
Subject: Smart Phones

Posted by [gofar99](#) on Tue, 13 Sep 2011 22:49:50 GMT

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Hi, If any of you other dinosaurs out there want to feel like a dork, just get a new smart phone (I got a Samsung Epic 4G). I am sure my 6 year old grand daughter can figure it out faster than I can. Tap, squeeze, spread, pinch, swish and so on are all terms that were not part of my previous vocabulary, at least not in reference to phones. Anyhow after a week of fiddling, and even reading the 175 page manual that came with it, I can now generally get it to do what I want. They really are something else. I follow technology in many areas but phones were off my radar. They are virtually hand held PCs and entertainment systems that can make phone calls. If you believe the hype there are over 250,000 apps for this one. BTW as I posted elsewhere, it does a credible job on music (any compressed type not just MP3) and will do (it says) HD video. The problem there is that it sucks the battery dry fairly quickly. My MP3 player (a Sony) does a better job and will run continuously for days. My biggest beefs right now are the screen protectors, just a tiny bit of dust under an edge and you are hosed. And the standard ringtones. Gads, if I wanted screaming meanies I fixed that with one of the 250,000 apps. Somewhat more civilized now. I'm beginning to actually like it now

Subject: Re: Smart Phones

Posted by [FL152](#) on Thu, 15 Sep 2011 08:40:32 GMT

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I'm typing this through my iPhone 4, the best piece of equipment I ever had.
And for the "dinosaur" part - my ringtone is "Bad moon rising".

Subject: Re: Smart Phones

Posted by [Freddy](#) on Fri, 04 Nov 2011 09:42:06 GMT

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I've had the same old cell phone for several years, and I was never planning to change it. It made calls, I could send text messages, and I even had a few basic games. Then my wife got an iPhone. I can't believe how much you can do with it. It's amazing how making calls has almost become a secondary function for these devices. I never wanted a new phone, until they virtually became handheld computers. I guess I'm ready to stop being a dinosaur now!

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Posted by [gofar99](#) on Fri, 04 Nov 2011 15:53:11 GMT

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Hi, Yes indeed. Now we have smart phones.... AKA mini hand held computers that oh by the way make phone calls. I like the features that link to nearby gas stations (by price or distance) and being able to search Google maps/world for places I want to get to. The biggest problem I see is getting a good all inclusive plan and using restraint on ordering extras like movies, music and

apps. I figure I got a fair deal off Sprint for 5 phones, two of which are 4G smart phones and the others all data capable. \$245 per month. Essentially everything is unlimited. Only limit is 1500 shared minutes to non-cells and then only during weekdays 7 to 7. Last month we used 67 of the 1500!

Subject: Re: Smart Phones

Posted by [LoveJB](#) on Wed, 09 Nov 2011 01:30:38 GMT

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I think Smart Phones are the best new invention ever! I love my phone... I own a Bionic Droid (newest one). I can play games, surf the net, read books, text and make calls! I'm all about smart phones.
