



## **Android Basics**

Unlike the iPhone or iPad (which are only available in a few different models), there are hundreds of Android devices to choose from. Learn how to get started with an Android device in this tutorial.



## **Google Account**

If you are using an Android device, the first time you turn on your device, you'll be asked to set up a few different things, including your preferred language, the date and time, and (most importantly) your **Google account**. If you don't have a Google account yet, you can create one during the setup process. If you have a Gmail account, that is the same as your Google account.

## **Included Apps**

- Phone for making phone calls
- · Messaging for text messaging
- Email for managing your email, or Gmail if you have a Gmail account
- People for your contacts list (may also be called Contacts)
- Chrome for browsing the Web (may also be called Internet or Browser)
- Camera for taking photos and videos
- Play Store for downloading apps
- Settings for adjusting your settings

## **Basic Gestures**

Gestures are what you'll use to interact with your device's touchscreen. For instance, instead of clicking something with your mouse, you'll tap the screen with your finger.

- **Tap to "click"**, select, or open something on your device, like a button or an app
- **Tap and hold** to occasionally access other options (think of this as "right-clicking")
- Drag to scroll up and down, left and right, or any other direction on the screen
- Swipe left or right to "flip through" things, like pages on the Home screen, photos, or pages in an e-book
- Double-tap to zoom in or out in certain apps, like Maps or Chrome
- **Pinch** (i.e., open or close your thumb and forefinger) to zoom in or out almost anywhere

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