

Status indicators

At the top of the Home screen, you'll see indicators that inform you about the status of your Kindle Touch. To view these indicators within a book or document, tap the top of the screen to display the toolbars.

Wireless status indicators

The Amazon Whispernet service wirelessly delivers content to your Kindle whenever and wherever you want it. Your Kindle can connect to Whispernet via its built-in Wi-Fi capability; some models also include free 3G wireless connectivity to Whispernet.

The more bars on the Wi-Fi or 3G status indicator that are filled, the stronger the signal.



Your Kindle is connected to Whispernet using Wi-Fi.



Your Kindle is connected to Whispernet using a 3G cellular network. Alternatively, you may see an icon for an EDGE or GPRS network next to the signal-strength bars. (Applies only to Kindle Touch 3G.)

Battery status indicator



The Kindle battery indicator will show the various states of the battery as it discharges. Note that a weak wireless signal can increase power consumption.

Activity indicator



This indicator appears in the top left corner of your Kindle screen when it is scanning or connecting to a network, busy downloading new content, syncing and checking for new items, searching for an item, opening a large PDF file, or loading a web page.

Setting up your Kindle Touch

Setting up your Kindle Touch includes connecting to a Wi-Fi or cellular network and registering your Kindle to your Amazon account.

Network connectivity

Books, magazines, and other materials are delivered directly to your Kindle via its built-in network connectivity. If your Kindle offers both Wi-Fi and 3G connectivity, use Wi-Fi whenever possible for faster downloads. You can connect to a Wi-Fi network at home or at hotspots around the world. To view available Wi-Fi networks, from the Home screen tap the Menu button and then Settings. Select Wi-Fi Networks and the name of the network you want to use. If you see a lock symbol next to the network name, it requires a password. Tap the Rescan button to recheck for available Wi-Fi networks. Your Kindle Touch will recognise Wi-Fi networks with a WPS compatible router. To connect via WPS, press the WPS button on your router, and then select the WPS button on your Kindle during the Wi-Fi setup process. Once you have successfully connected to a network, the Wi-Fi status indicator will display the network's signal strength.

Kindle Touch 3G models use the same technology as cell phones, so they are dependent on cellular coverage areas. By default, a 3G Kindle will automatically connect to a 3G network. If there isn't sufficient 3G signal strength, it will connect to a slower GPRS or EDGE network. Your Kindle automatically turns off 3G when you connect using Wi-Fi. If you disconnect from a Wi-Fi network or move out of Wi-Fi range, your Kindle will automatically switch back to 3G.

To turn wireless off, from the Home screen tap the Menu button and select Turn Off Wireless. Any periodical downloads or other pending updates that require a wireless connection will occur the next time you turn it back on. Turning off wireless disables both 3G and Wi-Fi connections.