### Accessibility Options for iPad





#### <u>VoiceOver</u>

VoiceOver is a revolutionary screen reader that lets you know what's happening on your Multi-Touch screen — and helps you navigate it — even if you can't see it. Touch the screen to hear what's under your finger, then use gestures to control your device. VoiceOver works with the apps that come with your iPhone, iPad, or iPod touch.

#### <u>Siri</u>

Siri, Apple's intelligent assistant, helps you do the things you do every day.<sup>1</sup> All you have to do is ask. Say something like "Tell Jay I'm running late" or "Remind me to make reservations for Saturday." Siri can send messages, place phone calls, schedule meetings, and even turn on and off VoiceOver, Guided Access and Invert Colors. And because Siri is integrated with VoiceOver, you can ask where the nearest sushi restaurant is and hear the answer read out loud.





# Assistive Touch

iOS devices are remarkably intuitive and easy to use. And AssistiveTouch lets you adapt the Multi-Touch screen of your iOS device to your unique physical needs. So if you have difficulty with some gestures, like pinch, you can make them accessible with just a tap of a finger. Or create a custom gesture. And if you have trouble pressing the Home button, you can activate it with an onscreen tap. Gestures like rotate and shake are available even when your iOS device is mounted on a wheelchair. And iOS devices also support a number of third-party assistive devices that help you interact with your

iPhone, iPad, and iPod touch.

# Switch Control

Built directly into iOS, Switch Control is a powerful new accessibility technology for anyone with impaired physical and motor skills. Switch Control allows you to navigate sequentially through onscreen items and perform specific actions using a variety of Bluetooth-enabled switch hardware.





#### **Dictionary**

Say you're reading an article on astronomy and are stuck on some terminology. Just look it up — dictionary definitions are integrated into iOS. Get quick access to definitions and commonly used phrases to help with spelling, pronunciation, and grammar.



#### **Guided Access**

Guided Access helps people with autism or other attention and sensory challenges stay focused on the task (or app) at hand. With Guided Access, a parent, teacher, or therapist can limit an iOS device to stay on one app by

disabling the Home button, and even restrict touch input on certain areas of the screen. So wandering taps and gestures won't distract from learning.



### Safari Reader

For some students, navigating the web can be a sensory overload. Safari Reader reduces the visual clutter on a web page by removing distractions. It strips away ads, buttons, and navigation bars, allowing you to focus on just the content

you want. And Safari Reader works with Speak Selection and VoiceOver, to provide auditory reinforcement for what you're seeing.



### **Speak Selection**

We all learn in different ways. Some of us learn better when more than one sense is engaged simultaneously. If you have a learning disability like dyslexia, Speak Selection can help with reading. Highlight text on the screen, tap Speak, and your device reads the selected text out loud. You can also have words highlighted as they're being read, so you can follow along. You can even adjust the voice's dialect and speaking rate to suit your needs.



## **Dictation**

Dictation lets you talk wherever you would type. Tap the microphone button on the keyboard, say what you want to write, and your iOS device converts your words (and numbers and characters) into text. So it's easy to type an email, note, or URL — without typing at all.



# **Keyboard Shortcuts**

If there's a word or phrase you frequently use, create a custom shortcut — and iOS will type it out for you. For example, "appt" can expand to "appointment" or "cyl" to "Call you later." Keyboard shortcuts make it easier and faster to type your name, email address, home address, or any other text that you commonly type.