

APEX TM785CH Circuit Board Replacement

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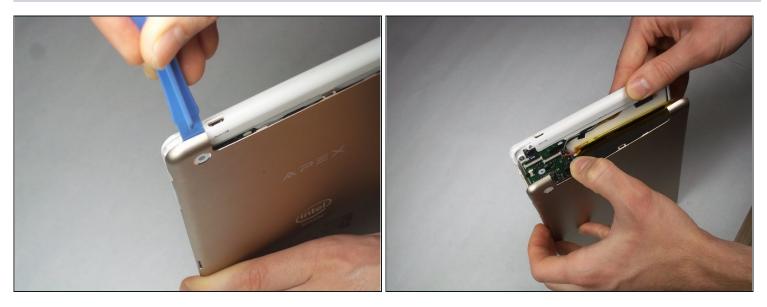
INTRODUCTION

You will be able to break the tablet down to the circuit board and disconnect the components connected to the circuit board.

TOOLS:

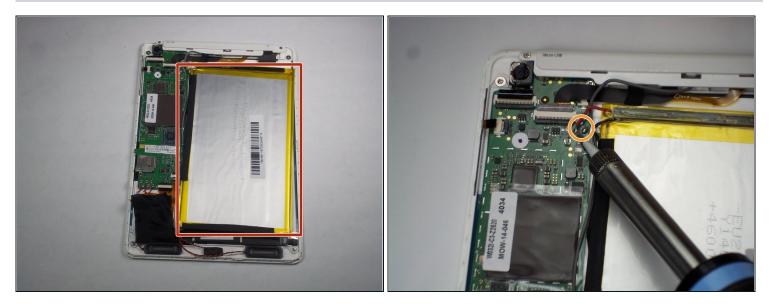
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Phillips #00 Screwdriver (1)
Spudger (1)
iFixit Opening Tool (1)
Soldering Iron (1)
Tweezers (1)
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Step 1 — Back Casing



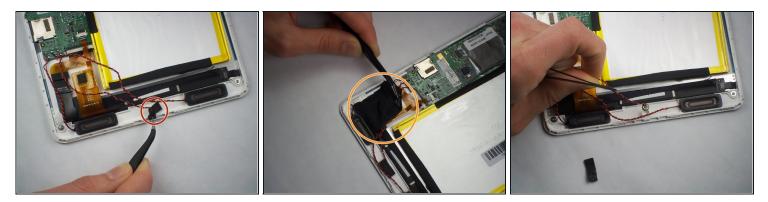
- Start by bending the tablet back at the top white-colored portion to expose an opening between the back cover and the tablet body.
- Wedge a plastic opening tool into the opening and push it down to force the back cover off.
- Move along the top edge of the tablet and repeat the step above.
- Pull the back cover away from the tablet body to completely remove it.

Step 2 — Battery



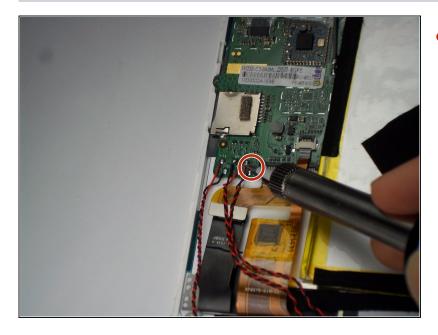
- With the back cover removed, you can now see the battery.
- You will need a soldering/desoldering kit to <u>desolder</u> the 3 battery leads to the circuit board.

Step 3 — Microphone



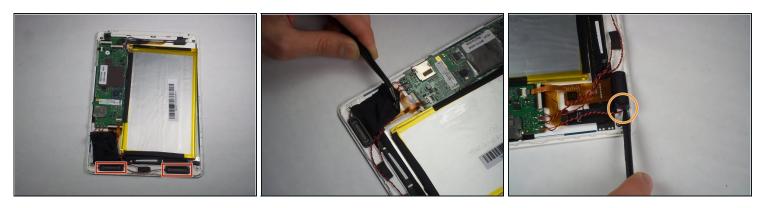
- The microphone is located in the bottom center of the tablet.
- Remove the black tape holding the wires down.
- Remove the black tape holding the microphone in place.
- The microphone is now exposed and can be gently pulled out of the socket.

Step 4



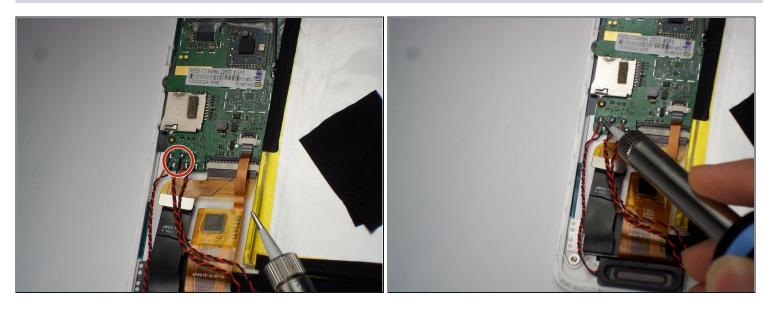
You will need a soldering/desoldering kit to <u>desolder</u> the 2 leads where the microphone connects to the circuit board.

Step 5 — Speakers



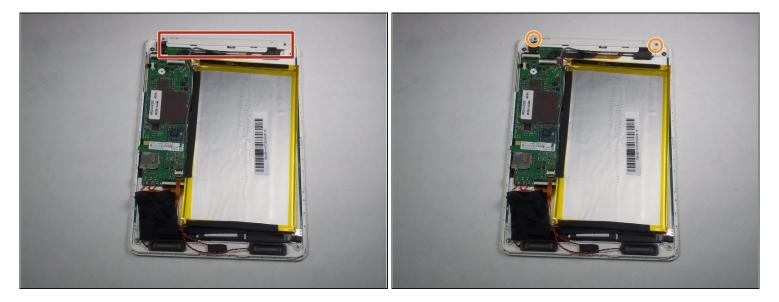
- The speakers are located towards the bottom left and bottom right corners of the tablet.
- If not already done, remove the black tape holding the wires down.
- Wedge a spudger underneath the speaker in its socket, near where the wires are connected. You can then pry out the speakers.

Step 6



• You will need a soldering/desoldering kit to <u>desolder</u> the 4 leads where the speakers connect to the circuit board.

Step 7 — Front Camera



- To get to the front camera, you will first need to remove the top panel.
- Unscrew two 2.25 mm Phillips screws with a #00 screwdriver from the top plastic panel to remove it.

Step 8



• Once unscrewed, use a spudger to pop the panel off by wedging it underneath the panel.

Step 9



- First, use plastic coated <u>tweezers</u> to pull up the black release tab.
- Pull on the black connector with tweezers as close as possible to the white connector base, making sure not to pull on the connector base.

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- Next, use the tweezers to peel off the tape holding down the connector to the front camera.
- The front camera can now be removed from its socket.

Step 10 — Circuit Board



• After removing the top panel, battery, speakers, microphone, and front camera from the tablet, you will also need to use the <u>tweezers</u> to remove the connectors indicated in the same method as the previous step.

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Step 11



- Using a Phillips screwdriver, remove three 2.25 mm screws from the circuit board.
- The circuit board can now be removed from the tablet.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.