Introduction to Google Home

1. **Introduction – checking previous knowledge**
   Begin the session by checking if your trainees have used a Google Home before. Try and get anybody that hasn’t used these to get hands on and use the equipment in the session – don’t show them yourself – get them to use the equipment.

2. **Explain the benefits of the Google Home**
   - Google Home is a brand of smart speakers developed by Google.
   - Google Home speakers enable users to speak voice commands to interact with services through Google’s intelligent personal assistant called Google Assistant. A large number of services, both in-house and third-party, are integrated, allowing users to listen to music, control playback of videos or photos, or receive news updates entirely by voice.
   - Google Home devices also have integrated support for home automation, letting users control smart home appliances with their voice. Multiple Google Home devices can be placed in different rooms in a home for synchronized playback of music.

3. **Basic controls and operation (using radio as an example)**
   - Ask Google Home to play a radio station ‘Hey Google Play Radio 1’. Note that the lights on the top surface illuminate when Google home is activated.
   - Turn up the volume. Try ‘OK Google Volume Up’ or be more specific and ask for it to turn up by X%.
   - Show that volume can be controlled using the top surface going clockwise and counter-clockwise to increase and decrease the volume accordingly.
   - Tap the top surface to show it can be paused and explain if playing music from accounts such as Spotify then this action could pause/play the music.

4. **Basic requests (using journey planning/cinema trip as an example)**
   - Ask the trainees for a scenario such as getting to the cinema.
   - Ask them to ask Google how they could get to the cinema, what showings are at the cinema, show that google home is intuitive and that once you start a conversation with Google assistant you do not need to always say ‘OK Google’ or ‘Hey Google’

   Example
   ‘Hey Google how do I get to the cinema? or ‘OK Google what movies are on at the cinema?’

5. **Connecting to Bluetooth speaker**
   - To connect a bluetooth speaker you will need to access your app.
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- ‘Hey Google pair bluetooth’
- You will need to open the app and go to the menu and select devices. Then select the google home device and select the … in the top right corner. Go to settings
- Go to device settings and default speaker, select pair Bluetooth speaker, select the Bluetooth speaker required.
- Show that you can unpair the device by saying ‘Hey Google Unpair bluetooth’ but note if you wish to connect again you will need to go through the app.