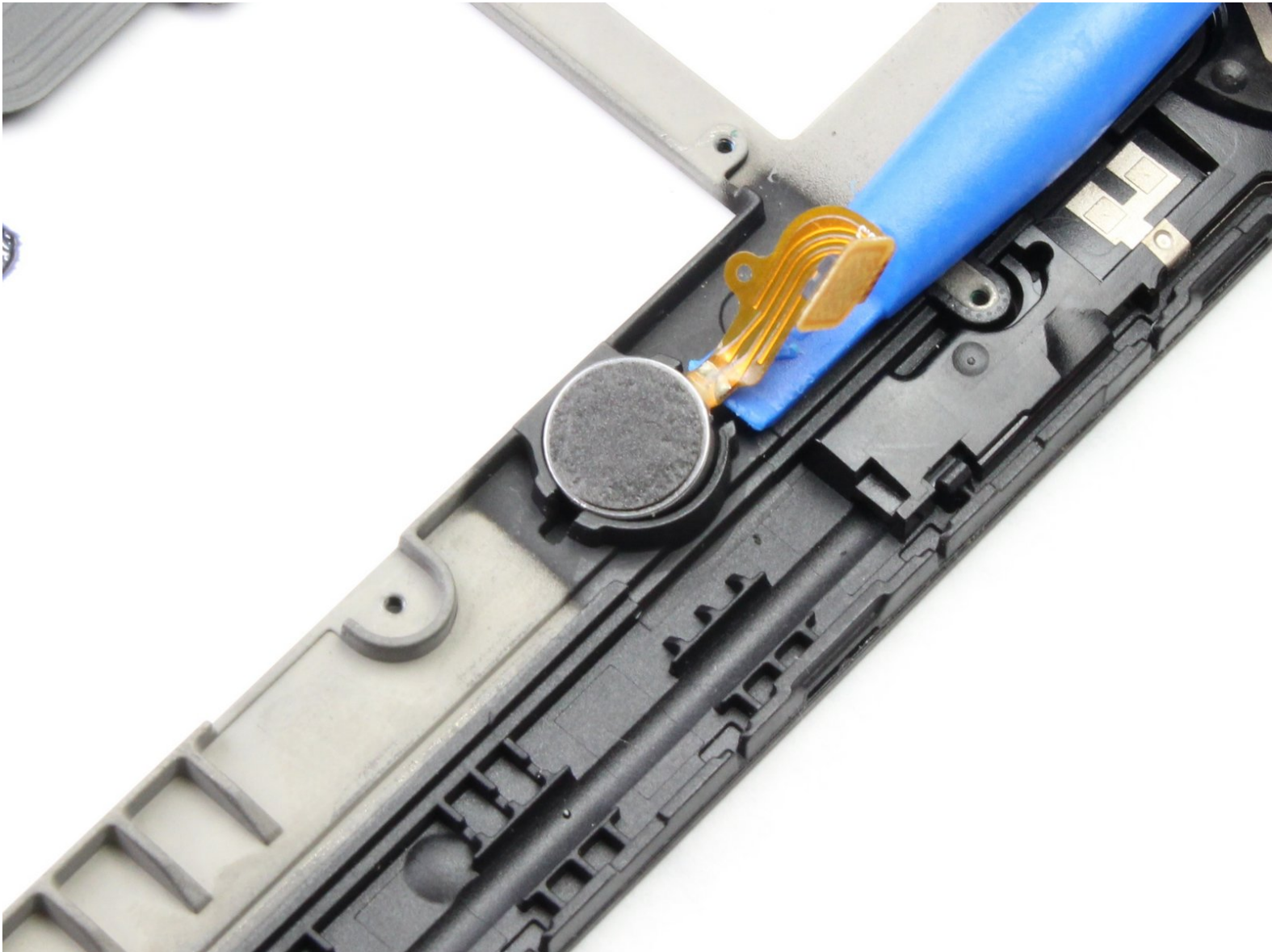




Samsung Galaxy Tab 8.9 Vibration Motor Replacement

Use this guide to replace the vibration motor on your Samsung Galaxy Tab 8.9.

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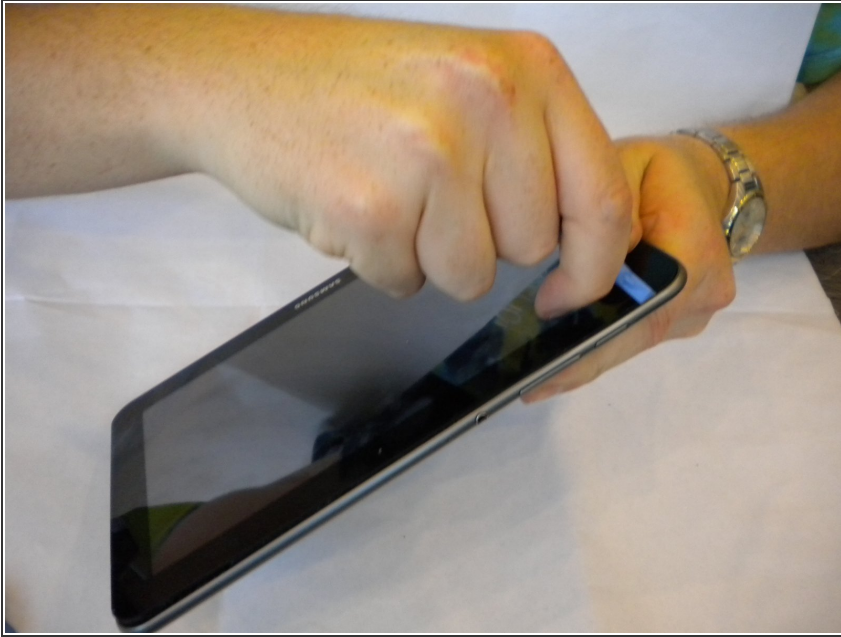
INTRODUCTION

This guide will walk you through the process of replacing a malfunctioning or broken vibration motor on a Samsung Galaxy Tab 8.9.

TOOLS:

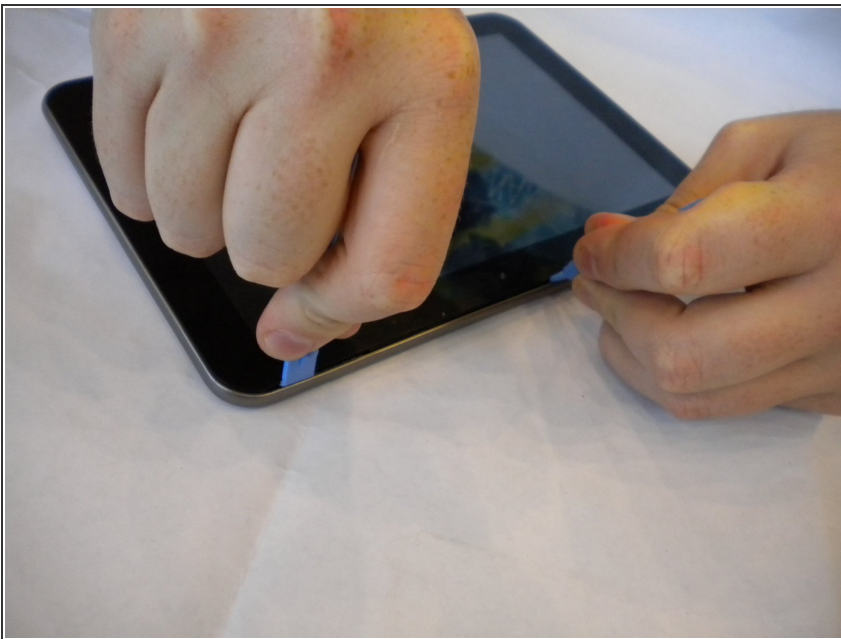
- [Spudger](#) (1)
 - [Phillips #00 Screwdriver](#) (1)
 - [Tweezers](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Insert Opening tool



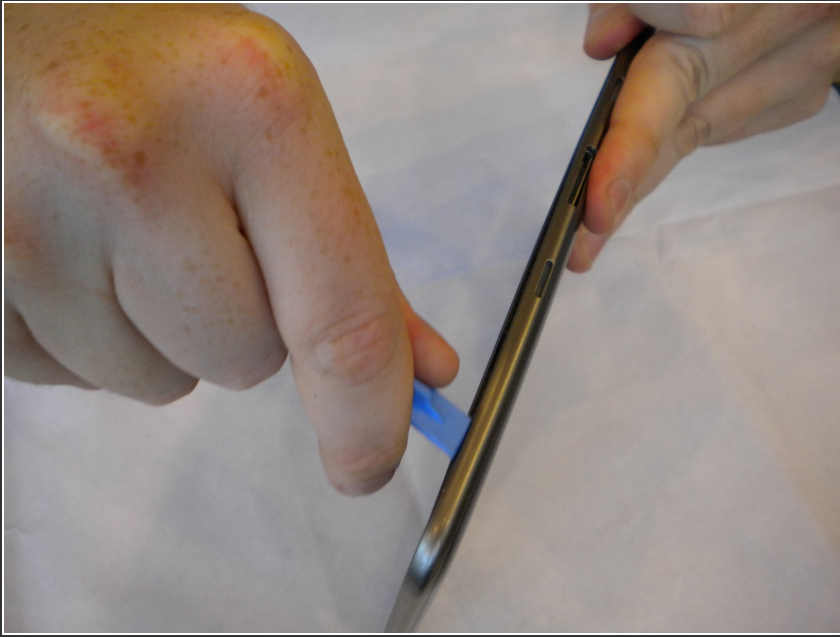
- Insert a plastic opening tool between the back cover and screen of the Samsung Galaxy Tab 8.9 (as indicated in the photograph).

Step 2 — Insert second tool



- Insert a second plastic opening tool 6 cm (~2.4 inches) away from the first tool.

Step 3



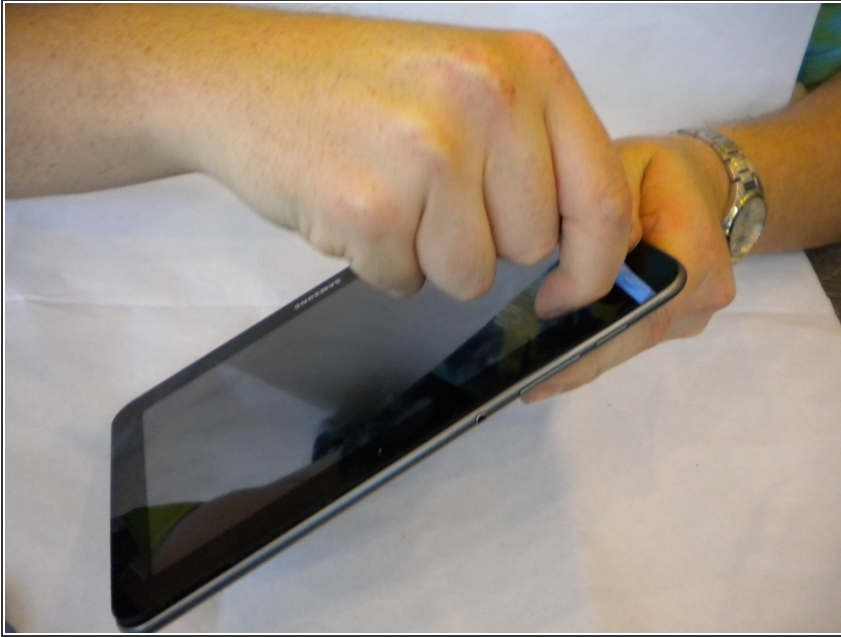
- Slide the second plastic opening tool along the edge of the device to separate the back cover.

Step 4



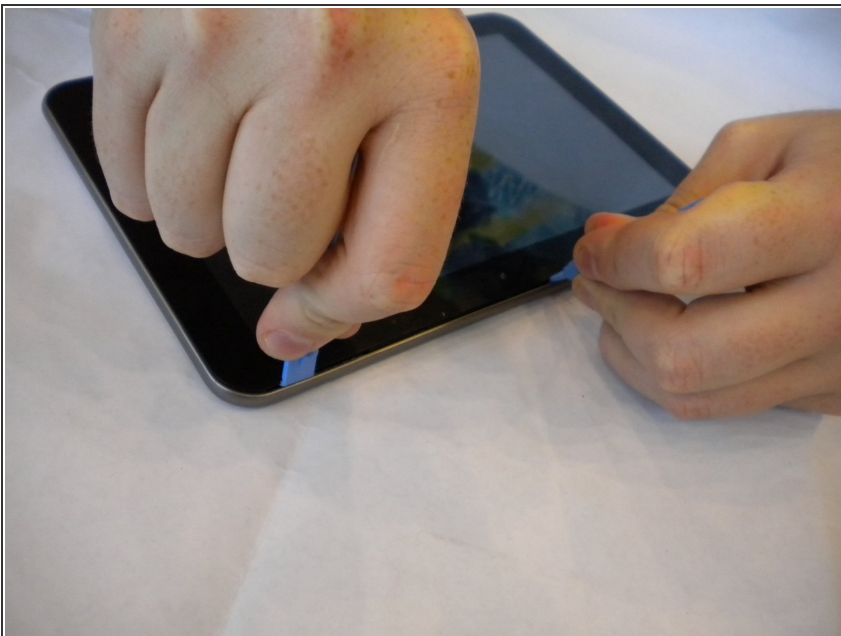
- Using your hands, remove the back cover.

Step 5 — Battery



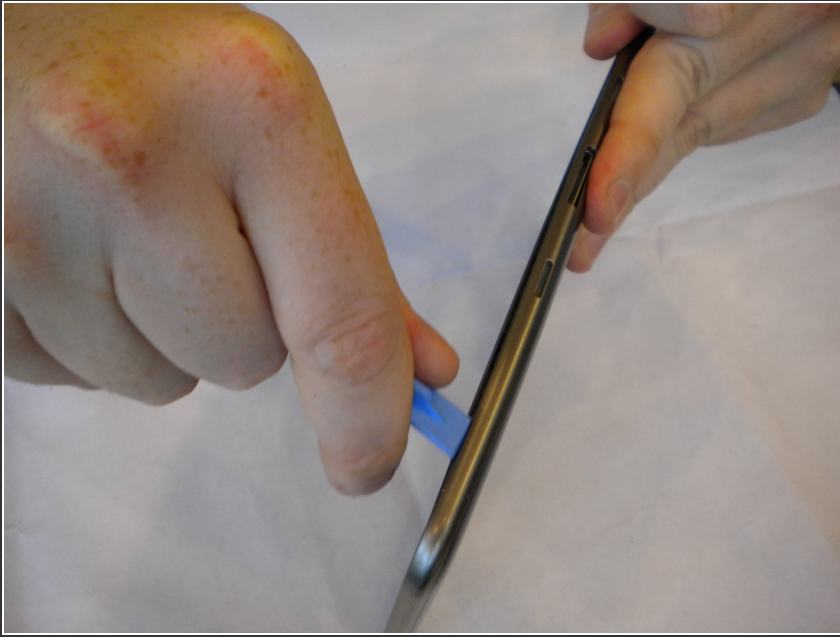
- Insert a plastic opening tool between the back cover and the screen of the Samsung Galaxy Tab 8.9.

Step 6



- 6 cm [2 in] away from the first plastic opening tool, insert a second plastic opening tool between the back cover and the screen.

Step 7



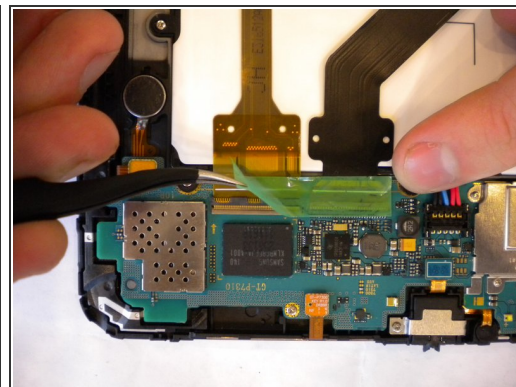
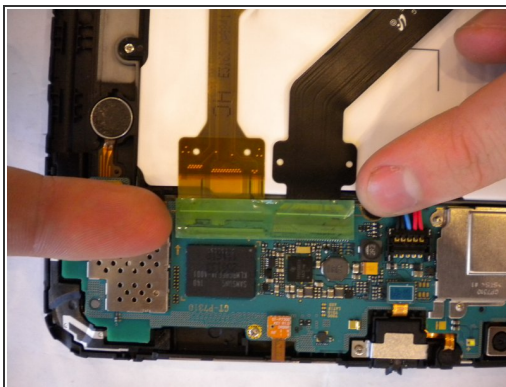
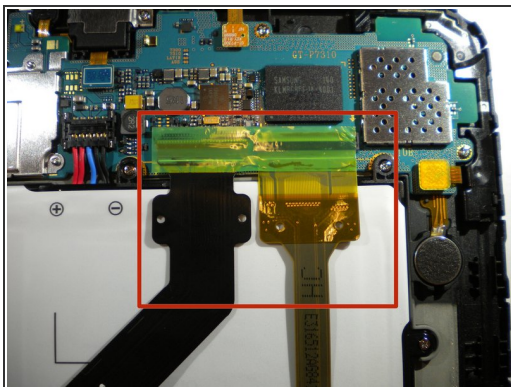
- Slide the second plastic opening tool along the edge of the device to separate the back cover from the screen.

Step 8



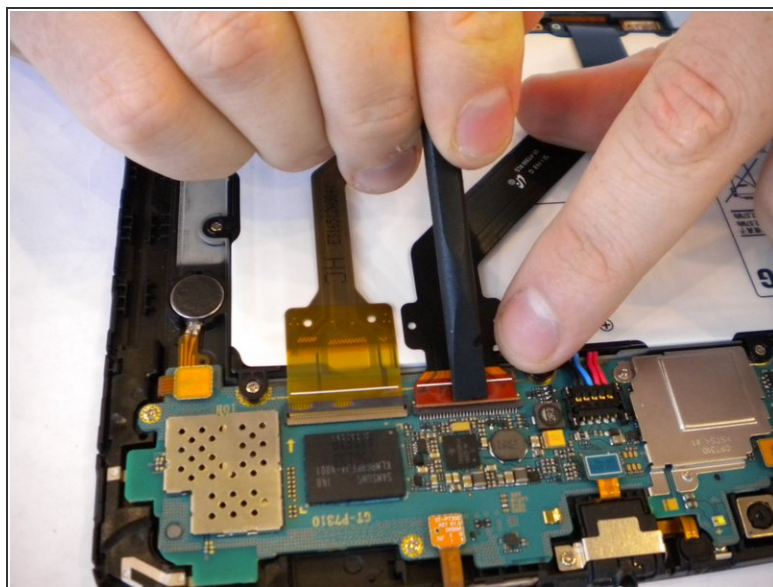
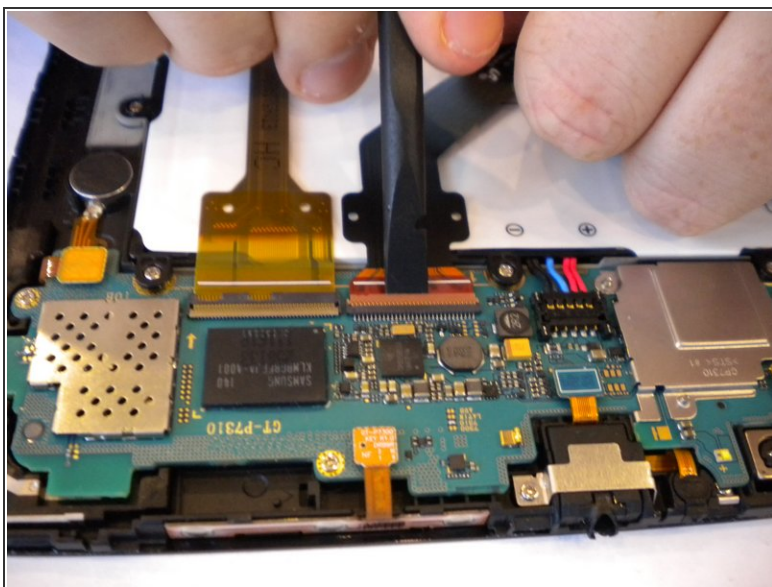
- Use your hands to open the back cover.

Step 9 — Remove Green Tape



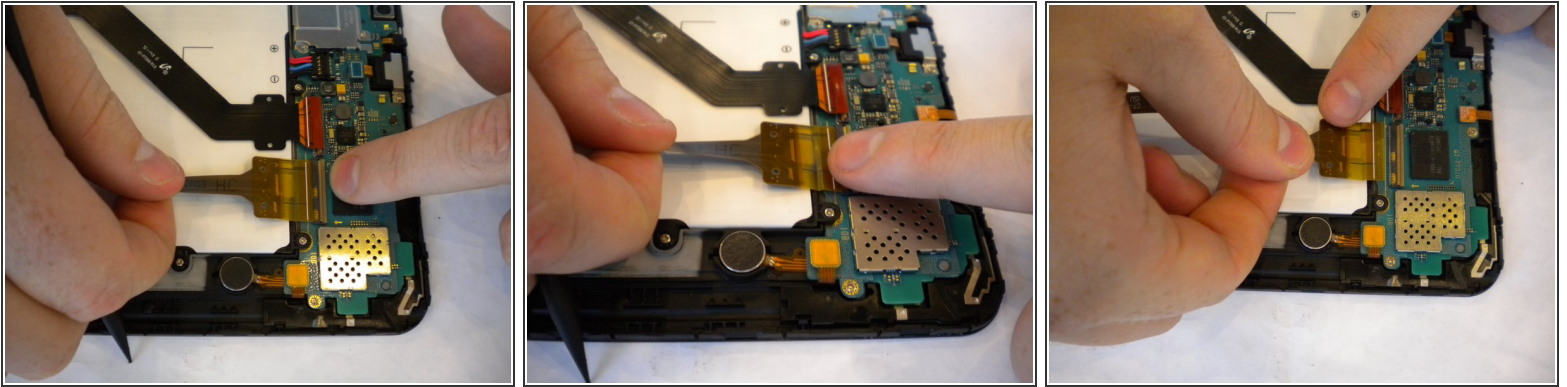
- Use tweezers to peel up the green tape located on top of the two flexible ribbon cables.

Step 10



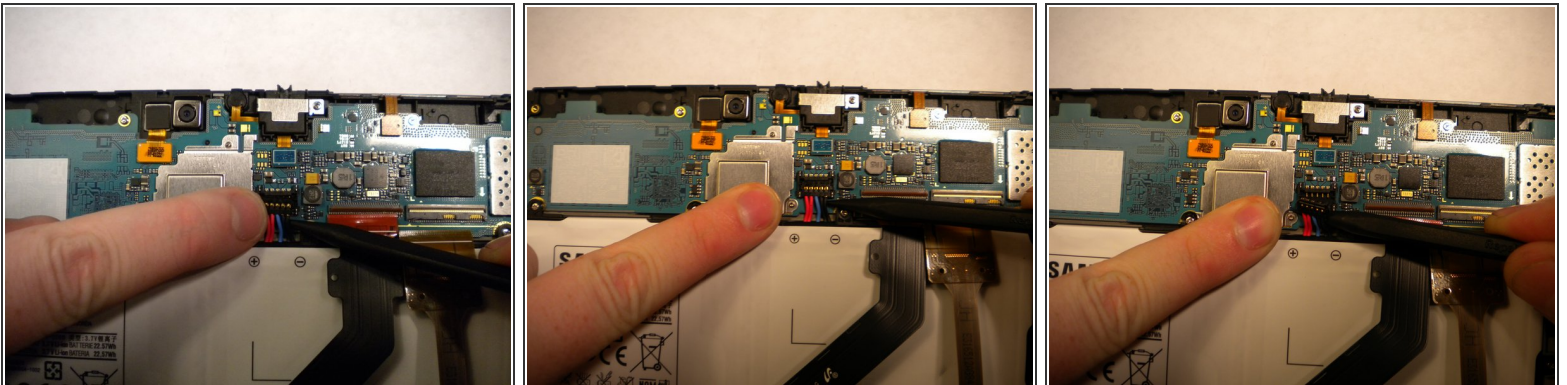
- Insert a spudger under the orange tab.
- Gently pry up the tab to disconnect the black flexible ribbon cable from the motherboard.

Step 11



- Carefully pull out the yellow flexible ribbon cable to disconnect it from the motherboard.

Step 12 — Disconnect Battery from MotherBoard



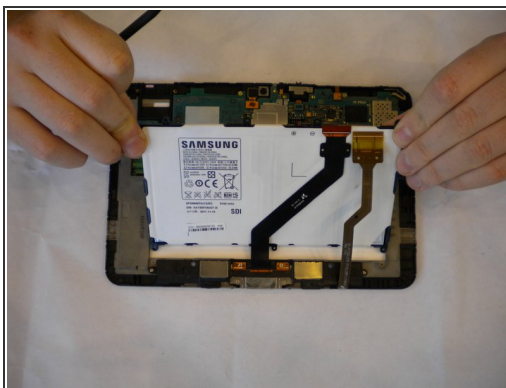
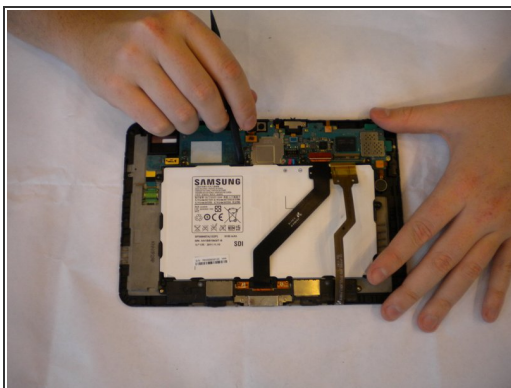
- Insert the spudger under the red, black, and white cables.
- Pry up and detach the battery from the motherboard.

Step 13



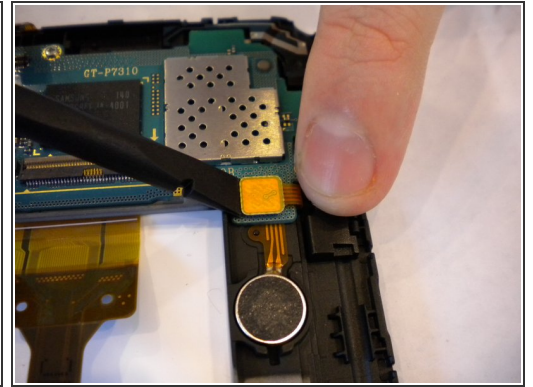
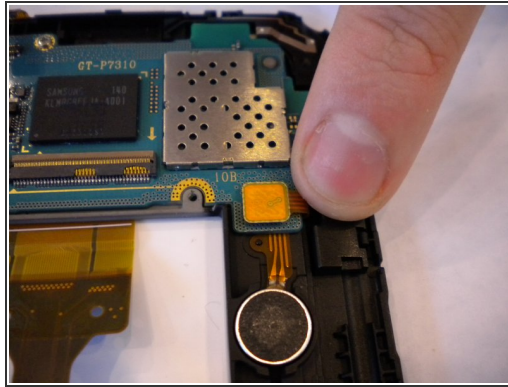
- Use a Phillips #00 screwdriver to remove the nine 1 mm screws located around the battery.

Step 14 — Remove the Battery



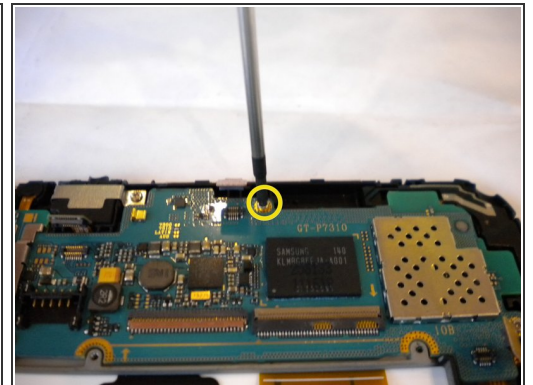
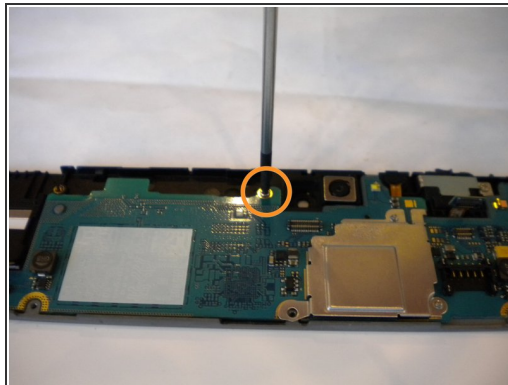
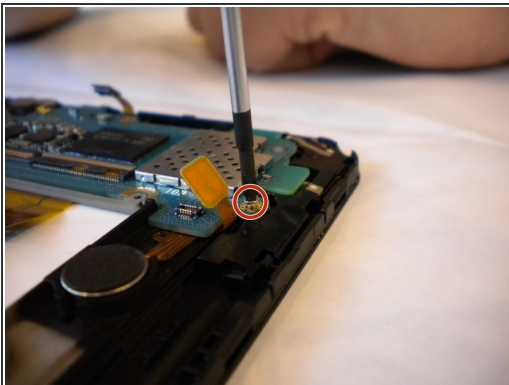
- Use a spudger to lift up and separate the battery from its housing.

Step 15 — Motherboard



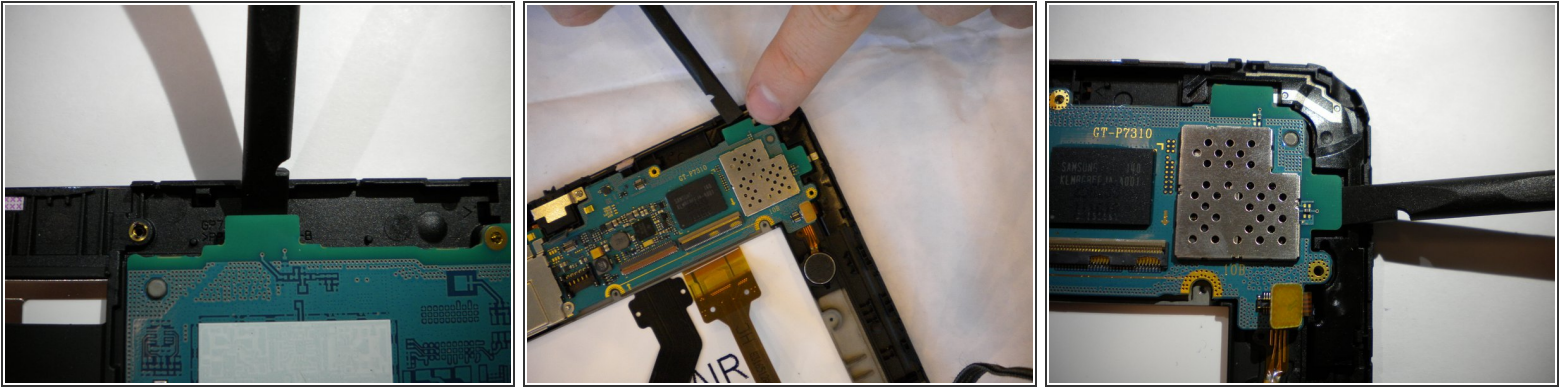
- Locate the motherboard and 5 connectors on it.
- Pry up and detach the connector from the motherboard using the flat edge of the spudger.
- Repeat for the 4 remaining connectors.

Step 16



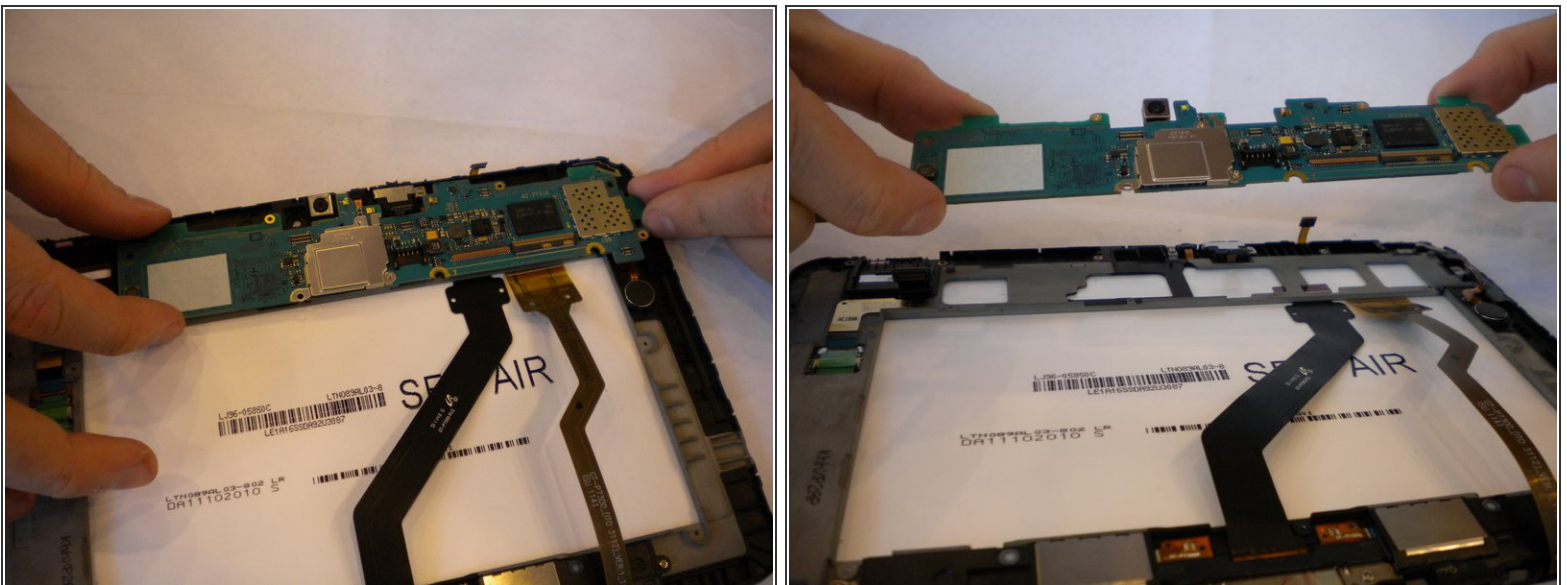
- Using the Phillips #00 screwdriver, unscrew the 3 screws (1mm) that are located near:
 - Camera
 - Power and volume buttons
 - Tilt sensor

Step 17



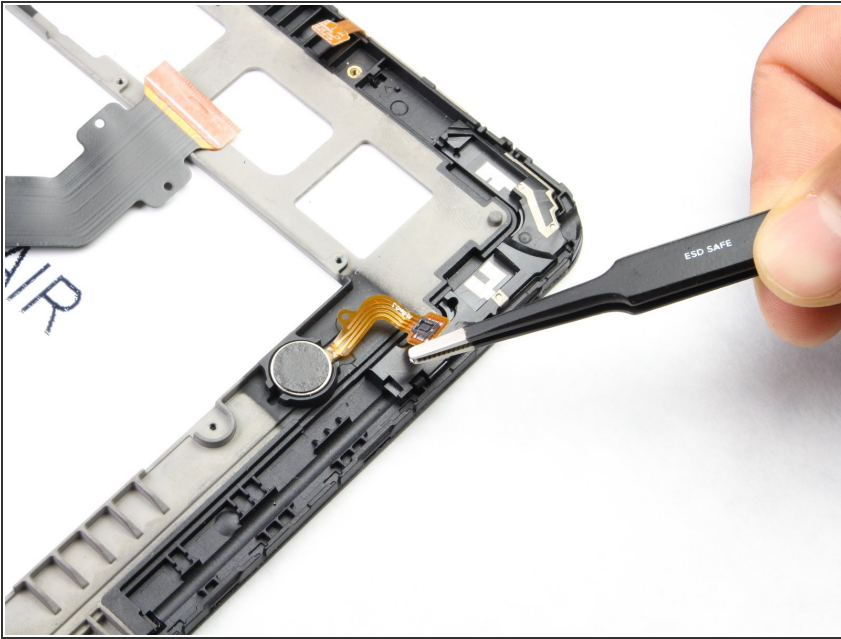
- Using the flat edge of the spudger, pry and lift up the motherboard.

Step 18



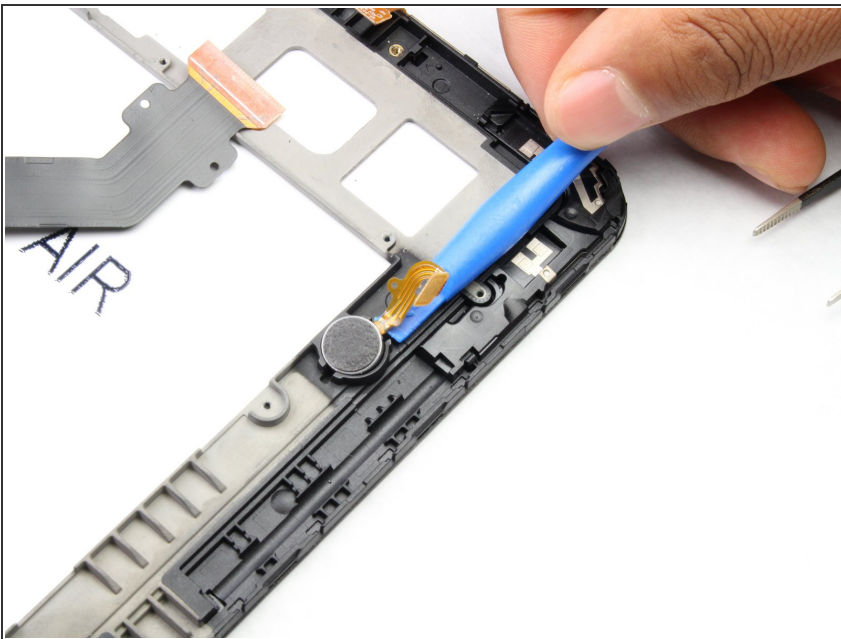
- Pull away the motherboard from the housing.

Step 19 — Vibration Motor



- Use tweezers to grab wire lead and gently lift to release glue holding wire lead to housing.

Step 20



- Use opening tool to pry motor from housing.

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