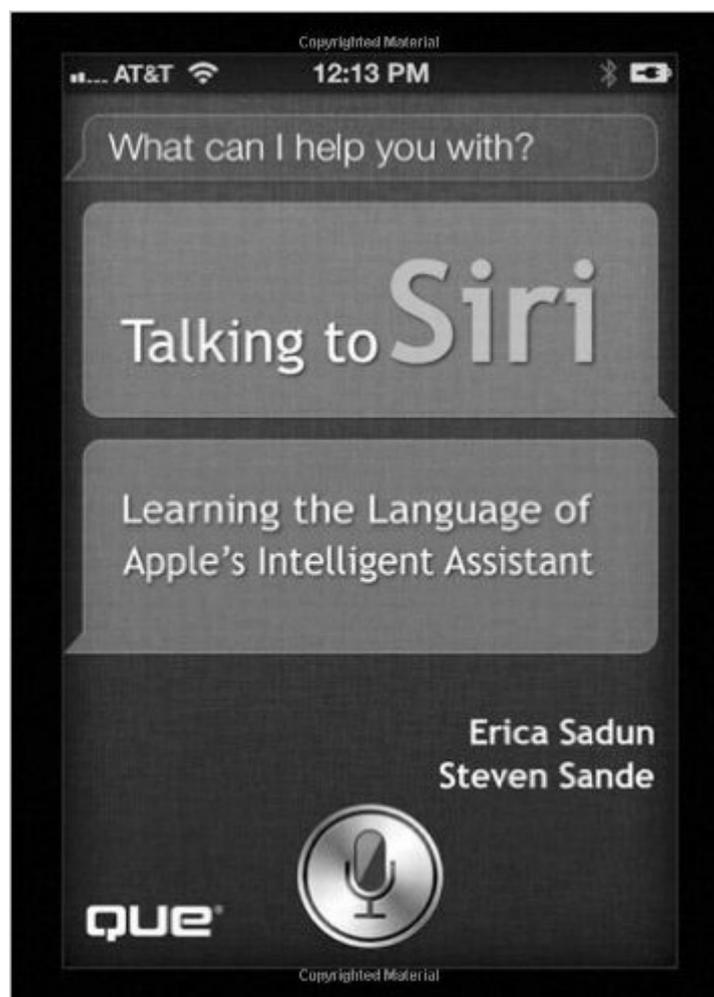


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# Talking To Siri: Learning The Language Of Apple's Intelligent Assistant



## Synopsis

Sweet-talk Siri™ into doing practically anything! Apple's Siri voice technology is even more amazing when you really know how to talk to it. Now, two top Apple tech experts show how to talk Siri into doing more than ever before! Just look up what you want to do, and you'll find tested step-by-step instructions for getting exactly the results you want. From start to finish, this book is packed with quick and easy ways to make Siri even more reliable and useful—and way more fun!

- Get more accurate recognition every time you use Siri
- Ask questions that avoid misunderstandings—and lead to precise, accurate answers
- Check weather forecasts, stock prices, and lots more
- Help Siri recognize and connect with your spouse, children, and parents
- Use Siri to stay in touch with friends, colleagues, and customers
- Transform Siri into your personal media DJ
- Find the nearest store that's selling whatever you're looking for
- Let Siri calculate restaurant tips and splitting the tab
- Use Siri to organize your life—and never miss another commitment
- Answer math and science problems with Siri and Wolfram Alpha
- Dictate memos, text and Twitter messages, and even blog posts
- Make sure Siri responds only to you, not to an impostor

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This book is very similar to Siri For Dummies. So, instead of exploring on your own, this booklet goes into direct and simple exercises in exactly what Siri can and cannot do. There are so many

things you can do with Siri, so I'll only mention a few cool things I learned. You can be driving and texting safely at the same time (although I still feel uncomfortable even saying this). Hands free - Simply say, "Send a text to Sue". Siri asks you what you want to say. You simply state your message. When done, Siri asks you if you want to send it. You can do that or cancel it and redo it or have Siri read it back to you for correctness. I found Siri took a while to learn some of my verbiage, but learns after a while, but is sometimes not perfect. All done vocally. Of course, if you are not driving you can vocalize and press buttons. Siri will also play any song on your iPhone by request. Play "Under My Thumb" and Siri plays it. 'Find me a gas station' and Siri finds the closest ones with a map. Ask about the weather for next week and Siri will tell you. If Siri cannot answer your question directly, she will ask if you want to search the internet. I found this happens a lot. Reminders is the best feature for me. Siri will remind you at any time you specify and remind you what the meeting is and with whom. Want to call someone hands free? Say, "Call Sue", and it is done. If you have more than one Sue, Siri will ask you which one by listing them vocally. This is virtually unlimited. The only thing I found silly (but fun) are all the questions you can ask Siri and get a sarcastic or funny response. "Siri, I love you".

For someone like me, who always needs a heads up on most things technological, this book does the job well. I am having a love affair with all things Apple since I discovered how good their computers worked compared to my troublesome years using windows (unexpected crashes, unwanted advertisements, etc, etc), and since the faithful day when I purchased my first iMac I continued on purchasing more products like the iPod Classic (which still today runs like a charm with more than 80% of its memory still to be used), iPhone in 2009 which still runs well today, but I am not going to deny that I am about to purchase the iPhone 5 for in a few years things have definitely advanced to the point where I almost feel obligated to upgrade (contentedly so, of course). Enter Talking to Siri: Learning the Language of Apple's Intelligent Assistant is a very helpful hand guide to this revolutionary assistant, to say the least. I read the booklet from start to finish and I almost feel confident that I understand what this assistant is all about, and how to obtain the best results while using it. Once again I feel indebted to .com for letting me read this fine addition to my otherwise outdated collection of books on different apple products. This one, of course, is more current and has opened the doors to understand how to take full advantage of Siri. Apple continues to dazzle and Siri is no exception. Even with the passing of the genial Mr. Steve Jobs, the company keeps putting out incredible products that work seamlessly with all the other ones in the apple world.

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