Project Relate START UP GUIDE

1. DOWNLOAD PROJECT RELATE

- 1. On your phone and with the Google account (typically Gmail) you shared with the Project Relate team, **download** <u>Project Relate</u> on Google Play.
 - a. If the link does not work, make sure you are logged into Google Play using the same account where you received the welcome email. Open the Play Store app, and at the top right, tap your profile picture or initial. If you need to switch accounts, tap the Down arrow v and select the correct account.
- 2. Once installation is complete, launch the app by tapping **Open**, or launch as you normally launch apps.
- A pop up will remind you that "Google will save any speech recordings you make in the Relate app." Tap Okay, I understand to acknowledge that Google will save your recordings according to the Project Relate Early Access Agreement.
- 4. When prompted to **Choose an account**, select the account you provided to the Project Relate team.



Two men, both wearing glasses, are seated at a table, with a computer and mobile phone in front of them. One man is leaning forward over the table, showing the other man the Project Relate app on the mobile device.



2. MAKE GOOD RECORDINGS

To use the features of Project Relate, you will need to make at least 500 recordings before the app can understand how you speak.

- Say all the words exactly as they are written. For example, if the card says, "Turn down television", don't say, "Turn down TV" or "Turn down the TV".
- Be yourself when you do your recordings. Project Relate needs to hear the "everyday you" to help the app better understand you, so no need to make a special effort to make your speaking clearer.
- Place the phone 6-18 inches from your mouth, with either the screen or bottom of the phone pointed towards you. If your voice is quiet, try to keep the phone close to your mouth.
- Do not cover the top or bottom edge of the phone while holding it, as this may block a microphone.
- Avoid background noise like TVs or loud fans, and ensure no one else is speaking around you.
- Avoid recording in rooms with hard surfaces that echo, like kitchens and bathrooms.



A man's hands are shown holding a mobile device. The Project Relate app is opened to the splash screen. Below the logo, text reads, Project Relate. On the following line, text reads, Helping everybody use their voice to communicate.



Two friends are pictured in conversation, using their mobile devices.

3. RECORD PHRASES

- The app will open to **Record** mode the first time.
- You will be presented with a card containing a phrase. **Tap Record**, speak the prompt on the card, and then tap **Stop**. Note, you can also tap and hold Record, speak the prompt, and then release.
 - You'll automatically advance to the next card after you've completed recording. To ensure quality recordings, use the **Previous Card** [] button and tap **Playback** on your first few recordings.
 - To **re-record** a card, tap **Record** again.
 - If you would like to hear a prompt read out loud before you record the phrase, tap Speak ().
 - If you do not hear anything after tapping, check your phone volume.
- You can skip a card any time. To do so, simply swipe left or right on the card or tap Next Card.
- You can also create your own Custom Cards. Custom Cards are designed to capture words and phrases that you want Project Relate to recognize better, such as names and places that are important to you. To create a Custom Card, tap Add Card, + type your custom prompt, then tap Save. After saving a Custom Card, it will be added to your list of cards in Record mode. You can then record the card as normal.
- Your recording progress is shown below the cards, with each level representing 100 cards recorded.



A woman wearing a blue T shirt is standing outside, with greenery seen behind her. She is wearing glasses. She is holding a mobile phone in her right hand, and smiling looking at the screen.



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Once you've completed your recordings, you'll see an on-screen pop-up. From there, it will take a few days for Project Relate to start working for you. This is because Project Relate's computers are busy learning from your examples.



4. LOOK FOR A POP-UP NOTIFICATION WITH YOUR SPEECH RECOGNITION SCORE



A woman with shoulder-length hair and glasses is seated with greenery behind her. She is wearing a white shirt with pink and purple detailing. She is holding her mobile phone to someone not shown. Text reads, "It's lovely to meet you."

- The app will notify you when it is ready, including a Speech Recognition Score of low, medium, or high based on how well the app believes it understands you.
- If you receive a Low to Medium Speech Recognition Score, you're welcome to record more cards. However, there are limited gains for doing so.



A dialog box shows a speech recognition score of High. A blue button beneath it reads, Try it out.

5. USE PROJECT RELATE

You're now ready to try out Project Relate's features and can enable voice typing.

Please email project-relate@google.com with any feedback you may have about the app

A man wearing glasses is standing outdoors in front of a red brick building, wearing a white T-shirt with colorful sailboats. He is smiling looking at his phone.

