



iPhone/iPad VoiceOver

One-Finger Gestures

You can quickly navigate your screen using one-finger gestures.

There are ways you can easily turn on your most frequently used accessibility features, such as VoiceOver. **Try these steps out!**

Tip: The following instructions are for the iPhone. However, they are very similar whether you're using an iPhone or an iPad.

Tip: Once you set up your Accessibility shortcut, you can press your side button quickly three times to toggle the shortcut on and off. If your device has a Home button, you would toggle that button quickly three times instead.

Single Tap Gesture

Tap an open area of your screen once with one finger.

Tip: You will hear a beeping sound, or audio cue, that lets you know you tapped an open area.

1. Explore your screen by tapping once on different areas. When you tap an item or an app, VoiceOver announces what it is.

Tip: One-finger single tapping is a great way to explore your screen to learn where things are because you are selecting different apps or items, but not opening them. Once an app is selected, you then double tap anywhere on the screen to open it.

Right Swipe Gesture

Each time you right swipe, you move to the next item in the row of apps. There are four apps in a row. Once you reach the end of the first row, right swiping moves the focus to the first item or app in your second row.

2. Single tap an app in the top left row of your screen to select it. VoiceOver tells you the name of the app.
3. Right swipe to move to the next app in the row.
4. Right swipe two more times to get to the end of the first row of apps.
5. Right swipe again to move to the first app in the next row.

Left Swipe Gesture

Left swiping moves you backwards through the items on your screen.

6. Swipe your finger across your screen to the left.
7. Keep left swiping until you reach the **Settings** app. Again, VoiceOver announces the item names as you go.

Single-Finger Double Tap Gesture

Tapping the screen twice with one finger opens the selected item or interacts with the selected button. This is called the single-finger double tap gesture.

8. Double tap anywhere on your screen. Your **Settings** app opens with the focus on the **Settings** heading at the top of the screen.

Tip: You don't have to double tap directly on the app. Since the focus is already on the **Settings** app, you can double tap anywhere on your screen.

9. Right and left swipe to explore the list of options in your **Settings** app.

Closing an App

If your device has a Home button:

10. Press the **Home** button once to close any open app.

If your device does not have a Home button:

11. Slide or drag one finger halfway up from the bottom edge of your screen until you feel a vibration or hear an audio cue. VoiceOver will say, “Lift for Home.”
12. Lift your finger off the screen. The **Settings** app closes and your Home screen is displayed with the focus on **Settings**.

One-Finger Triple Tap Gesture

Tapping the screen three times with one finger is also called a **long press** and opens a pop-up menu specific to the selected app.

13. With the **Settings** app selected, triple tap anywhere on your screen.
14. The pop-up menu for the **Settings** app opens. Swipe through the menu options.
15. To close the pop-up menu, use the one-finger drag up gesture, or the **Home** button.

Now you have a simple way for quickly navigating your screen with one-finger gestures. Try it out to see how it works for you and then take another workshop to learn more.