

Custom Android lock screen tips you shouldn't overlook

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The lock screen is the entrance of the phone. In its simplest form, you can access notifications, take actions, and more. Here are some ways to customize the lock screen to personalize your phone.

Custom lock screen tips on Android

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1. Change the lock screen type

The main purpose of the lock screen is to provide security for the phone by locking it. All phones offer three types of keys: pattern, PIN and password. Select the type of lock screen you want. Newer phones also offer fingerprint authentication and facial recognition.



Choose screen lock



None

Swipe

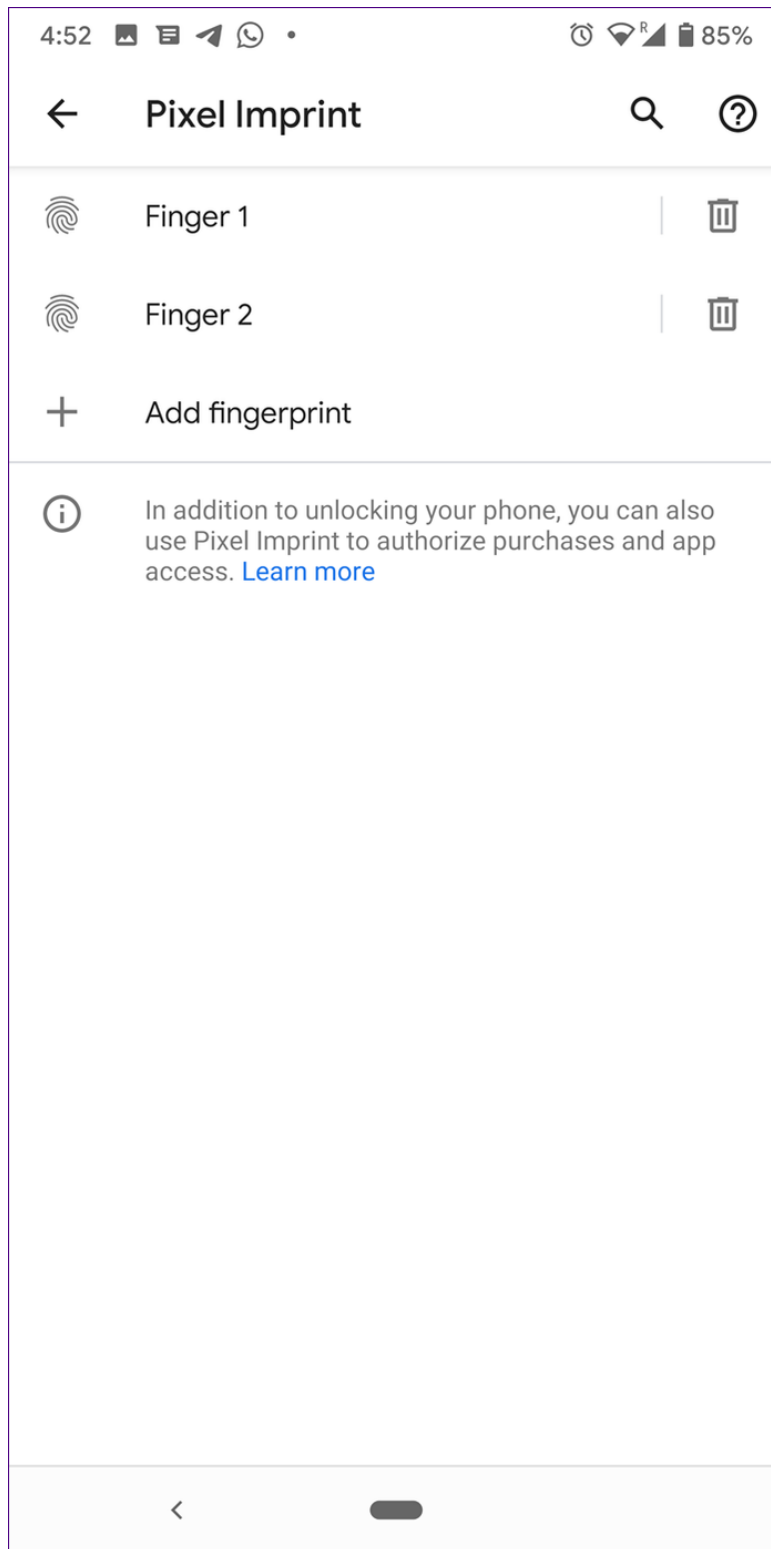
Pattern

PIN

Current screen lock

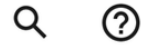
Password





To change the lock type, go to **Settings> Security> Screen lock** , change the **screen lock** type.

← Security



SECURITY STATUS

- Google Play Protect
Apps scanned yesterday at 11:06 PM
- Find My Device
On
- Security update
September 5, 2019
- Google Play system update
September 1, 2019

DEVICE SECURITY

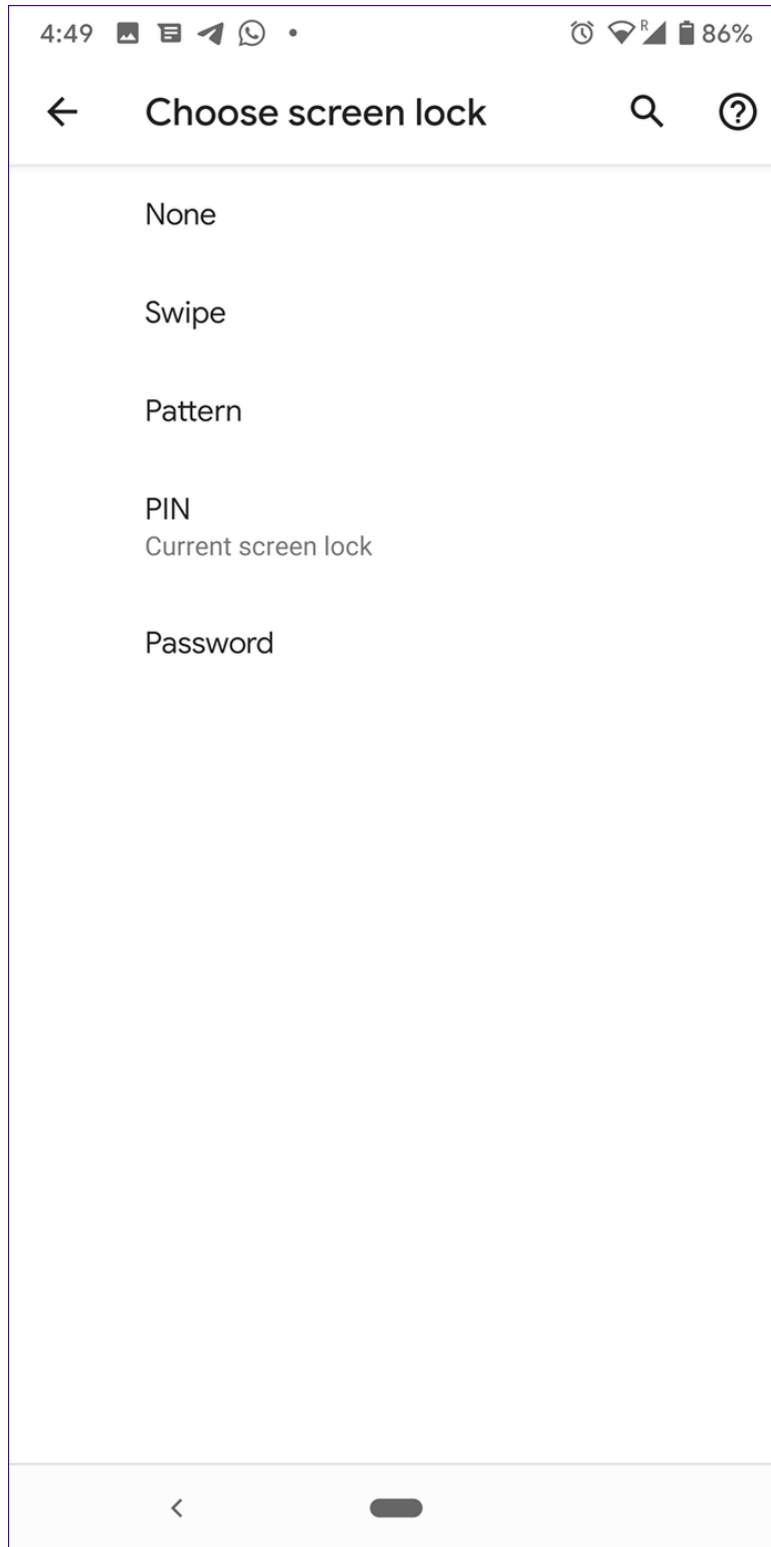
- Screen lock PIN
- Pixel Imprint
2 fingerprints set up
- Smart Lock

Device admin apps
1 active app

SIM card lock

Advanced

Encryption & credentials, Trust agents, Screen pinn..



On Samsung phones, go to **Settings > Lock screen > Screen lock type** . On some other phones, you'll find this setting in **Settings > Display > Lock screen** . If none of these settings, use the search bar at the top of the settings to find the lock screen type.

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2. Disable the lock screen

If you don't like the lock screen, you can disable it by selecting **None** in the lock screen type. Users can also use it without any lock mode by selecting **Swipe** . You will then have to swipe the lock screen to open the phone. However, this way, anyone with access to your phone can view your content.

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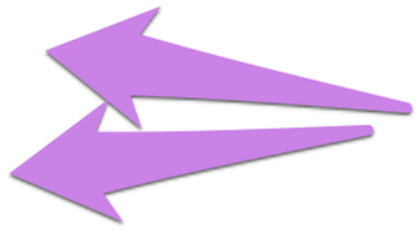
None

Swipe

Pattern

PIN
Current screen lock

Password



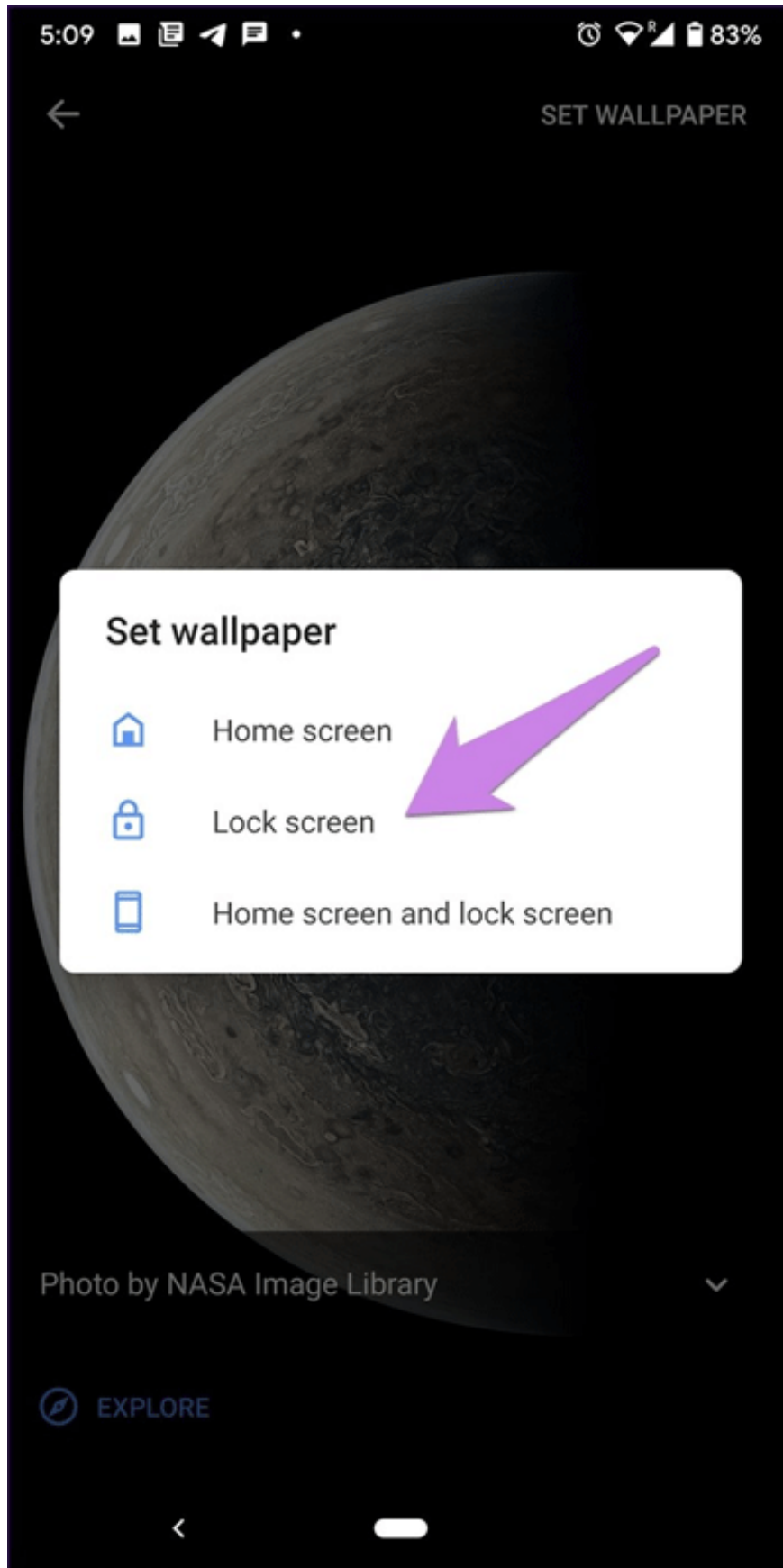
3. Set wallpaper different from home screen

All Android phones allow different background settings for the home screen and lock screen.

There are two ways to change the lock screen wallpaper:

From the Settings

Go to **Settings**> **Display**> **Wallpaper** . On some phones, you will see the wallpaper settings directly in **Settings** . Touch it, open the image you want to set as a wallpaper and touch **Set Wallpaper** . Select **Lock screen** if you want to set it only for the lock screen.

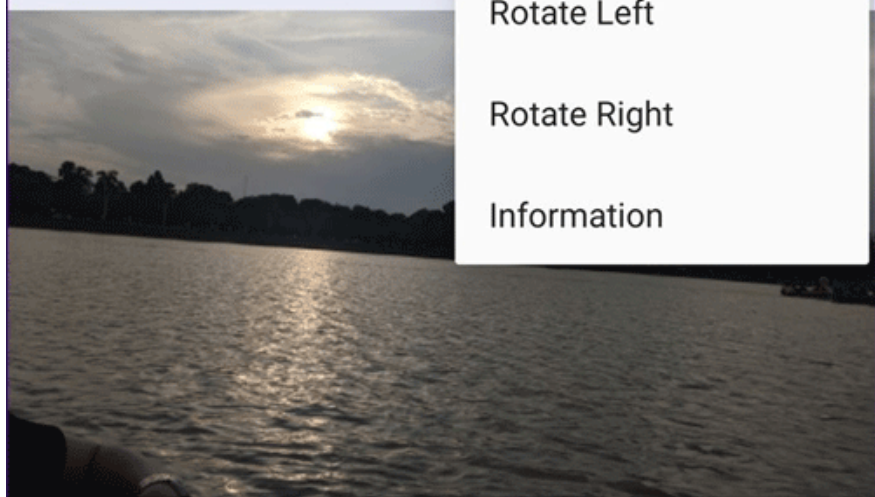


From the Gallery application

Most photo gallery apps on Android allow you to set your photo as a wallpaper. Open the image in the gallery and use **Set as** from the available options. Select **Wallpaper> Lock screen** from the menu that appears.

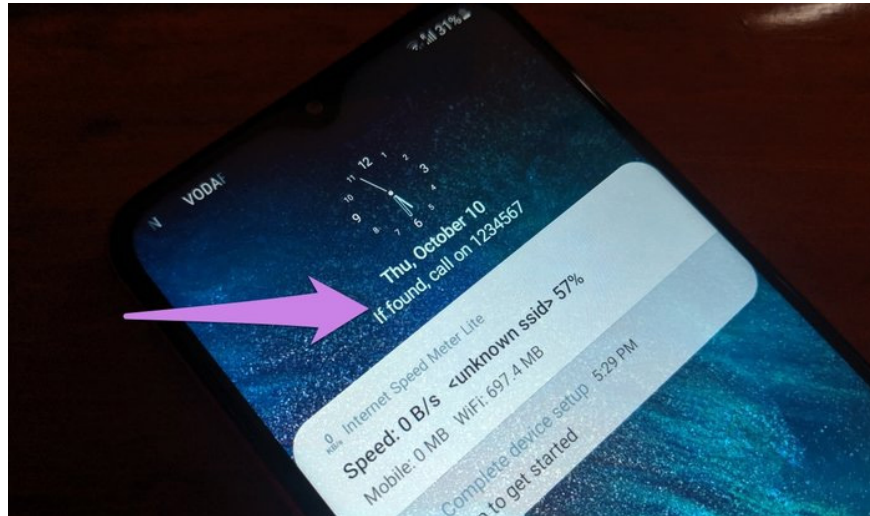
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- Slideshow
- Edit
- Add To Album
- Set As..
- Print
- Rotate Left
- Rotate Right
- Information



4. Add notifications on the lock screen

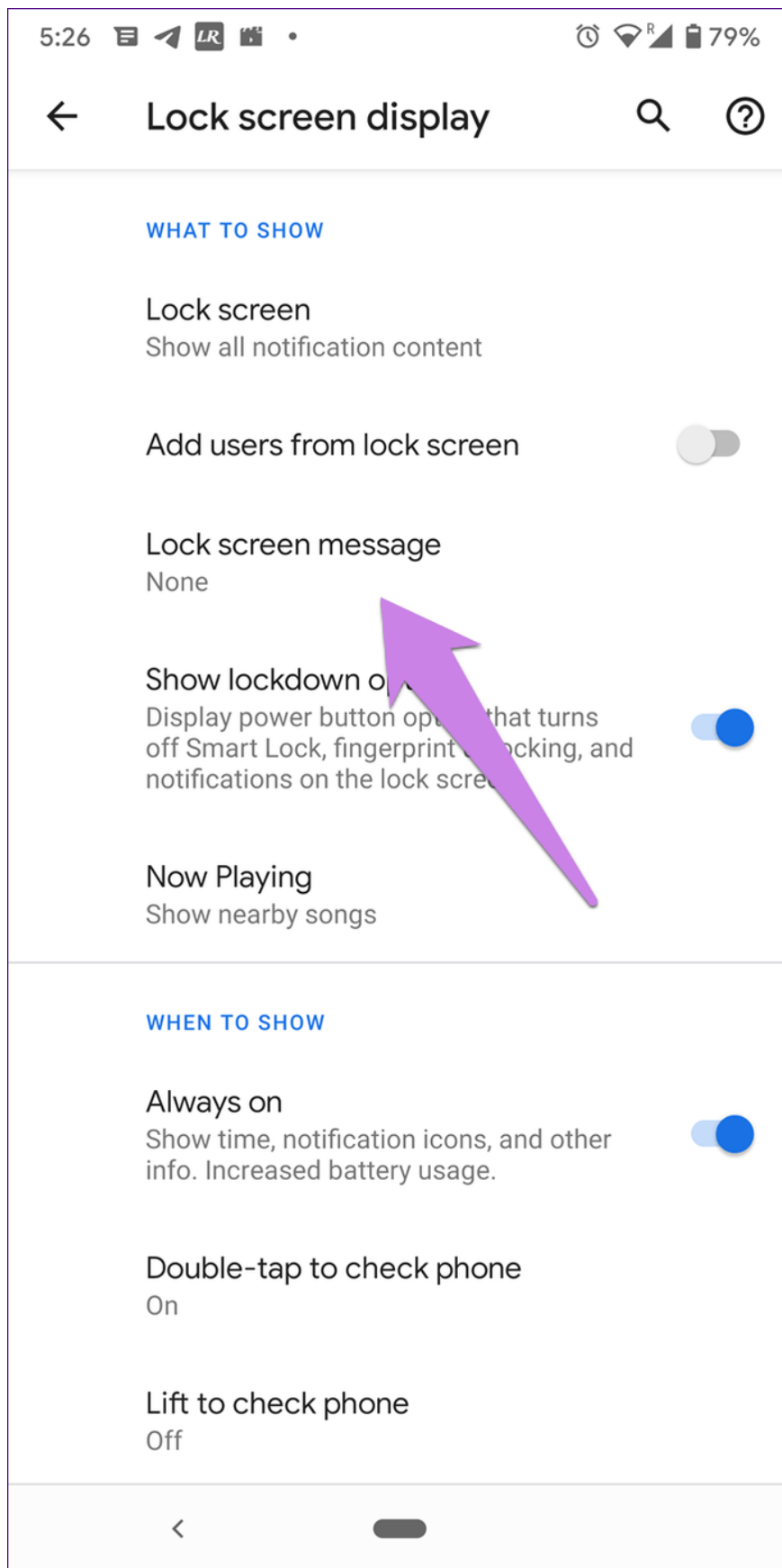
The content on the lock screen is constantly changing because it's mostly from notifications. In case you want to set a message or text on the lock screen, you absolutely can do it.



This is useful if you have forgotten your phone somewhere and if someone sees your contact information such as an email or phone number on the lock screen, they can return it to you.

To set a lock screen message, go to **Settings > Display > Lock screen display** (check in **Advanced**) > **Lock screen message**.

On Samsung phones, go to **Settings > Lock screen > Contact information**.

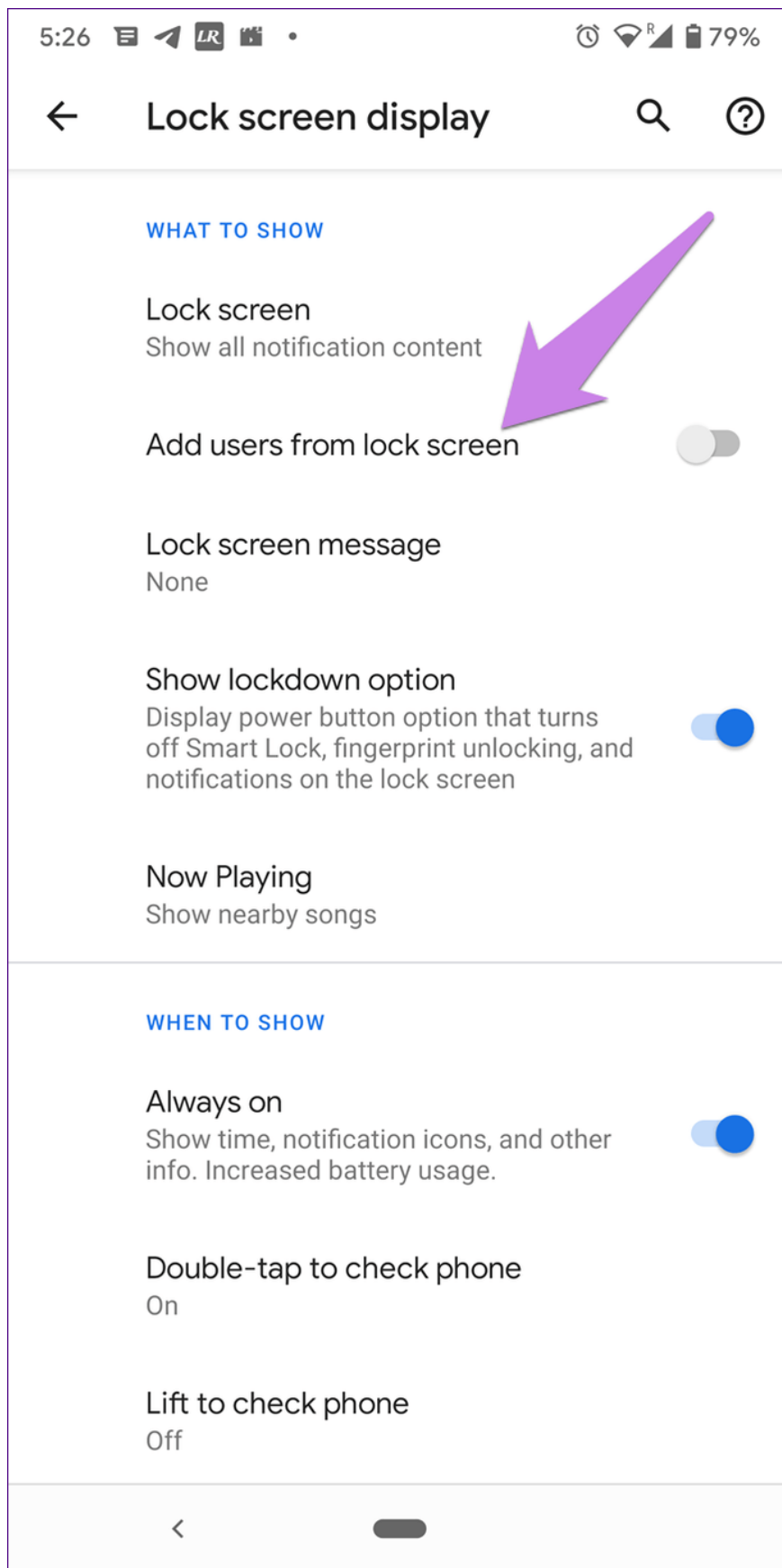


1. Add custom notifications on Android lock screen

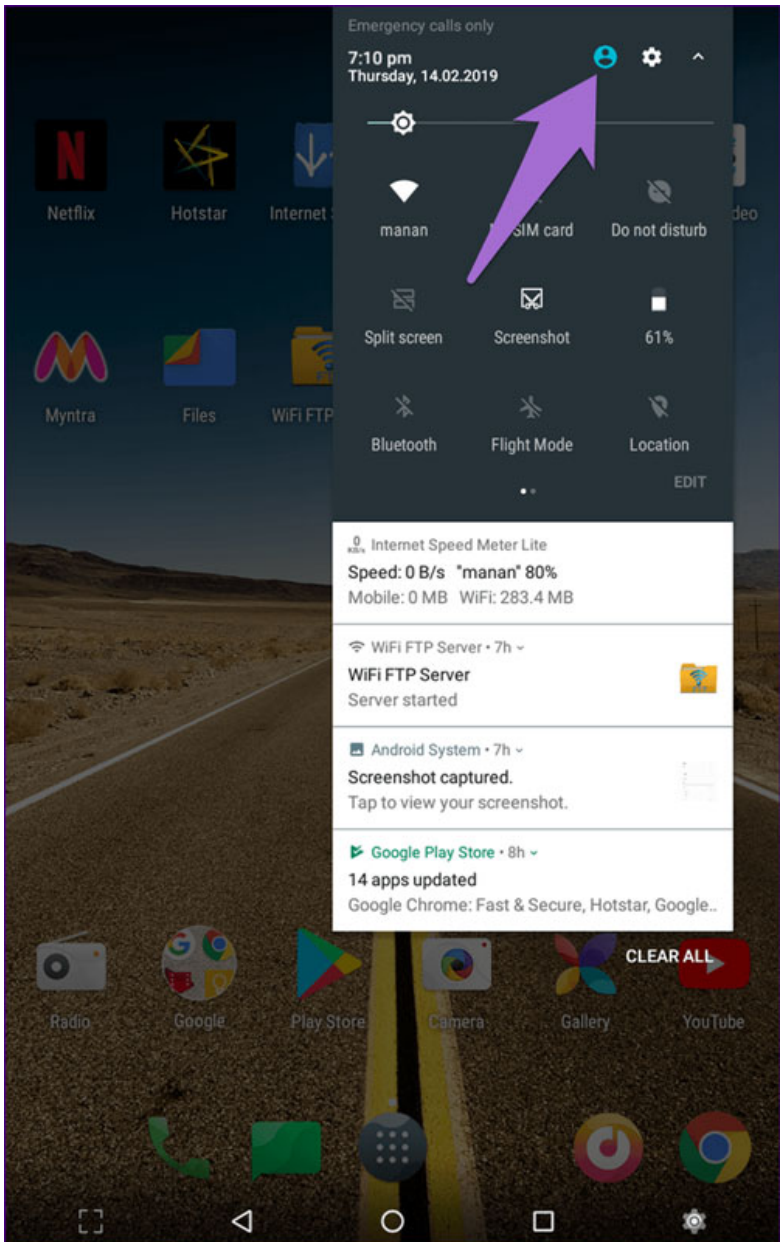
5. Add users from the lock screen

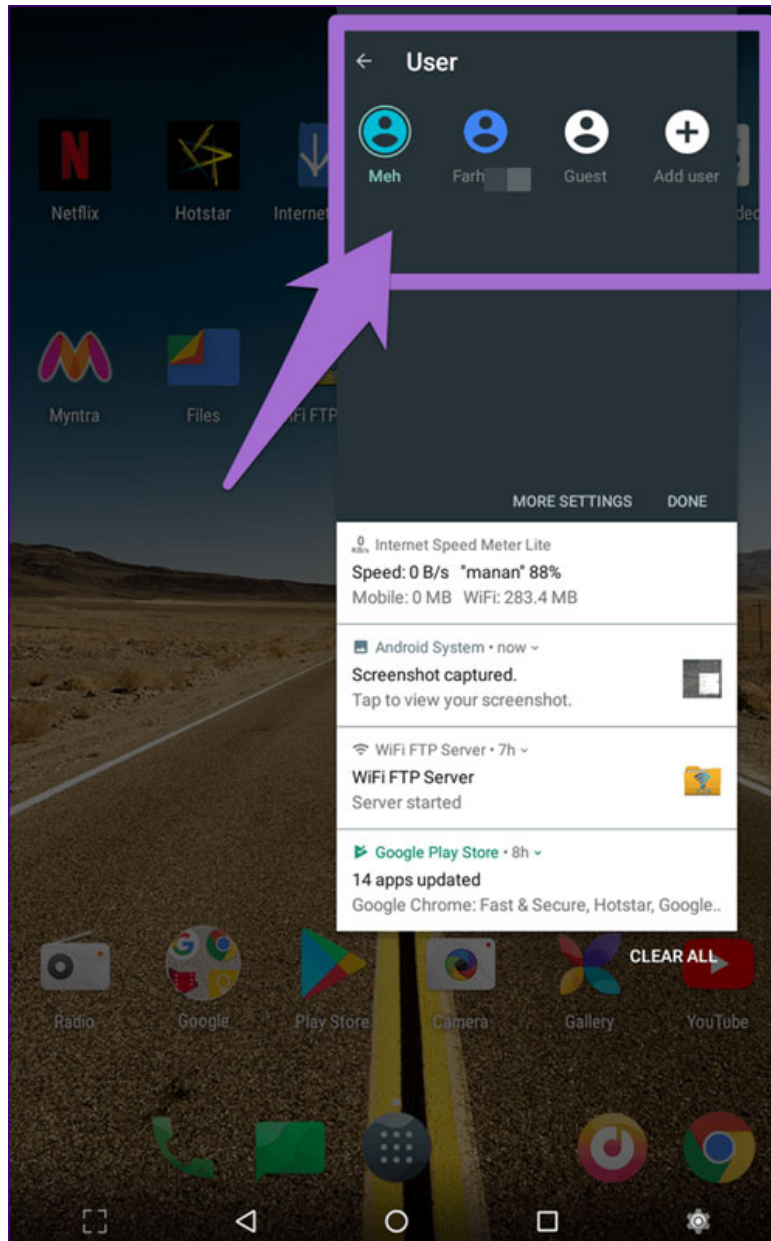
Most Android phones, other than Samsung phones, support multiple user accounts. With this feature, each user has a separate space on the phone. To add or switch users, go to **Users Settings** and then add users. However, it also has settings that allow adding users directly from the lock screen.

To enable this setting, go to **Settings > Display > Lock screen display** (check in Advanced) > **Add users from lock screen**.



When activated, you will find the user icon on the quick settings, touch it to see other users.





6. Disable notification content

Even when the device is locked, notifications are still displayed on the lock screen. Some people like this because there is no need to open the phone to delete or view notifications, while others hate it for privacy reasons. Fortunately, you can choose to display all the notifications or hide it.

To do this, go to **Settings**> **Display**> **Lock screen display**> **Lock screen** . Select the option you want.

← Lock screen display



WHAT TO SHOW

Lock screen
Show all notification content

Add users from lock screen

Lock screen message
None

Show lockdown option
Display power button option that turns off Smart Lock, fingerprint unlocking, and notifications on the lock screen

Now Playing
Show nearby songs

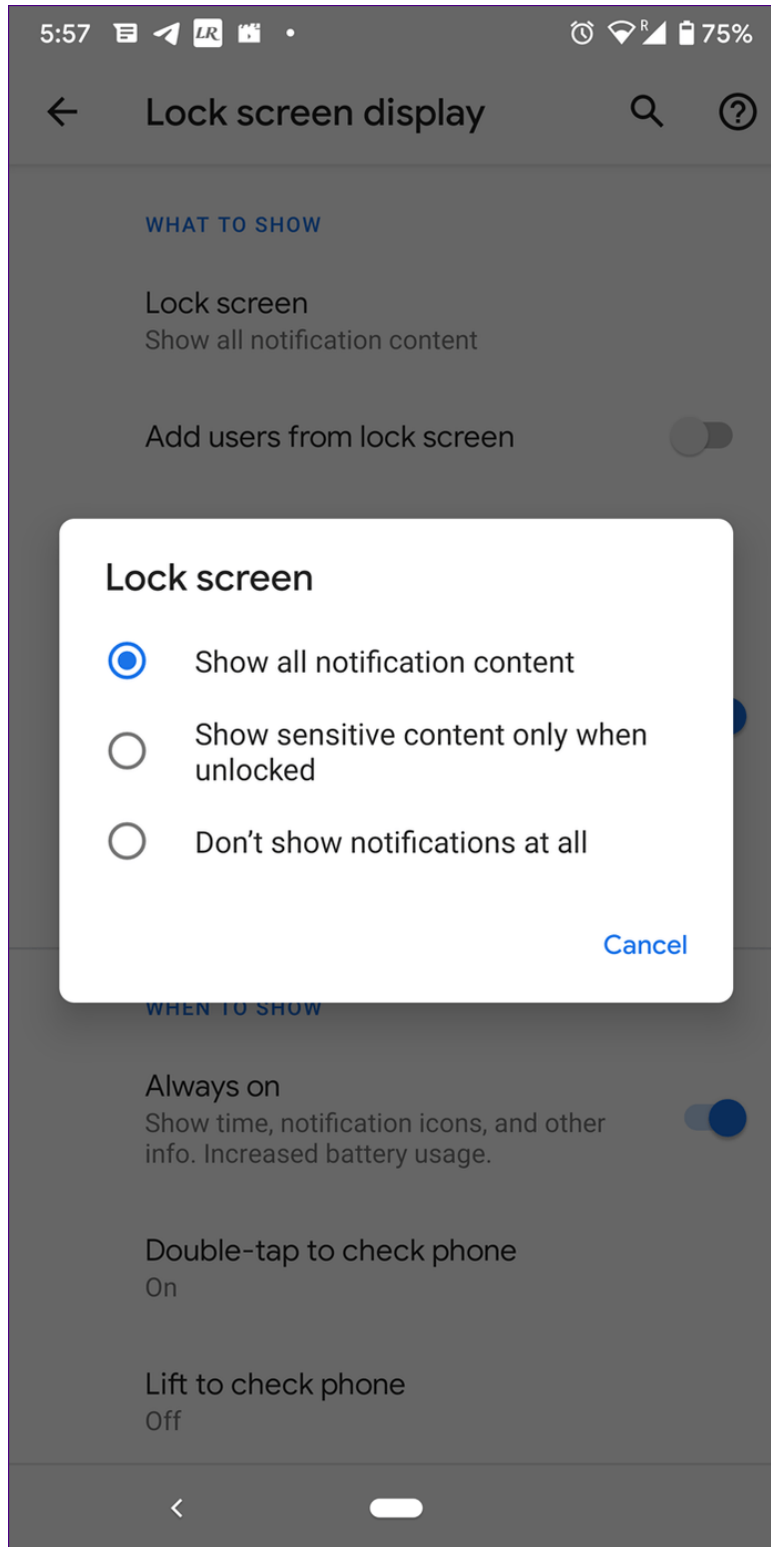
WHEN TO SHOW

Always on
Show time, notification icons, and other info. Increased battery usage.

Double-tap to check phone
On

Lift to check phone
Off





On Samsung phones, go to **Settings**> **Lock screen**> **Notifications** , turn on **Hide content** if you do not want to display notification content from the lock screen. You can also choose the notification type here.

< Lock screen



Clock style

Set the type and color of the clock on the Lock screen.

Roaming clock

Show both local and home time zones when roaming.



FaceWidgets

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Notifications

On



App shortcuts

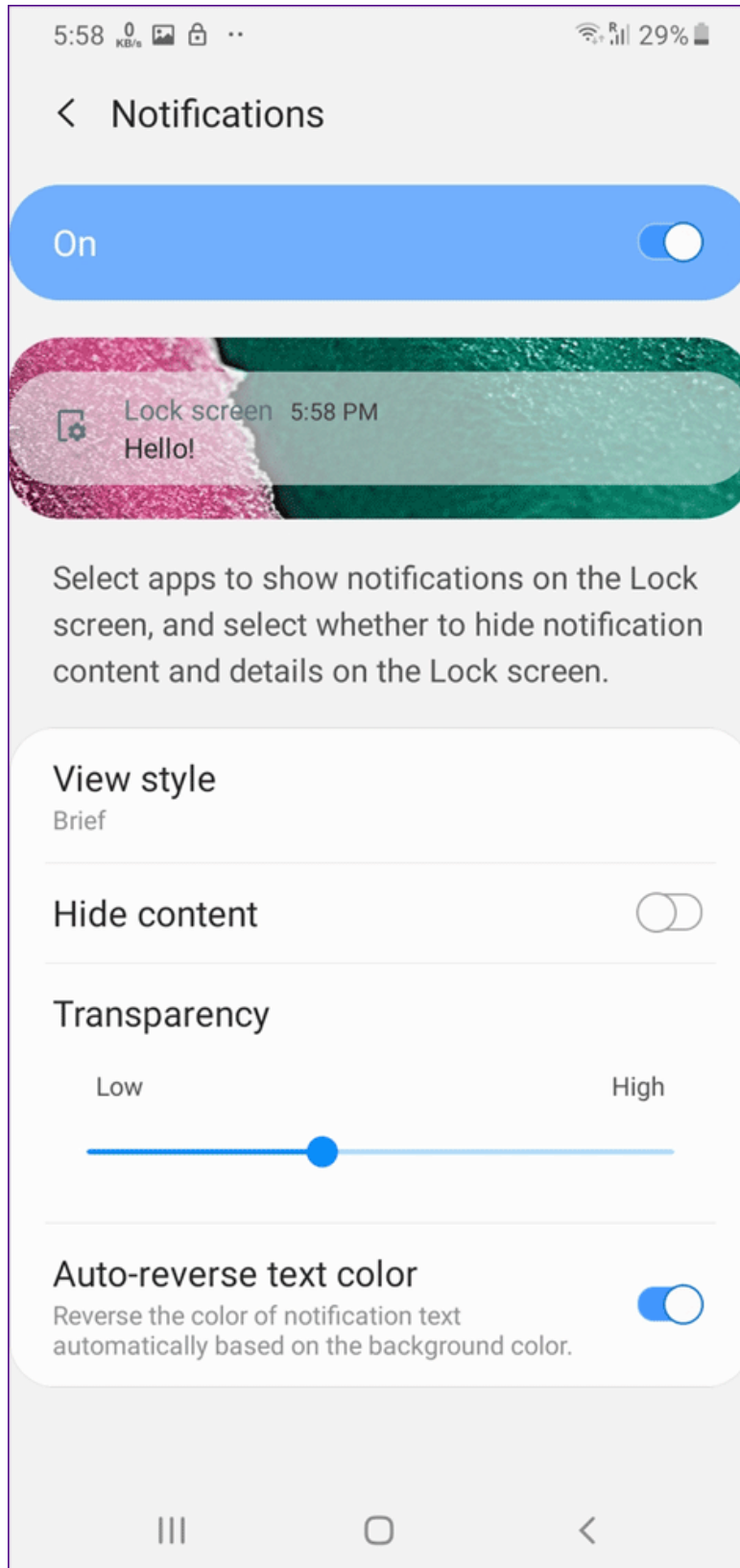
Select apps to open from the Lock screen.

About Lock screen

Looking for something else?

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7. Automatically unlock the device

Android phones have a feature to unlock your phone when certain requirements are met. For example, the phone will unlock at home or in the hand. This feature is called Smart lock.

To use this feature, go to **Settings> Security> Smart Lock** . Enter the lock code and then select the smart lock type.

Tip: On some phones, you'll find Smart Lock in **Settings> Lock screen> Smart lock** .

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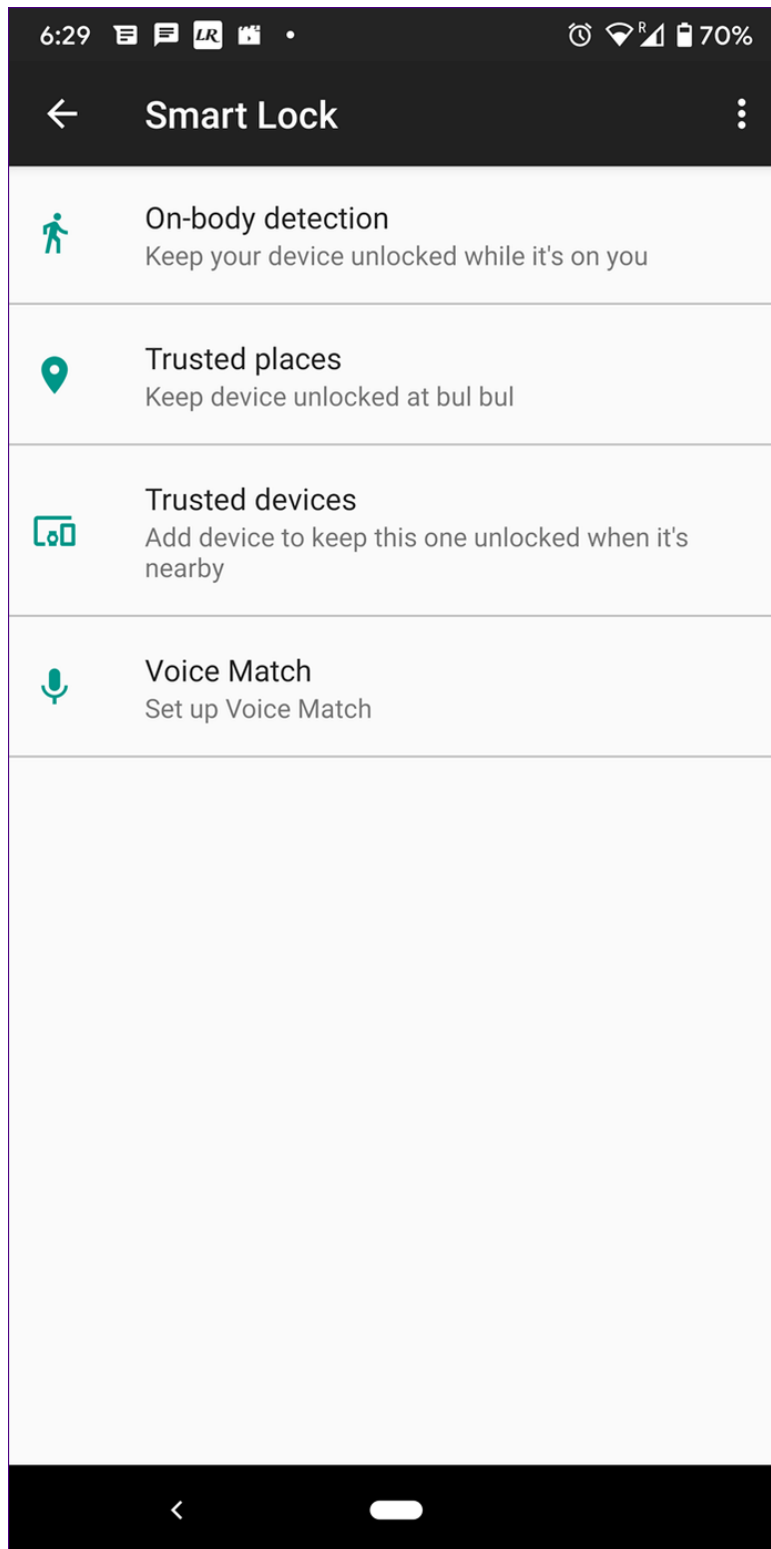
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8. Customize the lock screen with a third party application

Other than the built-in functions for the lock screen, you can further customize it with third-party apps. Users can add themes, change notification types, add more content to use these applications. Some good lock screen custom apps are:

1. Hi Locker
2. CM Locker
3. AcDisplay

9. Custom lock screen tips for Samsung users

Here are some custom tips specifically for Samsung users.

Change the lock screen clock style

Most users usually check their phone on the lock screen. That's why Samsung offers the ability to customize lock screen clock style.

To change the clock type, go to **Settings> Lock screen> Clock style** , choose a clock style and customize the colors.

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Smart Lock

Keep your phone unlocked when it's in a trusted location or detects a trusted device nearby.

Secure lock settings

Set your secure lock functions, such as Auto lock and Lock instantly with Power key.

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Activate Lock Screen Stories

Want to see information lock screen with changing picture every time you unlock your phone? You can do that with the Lock Screen Stories feature. To enable it, go to **Settings> Lock screen> Lockscreen stories** .

< Lock screen



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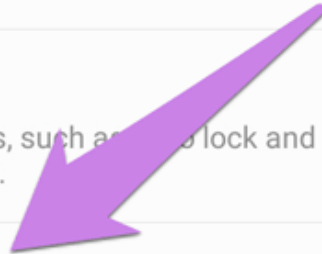
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With the emergence of authentication types such as fingerprint sensors and facial recognition, interaction with the lock screen has decreased. With the above ways you can customize the lock screen as desired.

I wish you successful implementation!

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