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- The volume area usually has multiple options: media (music, video), alarm, and ring, so that you can turn your music up without turning up your alarm clock, ringtone, or text alert ping.
- You can adjust the brightness of your screen manually or turn on auto-brightness so that your display can adapt to different lighting scenarios throughout the day and evening.
- In this section, you can also upload and change your wallpaper and screen savers, as well as change color schemes and other design elements.
- Change your ringtone and the various sounds your device makes to alert you of calendar events, new text messages, new emails, alarms, and more. Here you can also choose whether you want your device to vibrate along with or instead of the ringtone.
- You can set a default notification sound too, and even select the screen locking sound, touch sounds, power on sounds, and more.

4. **Privacy and Security**

Settings are key to protecting your privacy and security. Important options include:
- Turning location services on and off. You'll want to turn this feature on when you're using a navigation app, like Google Maps to get around, but there's no need to broadcast your location continuously.
- Setting up your lock screen. Android has options to unlock your phone with a pin code, pattern, fingerprint, or a password, while Apple's unlock options are either a pin code or a fingerprint reader.
- Enable Android Device Manager or Find my iPhone. Both Android and Apple offer options to geolocate your device if it's lost or stolen and even remotely lock it or erase all data if it can't be retrieved.
- Backing up your device regularly. Android lets you save your data to Google Drive, while the iPhone connects to your iCloud account. You may also consider using a third-party app if you prefer or back up to your computer if you have one.
- Hide notifications from your lock screen. Ever received a personal text message or embarrassing reminder while your phone is in view of others? Put a stop to that and keep certain types of notifications from bursting through your lock screen or at least hide the content of said notifications.

5. **System Settings**

Finally, you can access device settings including the date and time, operating system version, text size, and other elements.
- Make sure the date and time are accurate by setting it manually or having it update automatically, including when you change time zones.
- Adjust font size, change up the color scheme for better visibility
- Go into "about phone" or "about device" to check which version of the operating system it's running, helpful information to have if you need to contact tech support, even if it's a friend or family member.
- Set default apps for email, messaging, navigation, and other activities.

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