

# Android

## Enabling the use of WhatsApp with the Google Assistant



Sometimes, when trying to send and read WhatsApp messages using the Google Assistant on an Android Smartphone, you receive a message stating that no contacts can be found. This is very frustrating, because you know that the contacts do exist!

To fix this problem, follow these steps:

1. Open the Contacts app.
2. Activate the Menu button, situated at the upper left corner of the screen. Visually, this button looks like 3 lines arranged horizontally. Upon doing this, a popup menu will be displayed.
3. From the menu, activate the Contacts Settings button. For reference, this button contains an associated graphic of a cog wheel. Upon doing this, the Contacts Settings screen will be displayed.
4. Activate the button labelled "About Contacts", situated towards the bottom of the screen. Upon doing this, a new screen of information will be displayed.
5. With one finger, tap 9 times directly above or to the right of the heading "Contacts". Upon doing this, a new screen titled "3rd Party Accounts Visibility" will be displayed.

The screen contains a number of apps which can be integrated with the Google Assistant. One of these should be WhatsApp!

6. Activate the button labelled "WhatsApp" to toggle the setting on. When you do this, the associated graphic, representing a switch, will turn Blue in colour.
7. Finally, close the Contacts app.

That's it, you can now send and read WhatsApp messages using the Google Assistant!