

Training Cards

TD Talk Touch



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Set Up TD Talk

- 1 Tap the **TD Talk** app.



- 2 Swipe up from the letter T on the TD Talk keyboard to open the off-screen menu.

- 3 Tap the **More** button.



- 4 Tap **Settings**.



- 5 Set the TD Talk interface language:
 - On the General Settings tap **Open**.
 - Select the language of your choice.
 - Select **Back** to return to Settings.



- 6 Choose your voices:
 - On the Voice Panel, tap **Open**.
 - At the top of the screen, select the language for which you will assign a voice.
 - Select a voice.
 - Select **X** to exit TD Talk Settings.



Note

Voices at the top of the list are downloaded and ready to use. Voices at the bottom of the list are available to download.

Optional: Add additional keyboard languages.

- 1 Go to **Off-Screen Menu > More > Settings > Keyboard > Add/Change**.
- 2 Select a language from the Installed tab or go to the Download tab to find other languages.
- 3 Select **Back** to return to TD Talk Settings.
- 4 Open the **Voice Settings**, select the new language, then choose a voice for the language.

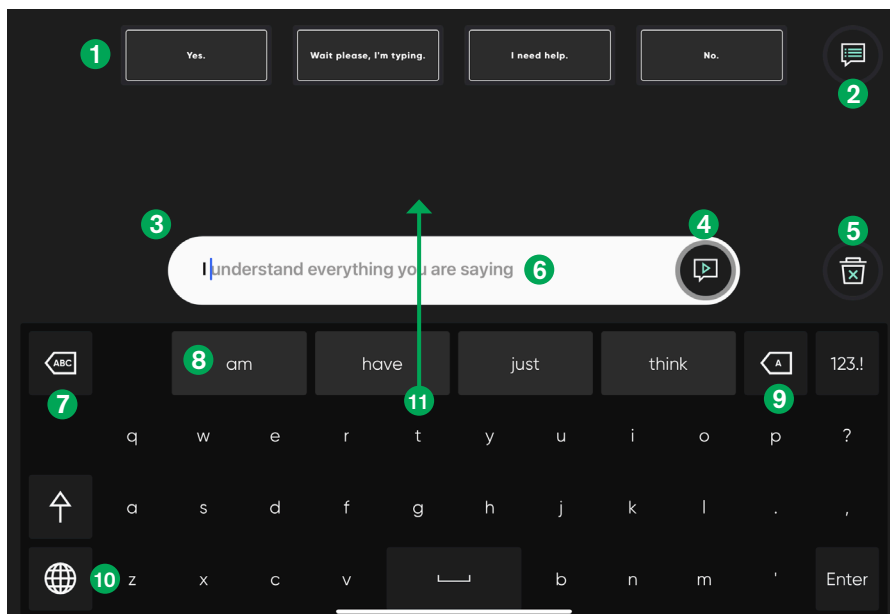


Tip

When you are using TD Talk you can quickly switch languages by tapping the globe in the lower left corner of the keyboard.

TD Talk Tour

TD Talk is designed for fast, face-to-face communication. Use this app when you are interacting with others.



1 Quick Messages

Pre-written messages that speak immediately when selected.

2 More Quick Messages

Open the Quick Messages page to speak or edit your Quick Messages.

3 Message Window

View and edit the text you would like to speak here.

4 Speak

Speak the text in the Message Window. You may also pause speech and resume speaking.

5 Clear

Clear all text in the Message Window.

6 Phrase Prediction

TD Talk learns from what you type and uses that information to predict phrases. Prediction is based on frequency and makes communication faster and more personal.

7 Delete Word

Delete the word to the left of the cursor.

8 Word Prediction

Automatically predicts words based on what you've typed so far.

9 Backspace

Delete the character to the left of the cursor.

10 Change Language

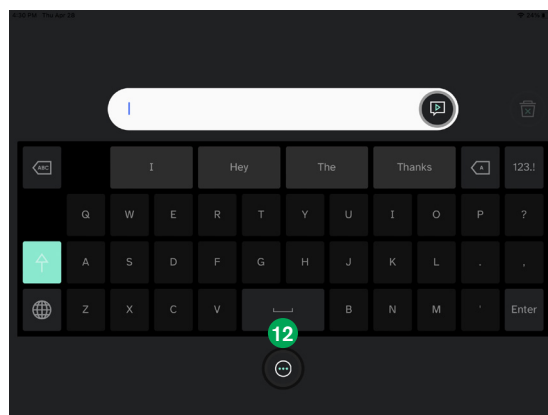
Switch between the languages you speak.

11 Off-screen Menu

Swipe up from the letter T on the keyboard to open the Off-screen Menu.

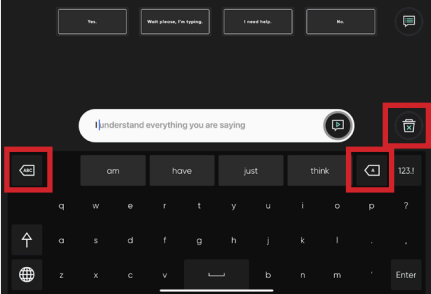
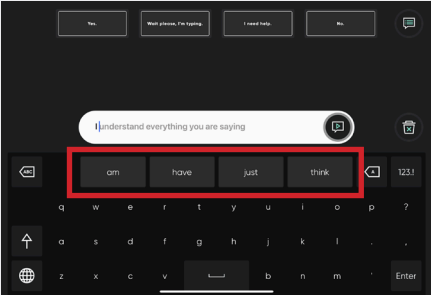
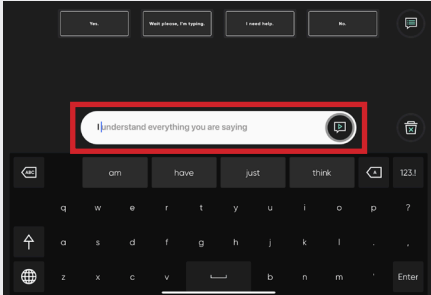
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Access the Dashboard and Settings.

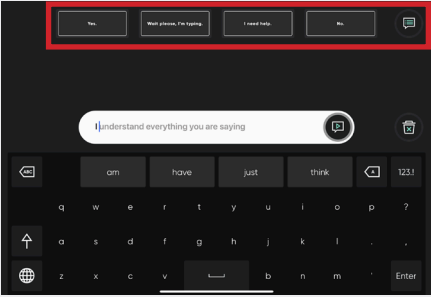
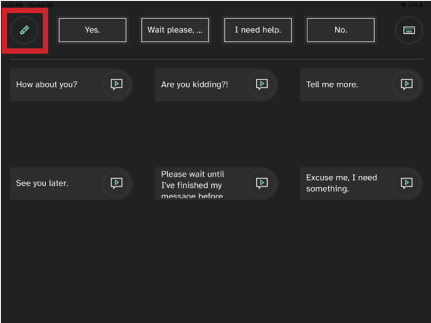


Using TD Talk

These tips can help you use TD Talk successfully.

| The Keyboard | |
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| Tip | Try It |
| <p>Type and delete.</p> <p>Use the keyboards and delete buttons to type and edit messages.</p>  | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Familiarize yourself with the keyboard.2 Locate these buttons: Clear, Delete Word, and Backspace.3 Open the 123! keyboard and then return to the ABC keyboard. |
| <p>Take advantage of word prediction.</p> <p>Word prediction learns from what you type and can speed up your communication.</p>  | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1 When you start typing a word, glance at the word prediction buttons to see if the word you want is there.2 Repeat every 2-3 letters.3 If the word that you are trying to type appears on one of the word prediction buttons, tap the button to add the word to the Message Window. |
| <p>Use phrase prediction.</p> <p>Phrase prediction learns how you put words together and predicts what you want to say based on frequency of use. The more you speak using TD Talk, the better the phrase prediction becomes so you can say what you want faster and with less effort.</p>  | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Glance at the Message Window after each word or two to see if TD Talk has predicted a phrase. Predicted text appears in gray following the text that you typed.2 If the predicted phrase is what you want, touch the last word in the prediction to accept it.3 If the predicted phrase is not what you want, continue typing. |

Using TD Talk

| Quick Messages | |
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| Tip | Try It |
| <p>Quick Messages are often the fastest way to communicate.</p> <p>Use Quick Messages to get attention, let people know you are still typing, and prepare for interactions such as medical appointments and family gatherings.</p>  | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Select each of the four Quick Messages at the top of the keyboard.2 Select More Quick Messages and review the other messages that are available. |
| <p>Edit Quick Messages to make them your own.</p> <p>Customize the Quick Messages based on your needs. Some messages may be permanent and others temporary.</p>  | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Select More Quick Messages, then Edit Quick Messages.2 Select the Quick Message you want to edit and type your message with the keyboard.3 Select Save and return to your main keyboard. |

Using TD Talk

| Other Communication Tips | |
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| Tip | Try It |
| Type like you talk. Spoken language differs from the more formal grammar of written language. Use partial sentences and casual grammar that reflect your speech. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ "Wanna go?"■ "I could you know but no thanks."■ "Next time." |
| Use punctuation and capital letters only when they enhance your message. Periods and capital letters require time and effort to type. They don't make a difference in how your message is spoken unless the periods are separating sentences in a paragraph. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Use ? or ! to make your message sound like a question or exclamation.■ Commas insert pauses in a sentence. Use commas for emphasis and pacing.■ Capital letters add impact visually, but do not change how a word is spoken. TD Talk automatically capitalizes the first letter in a sentence for you. Otherwise, use capital letters only if you wish. |

Practice with TD Talk

Become familiar with speaking using TD Talk.

Type a few facts about yourself (e.g., your name, your address, etc.) then speak them. Practice using the Clear, Delete Word, and Backspace buttons.

Save time with word prediction.

Type "I need to go to the coffee shop tomorrow morning" without using word prediction. Then, type the sentence again using word prediction. Compare the time and effort required.

Try using phrase prediction.

Type one of the sentences below, then use the Speak button in TD Talk to say the sentence five times. This will add the sentence to your Phrase Set. Clear the Message Window, then start to type the same sentence again. You'll see the phrase predicted for you. Tap the last word in the predicted phrase to select it, then speak it.

- My name is [your name].
- My address is [your address].
- [Person's name] is my [relationship].
- I work (or worked) at [employer] as a [job title].
- I use this device to communicate and I understand everything you are saying.

Practice typing like you talk.

The sentences below might be used in formal written communication. How would you say them in casual spoken conversation?

- Let's take some time today to talk about finances.
- I wish you all the best.
- I hope you have been well in the past months.

Think about phrases that you use often in conversation. The examples below might help you identify some. Type them into TD Talk.


- **Exclamation**
No way! That's interesting. Is that so?!
- **Filler words or phrases**
...like..., um..., I mean, you know, ...if that makes sense, ...and whatnot.
- **Regional words and phrases**
It's wicked hot. Y'all comin? Red up the table.

Experiment with punctuation and capitals.

Type the following sentences and listen to the difference with and without punctuation and capital letters. This activity will help you take note of when it is worth adding punctuation and capitalization, and when you can skip it to save time.

| | Option 1 | Option 2 |
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| 1 | I will wear a shirt, jeans, and a jacket. | I will wear a shirt jeans and a jacket |
| 2 | Can I have it? | Can I have it |
| 3 | There is Jane over there. | There is jane, over there. |
| 4 | Wow! That is amazing! | Wow, that is amazing |
| 5 | I like it but he doesn't. | I like it, but, he doesn't. |

Troubleshooting Touch Access

| Issue | Solutions |
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| Accidentally selecting buttons. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm that the individual can see the device screen clearly. Reposition the device to see if another position might better support access. Increase the time you must touch the screen for your touch to be recognized. This requires turning on three settings. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Turn on Touch Accommodations. <i>iPadOS Settings > Accessibility > Touch > Touch Accommodations</i> In the same menu, turn on Hold Duration, then adjust the time. <div>  <p>Note The Hold Duration setting is applied immediately, so you will now have to hold your touch selections for the set time.</p> </div> In the same menu, turn on Swipe Gestures and then choose a Required Movement setting. "Standard" is the setting used most commonly. |
| Accuracy gets worse over time. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm that the individual can see the device screen well. Try to find a better position for the device to minimize the user's movement or effort when making selections. Try some of the solutions in the "Accidentally selecting buttons" section. See if Touch Accommodations improve accuracy for certain periods of the day (see instructions above). Consult your evaluator or solutions consultant for additional options. |
| Cannot touch all parts of the screen. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm that the individual can see the device screen well. Reposition the device to see if another position might better support access. Consult your evaluator or solutions consultant for additional options. |
| Entering the passcode is challenging or tiresome. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If your iPad supports Face ID, activate Face ID. <i>iPadOS Settings > Face ID & Passcode > Setup Face ID</i> If your iPad does not support Face ID, disable the passcode. <i>iPadOS Settings > Face ID & Passcode or Touch ID & Passcode > Passcode > Turn Passcode Off</i> |

If you are experiencing challenges not addressed in the table above or your challenges persist, try the following steps.

- Always confirm that a good foundation is in place.
 - Verify that the individual can see the device screen well. Check for screen glare and, if the individual needs glasses, make sure that they are wearing them.
 - Position the device so that the individual can touch the screen easily and accurately without much effort. The device may need to be repositioned throughout the day.
- Consult your evaluator or solutions consultant to identify other potential solutions.

**Does Hold Duration apply everywhere?**

Yes. The Hold Duration applies to your entire device. You can turn it on and off in the iPadOS Settings at will.

What happens if touch access becomes difficult?

Contact your evaluator or solutions consultant for assistance to identify potential solutions.

How does TD Talk's Phrase Prediction work?

TD Talk's Phrase Prediction is based on frequency. Phrases that you have spoken several times before are predicted when you start typing the beginning of the phrase. It tends to predict partial sentences (e.g., I am going, What do you) rather than full sentences (e.g., I am going to the store., What do you like in your coffee?) because they are used in a broader variety of situations and keep you from having to edit as often.

Additional Resources

Scan the QR codes or use the links.



TD Talk Support Page
grco.de/TDTalkHelpUK



Apple
apple.com/accessibility



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**Tobii Dynavox Learning Hub
(English only)**
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