



Disassembling Microsoft Surface 3 Casing

Get access to the inside of the Surface 3 so that you can replace broken things. Oh, wait, you just broke the display while trying to open it. Guess that will need replacing as well.

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INTRODUCTION

In order to open up the Surface 3, you will need to use the iOpener to loosen up the adhesive under the display screen, then use the picks to get under the screen and "pry" it open.

TOOLS:

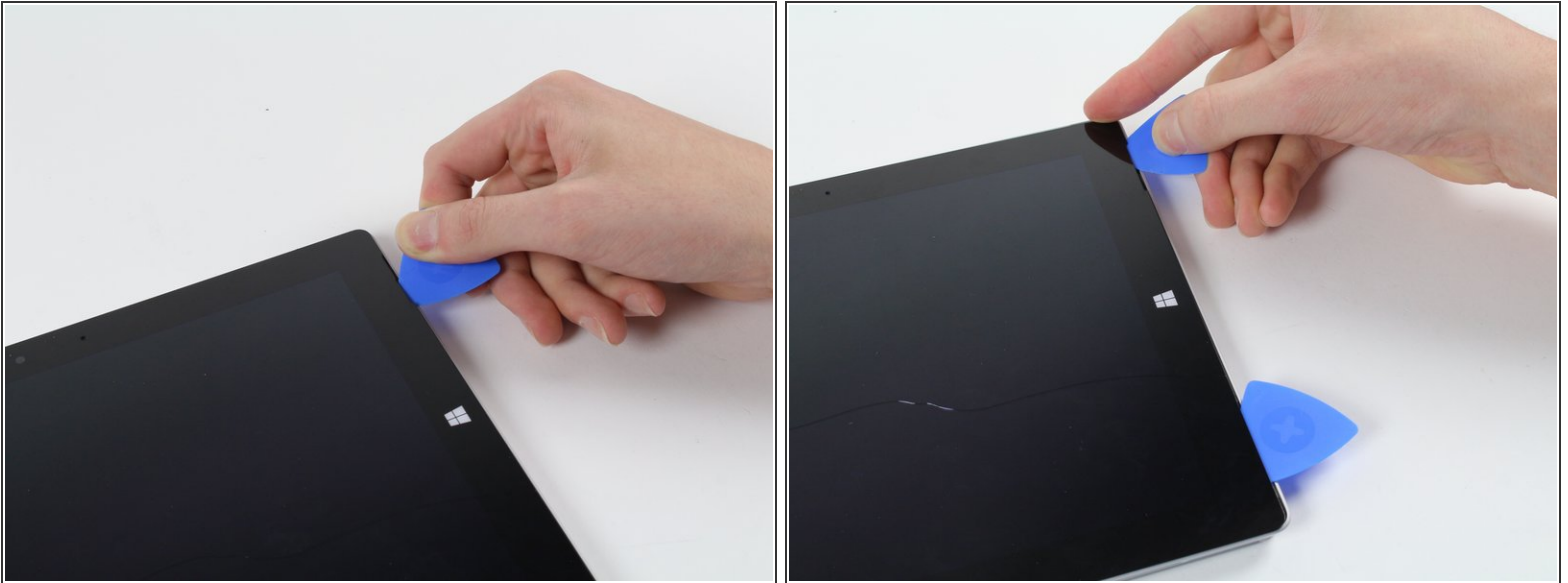
- [iOpener Kit](#) (1)
 - [Microwave](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Casing



- Warm up an iOpener following the instructions found in the [iOpener guide](#).
- Place the warm iOpener on top of the edges of the screen. This heat will weaken the strength of the adhesive between the display and body.

Step 2



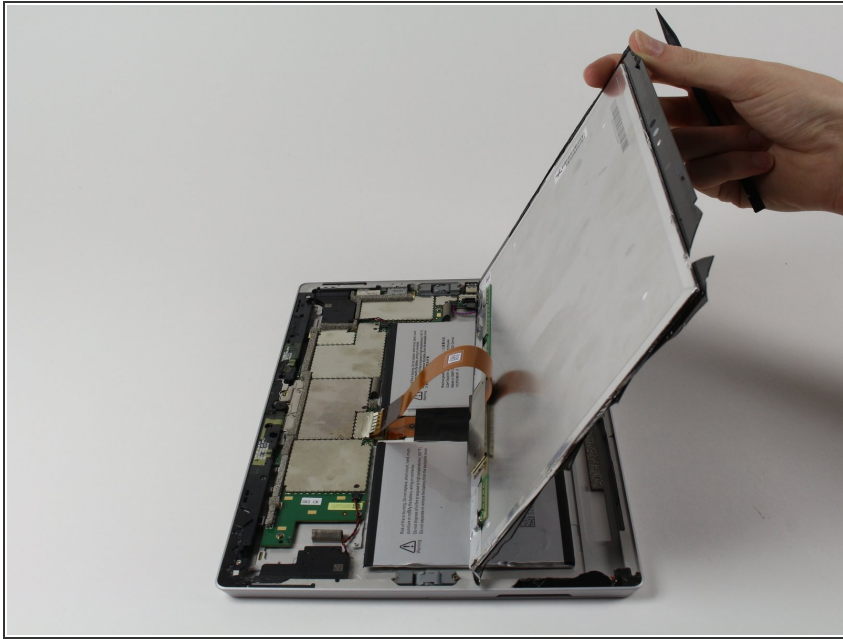
- Use iFixit opening picks to wedge under the edge of the screen at the speaker port.
 - ⓘ *This may take significant force. A fingernail might work better for the initial lift*
 - ⚠ *If you push straight down near the edge you will go through the speaker mesh and possibly end up damaging your speaker; try to push the pick in at a shallow angle.*

Step 3



- Carefully try to work your way around the device using the picks, reapplications of the heated iOpener, and luck.
- ⓘ If you break the glass on one side you might want to try again starting from the other side so that you have a clean, unbroken, edge on that side.
- ⚠ While the glass on this display is not particularly sharp when broken, it is still broken glass and you should be careful with it.

Step 4



- Flip the display over so that parts underneath it are easily accessible.
- ⚠ Do not pull out the display as it is still attached to the motherboard.
- ⓘ If you are replacing the display, or want it out of the way, continue with the [display replacement guide](#) steps.

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