

BlackBerry PlayBook Tablet

User Guide

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Getting started

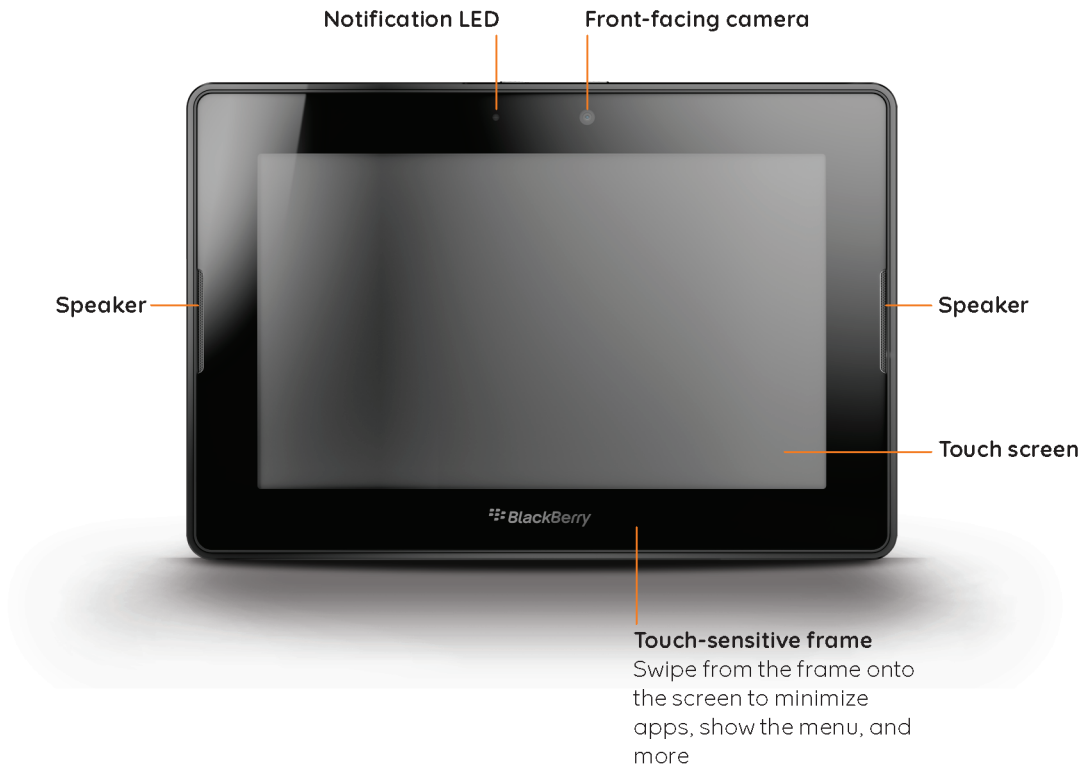
Getting to know your BlackBerry PlayBook tablet

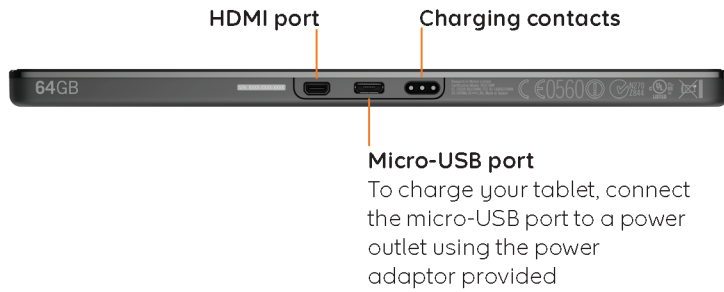
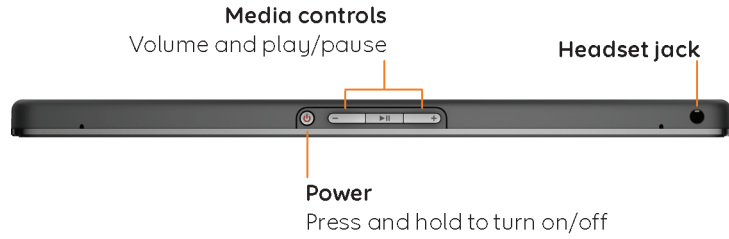


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Using the touch screen

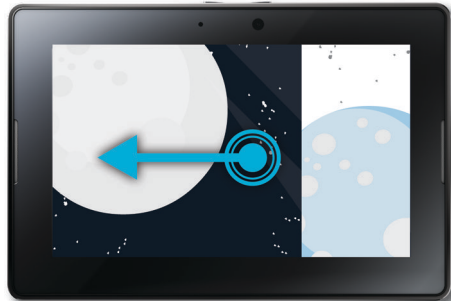
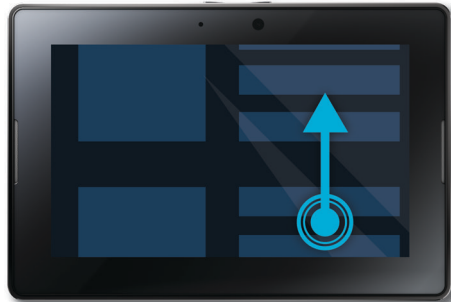


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Here are some common gestures to help you get started using your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet.

Swipe

To scroll a list, pan a webpage, move between pictures, and more, touch the screen and slide your finger up and down or right and left.



Pinch

To zoom in and out of a webpage, picture, or other content, touch the screen with your finger and thumb and pinch them together or apart.





Drag

To move an item from one place to another, touch and hold the item. Slide your finger to the position where you want it.



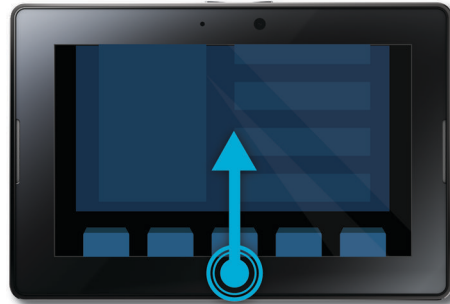
Gestures to use with your BlackBerry® PlayBook™



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Show the home screen and minimize apps

Swipe up from the bottom frame onto the screen.



Show the menu

In many apps, you can find additional features, options, and help in the menu.

In an app, swipe down from the top frame onto the screen. To close the menu, tap away from the menu.



Switch between apps

You can flip between your open apps without having to return to the home screen.

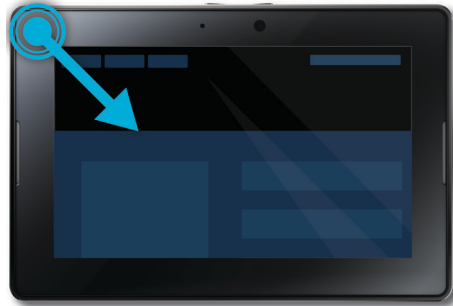
In an app, swipe in from the left or right frame onto the screen.



Show the status bar

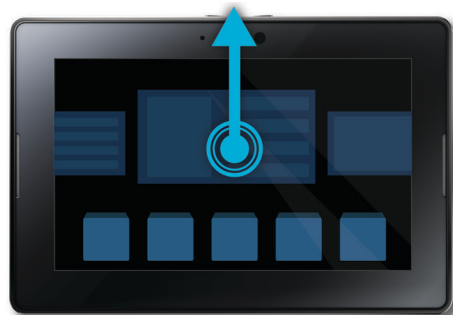
You can peek at the status bar without leaving the app you're using. This is a great way to quickly check your notifications, see the time, keep an eye on your battery power level, change system options, and more.

In an app, swipe in from the top-left frame onto the screen.



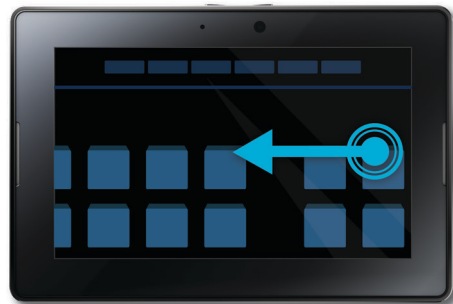
Close an app

Show the home screen to minimize the app. Touch the minimized app and swipe up.



Switch between views on the home screen

Swipe left or right in the lower part of the home screen.



Wake up your tablet

Your tablet enters sleep mode after a certain period of time to conserve battery power. To wake it up, swipe from one side of the frame to the other.



Show the keyboard

Swipe in from the bottom-left frame onto the screen



Personalizing your tablet



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There are many ways you can personalize your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet. In addition to the personalization suggestions listed here, the **Options** menu provides many additional settings you can use to customize your PlayBook tablet.

Set the date and time on the home screen


In the status bar, tap  > **Date and Time**.

To set up a custom clock, on the home screen, tap the **Clock** application.


Change the keyboard type

In the status bar, tap  > **Keyboard**. Tap a keyboard type.

Set a password

In the status bar, tap  > **Security** > **Password** > **Change Password**. Set the **Enable Password** switch to **On**. Complete the fields.



Run applications in the background

On the home screen, in the status bar, tap  > **General**. In the **Application Behavior** drop-down list, select **Showcase**.

View your notifications

Your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet uses notifications to keep you informed about software updates, new messages, calendar reminders, battery power level, and much more. When new notifications come in, the top-left or top-right corner of the screen glows red.

Do any of the following:

- If you're in an application, swipe in from the top-left frame onto the screen. Tap .
- If you're on the home screen, on the status bar, tap .

Return to what you were doing

Tap away from the status bar.

Dismiss a notification

Tap .

View a specific type of notification













On the status bar, tap the icon for the type of notification that you want to see.

Jump to the related app

Tap the notification message. For example, if you tap an email notification, the email opens in the Messages app.

Status bar icons and indicators

The following icons and indicators appear in the status bar of the home screen.

	Airplane mode		Alarm
	Battery power level		BlackBerry® Bridge™
	Bluetooth® connection		Development mode
	Music		Presentation mode
	Orientation lock		All notifications
	Settings		Software update

Wi-Fi® indicator

The following additional indicators appear to notify you of new email messages, appointments, and more when you connect to a BlackBerry smartphone through BlackBerry Bridge:



Calendar notification

Task

Email

Switch to a new tablet

If you want to start using a new BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet, you can use the BlackBerry® Desktop Software on your computer to move your media files, applications, and settings from your current tablet to your new tablet.

1. On your computer, in the BlackBerry Desktop Software, click **Help > Check for updates**. If an update is available, click the update to update your version of the BlackBerry Desktop Software.
2. Click **Device > Switch devices**.
3. Click the icon for your current tablet.
4. Select the media files, applications, or settings you want to transfer, and select the appropriate options.
5. Follow the instructions on the screen to back up your tablet data and connect your new tablet to your computer.
6. Click the icon for your new tablet to import your tablet data.

Remember to delete your tablet data before reselling it, giving it away or recycling it. In an effort to help the environment, please visit www.blackberry.com/recycling for information about returning your tablet to RIM for recycling and safe disposal.

BlackBerry Bridge

About BlackBerry Bridge



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If you're running BlackBerry® Device Software 5.0 or later on your BlackBerry smartphone, you can connect your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet to your smartphone to access email, calendars, BlackBerry® Messenger, files, and other data directly from your tablet. Files and data must be stored on a media card to access them from your tablet.

Your tablet connects to your smartphone using Bluetooth® technology. To connect, you need the BlackBerry® Bridge™ app installed on your smartphone. You can download it from BlackBerry App World™.

When your tablet and smartphone are connected, these icons appear on your tablet home screen:



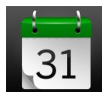
BlackBerry Messenger

Communicate virtually instantly with other BlackBerry users. It's everything you love about BBM™, on your tablet.



Messages

Take advantage of the reading pane and larger screen on your tablet to work through your message inbox more quickly. Attach files from your tablet or smartphone.



Calendar

Keep on top of your schedule at a glance with Day and Month views or a convenient split-screen view.



Contacts

Connect with the people in your network through the Contacts app. Quickly jump to a contact to send an email, schedule a meeting, or start a BBM conversation.



Tasks

Have a growing to-do list? Use the Tasks app to help you stay focused on important actions.



Memos

Instead of jotting notes on scraps of paper that can be easily misplaced, use memos to keep your information organized and easy to find.



Bridge Files

Browse and open files stored on your smartphone media card.




Bridge Browser

Browse the Internet using your existing BlackBerry smartphone data plan. If corporate intranet browsing is enabled by your IT administrator, you can also browse your organization's intranet.

Connect your tablet and smartphone using BlackBerry Bridge

To connect your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet to your BlackBerry smartphone, you need to install the BlackBerry® Bridge™ app on your smartphone. You can download it from the BlackBerry App World™ storefront.

1. On your tablet home screen, on the status bar, tap  > **BlackBerry Bridge**.
2. Tap **Setup > Continue**.
3. In the BlackBerry Bridge app on your smartphone, tap **Add Tablet > Next**.
4. Point your smartphone camera at the barcode that appears on your tablet to scan the barcode.

Tips for using BlackBerry Bridge

Lock BlackBerry® Bridge™

You can lock BlackBerry Bridge to prevent access to your BlackBerry smartphone data. Your smartphone password is required to unlock BlackBerry Bridge.

On the home screen, in the status bar, tap  > **Lock Bridge**.

View email for a specific address

If you have multiple email addresses on your BlackBerry smartphone, like an enterprise address and a Yahoo!® Mail address, you can view all email together or you can view email for each address separately.




At the top of your message inbox, depending on the current view, tap **All Messages** or the name of the currently displayed address. Tap the email address you want to view.

View email in a folder

At the top of your inbox, depending on the current view, tap **All Messages** or the name of the currently displayed address. Tap **View Folders**.

Move an email to a folder

View the message. Below the message, tap .

Multiselect email	At the bottom of your inbox, tap  . Select the checkbox beside each email you want to select. Tap an icon at the bottom of your inbox to perform an action, such as marking your email as opened or filing your email.
View a single calendar	At the bottom of the screen, tap  .
Start a group chat	In your BlackBerry® ID Messenger contact list, tap one of the people you want to add to the chat. At the bottom of your contact list, tap  . Tap the other people you want to include.
View or edit your profile or display your barcode	Tap your name or your profile picture.

Troubleshooting: BlackBerry Bridge

Issue	Possible cause or solution
I can't pair my BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet with my BlackBerry smartphone	<p>Verify that the BlackBerry® Bridge™ app is installed on your smartphone. You can download the application from the BlackBerry App World™ storefront.</p> <p>Verify that the Bluetooth® connection on your smartphone is turned on and that your smartphone is within range.</p>
I can't reconnect to my BlackBerry smartphone	<p>Verify that the Bluetooth connection on your smartphone is turned on and that your smartphone is within range.</p> <p>The BlackBerry Bridge app on your smartphone might not be set to automatically connect to your tablet. Try opening BlackBerry Bridge and connecting manually.</p> <p>Your smartphone might already be connected to another tablet. In the BlackBerry Bridge app on your smartphone, disconnect the other tablet and then try connecting again.</p>
I can't find a draft message I saved	When you save a draft message, the message appears in your message inbox with a draft icon. If you have multiple email addresses, look for the draft message in the inbox of the address you are sending the message from. If you received a lot of email since you saved the draft, it might appear far down in the inbox.
I can't find a memo I'm searching for	You can search only the titles of memos, not the contents.

Pictures

Viewing your pictures



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Your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet is the perfect way to take your pictures with you and share them with friends and family on a high-resolution screen. Pictures that you take are saved in the **Pictures** app.

Zoom in to a picture	Pinch out. Double-tap to fit the picture to the screen.
Move between pictures	Swipe left or right.
Pan a picture	When you are zoomed into a picture, touch and drag in any direction.
Delete a picture	Tap a picture. Swipe down from the top frame. Tap Delete .
Set a picture as your wallpaper	Tap a picture. Swipe down from the top frame. Tap Set as Wallpaper .
Play a slideshow	Tap an album. Tap a picture. Tap ►.
Move pictures between your tablet and your computer	Connect your tablet and computer using a USB cable. On your computer, open the BlackBerry® Desktop Software. Click Pictures and complete the instructions on the screen.



Videos

Playing videos



Watch the video

Watch videos wherever you go with your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet. Your tablet plays high-resolution videos and supports a variety of video formats, such as AVI, ASF, Fv4, MP4, and WMV. For information about recording videos, see the **Camera** section of the Help.

Stop playing a video	Tap the screen. Tap .
Delete a video	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap  . Tap a video. Tap  .
Play a video using HDMI	Connect your tablet and an HDMI display, such as a TV, projector, or computer monitor, using the HDMI cable.
Record a video	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap Take Videos .
Move videos between your tablet and your computer	Connect your tablet and computer using a USB cable. On your computer, open the BlackBerry® Desktop Software. Click Videos and complete the instructions on the screen.

Music

Playing your music



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Your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet supports popular types of audio formats, including MP3, M4A, WMA, and WAV. Plug in your headphones, use the built-in stereo speakers, or hook up your tablet to a home entertainment system using HDMI for some serious sound.

Change the volume	Touch and drag the volume bar.
Shuffle or repeat songs	Tap or .
Switch to a different music category	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap a category.
See what's next in a playlist	Tap beside the album art of the song that is currently playing.
Search your music	Tap Search All . Enter the title or artist you're looking for.
Jump to a specific song or album	On the All Songs or Albums screen, swipe up from the bottom-left corner. Enter the first letters of the song or album. Click Return to jump to that section of your music list.
Control music from the status bar	Tap . Tap , , or .

Creating playlists and organizing your music



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Your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet comes with an empty PlayBook Playlist that you can use to add your favorite songs and artists. You can also use the BlackBerry® Desktop Software on your computer to add music to your tablet that you have on your computer or BlackBerry smartphone.

Add a song to your PlayBook Playlist	Tap a song, artist, album, or genre. Swipe down from the top frame. Tap Edit . Tap Add .
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Delete a song from your PlayBook Playlist

Tap **PlayBook Playlist** > **Edit**. Tap a song or songs. Tap **Remove**.

Add playlists from your computer to your tablet

Connect your tablet and computer using a USB cable. On your computer, open the BlackBerry Desktop Software. Click **Music** and complete the instructions on the screen to add playlists that you created using a music library such as Windows Media® Player or iTunes.

Music Store

Buy and download music



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Buy and download your favorite music on the go. If you don't already have a 7digital™ account, when you first visit the Music Store, you can create one to download music.

Before you buy or download music, make sure that the time and date on your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet are correct.

1. Tap a song or album.
2. Tap the price button.
3. If prompted, enter your login information and click **Sign In**.
4. Confirm your payment method and tap **Buy Now**.

Preview a song	Tap the song.
Sign in to your 7digital account	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap > Sign In .
Turn off explicit content	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap Clear the Allow explicit content checkbox.
Create a 7digital account	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap > Sign In > Create 7digital account . Enter your information. Tap Sign Me Up .
Add or change your payment method	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap > Sign In . Enter your login information. Tap Update .
Access your music	Tap the Music icon > My Purchases . In case of accidental deletion, you can download your music purchases up to three times. To redownload music, tap the Music icon > My Purchases . Find the music that you want to redownload. Tap Download .

Additional terms and conditions might apply to content made available through the Music Store. Data charges might apply when you download content over the wireless network.

For more information about your 7digital account, payments and downloads, please visit www.7digital.com.

Podcasts

Downloading and subscribing to podcasts



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You can use the BlackBerry® Podcasts app to download or subscribe to your favorite podcasts. When you download a podcast, it appears on the Downloads screen.

Download a podcast	Tap a podcast > Download .
Display an indicator when new podcasts have downloaded	Tap . Select the Display new Podcast alerts checkbox.
Turn off explicit content	Tap . Clear the Allow explicit content checkbox.
Set how many podcast episodes your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet keeps	Tap . Change the When new episodes arrive, keep field.
Subscribe to a podcast channel	Tap a podcast channel. Tap Subscribe .





Camera

Taking pictures



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Your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet has a 5 megapixel rear-facing camera that you can use to capture great pictures. The 3 megapixel front-facing camera is perfect for quickly taking a self-portrait or creating a profile picture. Pictures that you take are saved in the **Pictures** app. For more info, see the **Pictures** section of the Help.





Take a picture	Tap  .
Switch between the front-facing camera and the rear-facing camera	Tap  .
Change the camera scene mode and settings	Swipe down from the top frame until more modes appear. Tap the one you want to use.
Look at pictures you took	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap Camera Pictures .
Zoom in or out on a subject	Tap  .
Show more camera options	Tap the screen.
Record a video from the camera screen	Tap  .

Recording videos



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Record crisp, clear, 1080p high definition videos with your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet, no matter what the occasion. You can instantly switch between the video camera and cameras to capture a moment in time.

Record a video	Tap  >  . To stop recording, tap  .
Switch between the video camera and camera	Tap  .
Record a video from the Videos app	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap Take Videos .

Video chat

About video chats



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See your friends, colleagues, or family members in high-resolution, real-time video as you chat with them directly from one BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet to another. You can easily share your surroundings by switching between the front-facing and rear-facing cameras, or turn off video altogether for a voice-only chat or one-way video chat.








To start a video chat, both BlackBerry PlayBook tablets must be connected to Wi-Fi®. The first time that you start a video chat, you must enter the BlackBerry® ID email address for the person that you want to chat with.

Whether or not the request is answered, all incoming and outgoing chats are recorded in the chat history for both tablets.

Starting Audio and Video Chats









The first time you start the Video Chat application on your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet, you must enter a BlackBerry® ID email address for the person that you want to talk to.

The next time, you can either select a contact from the contacts list, or enter a new email address.

Start a video chat	Enter the BlackBerry® ID email address for the person you want to chat with, tap  .
Start a video chat with a contact	Tap  , tap a contact, and then tap  .
Start an voice-only chat	Start a video chat. Tap  to turn off the camera.
Accept a chat request	Tap Accept or Voice Only .
End the chat	Tap  .
Switch between the front-facing camera and rear-facing camera	Tap  .
Move the image preview	Touch your preview image and drag it to a different corner of the screen.
Turn on or turn off mute	During a chat, tap the screen. Tap  . Tap again to enable the sound.



Add, change, or delete a contact



You are not required to add contacts in order to make video chats. However, adding contacts means that you don't have to type the BlackBerry® ID email address or search your chat history for the contact every time you want to start a chat.

Add a contact	Click New Contact . Enter the contact information.
Add a contact from your chat history	Tap  . Swipe down from the top frame. Tap  . Tap a contact. Tap  .
Change a contact	Tap  . Swipe down from the top frame. Tap  . Tap a contact.
Add or change a contact picture	Tap the contact picture. Tap a new image. Zoom and position the new image. Tap Done > Back .
Delete a contact	Tap  . Swipe down from the top frame. Tap  . Tap to select a contact. Tap  .


View chat history


You can review the list of incoming and outgoing chats in order to return a chat request or add a contact. The **History View** does not appear until you have at least one incoming or outgoing chat.

1. Tap  to access the History view.
2. Tap  to return to the Contacts view.

Add a contact from history	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap  . Tap a contact from the history record from the list. Tap  .
Make a chat from history	Tap a history record for the person you want to chat with.

Turn on the Do Not Disturb feature

Don't want to be interrupted by a video chat request? If you turn on the **Do Not Disturb** feature, you won't receive notification of incoming video chat requests, but they'll still be recorded in the chat history. The caller receives a message that you're unavailable. So you don't forget your status,  appears on your Status bar when you turn on the feature.

1. Swipe down from the top frame.
2. Tap .
3. Set the **Do Not Disturb** switch to **On**.

Troubleshooting: Video chat

Issue	Possible cause or solution
I can't start a video chat	Verify that you are connected to a Wi-Fi® network or try connecting to a different Wi-Fi network.
My chat was dropped	Try connecting to a different Wi-Fi network. You cannot switch Wi-Fi networks during a call.
I want to improve the chat quality	You or the person you are having the Video Chat with may not have a sufficiently strong Wi-Fi signal. Try a different Wi-Fi network with a stronger connection, or move closer to the wireless access point.

Voice notes

Recording voice notes



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Record a reminder or audio from your lectures or meetings with a single tap. Voice notes are listed by the date and time that you record them.

Record a voice note	Tap . To stop recording, tap .
Stop or pause the playback	Tap or tap .
Delete a voice note	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap Edit . Tap a voice note. Tap Delete .

BlackBerry App World

Download apps with BlackBerry App World



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Enhance your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet with the many games, and social networking and productivity apps available through the BlackBerry App World™ storefront. Search for apps or browse the top downloaded and best selling apps. You can pay for items using your credit card or PayPal® account. The **My World** screen shows a streamlined view of all your apps and statuses, so you can quickly see which apps are installed, archived, deleted, or pending.

1. If prompted, enter your BlackBerry® ID to log in.
2. Search for an app or tap the app you want to download.
 - To download a free or trial version of an app, if available, tap **Install** or **Download Trial**.
 - To buy an app, tap **Purchase** > **Buy Now**.

Update an app	Tap My World > Upgrade . Complete the instructions on the screen.
Delete or remove an app	Tap an app. Tap Delete .
Update your BlackBerry ID account information	Go to https://blackberryid.blackberry.com/bbid/login/

Additional terms and conditions might apply to software and services made available through BlackBerry App World. Data charges might apply when you add or use an application over the wireless network.

Clock

Setting the clock



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You can add multiple clocks to your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet to keep track of different time zones. Your tablet also includes a stopwatch and a timer.

Set an alarm	Tap a clock. Tap Alarm . Set the alarm options. Tap On .
Display the date	Swipe down from the top frame. Set the Date switch to On .
Edit a clock	Tap a clock. Change the options.
Add a new clock	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap New Clock . Set options for the time zones and clock face. To close the options, tap away from the options panel.
Delete a clock	Tap a clock. Tap Delete . You can't delete your Home Clock.
Time laps with the stopwatch	Tap the stopwatch. Tap Start > Lap .
Set the timer	Tap the timer. Set the options. Tap Start .

Security

Set a password



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1. On the home screen, swipe down from the top frame.
2. Tap **Security > Password**.
3. Set the **Enable Password** switch to **On**.
4. Complete the fields.
5. Tap **OK**.

Change your password

Swipe down from the top frame. Tap **Security > Password > Change Password**. Complete the fields. Tap **OK**.

Wipe your tablet data

Swipe down from the top frame. Tap **Security > Device Wipe**. Complete the field. Tap **Wipe Data**.

Note: If you wipe data from your tablet, the BlackBerry ID connection is broken. You will need to re-establish the bond.

Managing VPN profiles



Add a new VPN profile

Swipe down from the top frame. Tap **Security > VPN > Add New**. Complete the fields. Tap **Save**.

View the details of a VPN profile

Swipe down from the top frame. Tap **Security > VPN > **.

Import a certificate from your computer using a Wi-Fi connection

1. If Wi-Fi® file sharing is not turned on, on your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet, tap  > **Storage and Sharing**. Set the **Wi-Fi Sharing** switch to **On**. To set a password to help protect your data, tap **Password**.
2. On your tablet, tap  > **About**.
3. In the drop-down list, tap **Network** and make note of the USB IPv4 address for your tablet.







4. On your computer, navigate to your tablet IPv4 address.
5. In a separate file browser window, navigate to and copy the certificate.
6. On the tablet drive on your computer, navigate to the **Certs** folder and paste the certificate.
7. Tap **Next**.
8. On your tablet, swipe down from the top frame.
9. Tap **Security > Certificates > Import**.

Browser






Browsing the web




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Search for or go to a webpage	In the address bar, type search terms or a web address. Tap Go .
Reload a webpage	In the address bar, tap  .
Open a new tab for a webpage	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap  .
Switch between tabs	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap a thumbnail.
View your browsing history	Tap  .
Zoom	Slide your fingers together or apart to zoom in or zoom out. Double-tap to zoom in to an image or a column of text.
Open a file that you downloaded	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap  .
Hide the navigation bar	On the navigation bar, tap  .
Show the navigation bar	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap  .

Bookmarking webpages

Bookmark a page in your browser	Go to the page. Tap  . Tap Add to Bookmarks .
Add a bookmark on your home screen	Go to the page. Tap  . Tap Add to Home Screen . Change the name of the shortcut.
View your bookmarks	Tap  .
Delete a bookmark	On the Bookmarks screen, tap  . Beside the bookmark, tap  .

Change browser options

1. Swipe down from the top frame to show the menu.
2. Tap .

Turn on private browsing

When private browsing is turned on, the browser only stores your history, cached files, cookies, and other information temporarily. This information is deleted when you close the browser.

Tap **Privacy & Security**. Set the **Private Browsing** switch to **On**.

Delete saved data

Tap **Privacy & Security > Clear All**.

Share your location with websites

Some websites use your location to show you customized content.

Tap **Permissions**. Set the **Allow Websites to Access My Location** switch to **On**.

Troubleshooting: Browser

Issue	Possible cause or solution
I can't play a song or video on a web page	The media format might not be supported or the link might be broken.

Battery and power

Turning off your tablet and using standby mode



Watch the video

Check the battery power level	On the status bar, tap . When the battery power level is low, your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet notifies you.
Enter standby mode	Press the Power button on the top of your tablet.
Exit standby mode	Swipe down from the top frame to bottom frame.
Turn off your tablet	Press and hold the Power button. Tap Shut Down . Your tablet does not charge when turned off.

Extending your battery life

To help extend your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet battery life, charge it regularly, close applications that you're not using, and keep it out of the sun and other hot places. Also consider the following guidelines:

Dim the screen	On the status bar, tap > Screen . Change the Brightness setting.
Turn off the screen automatically	On the status bar, tap > Screen . Change the Backlight Time-out field.
Enter standby mode automatically	On the status bar, tap > Screen . Change the Standby Time-out field.
Turn off Wi-Fi®	On the status bar, tap . Set the Wi-Fi switch to Off .
Turn off Bluetooth® connectivity	On the status bar, tap . Set the Bluetooth switch to Off .
Pause apps when you show the home screen or switch between apps	On the status bar, tap > General . Set the Application Behavior switch to Paused .

Connections


Wi-Fi

Connect to a Wi-Fi network



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Your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet can connect to the Internet using Wi-Fi®. Public Wi-Fi networks are available in many public places, such as libraries, airports, hotels, coffee shops, and so on. When you connect to a Wi-Fi network, your tablet saves the network and connects to it automatically the next time you're within range.

1. On the Status bar, tap  > **Wi-Fi**.
2. Tap the network you want to connect to.
To only see networks that don't require a password, in the **Networks** drop-down list, select **Open Networks**.
3. If necessary, type the network password.
4. Tap **Connect**.

Connect using a Wi-Fi Protected Setup™ button


Tap  > **Wi-Fi** > **Use WPS** > **Press WPS Button on Router**. On your Wi-Fi router, press the button. On your tablet, tap **Start**.

Connect using a Wi-Fi Protected Setup PIN code

Tap  > **Wi-Fi** > **Use WPS** > **Enter PIN into Router** > **Start**. On the administration screen for your Wi-Fi router, type the PIN displayed.




Connect manually

If you want to connect to a hidden Wi-Fi network or save the settings for a network that's not currently available, you can connect manually.

Tap  > **Wi-Fi** > **Connect Manually**. Type the name of the network. If the network is hidden, select **Hidden SSID**. Select the security type and specify any additional information. Tap **Connect** to connect now or tap **Save** to save without connecting.

Change, delete, or reorder saved Wi-Fi networks

Your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet remembers the Wi-Fi® networks you connect to and automatically connects whenever you're in range. If multiple networks are available, your tablet connects to the one closest to the top of your list of saved networks.

1. On the status bar, tap  > **Wi-Fi**.
2. In the drop-down list, tap **Saved Networks**.
 - To change options for a saved network, tap the network.
 - To move a saved network up or down in the list, touch and hold the network. Drag it to where you want it.
 - To delete a saved network, tap . Beside the network, tap .
 - To stop your tablet from automatically connecting to a saved network, tap the network. Clear the **Enable Profile** checkbox. Tap **Save**.

Wi-Fi network options

For most Wi-Fi® networks, you won't need to change the network options. If you're having trouble connecting or if you need to connect manually, you can set the network options yourself.


The options available depend on the type of network you're connecting to. To find out what settings to use, if you're connecting to a home network, see the information that came with your Wi-Fi router; if you're connecting to an enterprise Wi-Fi network, talk to your administrator; if you're connecting to a hotspot, see the information provided about the hotspot or talk to an employee at the hotspot who might have details about how to connect.



Option	Description
Name	Enter the name that you want to see in your list of saved Wi-Fi networks.
SSID	If the Wi-Fi network is hidden, type the SSID (the name the network uses to identify itself). Your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet uses this name to find the network.
Hidden SSID	If the Wi-Fi network is hidden, select this checkbox. Hidden networks don't appear in the list of available networks.
Security Type	Set the security type that the Wi-Fi network uses.
Security Sub Type	If you're connecting to an enterprise Wi-Fi network, set the security subtype that the Wi-Fi network uses.
VPN Profiles	To use a VPN Profile when connecting to this network, select the profile you want to use. For more information, see the Security section of the help.
Automatically Obtain IP Address	Clear this checkbox if you need to manually specify an IP address for your tablet. When you clear this checkbox, additional options appear. To find out what information to enter, talk to your administrator.
Enable IPv6	Set whether the network uses the IPv6 protocol.

Option	Description
Use HTTP Proxy	Select this checkbox if you want to connect to a proxy server. When you select this checkbox, additional options appear. To find out what options to use, see the information provided for the proxy server.
Allow inter-access point handover	If the network spans multiple access points, set whether your tablet should remain connected when you move from one access point to another.
CA Certificate	If necessary, set the root certificate that your tablet should use to verify that it's connecting to the correct Wi-Fi network. If the network requires a certificate, you need to transfer it to your tablet before you can connect. For more information, talk to your administrator.
Client Certificate	If necessary, set the authentication certificate that your tablet should use to connect to the Wi-Fi network. If the network requires a certificate, you need to transfer it to your tablet before you can connect. For more information, talk to your administrator.

I can't connect to a Wi-Fi network

Try one of the following actions:

- On the status bar, tap  and verify that the switch is set to **On**.
- The connection might have timed out. Try connecting again.
- Your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet might be too far away from the wireless access point or wireless router to connect. Move your tablet closer and try connecting again.
- Verify that you're in a Wi-Fi® coverage area. If you're connecting to a home network, see if other wireless devices are able to connect. If you're connecting to an enterprise Wi-Fi network or a hotspot, talk to your administrator or an employee at the hotspot.
- Verify that the time on your tablet is synchronized with the network time. If the times are different, it could prevent your tablet from connecting (for example, if connecting to the network requires you to have a certificate on your tablet and the certificate has an expiration date).
- If the Wi-Fi network doesn't appear in the list of available networks, the network might be hidden. If you know the network name, try connecting to it manually.
- Verify that the options for the Wi-Fi network are correct. To find out what options to use, for a home network, refer to the information that came with your router; for an enterprise Wi-Fi network, talk to your administrator; for a public hotspot, refer to any information provided for the hotspot or talk to an employee at the hotspot who might have details about how to connect.
- If you switched Wi-Fi networks manually, try switching to another Wi-Fi network.
- If you are using the Push Button Setup method, verify that the access point uses Wi-Fi Protected Setup™, and that it has been set to send its profile. Verify that another device is not also attempting to connect at the same time, and that not more than one access point within range is in this mode. For more information, see the information that came with your router.

- If you use PEAP, EAP-TLS, EAP-FAST, or EAP-TTLS to connect to a Wi-Fi network, verify that you have installed the root certificate for the certificate authority server that created the certificate for the authentication server. The certificate must be transferred to your tablet before you can connect to the network. For more information, talk to your administrator.
- If you use EAP-TLS to connect to a Wi-Fi network, verify that you have added your authentication certificate to your tablet. The certificate must be transferred to your tablet before you can connect to the network. For more information, talk to your administrator.
- To view details about your tablet and the network you're connected to that might help with advanced troubleshooting, on the status bar, tap  > **Wi-Fi**. In the lower-left corner, tap .

Bluetooth technology


Connect a Bluetooth enabled device



Watch the video

You can use Bluetooth® technology to connect your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet to a wireless keyboard, mobile phone, or other device that uses a supported Bluetooth profile. The first time you connect to a device, you pair it with your tablet. Your tablet remembers paired devices and usually connects to them automatically whenever they're in range.

For information about connecting your tablet to a BlackBerry smartphone, see the BlackBerry Bridge section of the Help.

1. On the status bar, tap  > **Bluetooth**.
2. Set the **Bluetooth** switch to **On**.
3. Tap **Add New Device** > **Search**.
4. Tap a device.
5. If necessary, do one of the following:
 - Type a pairing passkey of your choice on both the device you're pairing with and on your tablet.
 - On your tablet, type the pairing passkey that appears on the device you're pairing with or in the information that came with the device. If you don't know the passkey, try **0000**.

Reconnect to a paired device	In the list of paired devices, tap the device > Connect .
Change options for a paired device	In the list of paired devices, tap the device.
Delete a paired device	In the list of paired devices, tap the device > Delete .
Make your tablet discoverable	To allow other Bluetooth enabled devices to search for your tablet and attempt to connect to it, you can make it discoverable. Set the Discoverable switch to On .

To help protect your tablet against unauthorized access, you can make it discoverable for 2 minutes only. Tap **Add New Device > Listen**.

Supported Bluetooth profiles

Your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet uses Bluetooth® profiles to communicate with different types of Bluetooth enabled devices. To find out if your tablet supports a specific Bluetooth enabled device, you can check the information available for the device to see what profiles it uses. Your tablet supports the profiles listed here.

Profile	Description
Dial-up Networking (DUN)	Your tablet uses this profile to connect to a tethered mobile phone or other Internet-enabled device to access its Internet connection.
Human Interface Device (HID)	Your tablet uses this profile to connect to a wireless keyboard.
Serial Port Profile (SPP)	Your tablet uses this profile to connect to your BlackBerry smartphone through the BlackBerry® Bridge™ application.

I can't connect to a Bluetooth device

Try the following actions:

- Verify that the Bluetooth® enabled device is compatible with your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablet. Check the information that came with the Bluetooth enabled device to find out what Bluetooth profiles it uses and verify that your tablet supports those profiles.
- If you don't know the passkey for the Bluetooth enabled device, see the information that came with the device. If you can't find any passkey information, try **0000**.
- If your tablet can't detect the Bluetooth enabled device, try making the Bluetooth enabled device discoverable, or try making your tablet discoverable and searching for your tablet from the Bluetooth enabled device.

My list of paired Bluetooth devices doesn't appear


Verify that the Bluetooth® connection on your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ is turned on.

Keyboard and typing

Typing with the touch screen keyboard




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Show the keyboard	Tap a text field or swipe in from the bottom-left corner of the frame.
Hide the keyboard	Tap the Hide Keyboard icon on the bottom-left corner of the keyboard.
Capitalize a letter	Tap the Shift key. Tap the letter.
Turn on CAP lock	Touch and hold the Shift key. To turn off CAP lock, tap the Shift key again.
Type a symbol	Tap the 123 sym key. If the symbol you're looking for isn't displayed, tap the More Symbols key.
Type an accented or special character	Touch and hold a letter key to display a list of accented versions of the letter and special characters. Tap the accented or special character.
Type a number in a text field	Tap the 123 sym key. Tap the number. To show the standard keys again, tap the ABC key.
Change the keyboard type	On the home screen, in the status bar, tap  > Keyboard . Tap a keyboard type.

Facebook



Navigating Facebook for BlackBerry PlayBook tablets

Go to a different screen	Tap  .
Refresh your News Feed	In your News Feed, drag down.
Log out of Facebook® for BlackBerry® PlayBook™ tablets	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap Log out .


Contacting your friends

Send a message to a friend	Tap  > Messages > New Message .
Write on a friend's wall	Tap a friend's profile picture. Tap the Write Something field.
Chat with a friend	Tap  > Chat . Tap a friend's name.
Turn off chat	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap  . Set the Chat switch to Off .

Posting and tagging photos and videos

Post a photo or video	Tap  . Tap a photo or video. Tap Open .
Tag friends in a photo or video	Open a photo or video. Tap the photo or video. Tap  .

Posting comments and liking items

Post a comment	On a News Feed item, tap  > Comment .
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Comment on a photo


Open a photo. Tap the photo. Tap . Tap the **Write a comment** field.

Like an item

Tap  > **Like**.

Adding friends and pages

Send a friend request

Tap  > **Everyone**. Type a name. Tap the person's profile picture. Tap **Add as friend**.

Add a Page to your Pages list

Tap  > **Pages**. Type a page name. Tap the page. Tap **Like**.

Word to Go

Creating and editing documents



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With your BlackBerry® PlayBook™ and Word to Go you can edit, update, and save your important information in one convenient location.

Create a new document	Tap New Document .
Open a document	Tap Browse . Tap a file that you want to open. Tap OK .
Save a document	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap the Save icon.

Word To Go icons

	Change the font.
	Change text alignment.
	Increase or decrease an indent.
	Apply a font style.
	Find the word count for a document.
	Apply paragraph formatting.

Sheet to Go

Creating and editing spreadsheets



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Create a new spreadsheet	Tap New Document .
Open a spreadsheet	Tap Browse .
Save a spreadsheet	Swipe down from the top frame. Tap the Save icon.
Change the font	Tap F > Font .
Change number formatting	Tap F > Number .
Hide a column or row	Tap the column or row that you want to hide. Tap . To show a column or row again, tap .
Clear a cell	Tap the cell that you want to clear. Tap .
Apply a font style to a cell	Tap the cell that you want to apply a font style to. Tap B , I or U .

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