



SHOPPING CHECKLIST

HOME SPEAKER & DIGITAL ASSISTANTS



COMPATIBLE DEVICE INVENTORY

Check for compatibility with your SmartPhone or tablet and their OS (operating system) version.

Rule of Thumb: Must have **iOS 9.1** or higher for iPhones & iPads, **Android Version 5.0** for all others.



Find the Apple iOS version under device "Settings → General → About → Version".

Find Android OS version under device "Settings → About Device → Software Info (or similar)"

List what you have in the table below (or the minimum you would need to get).

iPhone/Smartphone Model _____	iOS ____	or Android Version ____
iPad / Tablet Model _____	iOS ____	or Android Version ____

CHECK LIST – WHAT CAPABILITIES MATTER MOST TO YOU

<i>I WANT A HOME SPEAKER WITH AN ASSISTANT THAT WILL:</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Call family, friends, businesses (any landline or cell phone). <i>Outbound phone call capability required.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Call 911. <i>Speaker must use home phone line to call 911. (Ex. Combine Echo Connect & Echo Dot to call 911 in the U.S.; not available in Cda)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Tell me when to take my medications. <i>Requires recurring alarm features with ability to name the alarm.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Tell me when a kitchen cooking timer is done. <i>Requires Alarms or Timer that continue to ring until dismissed.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Give me a visual alert; I cannot rely on hearing. <i>Highly visible light display required.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Add to my Shopping lists, to do lists. <i>Standard features. Each has a few quirks. Learn more if important.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Answer questions and gets me information from the internet. <i>Standard on all speakers but Google tends to be better.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Make video calls; I need to see faces to hear what people say. <i>Display screen required.</i>

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I want a home speaker with a digital assistant that will...

Let me order online with simple voice command

Integrated online shopping by voice required (U.S. Only)

Be affordable enough to put in all my main living spaces: bathroom, kitchen, bedroom, dining/living room area, TV room etc.

Recommend small speakers like Echo Dot or Google Home Mini

Let's me use voice commands to control SmartHome devices like lights, door locks, thermostat.

Requires one speaker in the home have SmartHome Hub controls.

Switch to battery back-up for power outages

If not available, consider Power Source (UPS) backup.

Let me take a speaker to the backyard, garage or other places outside main living areas where I may fall and need to call for help.

Recommend portable battery operated speaker.

Stream music with great sound quality (I really like my music!).

Consider premium speaker models for music/movie sound quality.

Notes

- Additional resources in "Product Example Comparison" & "Best Home Speaker For Seniors".
- Higher operating system requirements may be needed to set-up for devices not made by Amazon or Google. If it's not clear what's needed, check online set-up instructions to find out.
- Echos can be set up with older SmartPhones, tablets and computers but Alexa voice calling only works when set-up through a SmartPhone running iOS 9.0 or higher (iPhone 6 and up) or Android 5.0.