

Seeing AI Tips for TalkBack Users

Download:

To install, tell your Google Assistant “search for Seeing AI app in the Play Store”. Navigate to the “Install” button and double tap. Once downloaded, the “Install” button will turn into an “Open” button.

Open the app:

Tell your Google Assistant “Open Seeing AI.” You can also find it in your apps list by performing a two finger swipe up from the home screen.

Choose Your Tab:

Once the app is open, you have 3 tabs to choose from. Typically, when the app is first opened it will start with the “Read” tab.

To switch between tabs, double tap when you heaer the tab that interests you.

Tab Descriptions:

* **Read**

As soon as the app opens you can show the camera any printed text to have it read instantly. This is good for quick text, not a full page. It will be abrupt and stop short if you point it in other directions while it reads.

Example: Who an envelope is from.

To get a full page(s) read or to ask a question about a document, Double tap when you hear “document alignment off”. When using this feature, we need to make sure all four edges of our page are visible to the camera to have it captured.

How to do this: Hold the document you wish to be read out at arm’s length while holding your phone close to your chest and you will save yourself some time. If you’ve taken these steps, you will then listen to the directions the phone announces. If it still can’t see an edge, it will say things like “bottom left edge not visible” or “too close” Continue to move in the direction it states it can’t see. When it can see all four edges it will announce “hold steady.” Hold still for a few moments while the music plays. Your page is ready when it stops. You can add another page using the page icon with the plus symbol at the top right & repeat the previous steps. To have it read, touch the play button at the bottom left of the screen. You can also increase your font size, stop reading, fast forward & rewind using the buttons at the bottom.

There is a question mark on the bottom right of this screen which will allow you to ask a question about the document by dictating or typing in your request such as “what is the total?” to receive an answer rather than reading an entire document.

Example: Having these instructions read to you or ask for specific items on a menu.

* **Describe**

Point your camera in a room & double tap the “take picture” button. You will get a detailed description of your environment. There are ask, save, share, & explore buttons at the bottom of the screen. Ask Seeing AI will allow you to type or dictate a question relevant to your picture, like “what color is this hat?” Explore allows you to drag your finger around the photo to locate noticed items, think of it scanning your fridge while it is telling you what items it sees and the position of items within. You can also upload an existing photo here instead of taking a new picture.

**You can also p**oint your camera at a person and the app will let you know if you have the person centered. Tap the person icon to the left of the take picture to teach the app a face.

* **More Tab**

**This will open access to the following modes:**

**Product** – Show a barcode to the camera to have the item you’re holding described. It will make a loud and sharp noise as it gets close to seeing the barcode. After you’ve scanned it, you can hit the More icon at the bottom and get nutritional or ingredient facts.

Example: You are holding two cans, one green bean and one corn but don’t know which is which.

How to do this: Rotate the can until the camera can see the barcode.

**Currency** – Show a dollar bill to the camera to have the money identified.

Example: For those who wouldn’t be able to sort a one-dollar bill from a twenty-dollar bill.

**Color**- Identify the color of something by pointing your camera at it. (Not very accurate).

**Light**- Point your camera at something to hear a high pitch noise for lighter object and deeper noise for darker objects.

Example: If you are unable to tell if the lights are on.