



WhatsApp

WhatsApp is an app that lets you have private conversations and video calls with your friends



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Find the WhatsApp app

- Find the WhatsApp app. You can look for it on your device's home screen or in the app launcher. The app launcher shows you all the apps you have on your device.
- Tap on the **WhatsApp** app to open it
- If WhatsApp isn't installed on your device, open the Play Store. You can search for WhatsApp and download the app. If you've never downloaded apps before, do [this lesson](#).

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Put in your phone number

- To use WhatsApp, you'll need to register with WhatsApp by typing in your phone number
- Now, select the country you live in (Canada). Then enter your phone number below.
- When you're done, tap on the **green arrow**

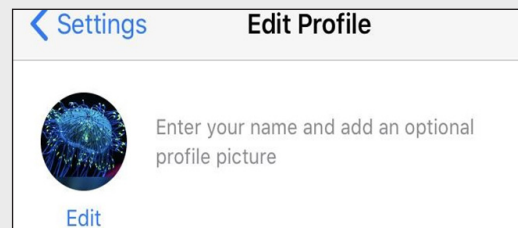
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Confirm your phone number

- WhatsApp will send you a text message to confirm your phone number
- If your cell phone plan charges for text messages, it may cost you money to get a confirmation text. You can check with your cell phone provider if you're not sure.
- Read the number you put in. If it's your correct phone number, tap **OK**.
- WhatsApp will ask if you want to check for previous chat history if you've used WhatsApp before. Tap **Skip** if you've never used WhatsApp before.

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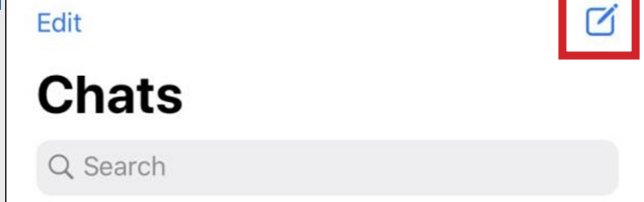


Create a profile


- WhatsApp will ask you to create a profile name. This is the name that other people will see. You can use your real name or another name.
- If you want to add a picture to let others see who you are, tap on the circle at the top left of your screen. Then tap **Take Photo**. Once you've taken your photo and are happy with it, tap **Use Photo**.

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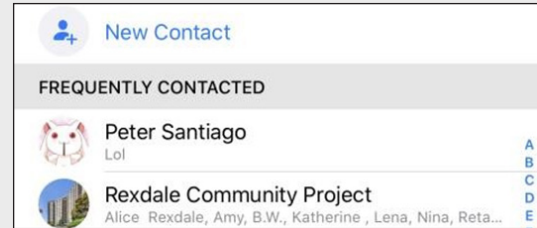
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Start a chat

- WhatsApp lets you send messages to your friends through the internet
- Tap the **New Message**  button on the bottom right of the screen to begin a chat

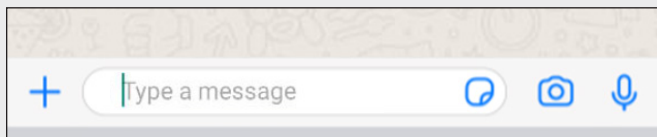
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Select a contact

- You can only contact people on WhatsApp if the other person also has WhatsApp
- WhatsApp will check your phone's contacts to show you who else has WhatsApp
- Choose a friend to send a message to by tapping on their name

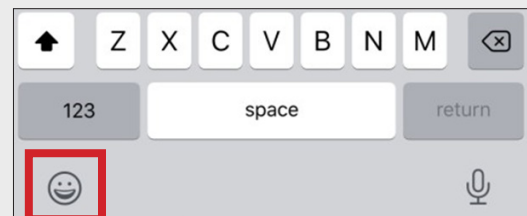
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Send a message

- Tap the **Type a message** box and type the word Hello
- Don't press **Send** yet

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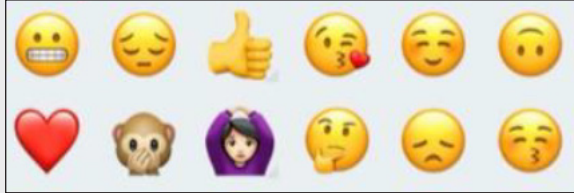


Emojis

- Emojis are small pictures that show ideas or feelings when you're online. For example, you can use a smiley-face emoji to show that you're happy, or a heart emoji to show that you love something.
- You can see all of the different emojis available by tapping the smiley face button to the left of the message box
- Tap the **Emoji**  button

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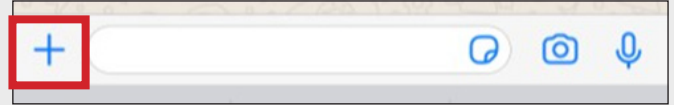
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Emojis (continued)

- Choose an emoji to add to the message. For example, you can add a smiley face 😊.
- Tap **Send** ➤ when you're ready to send the message

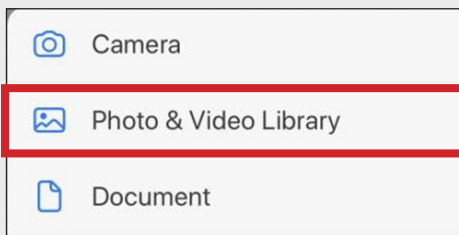
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Sending an attachment

- You can send an attachment in a message. The **Attachment** button is a + sign. You'll see it next to the message box.
- Attachments can be any picture, video, document, or music file on your phone

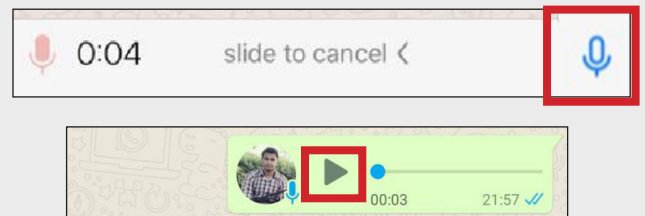
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Sending a photo

- If you want to send a photo, tap the **Attachment** button. Then tap on **Photo & Video Library**.
- Tap on the picture you want to send. Then press the **Send** button at the bottom right of your screen.

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Sending a voice message


- If you want to record a voice message, tap and hold the **Microphone** 🎤 button. Speak into the mic on your phone while holding the Microphone button down
- When you're done, let go and the message will automatically send
- To cancel a message, slide your finger to the left
- You can play the voice message you just sent by pressing the **Play** ▶ button

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Make a phone call

- You can also use WhatsApp to call other people who have WhatsApp
- Calls are done through the internet. That means if you're not connected to Wi-Fi, WhatsApp will use data from your mobile plan.
- You can make a phone call by tapping on the **Phone**  button in the top right corner of the screen

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Make a video call

- You can also make a video call. WhatsApp will use your phone's front camera so that the person you're talking to can also see you. You'll be able to see the other person if they turn their front camera on.
- You need an internet connection to make video calls
- You can make a video call by tapping on the **Video Camera**  button at the top of the screen

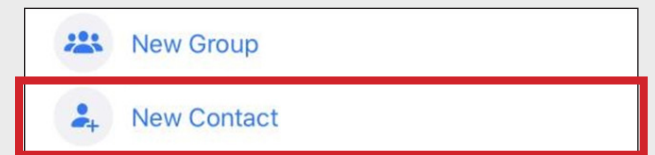
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Go back to previous screen

- You can go back to the previous screen by pressing the **Back Arrow** button at the top left of the screen

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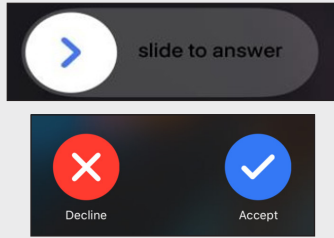


Adding a new contact

- You can add a new contact by tapping the **New Message** button and then tapping **New Contact**
- You'll need the person's name and telephone number. If that person also has WhatsApp, their name will show up. Then you can add them and start a conversation with them.

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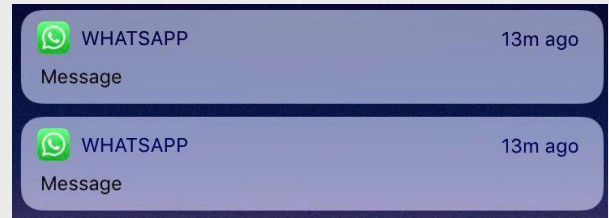
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Receiving a call

- If you get a phone or video call through WhatsApp, it will look something like the picture above
- If your phone is locked, swipe right on the **Slide to answer** icon
- If your phone is unlocked and you want to accept the call, tap on the **Accept** button on the right side of the screen
- If your phone is unlocked and you want to ignore the call, tap on the **Decline** button on the left side of the screen

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WhatsApp notifications

- When you get a WhatsApp message, you'll see a notification on your phone
- Every phone looks a bit different. On some phones the notification will be a pop-up message. On other phones the notification will be in the notification bar at the top of the screen.
- Tap on the notification to open your new message in WhatsApp