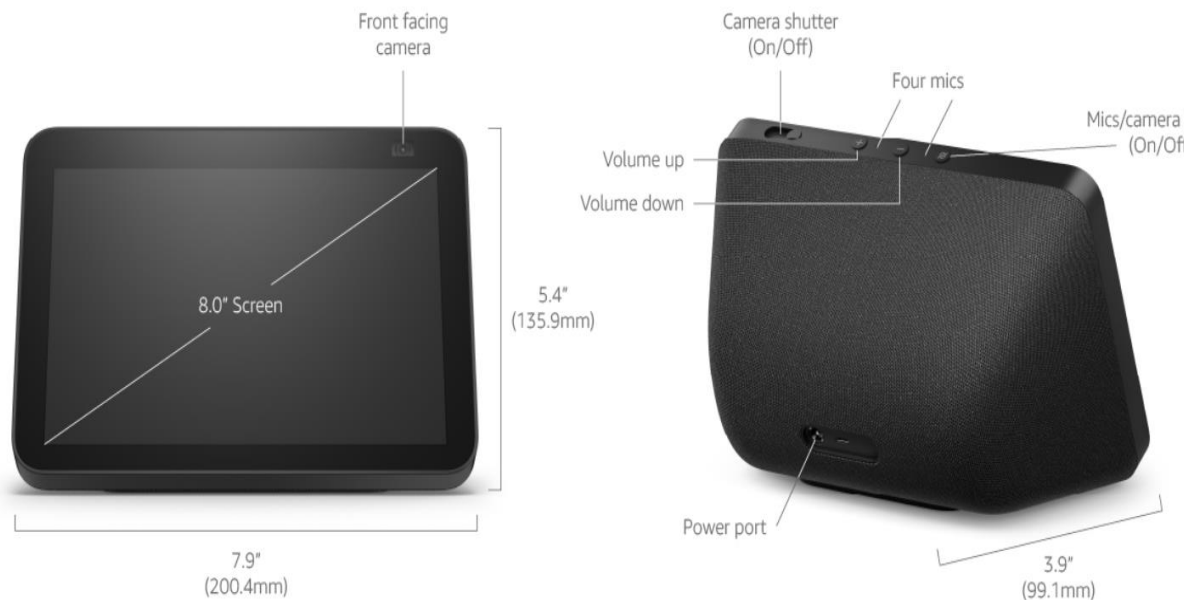


# Echo Show Instructions

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## Getting to know the Echo Show 8

### Technical details



### What is an Amazon Echo Show?

Echo Show is voice command smart speaker with a touchscreen interface that uses Alexa, a voice assistant service that replies to simple questions and perform various tasks or command by the sound of your voice. The Echo Show is equipped with built-in accessibility features that allow users with visual, physical or reading disabilities to independently operate the device and interact with content using voice commands and hand gestures.

**Wi-Fi Hotspot:** All Echo Shows are assigned to a designated T-Mobile Hotspot. Please refer to the T-Mobile Hotspot Instructions to learn how to connect your Echo Show to a T-Mobile Hotspot.

## Getting started

### 1. Plug in your Echo Show

Plug the power adapter into the Echo Show Power port and insert the plug into a power outlet.



### 2. Turn on the Echo Show 8:

To power on and off your Echo Show, press and hold the  Mic/Camera button

## Alexa skills and features

When you have a request for Alexa, you first need to say your chosen wake word, which by default is “Alexa.”

Here are a few examples of voice commands that you can ask Alexa:

- **Weather**  
“Alexa, what is today’s forecast?”  
"Alexa, show me the weekend forecast."
- **News**  
“Alexa, tell me the news.”  
“Alex, show me the news.”

- **Music**

“Alexa, play... [genre, song title, artist].

“Alex, show me a music video of...[genre, song title, artist].

- **Show and Tell**

To use the Show and Tell feature on the Echo Show 8 follow the steps below:

- a. Hold your item 1 foot away from your device's camera.
- b. Say, "Alexa, what am I holding?" or "Alexa, what's in my hand?"
- c. When prompted, turn your item around slowly to show all sides of the packaging. Alexa will help you position the item with tips and sound.

## **How to use the accessibility features**

### **I. Alexa Captioning**

Alexa Captions let you see captions for Alexa's responses on supported Echo devices.

**Say, "Alexa, turn on/off Alexa captions."**

### **II. Closed Captioning**

Closed Captioning displays text of the audio content of a video on the screen

To enable this feature, follow the steps below:

Tap on the Audio and Captions button in the top right corner of the screen when a Prime Video is playing.

### **III. VoiceView (Screen Reader)**

VoiceView is a screen reader included with Echo devices with a touchscreen interface. When enabled, VoiceView allows those who are blind or visually impaired to use hand gestures to navigate the device while VoiceView reads aloud the actions made on screen.

**Say, ‘Alexa, turn on/off VoiceView.’**

Below are examples of gestures that will help you navigate the Echo Show 8:

- **Open the status bar:** swipe down from the top of the screen with three fingers.

- **Explore the screen:** drag one finger over the items on the screen to have them read aloud.
- **Go to the next page or previous page:** swipe left and right with three fingers
- **Activate an item on the screen:** Touch an item on the screen to move the VoiceView cursor to that item.
  - When an item has VoiceView’s focus, a green rectangle appears, surround the item.
  - When a user moves the VoiceView cursor to an item, VoiceView speaks the item’s description.
  - Double-tap anywhere on the screen to activate the item in the focus of the VoiceView cursor.
- **Alternatively,** rather than touching items to move the VoiceView cursor, you can move sequentially through all items on the screen by swiping right to move to the next item, and swiping left to move to the previous item.

#### IV. Screen Magnifier

The Screen Magnifier feature allows people with low vision to zoom in/out and pan to enlarge items on the screen for improved visibility.

**Say, “Alexa, turn on/off Screen Magnifier” and then tap “OK.”**

#### **How to use the Screen Magnifier on the Echo Show 8:**

1. **Zoom in or out:** pinch out or in with 2 fingers when the screen is magnified.
2. **Pan screen:** drag 2 fingers across the screen. Hold your fingers slightly apart while panning.
3. **To temporarily magnify screen:** triple tap the screen with a finger and hold your finger on the screen. Drag your finger round the screen to pan.

**Need help with using the Echo Show 8? Please email MLBPD at [mlbpd@cmpl.org](mailto:mlbpd@cmpl.org). Include your name, phone number, and the tech issue you would like to be helped with.**



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