[Lookout](#)

Use Lookout to explore your surroundings

Lookout uses computer vision to provide information about your surroundings. Lookout uses the camera and sensors on your Android device to recognize objects and text, then tells you what it sees.Lookout has 5 modes that you can use for different activities.

Text mode

By default, Lookout starts in Text mode. Point your camera at any text. For example, try this mode to sort mail or read signs.

If the text isn't read clearly, rotate your device between landscape and portrait, or move the text closer or farther away.

Explore mode (beta)

Important:Explore mode is still in beta and is less accurate than other modes.

Point your camera around you to hear about what's in your environment, such as objects and text.

Food labels mode (beta)

Important: Food labels mode is currently available only in some countries. The first time you select Food labels mode, follow the prompt to download additional data. This download lets Food labels mode recognize food labels, get results faster, and work offline.

Lookout can scan barcodes or recognize the front of a packaged food product. Hold the product's label in front of your camera and slowly rotate it.

Documents mode

Use this mode to read full pages of text. Hold your device in portrait mode, move it slowly, and listen for

Currency mode

Important: Currency mode doesn't recognize coins and only works with US Dollars.

Aim your camera at one banknote at a time.