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New narrative – add picture

To add a new picture, tap the 'camera' icon on the green background.



Camera view – take a picture Tap the 'camera' icon.

Switch between the front and back cameras, by tapping the 'rotate' icon.

To use picture from existing photo album, tap the 'gallery' icon on the left at the bottom of the screen.



Photo view

To keep the picture, tap the 'tick' button.

To delete the picture, tap the 'bin' icon. To retake the picture tap the 'get back' icon.



New narrative – record audio To record audio, tap the 'audio' icon on the blue background.



Recording view

To record a new sound clip, tap the 'record' button on the blue background. To pause or stop recording, tap the 'pause' button. To finish recording, tap the 'tick' button. To import sounds tap the 'audio' icon at the bottom of the screen.



Audio view

The audio will play in a loop automatically, but you can drag the playback bar to navigate. To delete the audio, tap the 'bin' button. To keep the audio, tap the 'back' button.



Add another layer of sound

After recording the first audio layer, a new audio icon with blue background appears. You can tap the 'audio' icon to record another layer of sounds. The volume of recorded audio can be adjusted using the slider bar.



Recording view of multiple layers of sounds

Three smaller sized blue audio boxes corresponding to the volumes of the three layers of sound. You will need to wear headphones to achieve 'record while playingback function.



Pre-set volumes

You can assign different volumes for different layer of sound before the narrative playback.

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Home screen

To play a narrative, hold your finger down on the first numbered image or frame on the left hand side of the home screen.



Playback screen To pause the playback press the 'pause' button. To go back to the beginning press the

'rewind' button. To go forward press the

'forward' button. To go back to the **home**

screen press the 'back' button.



Sharing a narrative

To share a narrative, press the 'twin arrow' symbol. Select which file type, SMIL is best for sending between two Com-Notes.

HTML can be uploaded straight to the web.

MOV is best for sending to YouTube.



Sharing destination Select a **Destination** type, by tapping on an

option. To send to the Com-Note narrative, choose the Bluetooth option.

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Printing

To print an image of the narrative, press the 'printer' icon on the very right at the bottom of the screen.



Google cloud print

Log in to your Google account in order to access the Google cloud printing service, you can either save as a PDF file or print using a Google cloud enabled printer.



Zoom out

You can zoom out the image while playback of the narrative.



Zoom in You can zoom into the image while in playback





Zoom in view

You can view part of the close up view.





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Sharing via Dropbox

1 On the home screen, press the setting button of the phone to enable the Dropbox sharing option menu.



2 Click 'Link to Dropbox account' to link to the user's dropbox account.

The Dropbox API will produce a page and ask for user's permission to link to the account.



3 After successfully linking with the Dropbox account, back to the screen of step 1, the user can click 'Choose Dropbox folder' to select the shared Dropbox folder where each user uploads their narratives to.



4 Click 'Download via dropbox' if the user has finished the set-up steps, the content will be downloaded.



If not, a notification text will be displayed on the screen.



5 After downloading all narratives, the narratives should be automatically added to Com-Note, if not the user needs to click 'scan for new narratives' again.

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