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- Worked in the Technology Training and Support field since the early 80s
- Passionate about using smartphones as we travel, and for our daily lives

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Do you think your smartphone is smarter than you?

Do you have questions about your iPhone or Android device?

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THINGS TO DO > TRAVEL

Full-time living on a cruise ship? Florida couple goes all in



Chris and Jim Guld are shown in their Oakland Park home with photographs of the RV in which they lived and toured North America for 14 years and the Villa Vie Odyssey cruise ship they plan to live aboard full-time beginning next month. (Amy Beth Bennett / South Florida Sun Sentinel)

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CRUISE SHIP?

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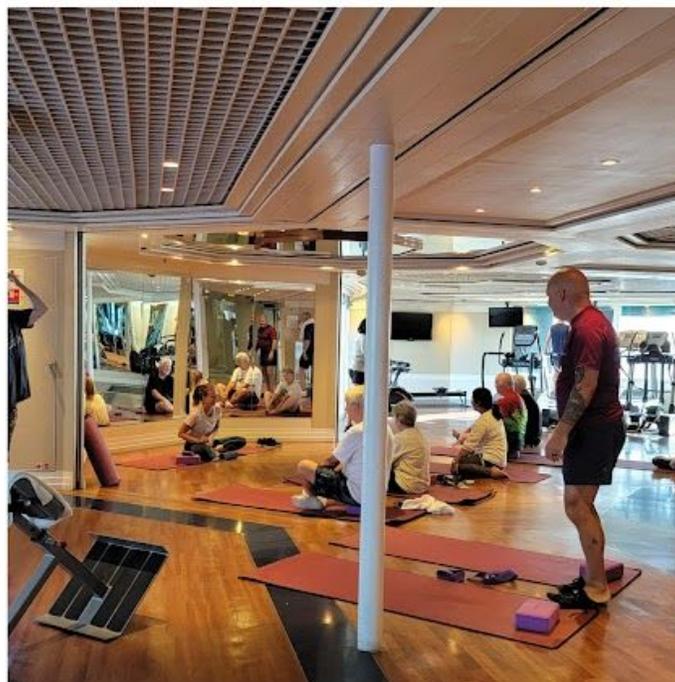
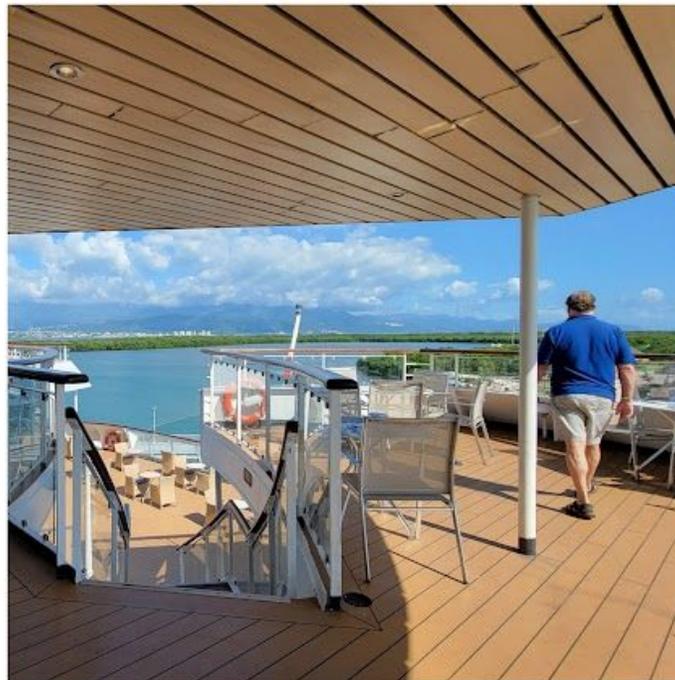
VILLA VIE RESIDENCES

The room we bought





We won't be in our room much!



Preparing to move to a cruise cabin

We had to get rid of EVERYTHING (pictures)

The most difficult for me was dozens of journals and letters

Lessons learned:

Enter the YEAR!

Go thru old memorabilia periodically, don't wait to do it all at once

When you scan photos from an album, mark the album 'scanned'



Scanning Letters/Journals

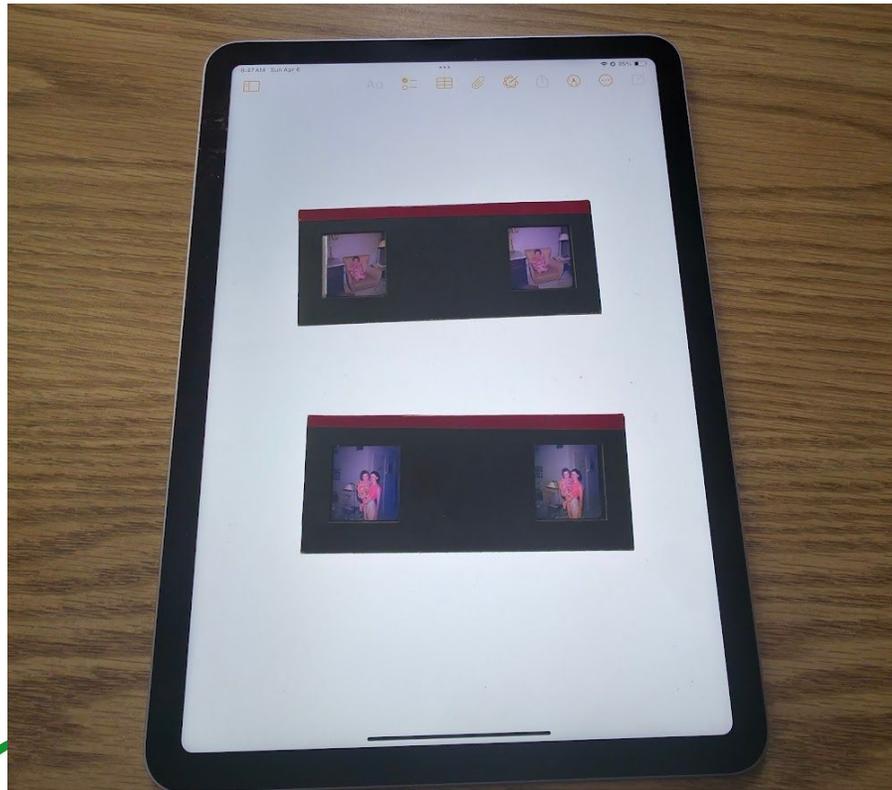
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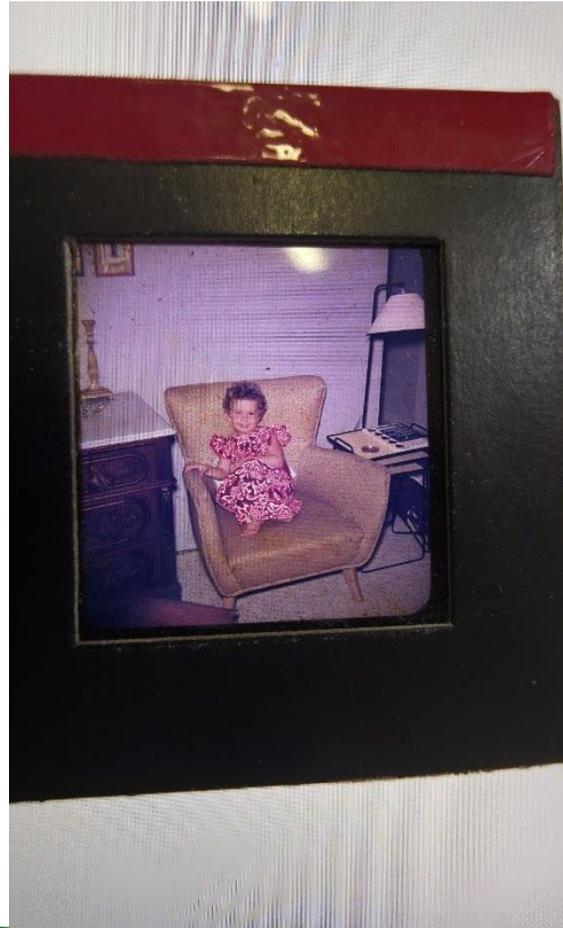


Scanning Slides - DIY

1. Use screen as light table



2. Use ultra-wide angle to get close and snap photo



3. Crop



Video 618 2min



Scanning Photo Albums with Photomyne

Video 813 3.5min



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Now, on with the Basics

Some tips about Smartphone basics, Smartphone Photography, and more

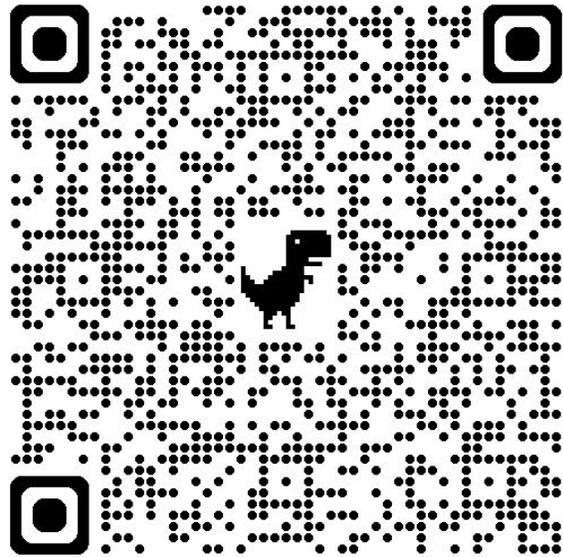
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Smartphone Learning Checklist

Tips = Top Tips, V=Showme Video S=Youtube show



Smartphone Learning Checklist (iPhone or Android) [GeeksOnTour.com/tip110](https://www.geeksonatour.com/tip110)

Use this checklist to see what you already know and what you need to learn. Tip numbers refer to the Top Tips (members-only) section of our Website. **Highlighted tips are FREE**

Know your device

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- Find Account ID (AppleID or Google) [Tip052](#)
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- Home button (tap, double, Long Press) [Tip071](#)
- View Data Usage statistics [Tip105](#)
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- Wi-Fi /Cellular on/off [Tip116](#)
- Volume buttons [Tip118](#)
- Quick Settings, flashlight [Tip035](#)

Touchscreen Basics [Tip072](#)

- 1 finger: Tap, Double-tap, LongPress, Swipe
- 2 fingers: Pinch to Zoom, Swipe

Important Settings / Features

- Change "Go To Sleep" time interval [Tip040](#)
- Screen rotation settings [Tip030](#)
- Change how to Unlock [Tip041](#)
- Airplane Mode [Tip020](#)

Communications

- Make and receive phone calls [Tip124](#)
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- Managing Contacts

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- Multi-Tasking **v524**
- Backing up or Syncing data **v782**
- Install and arrange Widgets **s139**

Camera **s144**

- Take photo, Selfie, Video
- Turn Flash on/off
- Turn Geotagging on/off **v641**
- Take Panorama **v463, 464**
- Scan a document to .pdf **s156**



Scanning QR Codes tip139

- Use the camera app on your phone
- Focus on the QR code
- Tap on what pops up

Didn't work?

Check settings:

- iPhone = Settings, Camera, Scan QR Codes
- Android = Camera, Settings gear, Scan QR Codes



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Make and Model

Version of Operating system



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Demo



Home Buttons



Your 'Home' button may be an actual button, or it may be 'gestures'

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Accounts



Every Apple Device needs an AppleID



Every Android Device needs a Google Account

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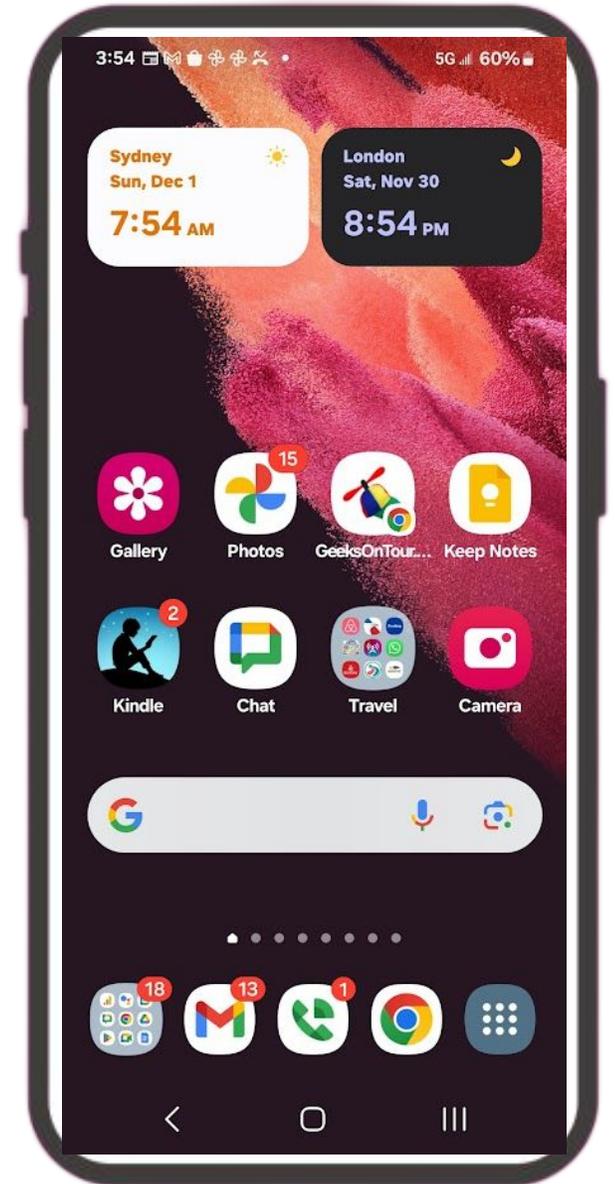
Arranging icons on Samsung (Android)

1. Delete the icon? or Uninstall the App
2. Get the icon back from All Apps screen
3. Move icons around the screen or to a different screen
4. Combine icons into folders

Apps

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- Backing up or Syncing data [Tip136](#)
- Install Widgets like speed dials [Tip129](#)

Demo



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Emergency Info on Lock Screen

Android - Settings Lock
Screen, Contact Info

Android OR iOS: photo as
wallpaper

iPhone = set up Medical ID

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wallpaper

719, 5min

Questions?



Update Apps - Tip069

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Demo



Force Quit misbehaving apps

iPhone

- **With home button:** Double press home button, swipe app off screen
- **Without home button:** Swipe up from bottom, pause at mid-screen and let go. Swipe app off screen

Android

- Tap multi-tasking button at bottom of home screen (3-bars or square)
- Swipe app off screen

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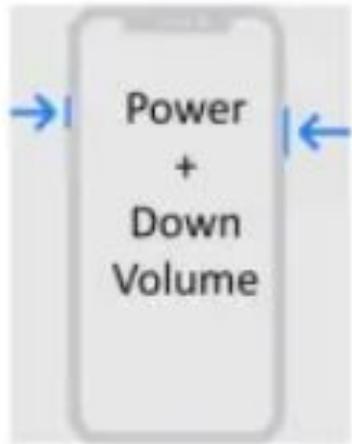


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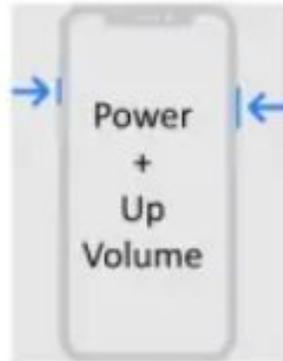
Screenshots

iPhone = Power/side key + Volume up

Android = Power/side key + Volume Down



Android



iPhone

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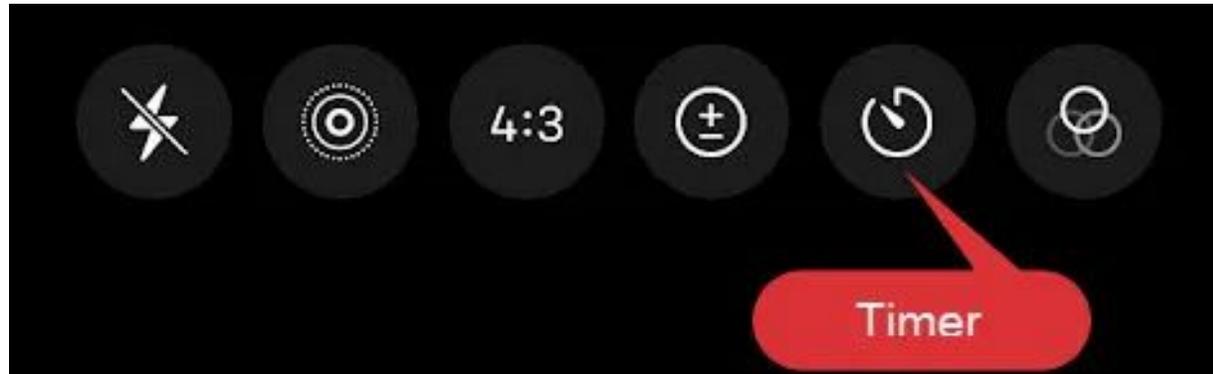


#1 rule! Clean the Camera Lens

Especially for Selfies

Make sure to clean the lens

Try using the timer



Tip054: Use the timer to take a photo



Camera shortcuts

Double press the power/side button
iPhone 16 camera button



Android



Video 857 1 min



Tip040: Phone settings – Don't go to sleep so fast

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Awake



Asleep



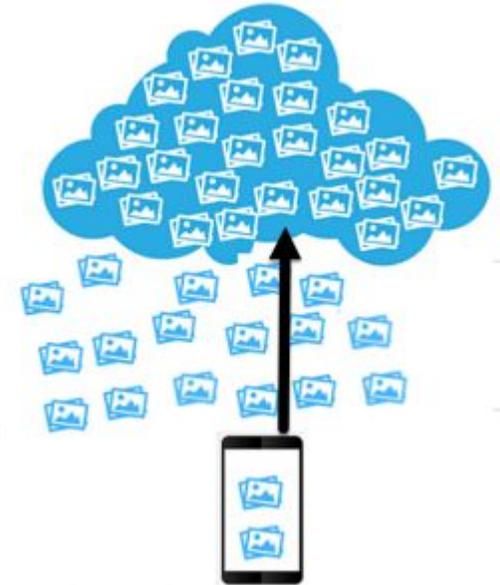
Don't lose your photos when you lose your phone

Choose a cloud storage service (or 2) and upload photos

- Google Photos
- Amazon Photos
- iCloud (Apple Photos)
- OneDrive (Microsoft)
- Dropbox

Check to be sure it is working

See [GeeksOnTour.com/Tips](https://www.geeksonline.com/tips) under Smartphone Photography



Demo with Google Photos

and ... [Video 635](#) 4 min

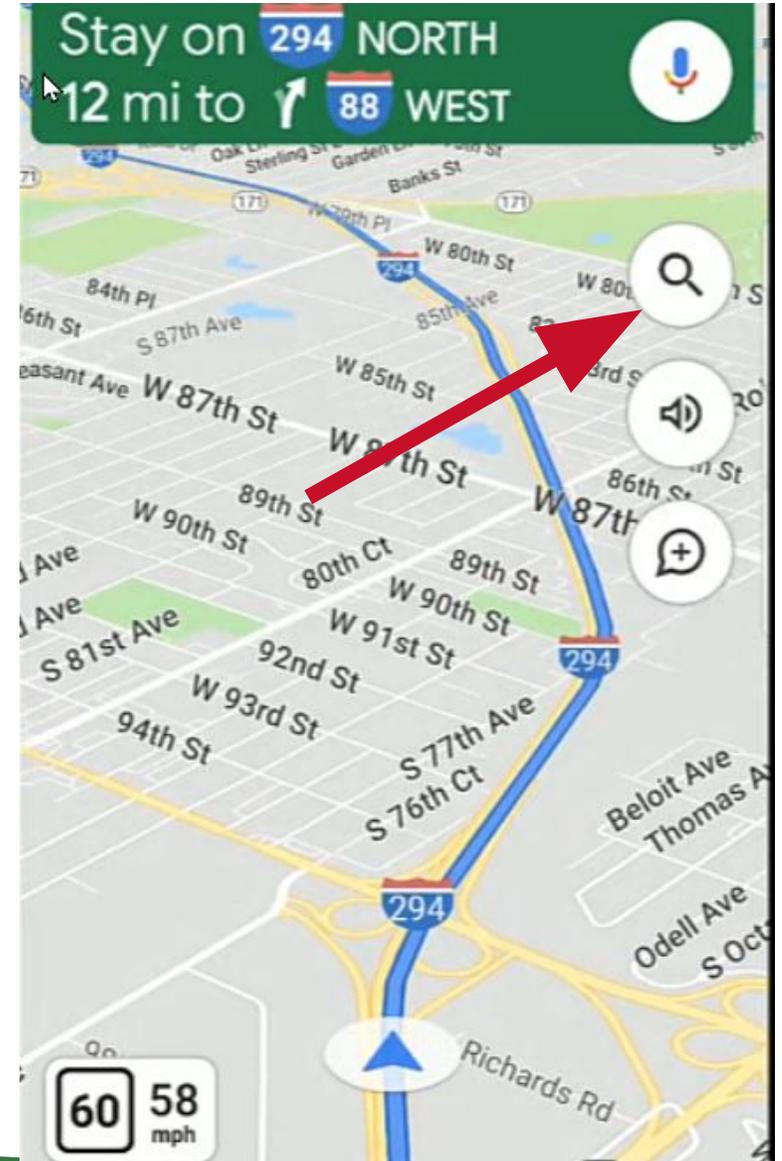


Google Maps navigating: search along route

While navigating ...

you can find anything (restaurants, gas stations, camp grounds) that are along your route.

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Smartphone Basics

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- [Tip001: Find a lost phone](#)
- [Stop the Ringing](#)
- [Copy and Paste with Smartphones >](#)



WELL?



Did You Learn Something?

1. What is the name of the ship where the Geeks are moving?
A. Voyager B. Villa Vie Odyssey C. The World D. USS Enterprise
2. If your Android device lost its 'buttons': Home, Back, Recent Apps, what can you do
A. Check settings B. upgrade your OS C. get a new phone
3. T/F: It is important to swipe off (force quit) apps every day
4. T/F: If you remove an app's icon from your phone's home screen, you can still use the app
5. To scan a QR code, use the _____ app
A. Drive B. Capture C. Camera
6. To take a screenshot hold down 2 buttons, the power/side key and the:
A. iOS=up volume B. Android=down volume C. Mute button



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