



Getting Started with the Amazon Fire HD 8 Tablet

What you will need

Tablet/charging cable/brick (all included with your tablet), WiFi, and 15 minutes.

Setup

In the orange tablet box you will find the tablet, charging cable, power brick, 'Important Information' brochure and a brochure titled 'Hello'.

Find the 'Hello' brochure to help you get started, read an overview of the tablet features, and how to power it on.



Amazon (Canada) Account - You need one

Power on the tablet you and follow the startup process. You will need an Amazon (Canada) account in order to sign-in and use your tablet. If you use Audible, and Alexa, Amazon Prime, or order products on Amazon online you already have an Amazon account and you can sign in with that now. If not, create an account and use it to sign in.

amazon

Create account

Your name

Email

Password
At least 6 characters
i Passwords must be at least 6 characters.

Re-enter password

Create your Amazon account

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Already have an account? Sign-In

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Helpful hint!

If you want to sign up for an Amazon account before you startup your tablet, you can go online and search 'Amazon Registration'. This will take you to a page where you can create your Amazon account. Or you can register for an Amazon account while you set up your tablet.

Make sure you choose the **amazon.ca** (Canada) option and not **amazon.com** (United States).

Getting ready to download Zoom

Getting to know the tablet



Immediately below the search bar (at the top of your tablet screen) you will see the three sections of the tablet: 'For You', 'Home', and 'Library'.

Home is where you can see the different apps already installed on the tablet and where you will find the App Store in the first row of apps.



Look for this App Store button for your tablet. Click to open the App Store.

Download Zoom (it's free!)

Once the App Store is open, click the magnifying glass icon in the top right corner of your screen and type in ZOOM.



You will find the app called 'ZOOM Cloud Meetings'. Click it to install the app.

You don't need to sign into ZOOM to use it, but you can sign in using an existing account if you wish to.

To join a ZOOM meeting you just need to click the meeting link that we will be provided to you before convention.

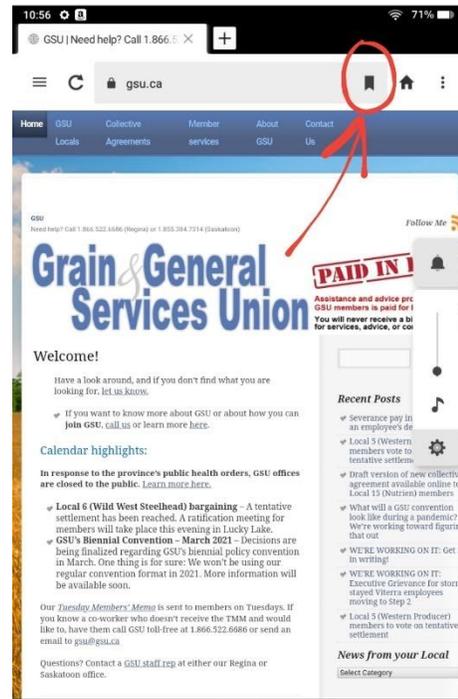
Join GSU staff to try out ZOOM in a test meeting(s)

If you are new to ZOOM we encourage you to try it out before the Convention. GSU has scheduled three ZOOM test meetings for you to join, try out your tablet, and learn a bit more about ZOOM. Watch for an email from GSU soon announcing the test meeting dates, times, and links.

Silk Browser



This app on your Home screen is how you will access the internet. During setup of the tablet you connected to the internet through your WiFi. Open the Silk Browser and search for 'gsu.ca'. Once you are at the GSU website click the Bookmark button (shown in the graphic on the right) and select Bookmark to save the GSU website so it is easier to get to next time. We will be posting links and documents on the website for your use during the Convention. You will be provided paper copies of meeting materials but you can also use the Convention page as a backup.



Email

Click on the email app on the 'Home' page to setup your personal email address account. You will need to do this so that GSU can email you the ZOOM invite and other details for Convention.

Depending on your email system, you can also log in to your email using the SILK internet browser.

Wireless Internet or Wifi

You will need to make sure you have a good internet connection to use your tablet. Delegates attending the convention in person the DoubleTree hotel will have a dedicated wireless internet to use. If you are participating virtually, you will need to make sure your internet connection is available and strong for the two days of Convention. Check out these tips below to boost your wireless signal:

Kick Off Wi-Fi Intruders

It's entirely possible slow internet has nothing to do with interference or Wifi range. If your network has no password or has a weak password, you could have an unwanted (and unknown) guests piggybacking on your network and using your signal. And if your neighbour is downloading all eight seasons of *Game of Thrones* using Wifi, your ZOOM meetings will suffer.

Control Who and what will be using your Wifi during Convention

To increase the odds of a strong signal you may need to limit who is using your Wifi during Convention. So if you have a teenager who streams videos or a mother-in-law who

participates in daily online mini family reunions you may need to talk to them about their internet usage.

Sit near your router or move it to a better location

Routers may be ugly, but that doesn't mean you should hide them behind the TV cabinet. If you want the best signal, you'll need it out in the open, free of any walls and obstructions. If moving your router is not an option, moving yourself and your tablet closer to your router may help.

Need Help?

If you need any help with the tablet or anything else technical related to Convention please call, email or text staff representative Steve Torgerson. Cell: 306-529-5925 email: steve@gsu.ca