When messaging anyone on your iPhone, the best way to type out the words is by utilizing the Auto-Correction and predictive text features. Auto-Correction uses the dictionary on your iPhone to check for spellings you type and corrects them if anything goes wrong.



But what if it doesn't work as intended or stops working entirely? You need not worry about it; I'll show you a few ways you can fix autocorrect when it stops working on your iPhone.

7 Ways to fix autocorrect not working on iPhone or iPad

Whatever the reason, the first solution to fix the auto-correct issue is to restart your iPhone. In case you need some assistance, here's our <u>guide to restarting your iPhone</u>. If this doesn't fix your issues, follow these troubleshooting tips.

1. Enable Auto-Correction from iPhone settings

There's also a possibility that you might have turned it off when your iPhone autocorrected your texts often. The best way to start the troubleshooting process is by disabling and enabling the autocorrect feature from your iPhone settings. Here's how to do it on your

iPhone.

- 1. Open **Settings** on your iPhone.
- 2. Select General, and then Keyboard.
- 3. Turn off the toggle next to Auto-Correction and then turn it on again.



Enable Check Spelling and Predictive options in Keyboard settings

Using a dictionary, spell check corrects misspelled words on your iPhone. On the other hand, predictive text recommends words based on your daily typing patterns. You'll have to type a few words, and predictive text will use AI to suggest a few words that can complete the sentence. If it's turned off, here's how you can turn it back on.

- 1. Go to **Settings** on your iPhone.
- 2. Select **General** → **Keyboard** options.





2. Add or remove Text Replacement shortcuts on iPhone

Text replacement shortcuts allow you to expand any random word with the word, phrase, or sentence you set. There's a chance you might be seeing random text popping up when you type something.

It could be someone pranking when they took your iPhone or iPad. However, you can use these text replacements to your advantage as well. Here's how you can remove text replacement shortcuts on your iPhone and iPad.

- 1. Head over to **Settings** on your iPhone.
- 2. Tap General, and then Keyboard.
- 3. Select the **Text Replacement** option.



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Similarly, you can add a text replacement shortcut to ease your typing when you keep typing a word repeatedly. Select the "+" button on the top right of the **Text Replacement settings**, **add a phrase** you want to expand, and then the **shortcut**. Now, whenever you type the shortcut, it'll get replaced by the phrase you have set.

3. Add a new keyboard for another supported language

Apple doesn't support all languages when it comes to using Auto-Correction. So you might not get Auto-Correction if you use a language besides the one from <u>Apple's official list of supported languages</u>.

For instance, if you use a language like Korean or Tibetan, you're out of luck; if you use Telugu or Gujarati, then Auto-Correction will work on your iPhone. Nevertheless, here's how

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you can switch to a supported language on your iPhone.

- 1. Open **Settings** and go to **General**.
- 2. Select **Keyboard** → **Keyboards**.
- 3. Tap the Add New Keyboard... option.
- 4. Choose a language that supports autocorrect.



4. Reset Keyboard Dictionary on iPhone

Over time, iPhone learns a lot about your typing habits and thus enabling users to type faster using the predictive text feature. However, it might sometimes even remember incorrect spellings you wouldn't want to use. The best way to eliminate those words is by resetting your iPhone's keyboard dictionary. Follow these steps to know how you can do that on your iPhone.

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- 1. Go to your iPhone's **Settings** \rightarrow **General**.
- 2. Scroll down and select Transfer or Reset iPhone.
- 3. Select **Reset**, and then **Reset Keyboard Dictionary**. Enter your passcode if prompted.
- 4. Tap **Reset Dictionary** to confirm it.



5. Update your iPhone or iPad

There is a chance that the Auto-Correction feature might not function properly on your iPhone or iPad. If you still haven't updated your iPhone or iPad to the latest iOS version, it's best to update since it might fix bugs like these. You can do this by going to **Settings** \rightarrow **General** \rightarrow **Software Update** and see if there's a new update for your device. If there's one, select the **Download and Install** button.

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6. Use a third-party keyboard app

If your issue wasn't fixed after this, it's time to look for third-party keyboard options like Microsoft SwiftKey Keyboard or Gboard for your iPhone. If you're confused about which keyboard to choose, you can check out our list of the <u>best keyboards for your iPhone and iPad</u>.

7. Factory reset your iPhone or iPad

If nothing in this list works for you, the last resort is to reset your iPhone. Check out our guide to <u>resetting your iPhone and iPad</u> to do it. It'll reset all your iPhone settings, including Auto-Correction.

Wrapping up...

We hope these tips fix Autocorrection on your iPhone or iPad. If it still functions abnormally, you should take it to your nearest Apple service center. If your iPhone is under warranty or <u>Apple Care+</u>, they'll fix it for free; otherwise, they'll charge you a small fee.

Read more:

- How to clear keyboard history on iPhone and iPad
- How to select text on iPhone using the keyboard as a trackpad
- How to personalize your iPhone Lock Screen