# Forum:Hack Forums

Thread: android tablets? are they worth buying?

**bren1337** - *April 15, 2014, 5:19 pm*
It's my birthday next month, I'm thinking of buying a Samsung Galaxy tablet. It's roughly 200-220$. Are they worth it, really? I'd use it for YouTube, Skype, IRC, and browsing the internet. I want your guys' opinions. I already have an Android phone, so really it's just a bigger phone, isn't it?

**EthanX** - *April 15, 2014, 5:23 pm*
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**bren1337** - *April 15, 2014, 5:24 pm*
(Apr 15, 2014 05:23 PM).Ethan Wrote: *[CITE]* Op, do NOT buy a samsung galaxy tab 3. DO NOT.
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Do you recommend another tablet for roughly the same price range?

**Natalia Poklonskaya** - *April 15, 2014, 5:25 pm*
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**bren1337** - *April 15, 2014, 5:26 pm*
(Apr 15, 2014 05:25 PM)Natalia Poklonskaya Wrote: *[CITE]* There used to be tablets on HF for like $60, idk if they are still around.
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(Apr 15, 2014 05:34 PM)Volim te Wrote: *[CITE]* DO NOT buy those shit un-branded chinese tablets YOU CANNOT EVEN USE THE PLAY STORE ON DEM!
Yeah, I know. They're restricted, I've already looked into them.

**Mr.Peanut** - *April 15, 2014, 5:45 pm*
Dude, the new Galaxy tablet is amazing.. The Nexus tablets are just as good (the 7)

Like crazy good dude.. Or even better if you had the money.. the pro surface tablet 2.. crazy shit man...

**1700block** - *April 15, 2014, 5:47 pm*
Look into the Nexus 7, my boy had one pretty dope. We played hella games on it, need for speed is fuckin dope when your stoned.

**alonalon** - *April 15, 2014, 5:47 pm*
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**bren1337** - *April 15, 2014, 5:49 pm*
(Apr 15, 2014 05:47 PM)alonalon Wrote: [CITE] I think I have a nexus tablet, I use it for game, or just browsing, works well.
Aren't those like $600...? I can't afford that thing. I'm broke.

**420 Blaze It** - *April 15, 2014, 5:50 pm*
Yea worth it man. Play games HQ, watch videos HQ. I bring it to my friends house when I can't bring my laptop.

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(Apr 15, 2014 05:50 PM)420 Blaze It Wrote: [CITE] Yea worth it man. Play games HQ, watch videos HQ. I bring it to my friends house when I can't bring my laptop.
What kind of tablet do you have? I'm just curious.

**Twitch?** - *April 15, 2014, 6:24 pm*
(Apr 15, 2014 05:24 PM)bren1337 Wrote: [CITE] Do you recommend another tablet for roughly the same price range?
The newest 32GB nexus 7 is amazing. Hell, the old 10inch one was great

**ipwnedx** - *April 15, 2014, 6:30 pm*
Nexus tablets are alright, my stepmom has one.

**EthanX** - *April 15, 2014, 6:33 pm*
This looks good. https://www.google.com/nexus/7/

**SIM-1456245** - *April 15, 2014, 6:34 pm*
To be honest Android tablets are good for browsing youtube and games but they are pain in the ass if you try to do anything except that on them, documents, art, coding, it is going to get really frustrating firstly because the slow hardware and secondly by the android limitation of apps and also the fact that is touchscreen. Thats why tablets are used for mostly browsing, youtube and gaming, because they arent meant for anyrhing more.

**Mr.Peanut** - *April 15, 2014, 6:42 pm*
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**Twitch?** - *April 15, 2014, 6:48 pm*
(Apr 15, 2014 06:42 PM)Mr.Peanut Wrote: [CITE] And now everyone recommends the nexus tablet! haaaa 1st! :p
Because Nexus is love, nexus is life. I'd have a nexus 5 if I weren't on verizon

**IpSiety** - *April 15, 2014, 6:50 pm*
I would suggest studying the specs of what you want to buy vs what you already have. It is always good to do your own research rather than rely on other's opinions

**_h4h_** - *April 15, 2014, 6:54 pm*
Samsung Tab 3 if from what I heard bad, just get a Nexus 7 or 10. I have a Nexus 7 and I can't really fault it. Go to a local electronic store and try them out of possible.

**mrwaffles** - *April 15, 2014, 6:55 pm*
It all depends on price. I bought my grandfather an Asus tablet and he loves it. He always plays

sudoku at home. I got it for 160. Its pretty good too.

**Cyber Saint** - *April 15, 2014, 8:54 pm*
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Anyway, definitely the Nexus 7 is the way to go, in my opinion for Android tablets.

**Well Met!** - *April 15, 2014, 8:57 pm*
Get the latest Nexus 7. You can get the 16gb model for 230$ and it is worth every penny.

**bren1337** - *April 15, 2014, 10:10 pm*
(Apr 15, 2014 08:54 PM)Computing Ninja Wrote: [CITE] Android tablets = great choice.
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Thanks for the feedback. If I can't get a Nexus 7, anything else you'd recommend? ( I'm not purchasing online )

**Cyber Saint** - *April 16, 2014, 1:04 pm*
(Apr 15, 2014 10:10 PM)bren1337 Wrote: [CITE] Thanks for the feedback. If I can't get a Nexus 7, anything else you'd recommend? ( I'm not purchasing online )
I'd recommend a modern Kindle Fire, I don't speak for everyone here, but I think the Kindle Fire line of products are good tablets.