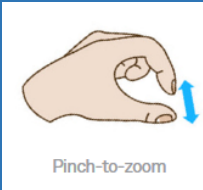


Swipe is a quick slash across the screen in either direction for flipping between pages or images

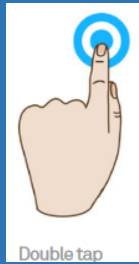
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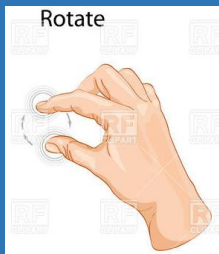
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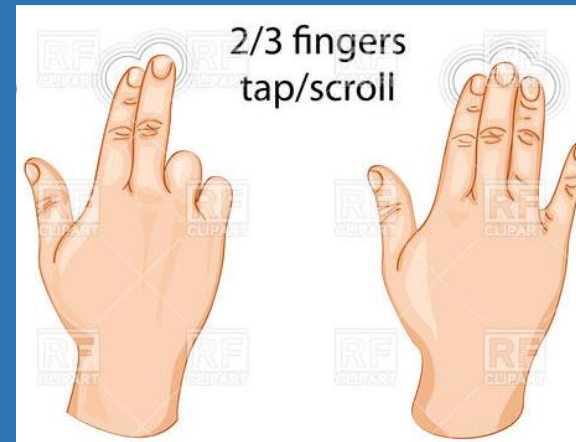
Pinch to Zoom requires two fingers to zoom in or out of the screen



Double Tap is to tap part of the screen twice in quick succession. Similar to pinch to zoom.



Rotate with two fingers on the screen and a twist movement



2 and 3 Finger Tap/Scroll

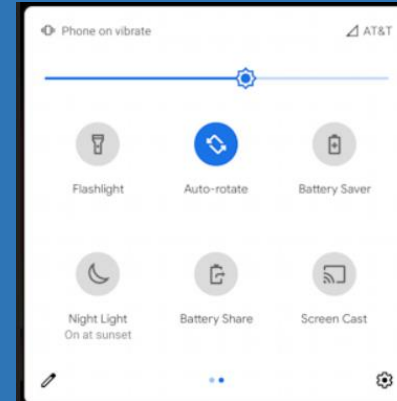
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Android - Little Known

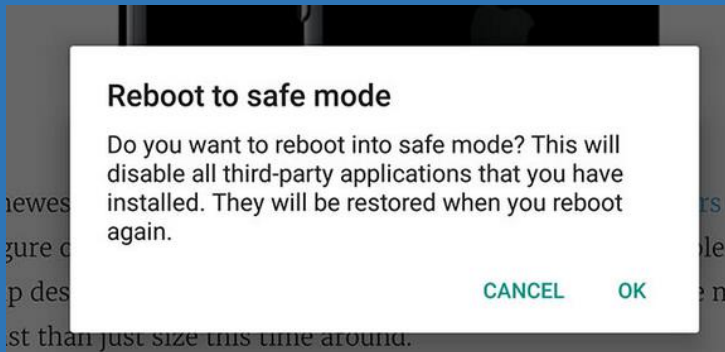
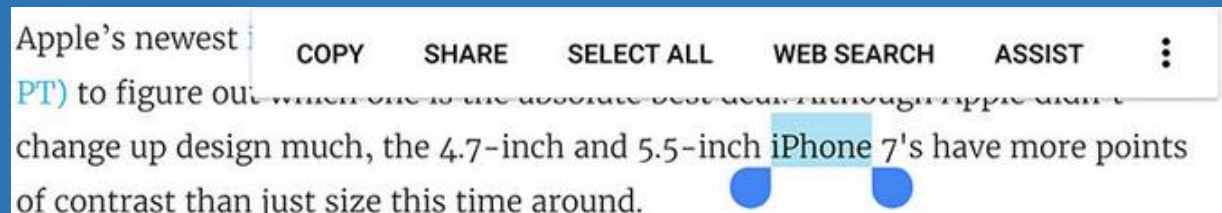


Two finger swipe down from top of screen to access Quick Settings pane



Press and Hold to Select (sometime double tap) - somewhere on screen to select a word.

Then drag out handles to select more words

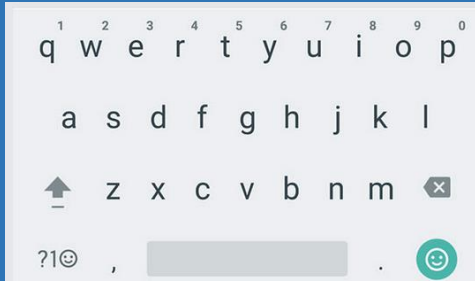


Safe Mode (to fix trouble apps) - Press & Hold the power button then Press & Hold the power off pop-up to get the Safe Mode option

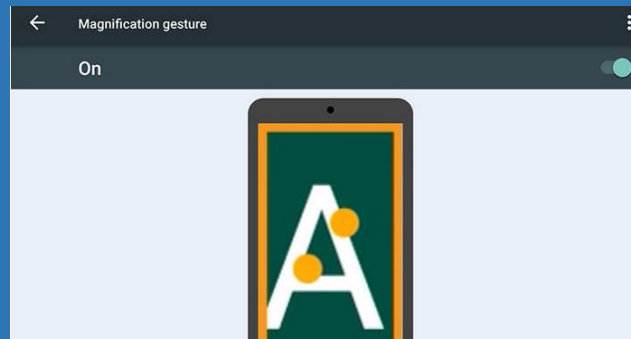
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To move the Cursor in Edit Text mode - Tap & Hold the spacebar then move finger left or right



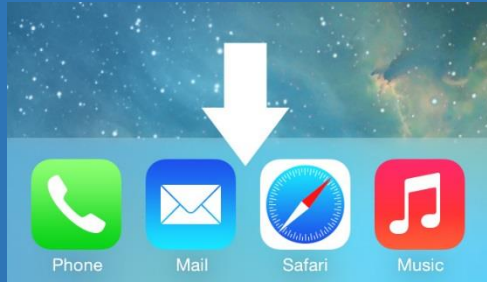
Triple Tap to Zoom In e.g. for websites.
This needs enabling in OS settings to use



Want to Create your Own gesture i.e. draw an S on the screen to launch Settings.
There are a few apps to choose from for the job,
including All In One Gestures, Gesture Shortcuts or Finger Gesture Launcher.

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Apple IOS - Little Known

Quick Return to Lock Screen - use one finger to swipe down from top of screen.



Double tap the home button or swipe up on iPads with no Home button to see all open apps.
These can then be closed by swiping the app up



To get to a quick search, Swipe 4/5 fingers down from the top of the screen

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Apple IOS - Little Known



A quick navigation back to the Home screen can be done by pinching with four fingers



Swipe up from bottom of the screen for the Control Panel.
(may also be the open apps screen)

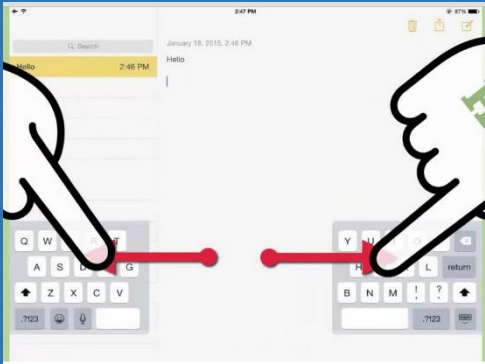


In typing mode, quick access to Capital, special characters or numbers by tapping on shift key then sliding finger to a key to get a capital, hold for Special Character. Tap on a top keyboard row and hold to toggle for a number

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Apple IOS - Little Known



Want to split the keyboard for two handed typing. Tap, Hold & Drag the keyboard apart



Want to grab a copy of your screen and save as an image, hold the power button down & tap on the home button. Image then appears in your Camera Roll



Want to Undo what you've just typed then just shake the iPhone or iPad to get a pop-up confirmation. You may need to change option in....
Settings > General > Accessibility.

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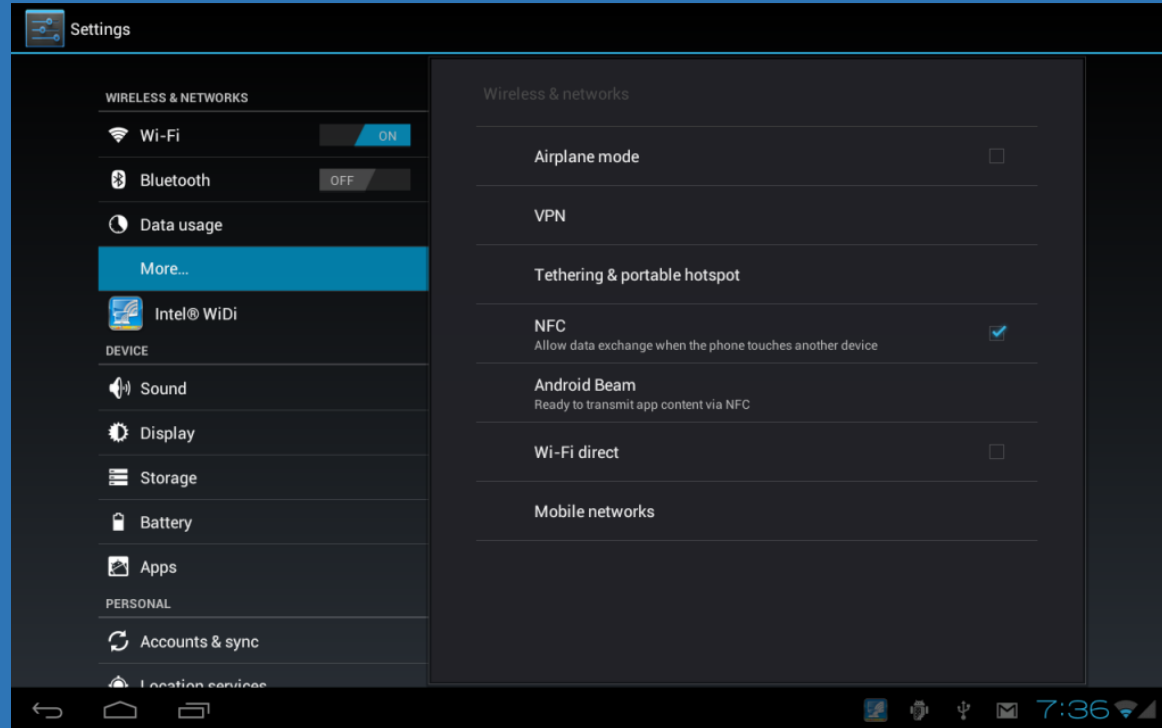
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Tablets

The Settings Screen

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The **Settings** controls many of the core functions of the tablet: the wireless network, the lock screen, app security, SD card settings, app store accounts, email and messaging accounts, time and location settings and much more.

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Apple iPad/iPhone

Settings Sections

- User Profile
- Wireless and Networks
- Notifications
- General
 - Display, Wallpaper, Sounds, Battery & Privacy
- iTunes
- Apple Applications
 - Accounts and Passwords, Mail, Calendar etc
- Media
- Applications

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Android Tablets

Settings Sections

- Wireless and Networks
- Device
 - Personalisation
 - Sounds, Display, Storage. Apps
- Personal
 - Location, Security, Language.
- Accounts
- System
 - Date & Time, Accessibility, About.

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