

iOS Accessibility feature: Bold Text

Introduction

Bold Text allow the user to display the default text in bold. This setting can increase readability for some users.

Learning Objectives

Completion of this tutorial will give you experience with the following:

- how to turn on and use the Bold Text Accessibility Setting on an iPad.


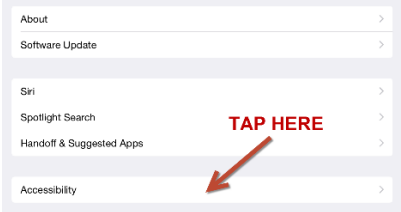
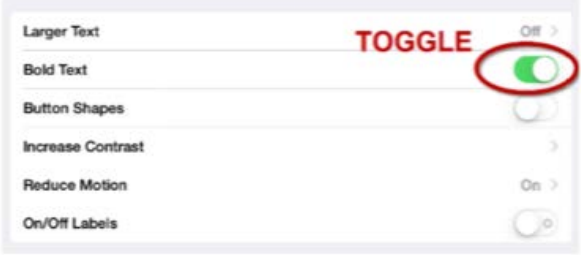
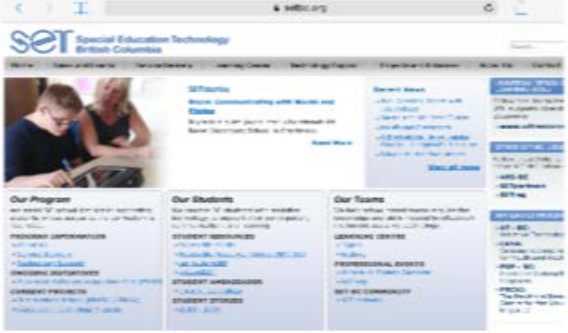
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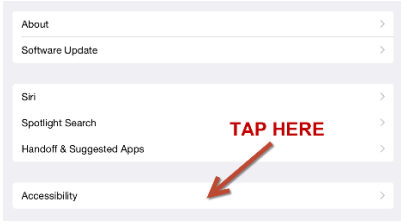
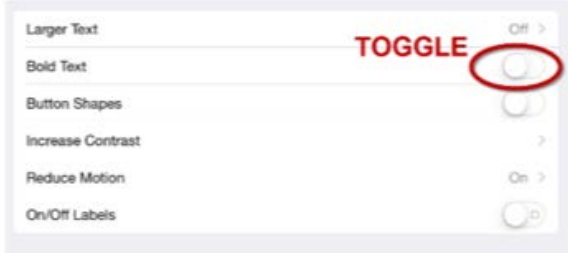

- An iPad with iOS 8.4 or later version. Earlier versions of IOS may also work however they are not covered by the scope of this information. This feature also works with iPhone.
- Some activities require internet access; however these activities are not necessary to see the changes resulting from the Bold Text feature

Case Study:

Jenny, Colton, and Leslie are all grade 7 students who have troubles with their vision. They all wear glasses and see specialist concerning their eyes. All three of them use an iPad at school for reading and written output. Their Learning Services' Teacher is looking for ways to maximize their use of their iPads. This term she is working on organization tools (i.e. Calendar and reminders) on their iPads. They see the Learning Service's Teacher twice a week for a half hour block.

Using the accessible iOS feature Bold Text on an iPad.

<p>1</p>	<p>From the iPad's Home Screen, find and tap on the Settings icon to access the Settings Menu.</p>	 <p>Settings</p>
<p>2</p>	<p>On the left scroll down menu, locate and tap General Settings.</p> <p>On the right scroll down menu locate and Tap Accessibility to access the iPad's Accessibility Settings Menu.</p>	
<p>3</p>	<p>Locate the Vision Settings in the right scroll down menu, then locate the Bold Text setting. Slide the toggle to the right (green) position to turn the Bold Text setting on.</p> <p>*TURNING THIS FEATURE ON WILL REQUIRE A RESTART OF THE IPAD.*</p> <p>Notice that the text on the Home menu is now displayed in bold. Most menus and system screens will use the Bold Text setting.</p>	
<p>4</p>	<p>Next open the Safari Browser and navigate to www.setbc.org . Notice that the type fonts of the web page have <u>not</u> changed. Safari only supports the Bold Text setting when performing a search using the search bar.</p>	

<p>5</p>	<p>Now explore the Bold Text function by opening and using some of your other apps, each time noticing the different look and feel that the Bold Text setting provides.</p> <p>Notice too that the onscreen keyboard is also bolded when using the Bold Text function.</p>	
<p>6</p>	<p>Explore your calendar and see the difference using the Bold Text function can make.</p>	
<p>7</p>	<p>Once you have finished exploring this setting, remember to go back to the Accessibility Settings Menu to turn the feature back off.</p>	
<p>8</p>	<p>Slide the toggle to the left (grey) position to turn the Bold Text setting off.</p>	
<p>8</p>	<p>Push the Home Button once to exit the Settings Menu.</p>	

TASK

After practicing with the Bold Text function answer the following questions in your group.

1. Write one potential advantage for using this setting with students.
2. What might be some cautions for using this setting with students?
3. How might you get students using this tomorrow?
4. List one or two other implementation ideas for using this setting.

Vision Accessibility Features available on iOS:

- *Zoom controller*: controls the power of the zoom, resizes the lens or can add filters This offers a lens that zooms and the potential for higher contrast.
- *Invert Colors*: increases contrast
- *Larger Text*: increases just the text font size
- *Bold Text*: creates bold text in apps, the keyboard and the calculator (not just in eBooks).
- *Button Shapes*: highlights buttons and links throughout the iPad or iPhone making them much easier to see.
- *Grayscale*: is another way to make the screen clearer for users with low vision.