

Alexa, can you be my smart research assistant?

Are voice assistants a future platform for market research?

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"By the end of 2018 voice will be the primary interface by which we engage with technology and the world around us".

- Werner Vogels, CTO and VP of Amazon



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Smartphones have paved the way for digital assistants

1. Smartphones connect us to the world

- 2. Smartphones offer a superior user experience
- 3. Smartphones make our lives easier

Smartphones changed how we interact with our devices

"The best interface, is no interface". - Golden Krishna, Senior User Experience Designer Zappos



Voice technology is the next big disrupter

Smart speakers are the fastest growing consumers tech products in history

67%

16%

currently own a smart speaker

are expected to own a smart speaker in the next 10 years of owners are satisfied with their device's ability to respond to their requests

75%



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Will voice technology redefine human-machine interactions?



In the next **5 years** people expect their devices to better reflect that they know the individual, to proactively anticipate their needs, to sound more human and **engage in two-way conversation**

Consumers show a desire for greater intimacy



21% of users already use their smart device for companionship

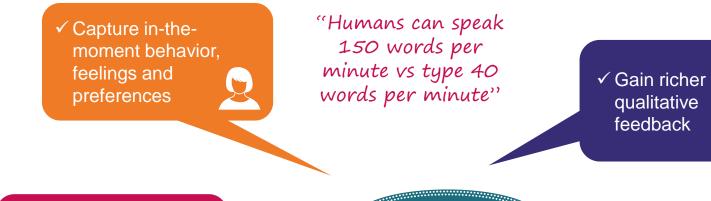


What does this mean for consumer research?

How to create relevant, engaging **voice** experiences Two How the challenges eng

How to create relevant, engaging **research** experiences

Mobile-first research became a necessity, we must adapt once again and develop a voice-first approach



 Engage consumers in an intuitive and interactive way



How do we see it working?

'Morning Yasemin, what are you doing this morning?'



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'Ah really, what did you choose to eat this morning?'

'What if you had the option of a yoghurt you could eat on-the-go that had cereal pieces inside, how would that compare to what you ate today?



'Hi Alexa, I'm currently eating my breakfast'

'I was in a rush so I just grabbed some toast and jam



Consumer adoption and tech advancements will allow us to use voice assisted research in a broader setting

Today

Longer Term

Exploratory in-home consumer behaviour / experience research

Out-of-home shopper research + pack / concept testing