Alexa Cheat Sheet

BASIC COMMANDS

YOU SAY:	RESULT:
"Alexa, stop."	Stops talking or emitting sound.
"Alexa, set the volume to [**4**]."	Sets the volume to [**4**] out of 10.
"Alexa, louder."	Makes the volume louder.
"Alexa, turn [**down**] the volume."	Changes the volume down.

NEWS AND WEATHER

"Alexa, what's the weather today?"	Tells you the current temperature and weather forecast for the day.
"Alexa, what's the weather this weekend?"	Tells you the weather forecast for the weekend.
"Alexa, tell me the news."	Plays the news and current headlines.
"Alexa, what's the weather like in [**Dallas, Texas**]?"	Tells you the weather in a given city.

MUSIC AND SOUNDS

"Alexa, play some [**light jazz music**]."	Plays [light jazz music] music from Amazon Music or a Music Subscription.
"Alexa, play [**country music**]."	Plays music from a [country music] playlist.
"Alexa, play [**Christmas music**]."	Plays music from a [Christmas music] playlist.
"Alexa, play [**Johnny Cash**]."	Plays a selection of music including and similar to [Johnny Cash] music.
"Alexa, play [**rain and thunderstoms**]."	Plays nature sounds.
"Alexa, stop playing in [**45 minutes**]."	Sets a sleep timer to turn off sound in [45 minutes].
"Alexa, play a daily meditation."	Plays a meditation.
"Alexa, play [**Crime and Punishment**] from Audible."	Reads the book [Crime and Punishment]. (Requires Audible Subscription)
"Alexa, resume my book."	Resumes playing the last played audiobook.

INFORMATION AND SEARCH

"Alexa, what time is it?"	Tells you the current time.
"Alexa, what's the date?"	Tells you the current date.
"Alexa, what is [**15% of 83**]?"	Answers a math question.
"Alexa, what's the definition of [**imbecile**]?"	Tells you the definition of the [word].
"Alexa, how long is the drive from [**Home to Chicago**]?"	Tells you how long the drive is between 2 places.
"Alexa, find business hours for [**Ace Hardware**]."	Tells you the business hours of shops and restaurants.
"Alexa, when is [**Easter**] this year?"	Tells you the date for specific events.
"Alexa, what is [**256 divided by 14**]?"	Performs math problems.
"Alexa, what is [**60 mph in km/hr**]?	Tells you the answer to a conversion.
"Alexa, flip a coin."	Helps you decide.
"Alexa, roll a die."	Gives you a number between 1-6.
"Alexa, Wikipedia [**Gurney Flap**]."	Provides information from Wikipedia about a given subject.
"Alexa, tell me more."	Continues reading a Wikipedia entry.

TIME, ALARMS, REMINDERS

"Alexa, set a timer for [**20 minutes**]."	Sets a timer for a set time.
"Alexa, set an alarm for [**7 a.m.**]."	Sets an alarm for a time specified.
"Alexa, wake me up every day at [8 a.m.] to music"	Sets a recurring alarm that plays music.
"Alexa, wake me up to [**KS95 FM**] on TuneIn."	Sets the radio station that the alarm will play.
"Alexa, add an event to my calendar."	Alexa will ask you what/when and then add an event to your calendar
"Alexa, what's on my calendar for today?"	Reads off your appointments for the day.
"Alexa, remind me to [**check the oven**] in [**10 minutes**].	Reminds you to do something after a certain amount of time.
"Alexa, remind me to take my medication at [**3 p.m.**]."	Sets a reminder for a set time.
"Alexa, what are my reminders?"	Tells you the reminders you have set.

LISTS

"Alexa, add [**eggs**] to my shopping list."	Adds an item to your Shopping List.
"Alexa, read me my shopping list."	Tells you the items on your Shopping List.
"Alexa, add [**go to the gym**] to my to-do list"	Adds an item to your To Do list.
"Alexa, read me my to-do list."	Tells you the items on your To Do List.

RECIPES AND INSTRUCTIONS

"Alexa, how do I [**make a pot of coffee**]?"	Describes how to do something.
"Alexa, tell me a recipe for [**spaghetti sauce**]."	Reads off a recipe.
"Alexa, how do you make [**oatmeal cookies**]?"	Gives you a recipe.

ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORTS

"Alexa, who plays [**Neo**] in [**The Matrix**]?"	Answers questions about actors.
"Alexa, tell me about the movie [**Forrest Gump**].	Get information about a movie.
"Alexa, who sings the song [**Man in Black**]?	Gives information about musicians.
"Alexa, give me a [**Clint Eastwood**] quote."	Finds a quote attributed to a person.
"Alexa, how tall is [**Tom Cruise**]?"	Gives information about a person.
"Alexa, what was the score of the [**Packers**] game?"	Tells you the results of a completed game.
"Alexa, did the [**Vikings**] win?"	Tells you the outcome of a game.
"Alexa, when do the [**Chicago Bulls**] play next?"	Tells you when the next scheduled game occurs.
"Alexa, who is the quarterback of the [**Seahawks**]?"	Tells you information about an athlete.

FUN

"Alexa, tell me a joke."	Tells you a joke.
"Alexa, tell me a bedtime story."	Tells you a story.
"Alexa, read [**The Night Before Christmas**]."	Reads a story.
"Alexa, tell me a limerick."	Tells you a limerick.

HOME AUTOMATION AND CONTROL

"Alexa, turn [**off**] the lights."	Turns off light. (Requires a web-enabled smart bulb)
"Alexa, dim the lights to [**75%**]."	Dims the smart bulb.
"Alexa, raise the temperature [**2 degrees**]."	Increases the room temperature (Requires a smart thermostat)

EASTER EGGS

"Alexa, beam me up."
"Alexa, my name is Inigo Montoya."
"Alexa, I want the truth."
"Alexa, show me the money."
"Alexa, party time!"
"Alexa, I am your father."
"Alexa, how many roads must a man walk down?"
"Alexa, what does the Earth weigh?"
"Alexa, who won best actor Oscar in 1973?"
"Alexa, what is the airspeed velocity of an unladen swallow?"
"Alexa, I've seen things you people wouldn't believe."
"Alexa, Play it again, Sam"
"Alexa, random fact"

NOTES

Start every command with "Alexa." (This is your speaker's Wake Word.)
You can say "and" to give another command in the same sentence.
You can give commands while Alexa is talking (she doesn't mind if you interrupt!).
You don't need to shout! It can hear you in a normal voice from across the room.
For more details, visit: www.PracticalMechanic.com and Search for "Alexa Cheat Sheet"