

	HP TouchPad	Apple iPad 2
Hardware		
Weight		Lighter
Form factor	Both seem to be comfortable to handle	
Display	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is less bright • screen layers (display, digitizer, cover glass) aren't fused, makes it more reflective 	
Cameras	No rear camera	
Charging	Wireless (extra 70\$) or wired	Wired only, but faster
Docking	Landscape or portrait	Portrait only
Battery life	about 7 hrs on average	10 hrs
Audio	Stereo, high quality speakers	Mono
Accessories	Touchstone for docking, charging, Exhibition mode	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smart covers • variety of 3rd party cases and accessories • variety of AirPlay enabled audio systems
Multitasking		
View of currently running apps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a row of "cards", 3 visible at a time (real-time preview of apps) • stacks of "cards" (much more cards fit the screen) • navigation between stand-alone cards or stacks by scrolling (swiping left / right) • the order of cards is manual, in general 	Multitasking bar: a row of icons on the bottom, 7 in landscape mode, 6 in portrait <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • more recently used goes first • navigation between cards by scrolling (swiping left / right)
Showing currently running apps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the "swipe up" gesture • single-click on the home button 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • double-click on the home button • swipe up to reveal the multitasking bar
Preview of the state of apps	Real-time in cards	None (you must open an app to see its state)
Quitting app(s)	swipe any card to quit the app	press on an icon in the list of currently running apps and hold until you see the red circled minus button, tapping on it quits the app
Hidden (background) apps	There's no background apps, all apps are either visible in cards or not launched at all	In general all apps are hidden until you launch (reopen) one of them. All launched apps can be considered as background apps, since every app has just two views: its icon or an opened app itself
Multi-window apps	Yes. Browser, e-mail composing, pdf-reader, Wordpress etc.	No
System		
Notifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-intrusive • feed of notifications on the top, incl. quick controls of some apps (Music app, for example) • Locked screen notifications 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • iOS 5 brings something similar: "Notification center" • red circled number over an app icon (unread emails count, app store updates etc.) • locked screen notifications with ability to go straight to the respective app
Gestures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swipe up to exit fullscreen app view • swipe left/right to navigate through your running apps (cards) • swipe card out of screen to quit an app 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • iOS 5: using four or five fingers, swipe up to reveal the multitasking bar • pinch to return to the Home screen • swipe left or right to switch between apps
Settings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • System setting are represented in several apps (Screen & Lock, Accounts, Wi-Fi, Date & Time etc.) • in-app settings from the drop-down menu on the top 	System and apps' settings are united in one app
Keyboard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Row of numbers • symbol variations by tapping and holding a respective key • 4 different sizes of an entire keyboard (XS, S, M, L) • Tab key 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Symbol variations by tapping and holding a respective key • "Split Keyboard" (iOS 5)
Languages (interface, keyboard)	?	All major languages
Cursor / Select / Copy / Paste	Basic	"magnifying glass" for easy cursor positioning
Wireless backup	Memos, SMS / MMS, apps, settings (?)	iCloud (automatically, when your iPad is idle): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchased music, apps, and books • Photos and video in the Camera Roll • Device settings • App data • Home screen and app organization
Wireless syncing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HP Play for music • HP webos profile for apps • all other content is being synced with respective services (google for mail, calendar, contacts; flickr, facebook for photos; kindle for books and others) 	iOS 5 introduces the iCloud for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • contacts, mail, calendar, iTunes content, photos, documents, apps, books • support for content in 3rd party apps! • other services supported (3rd party email services in Mail app; 3rd party calendars in Calendar app; 3r party apps)
Cloud storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BOX.NET lifetime 50 GB! (although it's not clear, how exactly you can benefit from this service on your TouchPad, since no integration with webOS has been announced, except stand-alone app, showing your files) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • iCloud 5 GB for your mail (@me.com), documents, Camera Roll, account information, settings, and other app data (including 3rd party apps).
Performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Somewhat choppy and buggy so far • rebooting and hanging issues • long boot time 	Very smooth and reliable
Updates	Over the air	Over the Air (iOS 5)
Quick access settings	Drop-down menu on top: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Display brightness • Wi-Fi, VPN, Bluetooth • Airplane mode • Rotation lock • Mute sound Quick controls of some apps on the top (inside notification feed), like Music app	Multitasking bar: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volume control • Display brightness • iPod controls (incl. AirPlay toggle)
Tweeking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homebrew community brings some cool patches, which can be installed without any "rooting" • Doesn't conflict with OTA updates in most cases (?) • Indirectly supported by HP, doesn't void your warranty 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jailbreaking gives you a lot of extra functionality • Voids your warranty • Every iOS update required you to jailbreak all over again (in case JB tools for most recent update even exist)
Integration	Synergy: various services are built-in for using them system-wise, you just need to sign-in on ones in system preferences. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contacts come from Google, Facebook, LinkedIn and others • Mails come from Google, Yahoo, AOL, Microsoft Exchange and others • Messaging: gtalk, skype, ICQ, AOL, Yahoo... • Calendars from Google, Yahoo, Facebook and others • Photos come form Flickr, Facebook, Photobucket, Snapfish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contacts come from Address Book app on your mac (?) • Mails come from Apple, Google, Yahoo, AOL, Microsoft Exchange and others • Calendars from Apple, Google, Yahoo (?) • Photos come form your camera, iPhotos • Deep Twitter integration for system-wise usage (iOS 5)
Searching	Just Type... is searching the content system-wise (like mails, contacts, music, apps...), allowing "Quick Actions" like posting on Facebook, adding a memo or writing a message, searching a location, wikipedia article or whatever, using your custom search engine	Quite straightforward searching of content within your system, like mails, contacts, music etc.

Games	Selection and performance are not that good	Perfect mobile gaming <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • huge selection of titles • Game Center • great performance
Web Flash	Yes.	No.
Tabs	No. A new card in stack of Browser app's cards can be considered as a "tab", but still requires more than 1 tap to select a needed page	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quite big selection of web-browsers in the App Store with a bunch of cool features, like unlimited tabs, search in page, privat browsing, sharing, bookmark importing/syncing etc • Safari in iOS 5 promising to be very nice, with "Reading list", which syncs across all of your Safari browsers.
Messaging	Built-in support for skype, gtalk and others. One app for all (except facebook, for now).	There's definitely an app for every major messaging service out there <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • iMessage (iOS 5)
Media		
Music	Music app, manually copy files over USB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HP Play Beta for wireless syncing. 	iPod app, iTunes wireless (iOS 5) syncing with all the playlists <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • iCloud support is coming
Video	Photos & Videos app, manually copy files over USB (?)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • iTunes content, converted videos (Video app) • Air Video app (2.99\$) to stream almost any video from your desktop wirelessly
Photos	Photos & Videos app, manually copy files over USB (?) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • syncing your pictures from variety of services, like Facebook (built-in comments support) or Flickr • HP wireless printers support. 	Photos app: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cool and very smooth interface, basic editing (red eyes, cropping, rotation...) • Places • Faces • cool slideshows • AirPlay support (Apple TV required) • AirPrint (HP wireless printers support) • import photos directly from a camera or SC card (requires camera connection kit)
Streaming	None (for now)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd party apps • AirPlay: Apple TV for photos, videos, mirroring (iOS 5), music, [shitty] AirPort Express or AirPlay enabled devices for music • AirPlay support in 3rd party apps
Other features		
Video conferencing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • built-in skype support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FaceTime (between iOS users) • Skype app • Fring and others, I believe
Phone calls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • with paired webOS phone 	No
SMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • with paired webOS phone (HP Veer, HP Pre 3) 	No
Apps	Kind of limited selection	There's an app for almost everything
Censorship	The flash-enabled web-browser gives you access for any content in the web	The App Store is strongly censored, web-browsers aren't able to show all the content
Accessibility	?	Built in
	—	Find My iPad
	Pivot Magazine	There must be a lot of blogs / magazines covering that matter
	Different screens with titles, but it's not the same	Folders to organize your apps
	Touch-to-Share feature	Partially this kind of functionality is realized or can be realized by other cloud-based services (like web-page sharing via Reading list in Safari with iCloud, Opera bookmark sync)
	Home button with LED, blinking, when you have notifications	—
	Exhibition mode	—
Native apps		Apple-made apps, like iWork suit (iCloud support), iMovie, GarageBand, Remote, Find My iPhone
	Facebook	—
	—	Photo Booth
	—	Newsstand (iOS 5)
	Kindle	iBooks
	—	Reminders (iOS 5)
	—	Camera
	—	FaceTime
	Music	iPod
	—	YouTube
	—	iTunes
	Maps (Bing)	Maps (Google)
	Memos	Notes
	Contacts	Contacts
	Email	Mail
	Calendar	Calendar
	—	Game Center
	App Catalog	App Store
	Photos & Videos	Photos
	—	Videos
	Web	Safari
	Messaging	iMessage (iOS 5)
	Phone & Video Calls	—
	Quick Office	—
	Adobe Reader	—