Getting Siri to work well with MasterTracker.

MasterTracker has two features that work with Siri.

The first is to have Siri create a new entry, hands-free.

The second is to Duplicate a current record. This is best used for a thing that you do often and don't want to type or click anything. You can make many "Duplicate a Record" entries.

There are instructions on how to set these up within the Help in MasterTracker.

However, sometimes Siri can be *reluctant* to work with the phrase words that you want it to work with.

I found this when I was making a shortcut to make a copy of "I drank my protein shake".

It seemed that if I tried to set Siri to use the phrase, "I Drank my Protein shake" that phrase invoked the health app to try and record something about protein intake and it needed permission to do that. I found that making the phrase to be just "I drank my shake" that it was happy with that.
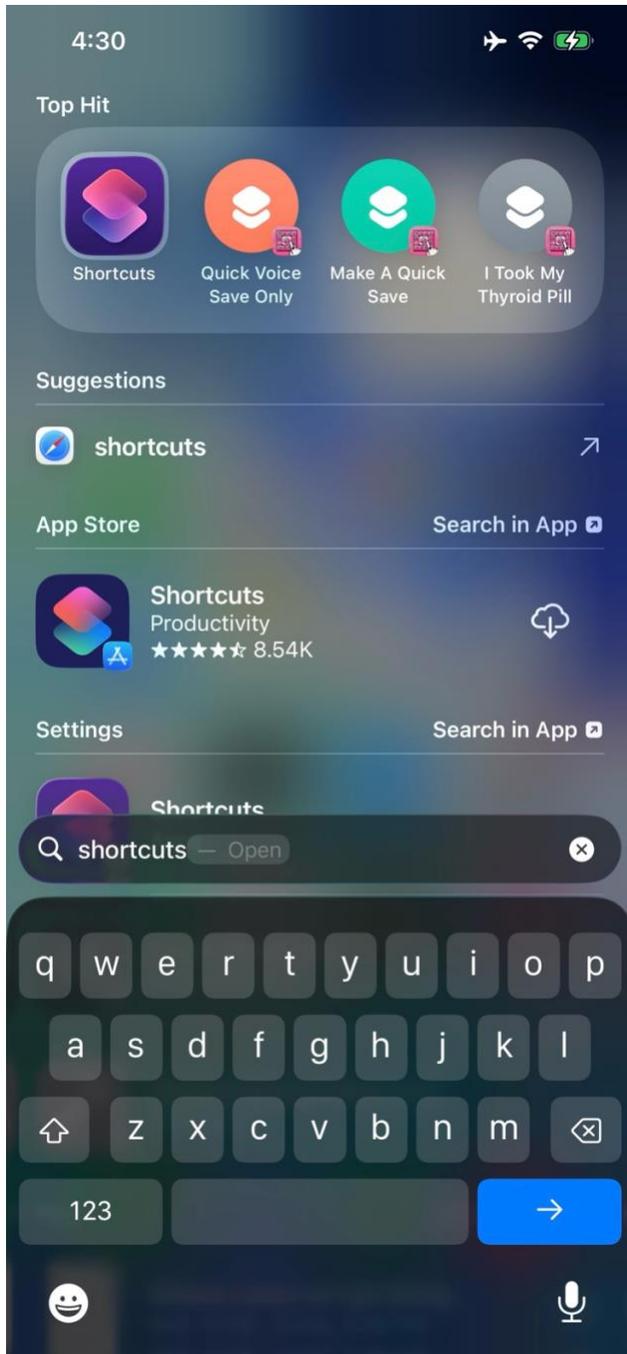
Another instance was where a user was trying to use the "Quick Voice Save" but, with that person's iPhone and Siri, it just did not want to understand that phrase, "Quick Voice Save", as the MasterTracker Quick Voice Save call. So, we set it to "Make a quick save" and it worked fine.

Here are the steps to make the QuickVoiceSave use a phrase other than "Quick Voice Save".

1. Go to shortcuts
2. Make new
3. Search QuickVoiceSave
4. Pick it
5. Tap Title and choose "Ask Each Time"
6. Tap the right pointing arrow to get to the "Detail"
7. Then on the Details line, right side tap and "Pick Ask Each Time" below
8. Then on the top, where is shows the name "Quick Voice Save", tap the small down arrow just to the right, this will bring up a menu to allow you to rename it.
9. Enter in a different phrase like "Make a new entry", or whatever works for you, and tap the Tap the checkmark or OK, done.
10. Then test it by calling Siri, then your new phrase (in this case, "Make a new entry")
11. If it does not work as expected, try a different phrase.

Here are the instructions with screenshots (Remember, your screens may look a bit different depending on iOS version, phone size, MasterTracker Version, etc.)
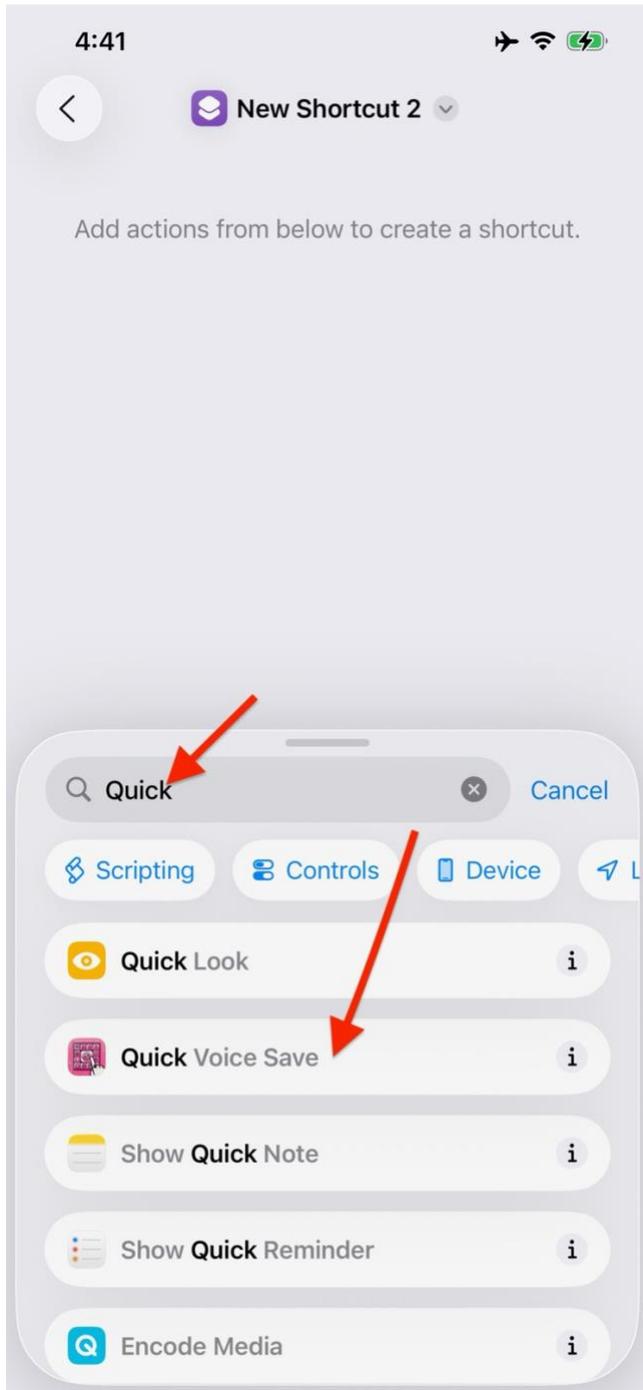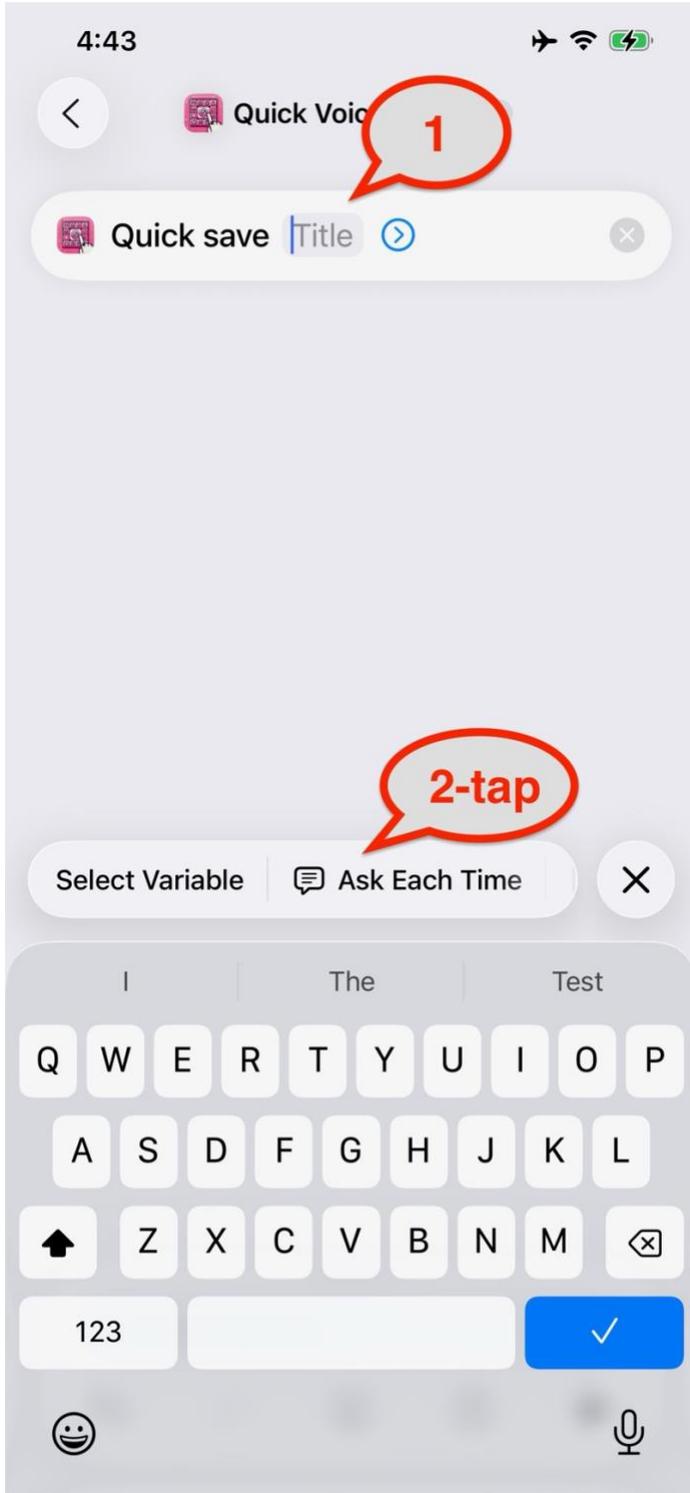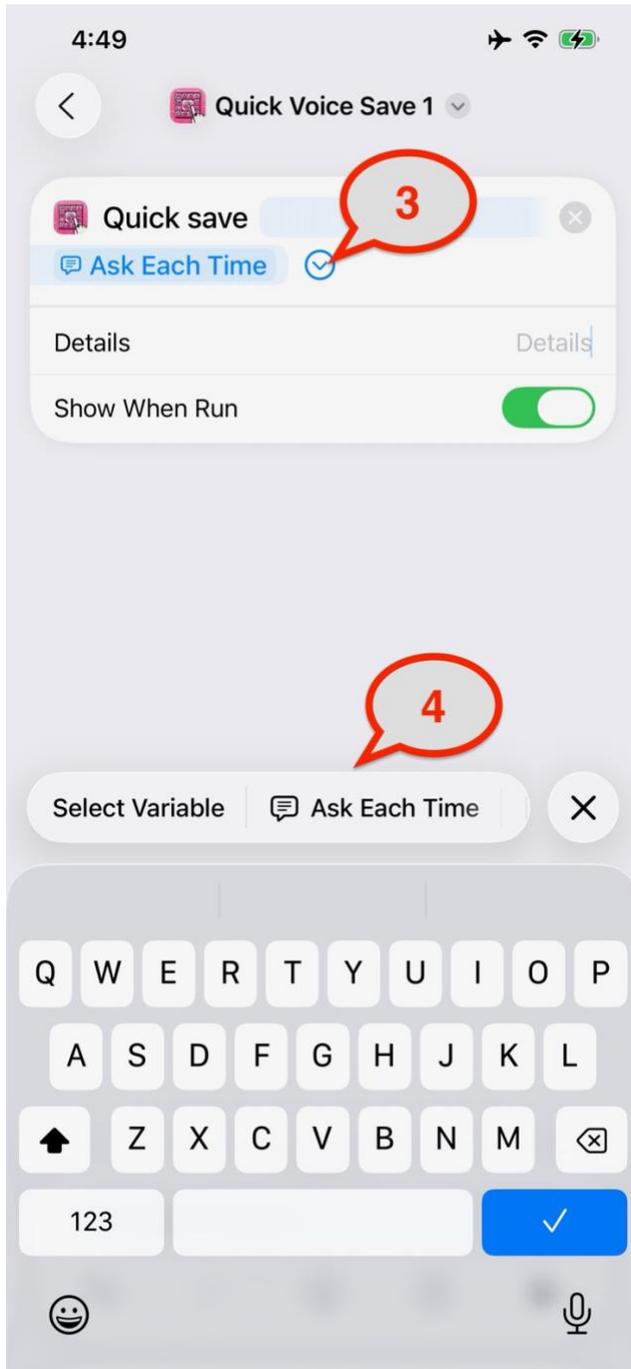
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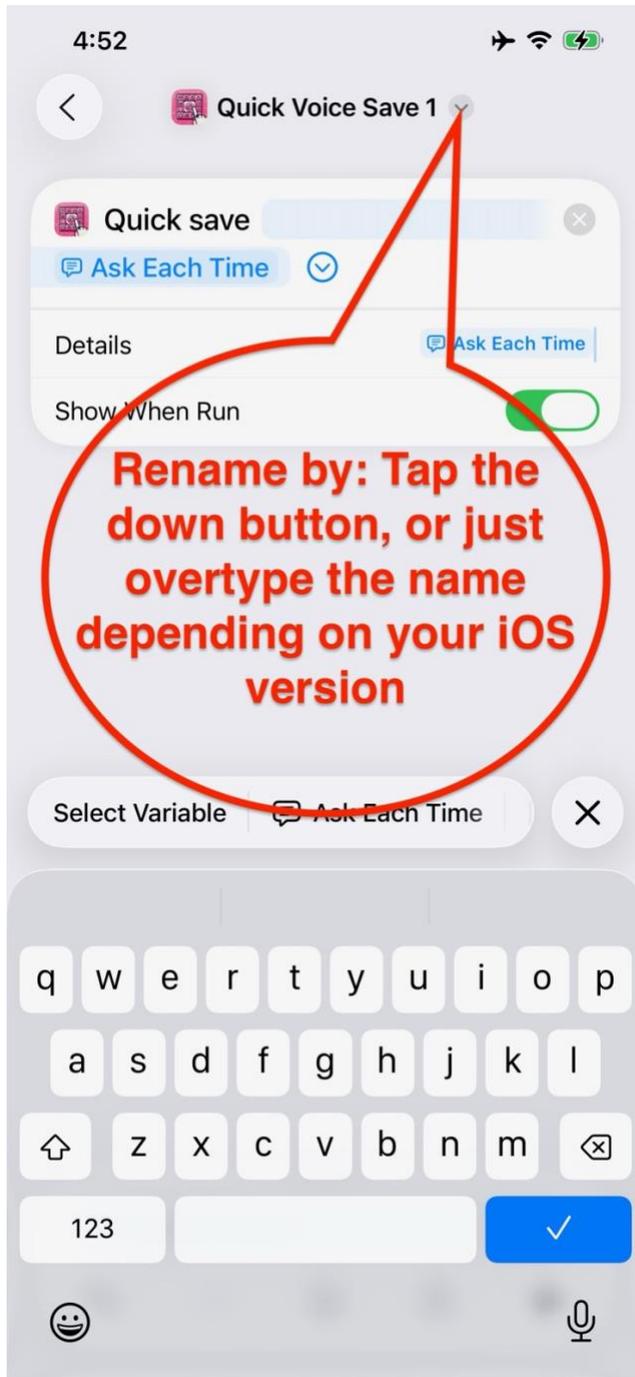
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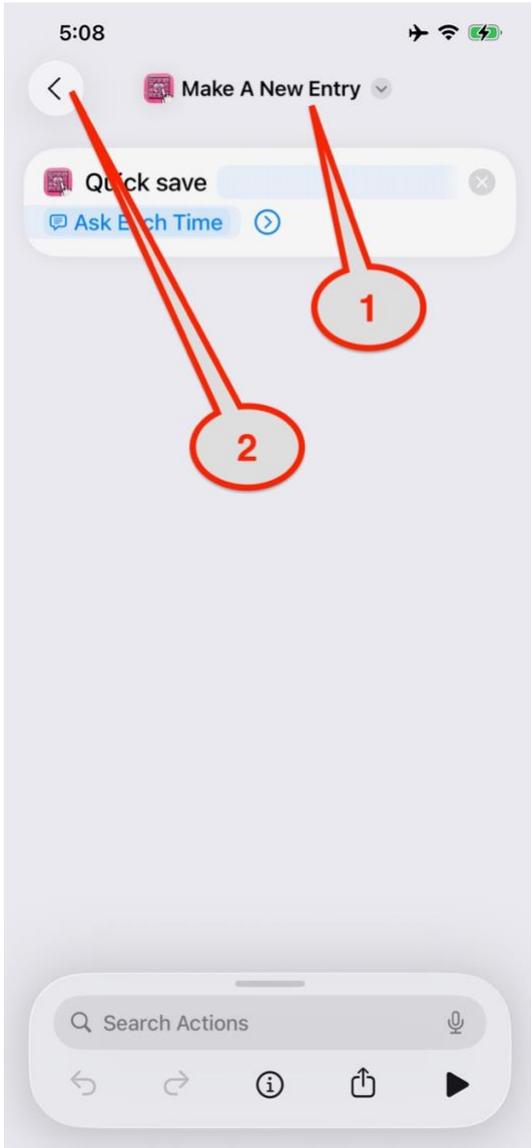7. Then on the Details line, right side tap and "Pick Ask Each Time" below

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10. Enter in a different phrase and tap the Tap the checkmark or OK, done.

11. Then test it by calling Siri, then your new phrase (in this case, Make a Quick Save")

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Some variations.

If you want a version that does not ask for a detail, then make another new shorcut, using Quick Voice Save, give it a different name, then when you get to the details part, just leave it blank. Save with the new unique name and test it.

To make a "Make a copy of an existing entry, but give it today's date and time and location" AKA "Clone"

The Clone feature is best used for an entry that you do often, like once or more every day or two.

Here's how to use this Entry's ID with the Shortcuts app and Siri:
FIRST, Edit the Entry that you would like to set up as a **Copy by voice command**.
This is usually a Title that you do often, and may not always be convenient to type it in, examples might be "took XYZ Pill", or "Reached my Target Goal For Exercise Today", etc.
(Remember to not delete this Entry, otherwise the Siri command to Copy will not work, (Because there would be Nothing to Copy).

1) Tap **Copy ID & Open Shortcuts"** on the Edit screen. It is **at the bottom** of the Edit Screen!!
2) The ID for this Entry is copied to your clipboard and Shortcuts opens to a brand-new shortcut.
3) In Shortcuts, tap **"Add Action/Search Actions"** → **"Apps"** → **"MasterTracker"** → **"Clone Item with ID"**.
4) In the ight blue **"Item ID" field** of the Clone Item action, **tap, then hold then and *Paste* the ID** from the clipboard.
5) At the top of this screen, tap the tiny down arrow next to the current name, maybe like, "New Shortcut..." then pick *Rename*, then type in a ***clear, unique*** name, like "MasterTracker, I finished my morning exercise". Then Tap the Check Mark to save the new name, then Tap the "Back" Left arrow at the top to complete creation.

Siri can usually run it just by that name. Try saying "Hey Siri, MasterTracker, I finished my morning exercise". If needed, open the shortcut's settings (ⓘ) and make sure it is allowed to be used with Siri / in Suggestions.

6) Now you can say your phrase to Siri to run the shortcut, which will add a new Entry in MasterTracker with the same information from the Entry that you Copied, But with date and location as here and now.

7) **TEST IT!!! IF Siri does not understand** the name you gave your shortcut, **try changing it** in various ways to get Siri to recognize it.

Tip: You can create multiple shortcuts, each using a **different** Entry ID, AND a **different Siri Phrase!**, to quickly Copy different favorites with Siri.

If you think you might forget where these shortcuts live, look for the Help topic **"Find Your MasterTracker Shortcuts Later"** (Link Below).