



# Simple Settings; Simple Life

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SMARTPHONE & TABLET/IPAD  
SETTINGS TO MAKE MOBILE  
MANAGEMENT AND ACCESS  
EASIER -

“HOME SCREENS”

# Device Frustrations (And There Are Many)

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Telephone Interruptions (do I know these people or not) ?

Is there a way to handle these (even just a little bit)



Text Messages (who are these people) ?

Oh come on, I just dealt with 10 this morning.



Email Messages (hmmmm .... kind of a repeat of above) ::sad:: ::sad::



**Where are my apps again (I thought I filed them – sort of)**

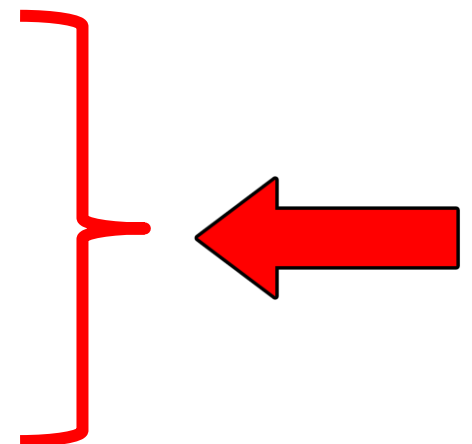
**What are these other apps for ?**

**Come on, do I really need them ? How can I get rid of them ?**

**I Run on iOS – What Can I Do ?**

**I Run on Android – What Can I Do ?**

**I have a difficult time reading my screen and seeing things on it.**



# Managing My Home Screen – Simplified !!!

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There are ways to increase the sizing of the letters on your screen.  
There are ways to increase the size of some of your app icons on your screen.  
There are inherent problems with font and picture manipulation.



Assistive Access:

- ❖ Apps have been re
- ❖ Contents are custo

ion is straight forward.



3rd Party Apps:

- ❖ Special Apps to lar

Customizable contents.

**Slides 4-14: iOS**  
**Slides 15-23: Android**

# Managing My Home Screen – Simplified !!!



Normal Screen:



Assistive Access:



Rows

Grid

# Assistive Access

<https://support.apple.com/guide/assistive-access-iphone/welcome/ios>



Assistive Access is a distinctive iOS experience, with more focused features and a simplified user interface, which allows people with cognitive or visual disabilities to use iPhone with greater ease and independence. **NEED iOS 17 or greater.**

1. Settings



2. Accessibility



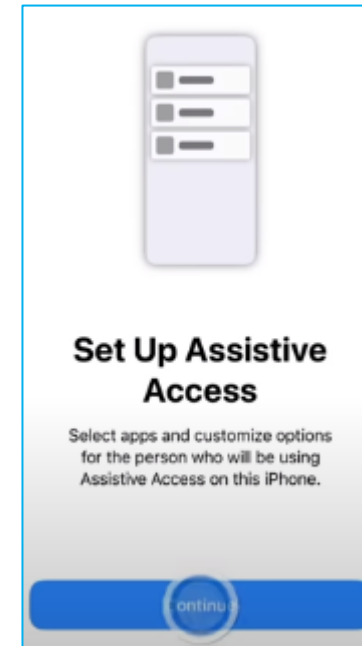
3. Assistive Access



4. Setup Assistive Access

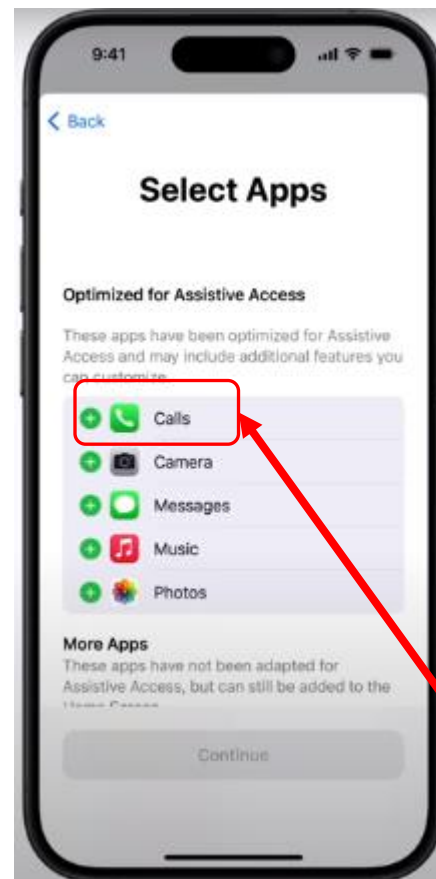
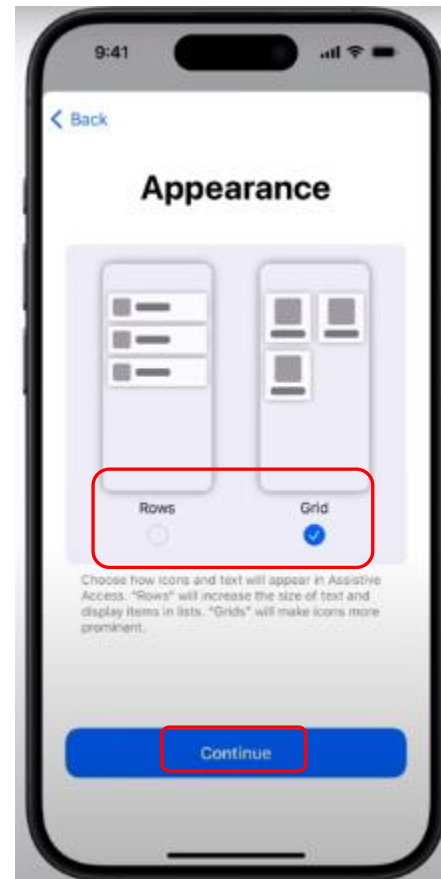


5. Continue



# Assistive Access

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4O7XKZWgE3g>

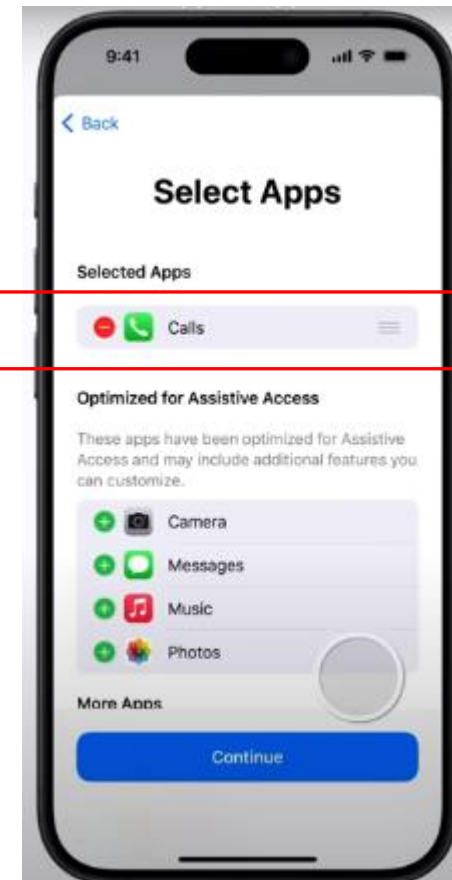
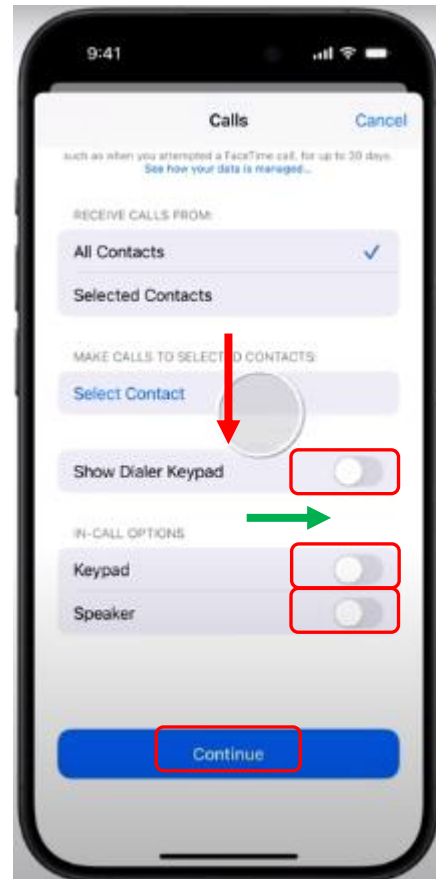


At this point your ios device (iphone / ipad) will display all the applications you may choose for your home screen.

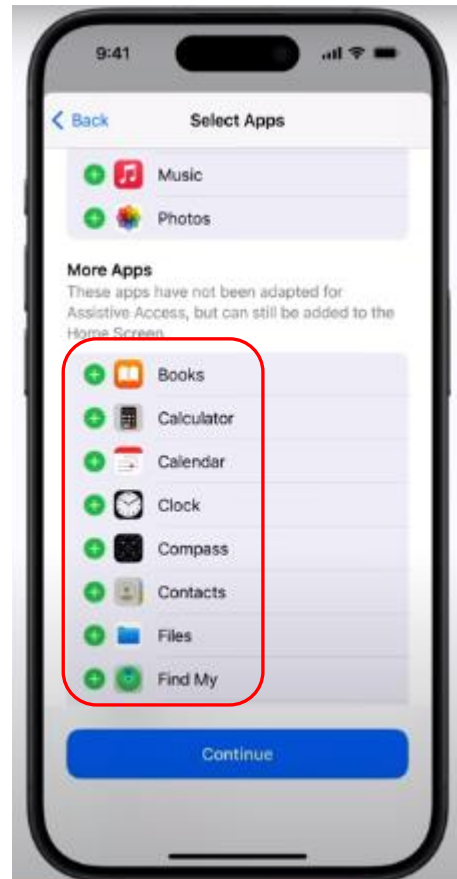
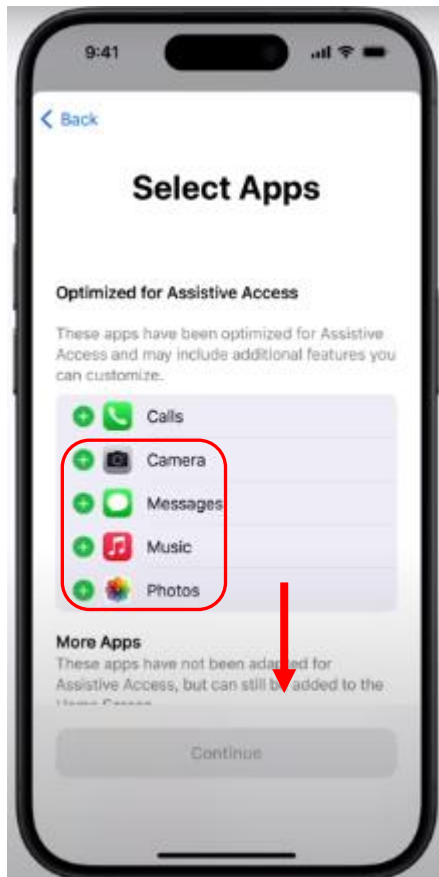
For each app you choose you will be given options/functions to include.

Click on "Calls"

# Assistive Access – Configure Calls



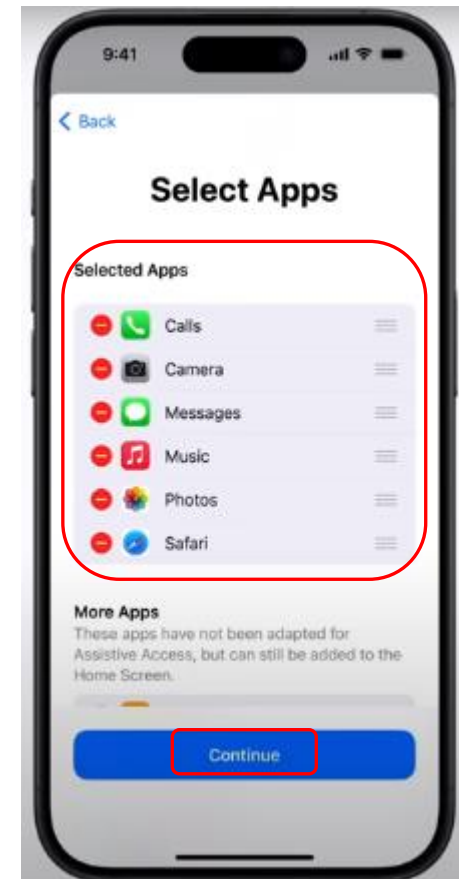
# Assistive Access – More Apps



**Choose the Apps that you want added to your home screen.**

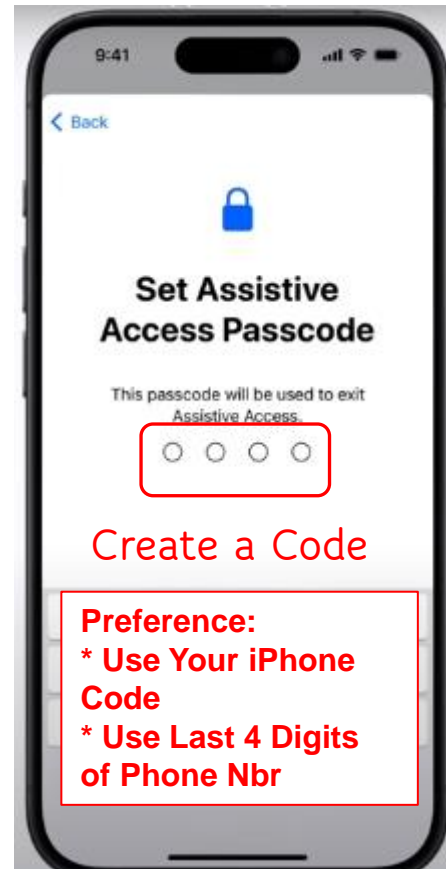
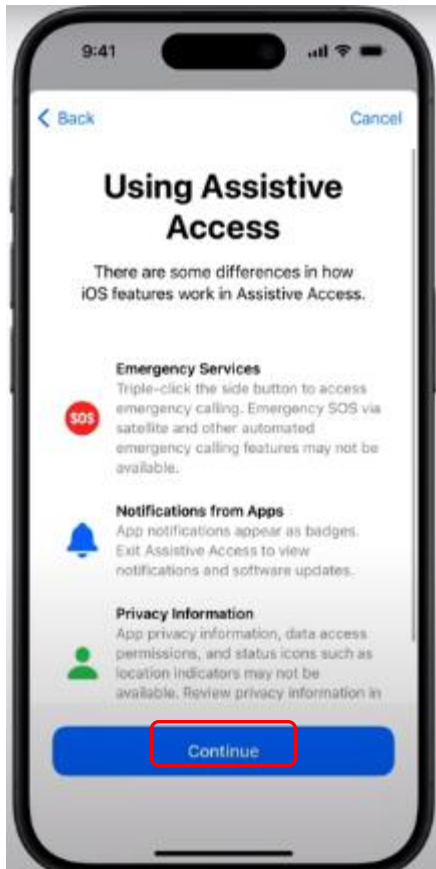
**For any App you DO NOT select, then it will be HIDDEN from your new home screen.**

**You can always go back and make any changes you want to (add, remove, or modify).**





# Assistive Access – Continue Configure

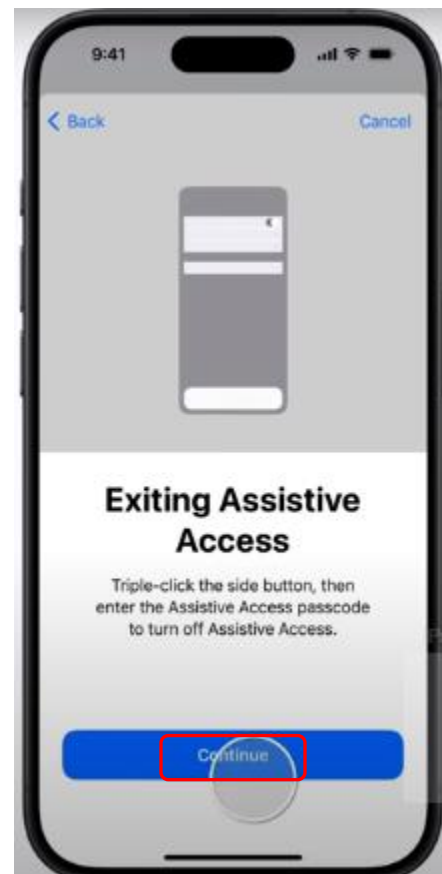


Re-Enter Your Code

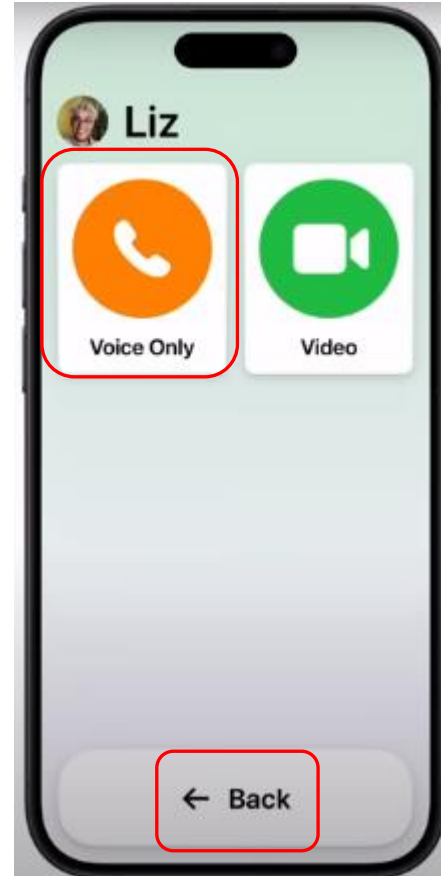
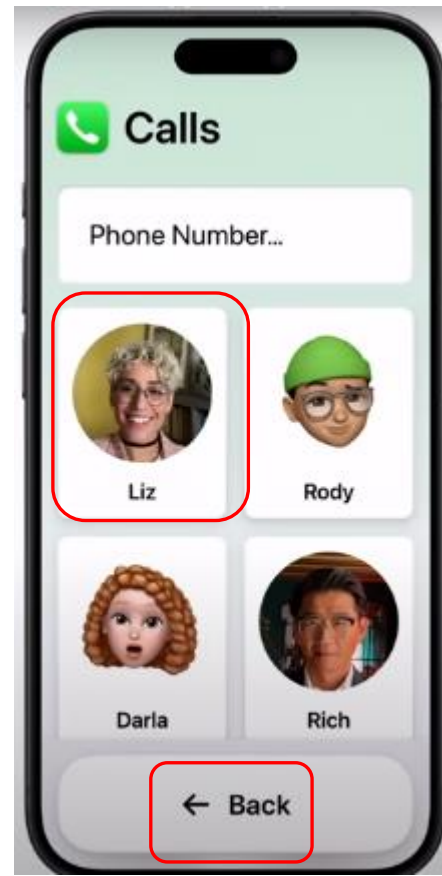
## Get Help If You Forget Your Assistive Access Passcode

An Apple ID can be used to exit Assistive Access if you ever forget your Assistive Access passcode.

# Assistive Access – More Apps

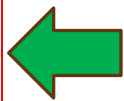


# Assistive Access – More Apps



# Assistive Access – Exit or Modify

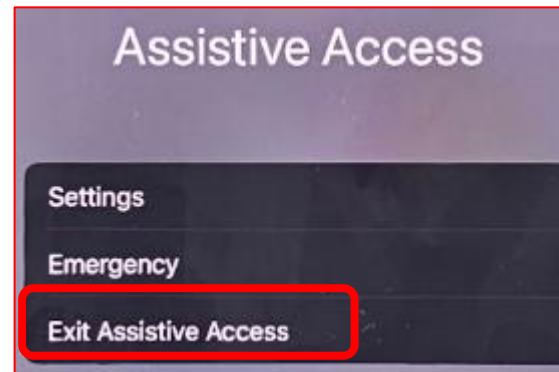
To EXIT Assistive Access at any time, Triple-click the side button (on an iPhone with Face ID) or the Home button (on other iPhone models), tap Exit Assistive Access, then enter the Assistive Access passcode. You need to exit Assistive Access to do any of the following: Change most Assistive Access and system settings.



**3x Side Button**



**3x Home Button**



**Enter Assistive Access Passcode to Exit**

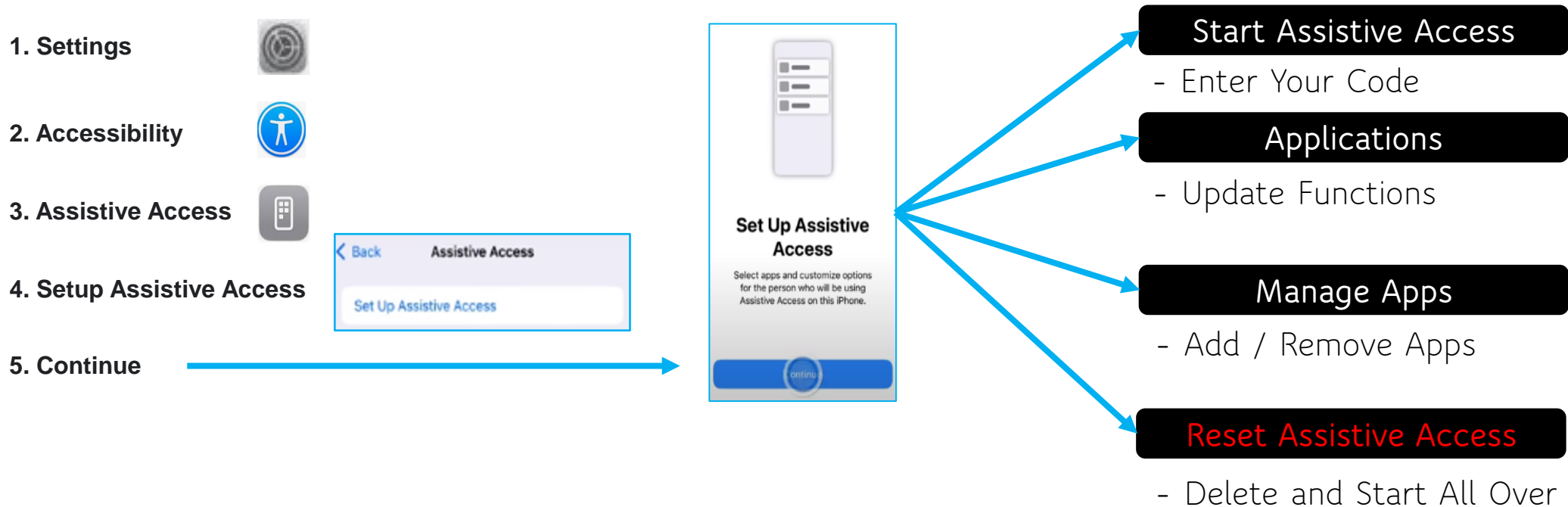


**Exiting Assistive Access**



# Assistive Access - Modify

Once you are back at your Home Screen, then start again to apply changes to your options –or– to re-enter Assistive Access.



# Assistive Access – User Guide

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**This is the best user guide I have seen so far. It makes things “very” simple.**

**<https://www.tomsguide.com/how-to/set-up-assistive-access-on-iphone>**

# Managing My Home Screen – Simplified !!!



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Android devices require add-on –  
3<sup>rd</sup> party applications.

**BIG LAUNCHER**    Free    4.1 / 5.0

- BIG Phone
- BIG SMS
- BIG Alarm
- BIG Notifications

**“BIG APP SUITE”**

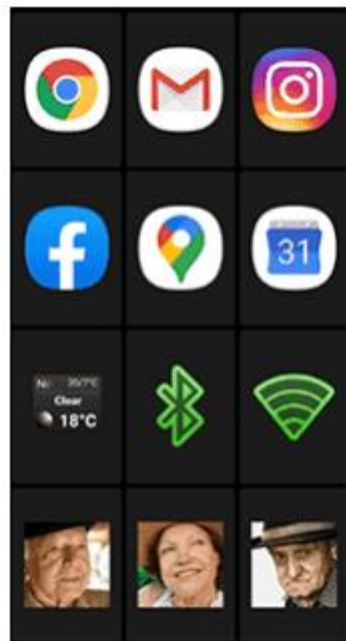
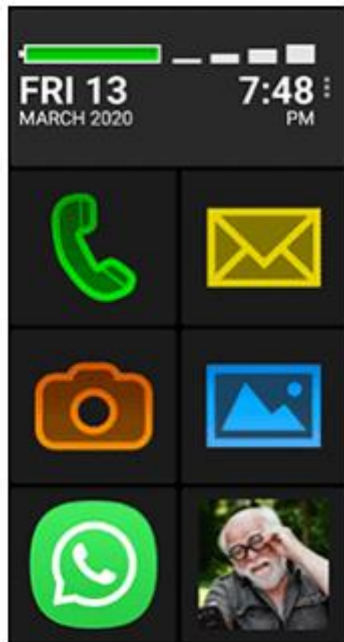
Can download for free to try from  
The Google Play Store or go online  
To look: [biglauncher.com](http://biglauncher.com)



# Big Launcher



## BIG LAUNCHER



- ☎ Replaces the user interface of almost any Android phone or tablet with enlarged buttons and texts.
- 👤 Designed in consideration with seniors and the visually impaired to provide maximum readability and easy use.
- 👉 Controlled by single touches, leaving no room for errors.
- 🔧 Easily customizable to match your needs.
- 🌐 Put the shortcuts for apps, websites, contacts, widgets and more directly on the home screen.
- 📺 Add more screens and access them by swiping or pushing the buttons.
- 🔍 Find the apps quickly with instant search or recent apps list on the top.
- 🔒 Hide the apps you don't want to use to protect users from getting lost in the navigation



# Big Launcher

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## BIG SMS



☰ Large font and different colors used to display the message thread.

✉ Reply easily to any message with the easy to use SMS editor.

🔔 Optional full-screen SMS notifications allow you to rapidly call back or reply to the message (not available on Android 10 or higher)

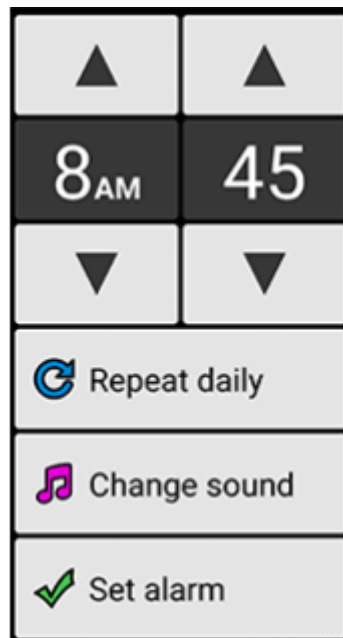
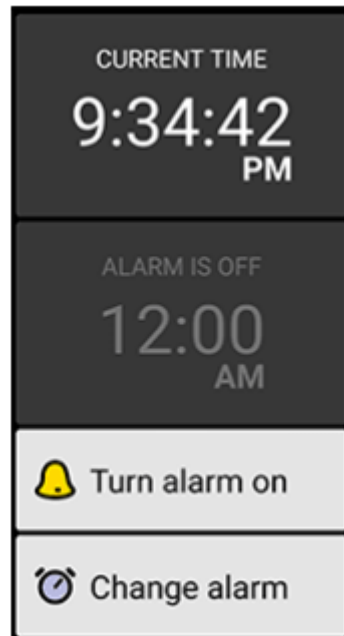
🚫 Please note that multimedia messages (MMS) are not supported

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## BIG ALARM

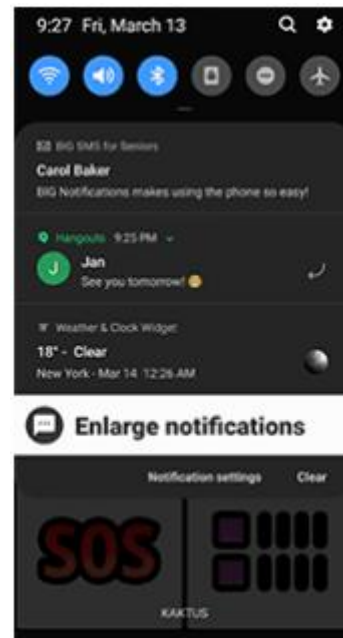
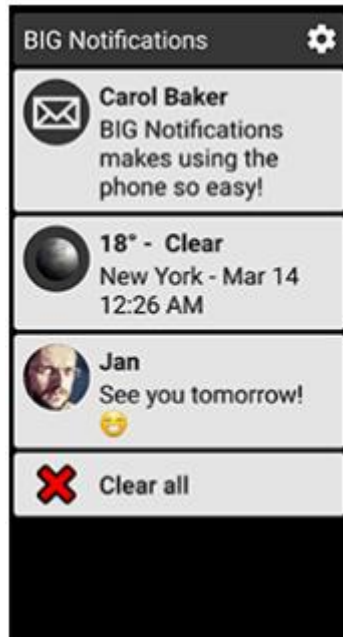






- 🎨 High contrast color scheme
- 🐘 Large buttons for changing the alarm
- 🕒 One time alarm, or recurring every day
- 😊 No other complicated features included, it's so simple!

# Big Launcher



## BIG NOTIFICATIONS



-  Enlarges notifications in the top status bar
-  Works for all common apps
-  Automatic enlargement of new notifications
-  Including the active notification buttons

# Big Launcher

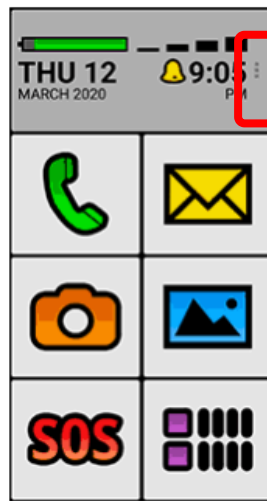


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- BIG LAUNCHER**
- BIG SMS**
- BIG Phone**
- BIG Alarm**
- BIG Notifications**

These are all found in the Google Play Store. Search individually.

Download and Install BIG LAUNCHER 1<sup>st</sup> and then open it as an App. It will transform your screen to LARGE format.



By default it will give you a screen similar to this.

Click here (3 dots) to open a set your buttons, change screen preferences, create additional screens.

Click here to open a list of your applications.

To get out of BIG LAUNCHER, just close the App.

**\*\*\* You can create Buttons to directly open websites (like [sunlandvillagecomputerclub.org](http://sunlandvillagecomputerclub.org))**

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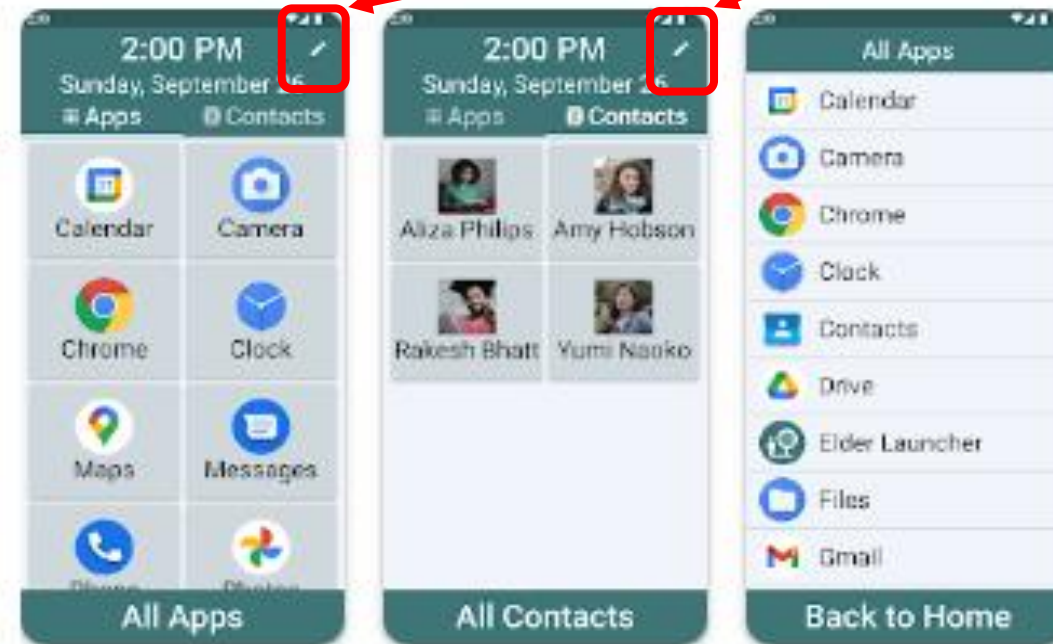


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ELDER LAUNCHER

4.2 / 5.0

Android devices require add-on -  
3<sup>rd</sup> party applications.



Whatever screen you are on, you can add, remove, re-order or reload the entries.

Home Screen Order:  
Phone, Messages,  
Gmail, Calendar,  
Camera, etc ... (any  
order)

Add as many/few Apps  
to your Home Screen.

**\*\*\* Easily scroll  
Up/Down on Home  
Screen.**

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**NIAGRA LAUNCHER**

**4.7 / 5.0**



Smaller Icons for your Home Screen Apps.

Apps are available using the alphabetic tab on the side.

**\*\*\* If you forget your App's Name then you can search a lot to find it.**

# Android Home Screen Findings

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**Android devices require add-on -  
3<sup>rd</sup> party applications.**

Because these are all separate Apps, you can download each one and configure them individually. You can run them side by side and determine which you like the best – then delete (uninstall) the ones you don't want.

You can Hide All The Apps you don't care about that clutter up your device.

Each developer has approached the solution differently, so you may find one that better suites you.

If your situation changes in the future, look for a different App to handle your needs.

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Android has approached this by encouraging developers to provide customizable interfaces. The benefit is that the solutions vary by developer (each have a personality that may better suite the personality of the owner). A problem may be that there are a lot of apps to check out before you find one that fits you.



Apple has approached this creating a customizable environment for the device owner. The benefit is that the solution is the same for all device owners, so support is easier to provide. A problem may be that it's Apple's way or the Highway - if it doesn't fit you, then too bad.

Both businesses have helped device owners to improve their experiences by increasing the visual interfaces of their products on both their smartphones and tablet/ipad devices. WIN <-> WIN !!



# Want To Try One Of These Solutions ???

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**Then let's work at setting up a couple of Monday Sessions.**

**One for iOS**

**One for Android**

**Contact Me .....**