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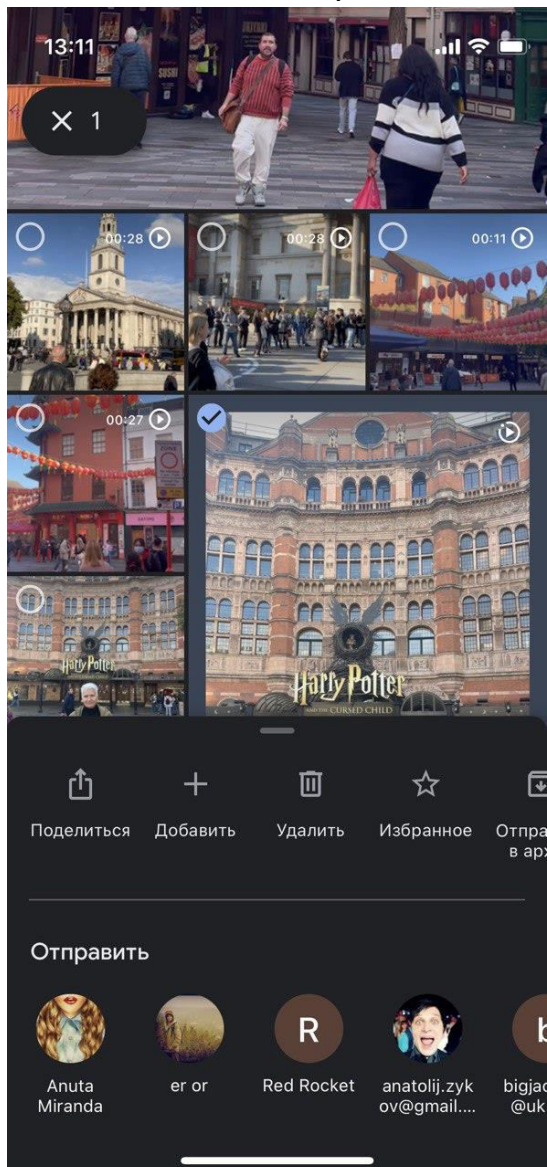
Google Photos

Google Photos is a repository of photos and videos from Google. Available for iOS and Android.

The application interface is simple, convenient and intuitive.

The main function buttons are located at the bottom of the display - they are easy to reach.

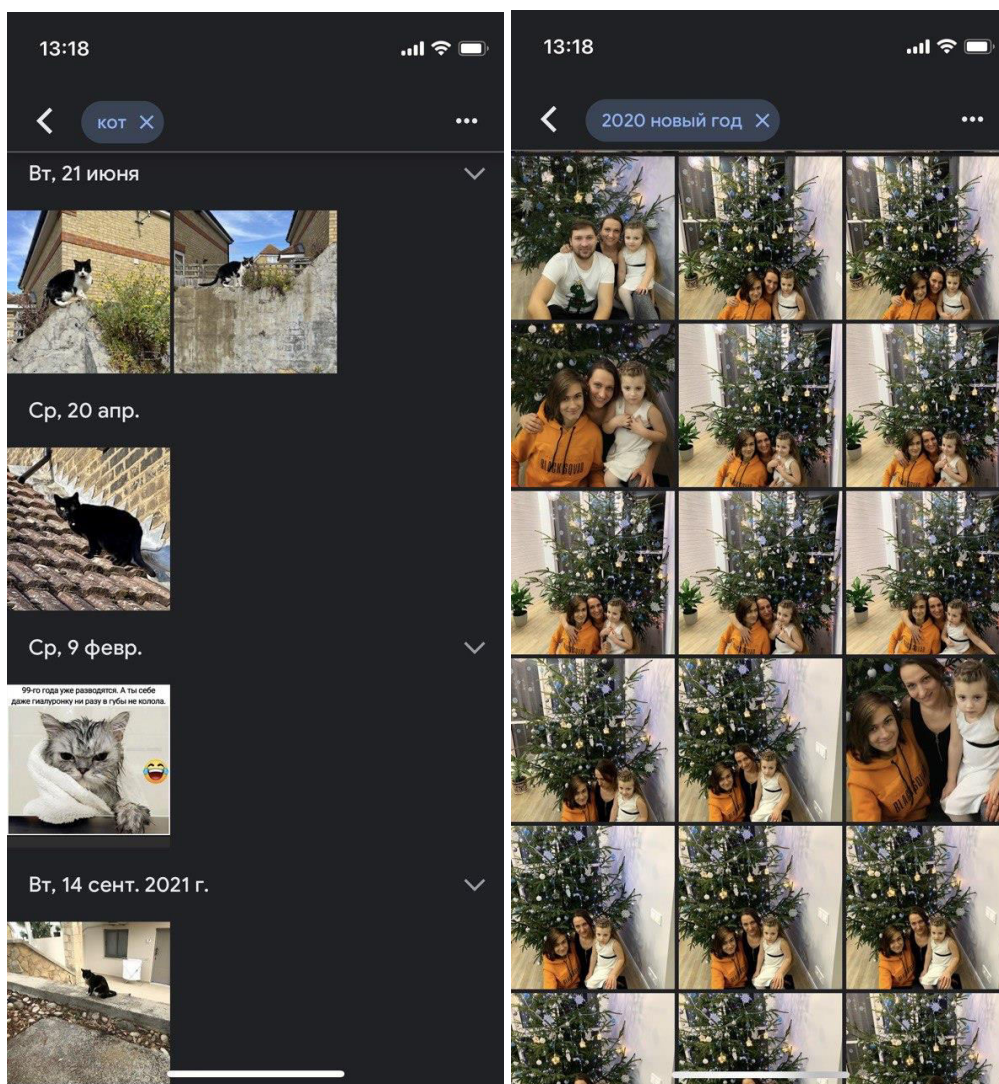
In addition, the application immediately suggests specific people for sharing the file, and displays the geolocation that is stored in the metadata of the selected image. The main feature of the interface is that it is available directly from the media library feed, without the need to open a photo in full screen.



Smart Search

One of the main features of Google Photos is the presence of a smart search system. All images in the repository go through a multi-stage analysis system. The service automatically recognizes the objects depicted on them and assigns tags based on them.

For example, in the vault, you can quickly find a photo of a passport, mountains, a cat, or a desired plant. The search is performed by keywords. You can also specify the year the snapshot was taken in the search bar, for example, “New Year 2020”.



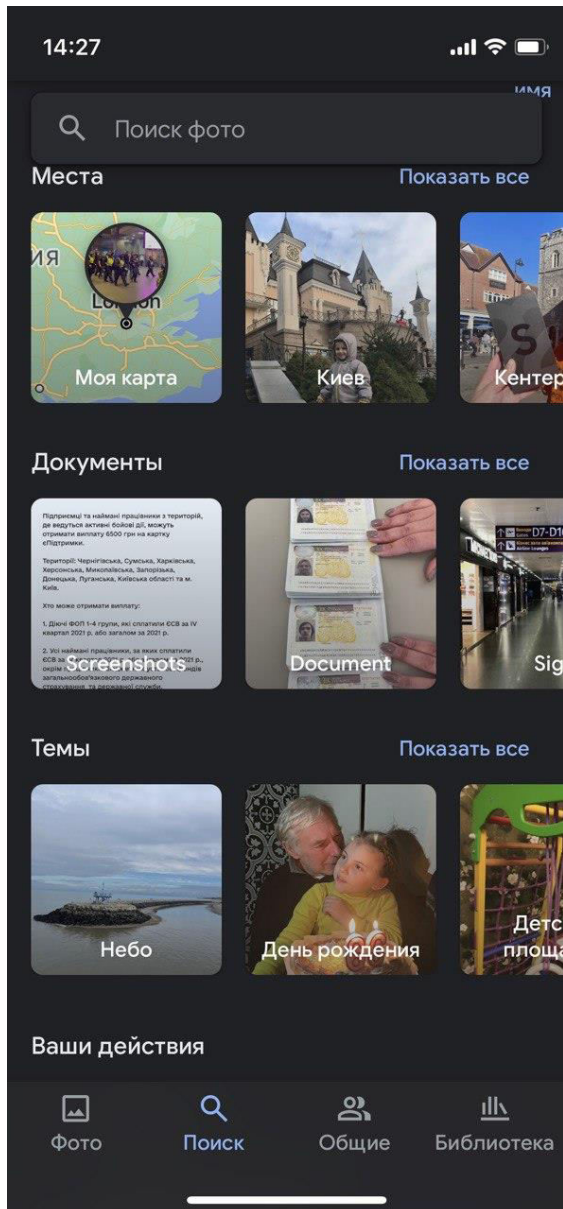
Data synchronization

Another feature of Google Photos is automatic synchronization between devices. You can use the system on your smartphone, tablet and computer. In this case, all photos taken on the phone will be displayed on the PC. Thanks to

this, you can access personal data at any time and from any gadget (if you have the Internet).

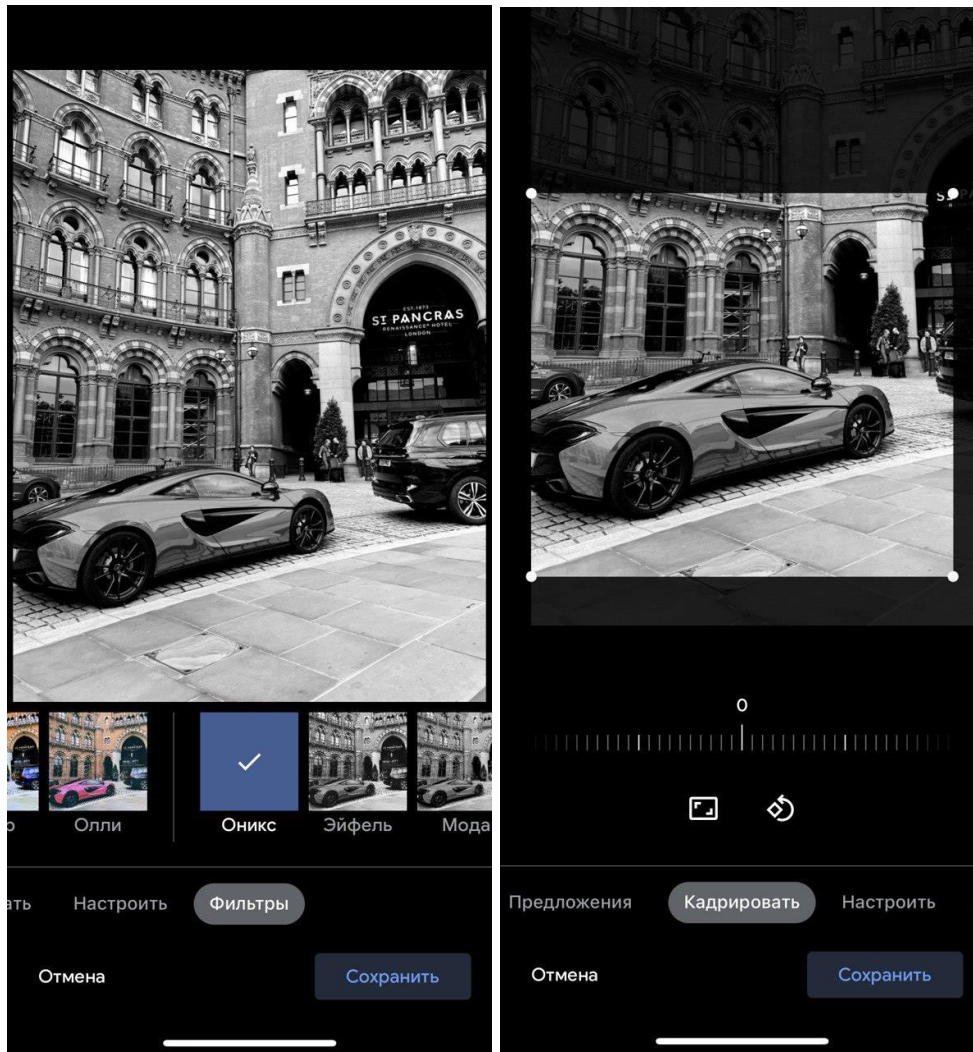
Convenient sorting

All photos and videos in Google Photos are sorted by various parameters: date, time, place. There is even sorting by faces, which makes it much easier to find the right photos in the storage in the future.



Built-in editor

Google Photos has a built-in photo editor. With this tool, you can improve the picture: adjust the brightness, color, saturation. There is an option for automatic image correction: the Google Photos algorithm will independently apply filters that will significantly improve the quality of the image.



Sharing

Google Photos has a useful sharing option. With this tool, you can share pictures on social networks or get a link to a photo. In the future, this link can be sent by e-mail or messenger. You can also share an entire album containing dozens of different photos.

I don't take a lot of photos, but inevitably the phone's memory becomes cluttered with various pictures, screenshots, etc, so it's very convenient to have cloud storage for files.

Google Photos is a very convenient and easy-to-use application that provides many additional features:

- the first and most important thing for me is the automatic uploading of files to the cloud if there is an Internet connection, you can always delete files from your phone without fear of losing something important, since there is already a copy in your cloud storage.
- quick and easy photo search by keywords, places, dates or events.
- cloud synchronization in Google Photos is implemented perfectly - all actions with photos and videos are instantly reflected on all devices without failures, delays and glitches.

I think all these useful features attracted 5 million users worldwide.

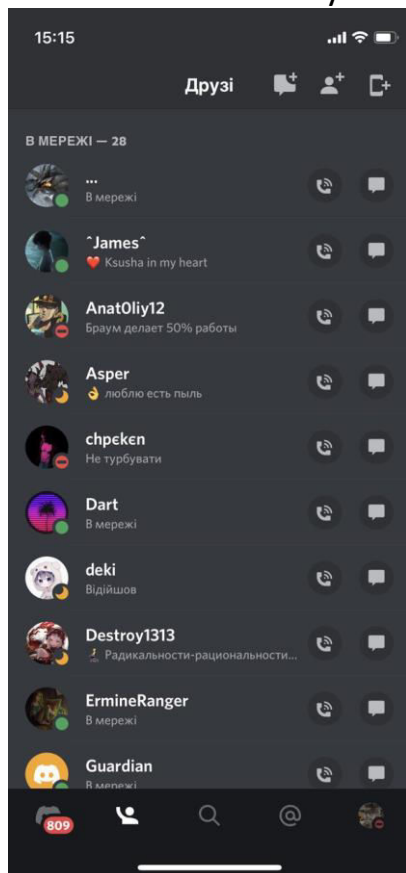
Strengths and weakness

The application has many strengths, perhaps I will highlight this - it is very convenient to clean photos from the application. With the help of Google Photos, it is much faster to remove bad frames from 50-100 shots thanks to the ability to zoom in on the tape and quickly select photos. Deleted pictures are sent to the service basket (with a timer of 50 days)

The weak side of Google Photos is the lack of an option to share the library. It is possible to give access to an album, story or a specific file, but you cannot open the entire collection of photos and videos, nor can you provide the ability to replenish it. This is a significant limitation for family use and the only way out is to give access to your Google account.

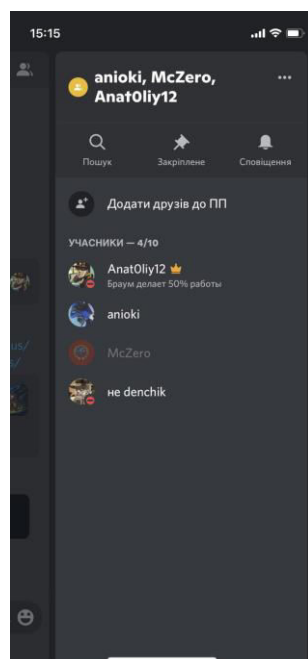
Discord

Discord is an application for communication between different people in which you can communicate with your friends or other people on your friends list.



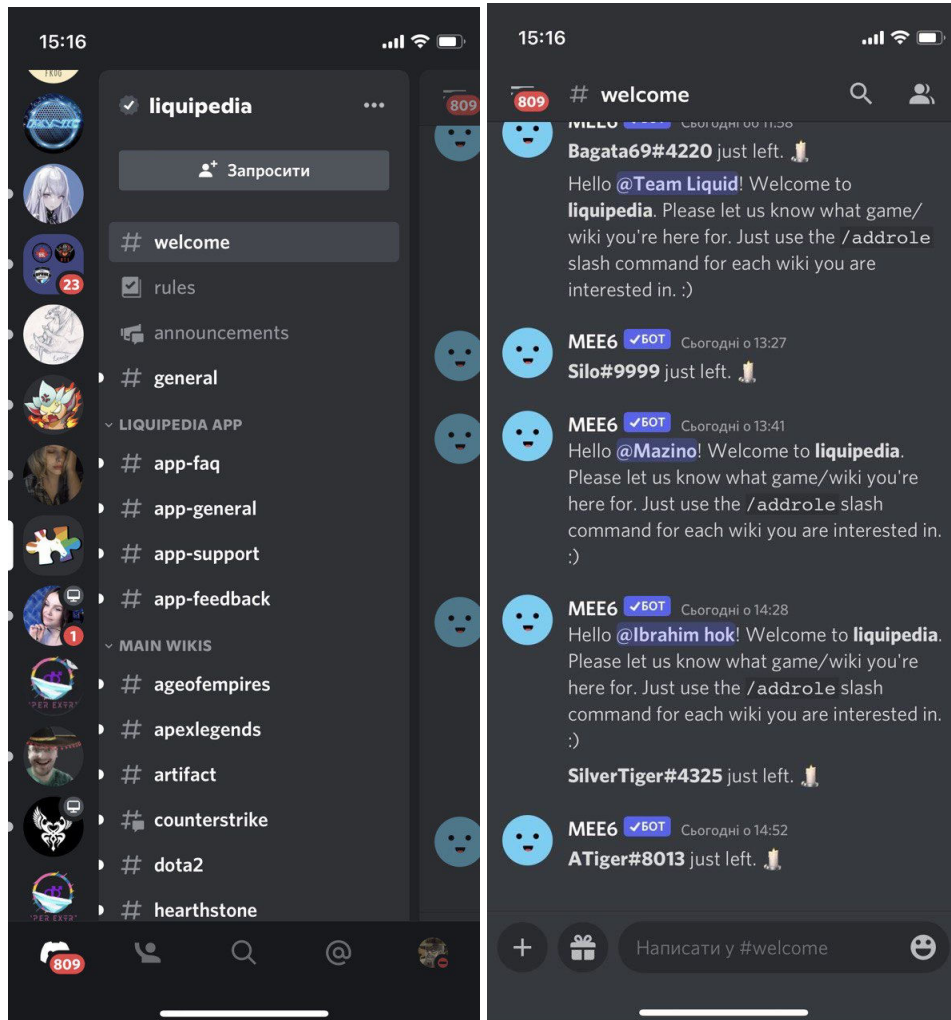
Group calls

You can create group calls and chats for three people or more



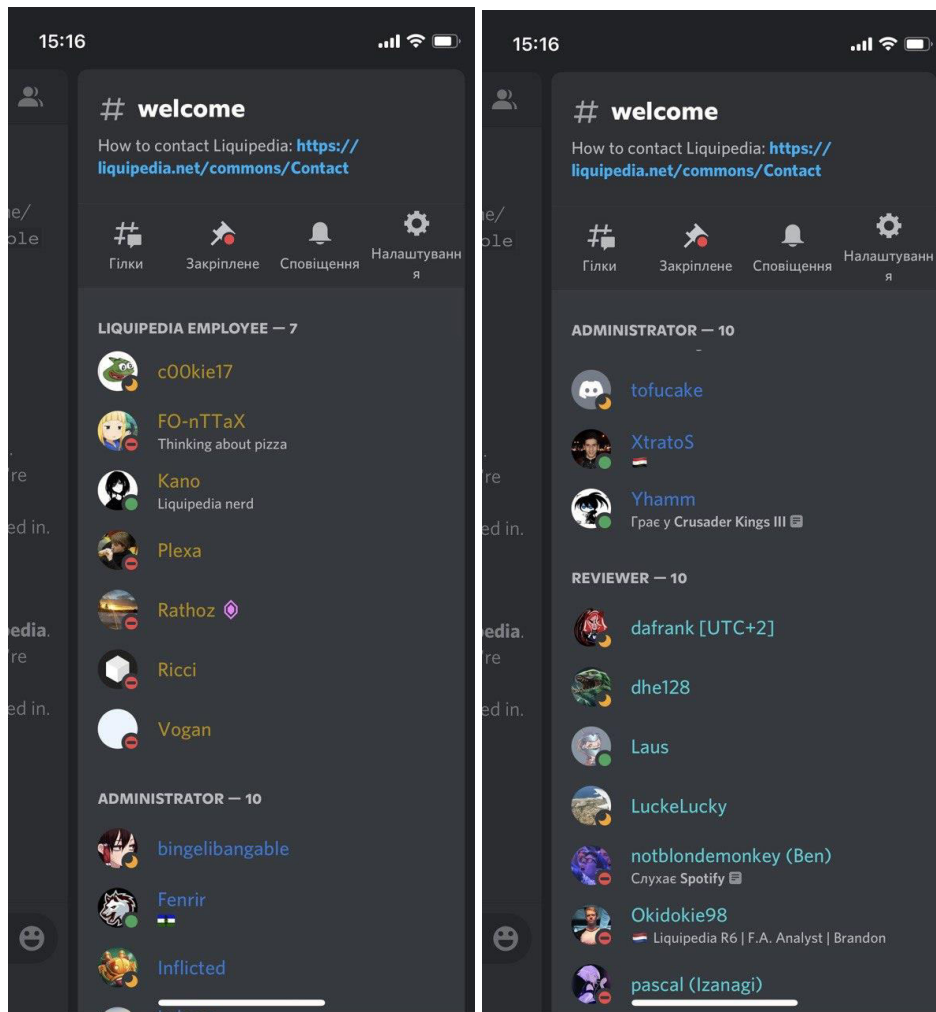
Servers

Discord already has a huge number of servers on various topics, these can be servers of classmates, youtubers, streamers, game chats for all kinds of games, etc. So what are these servers? These are "groups" from 1 person to hundreds of thousands on servers, there are various chats and voice channels designed for certain topics of discussion.

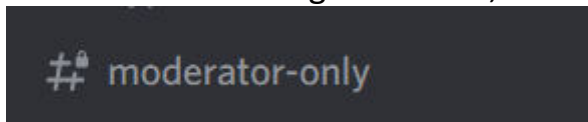


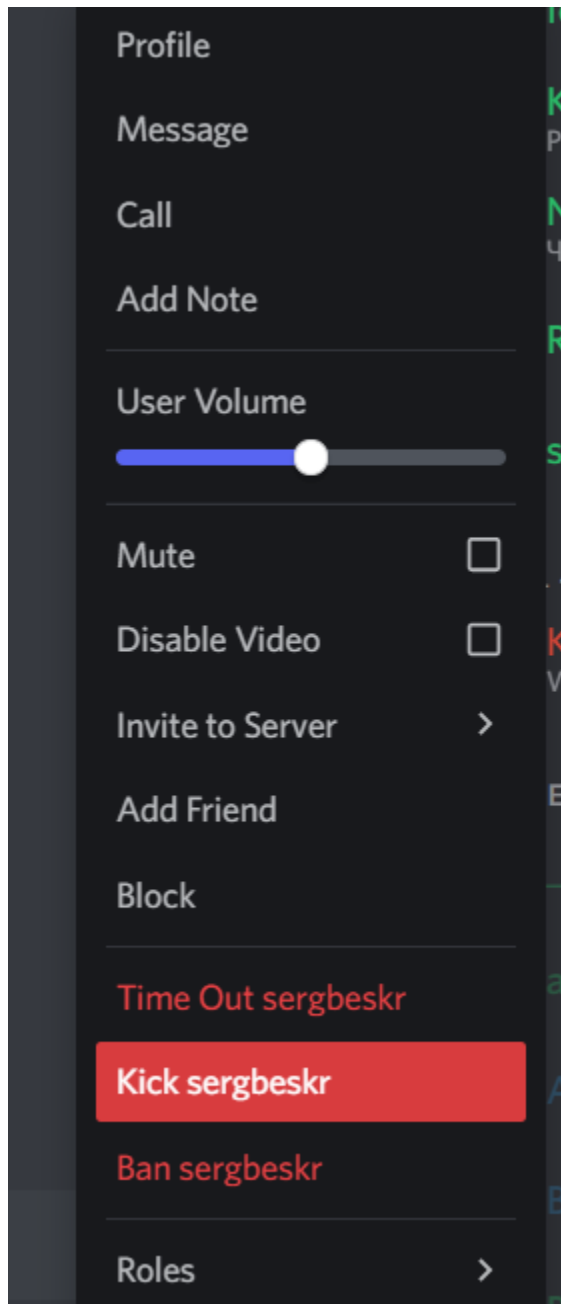
Roles

Roles are given to server participants in order to highlight certain groups of people, for example, this is the server of an online gaming encyclopaedia and authors, editors, server administration, etc.

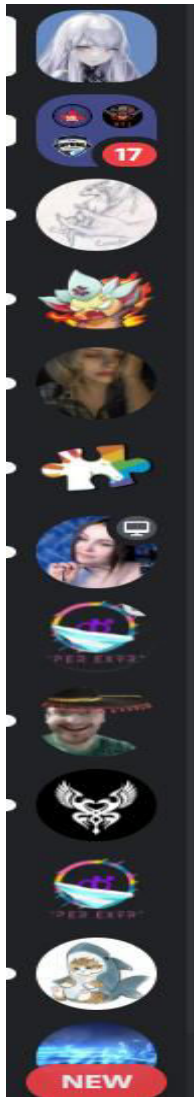


roles can also give certain rights on the server, access to certain chats, the ability to edit server settings and roles, the ability to kick and ban people.



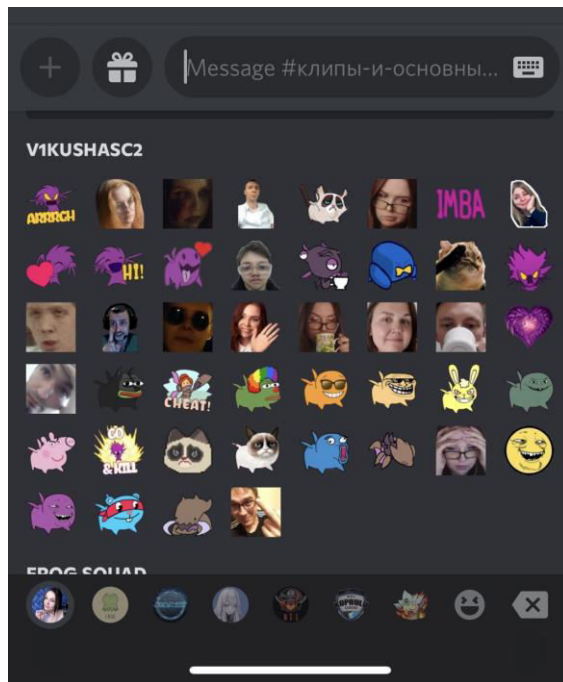


This way you can go to the thematic servers you need and find a huge number of people with the same interests with whom you can discuss something or play your favourite games.



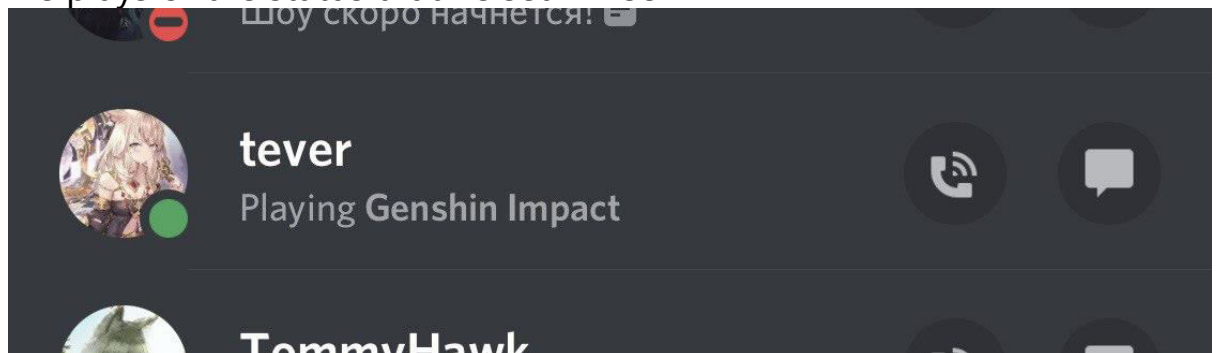
Emoticons

There are a huge number of different emoticons in discord, but emoticons are in any messenger, then what is the feature? The fact that on each server the owner can add his own unique emoticons, that is, ordinary emoticons are diluted with unique new emojis suitable for this community



Opportunity to see what your friends are doing

Under each person on the network there is a column that displays the game he plays or the status that he set himself



Discord required a permission to use your microphone so you can speak in voice chats with your friends as it usually in other messenger apps also it needs permission to your files and media content so you can send it to anyone you wish or post it on one of servers but it doesn't need permission to access to contacts as it usually required in other messengers like viber, whatsapp, telegram, etc.

Because discord doesn't use your mobile number to register it's no reason to have access to your contacts and it makes it different from other messengers also because you don't need to use mobile number you can easily create additional account which is a very useful advantage

I use discord since 2018 and I can say that I never heard bad reviews about it and I also haven't any problems during my usage of this app. My friends, I and more than 100 million of users of discord finds it the best messenger which are exist now.

So why do I use discord and not other messengers?

1. convenient and understandable functionality, cool features such as servers make discord a convenient place to communicate with people with similar interests
2. the ability to remain anonymous without linking a phone number and without indicating the current time
3. the ability to find people by nickname and not by phone number
4. ability to see what your friends are doing

Strengths and weakness

Discord has many strengths, but its main advantage is the ability to chat with friends for free. Using cool unique emoticons and a bunch of convenient features such as servers and group chats, you can form many mini-societies according to your interests and have fun.

Discord's weakness is the lack of voice messages. They are already in all instant messengers and social networks. This is a convenient way to communicate when you do not need to type, which is often not so convenient on the phone, especially if you need to say a large amount of information.