



ALEXA QUICK TIPS SHEET

1 GENERAL ADVICE

- Always start talking with the "wake" word - *A/lexa*.
- Then pause briefly.
- Then ask your question or give your instruction.
- The blue light means she is listening and processing.

2 THINGS TO TRY

- Alexa, what day is it?
- Alexa, what time is it?
- Alexa, what's happening today?
- Alexa, what is the weather?
- Alexa, what's the news?
- Alexa, show me my photos.
- Alexa, play Radio 4.
- Alexa, add eggs to my shopping list?

You can have video conversations using the Show devices and using the Alexa app on a mobile phone. Just say "Alexa, drop in on" or Alexa, call"

To answer an incoming call: "Alexa, answer."

To hang up: "Alexa, hang up" or "Alexa, end the call."

To play messages: "Alexa, play messages."

You can set-up your Alexa with calendar information and reminders using Google calendar (these can be set using voice command and then edited in the phone app).

- Alexa, set a reminder to switch off the gas fire at 9pm.
- Alexa, set a reminder to take medication at 1pm.

It can be useful to word the calendar entries in a format that provides some additional information about the visitor or activity.

- David is coming round today — he is your optician and is going to check your eyesight.



Alexa can play music and read books, linking to services such as Amazon Prime, Spotify, Audible and Kindle. You can then say “Alexa, play my Classical Music playlist on Spotify”. Or “Play songs by Mozart”

When a song is playing, that you like you can add it to a playlist. Just say “Alexa, add this song to my playlist,” or “Alexa, add this to my Classical Music playlist.”

If you have additional smart devices, such as plugs and lights you can also control things with you voice:

- Alexa, turn on the lamp.
- Alexa, turn on the electric blanket.

3 BASIC COMMANDS

- To stop or pause: Alexa, stop.
- To stop: Alexa, cancel.
- To re-start play: Alexa, resume. Or Alexa, restart.
- To skip a track or song: Alexa, next.
- To change volume: Alexa, turn down/up the volume. Or Alexa, set the volume to 6.

4 JUST FOR FUN

Alexa, tell me a joke.

Alexa, teach me German.

Alexa, beam me up.