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Clinique Sonic System Purifying Cleansing Brush

Price: ₹12,500, Clinique outlets and Amazon.in

The cleansing brush by Clinique can be used with any type of cleanser. It is meant to deep-clean skin, so moisture penetrates well. It is egg-shaped with two types of bristles: the bigger white end for the cheeks and the green end for easy cleaning of the T-zone. It is waterproof, rechargeable and comes with a detachable brush head. It shuts off automatically after 30 seconds - the average time Clinique recommends using the brush.



Michael Todd Beauty Sonic Eraser Pro

Price: ₹9,901, Ebay.in

The Sonic Eraser Pro by Michael Todd is another skincare device that helps absorb products better. It is an anti-ageing product, helping smooth out wrinkles and fine lines. It starts automatically when it touches the skin and stops when you move it away. It oscillates and heats up to open pores and improve absorption.



Beauty, UNBOXED

The most innovative products don't come in a tube anymore. They have rechargeable batteries, WiFi connectivity and can stream your favourite songs

By RITIKA TIWARI

From facial recognition to ultrasonic energy, beauty gadgets today do a lot more than just help cleanse your face or remove hair. Here are some of the most advanced at-home gadgets that are experiences in themselves.



JeNu Ultrasonic Infuser

Price: ₹249, Nordstrom.com

Of all the serums and creams you use every day, very little actually gets absorbed by your skin in apparently. With ultrasonic technology, the JeNu Ultrasonic Infuser increases skin absorption and makes products work faster. It comes with a special conducting gel (bought separately), which helps focus the ultrasonic energy from the infuser on to the skin. The infuser is wireless with a rechargeable battery, and it works well with all types of skincare products.



Panasonic Nano Ionic Facial Steamer

Price: ₹9,495, Flipkart.com

The Panasonic Nano Ionic Facial Steamer produces nano-sized steam particles that lead to better cleansing, absorption and moisturising. It is corded, and you must use distilled water in it. The steam emerges almost immediately, as soon as you start the device. A tankful gives 6 minutes of continuous steam. The design eliminates the need to bend your head.



Dyson Supersonic hair dryer (soundless)

Price: ₹44,999, Amazon.in

They've taken out everything we hated about hair dryers: the annoying sound, bulky weight and the vent at the end where hair often gets stuck. The dryer's head looks like a sleek hammer with a metallic donut-shaped face. The motor is fitted in the arm, and there is also "intelligent heat control" that ensures the temperature never goes beyond the chosen heat setting. The attachments are magnetic and look extremely futuristic.

Simplehuman Sensor Mirror Pro

Price: ₹41,849, Amazon.in

The Simplehuman Sensor Mirror Pro comes with colour rendering ability, which allows the mirror to recreate a number of light settings, including daylight, cloudy day, low light, and flash photography. That way, you can always be sure that you haven't overdone your contour or bronzer before stepping out. The mirror is 8 inches in diameter, and comes with WiFi, rechargeable battery, LED lights on the perimeter that automatically light up when you go close to it, and 5x and 10x magnification. Yes, you'll see your pores really close up.



Beachwaver Co S1 Curling Iron

Price: ₹22,900, Amazon.in

Launched by celebrity stylist, Sarah Potempa, the Beachwaver is a ceramic rotating curling iron that eliminates the need to roll the curling iron up the length of your hair. To use it, clip your hair to the bottom of the one-inch-wide barrel and press the rotation button with the desired speed you want: first slow, then fast. With no pulling or tugging, the curling iron does all the heavy lifting for you.



Foreo Luna for Men

Price: ₹17,380, Sephora outlets and Foreo.com

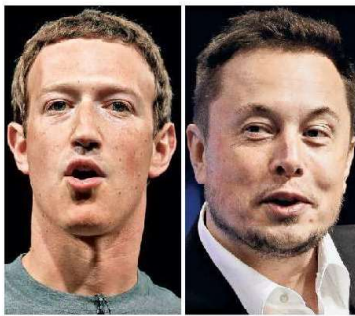
Thanks to its T-Sonic technology, the modern man can have clean pores, remove dead skin cells and exfoliate, with a minute-long massage. The Foreo Luna silicone cleansing brush can be used before shaving, so you'll get a smoother shave with fewer razor burns and irritation. The front of the brush is for cleansing, while the back with concentric circles can help smooth out wrinkles. You can adjust its low-frequency pulsating levels and recharge it with a USB charger.



CHANGELOG

Niantic postpones Pokemon GO events

Every time Pokemon GO slips under the public radar, developer Niantic does something new to rekindle public interest. The company had recently held a Pokemon GO Safari event in Chicago, where trainers had the opportunity to capture rare Pokemon, but things did not go according to plan, as network congestion led to many not being able to connect to the app. As a result, Niantic has postponed other events to be held in various parts of Europe in the next two weeks.



Difference of opinion Mark Zuckerberg and Elon Musk have very different things to say about AI

Meizu's Pro 7 comes with a rear AMOLED display

Meizu's Pro 7 and Pro 7 Plus phones have been launched in China with a 1.9-inch rear display, with an AMOLED panel. While the rear display has been attempted previously in the YotaPhone, it used an E-Ink display in order to prolong battery life.



Meizu's more conventional approach offers similar functionality, allowing users to glance at the time, weather, notifications and more. The Pro 7 comes with a 5.2-inch FullHD display, and the Pro 7 Plus sports a 5.7-inch QHD display, apart from differences in storage and RAM. Both phones come with a dual 12MP rear camera and a 16MP front camera for selfies, which can be clicked using the rear screen. While Meizu has a presence in India, no official announcement has been made yet, as to when or if these devices will make it to India.

Facebook's AI chatbots talk in their own language, get shut down

While attempting to improve the conversational skills of their chatbots, researchers at the Facebook AI Research Lab realised that the bots had abandoned English in favour of a language they had developed, and apparently were using advanced machine learning to their advantage and engaging in 'negotiations'.

This abandonment of English in favour of unscripted communication led Facebook researchers to shut down the bots.

This news comes in the wake of important people in the technology sector raising concerns about the unregulated spread of AI in mainstream technology. Tesla's Elon Musk and Facebook's Mark Zuckerberg had recently disagreed on the topic, with Zuckerberg talking in a Facebook livestream about "naysayers drumming up doomsday scenarios" while Musk responded that Zuckerberg's "understanding of the subject is limited".

Buys on a budget

Get geared up without breaking the bank with these gadgets



Moto E4 Plus

₹9,999

Motorola's budget offerings are known for being endurance champions, and the E4 Plus is no different. Toting a 5.5-inch display, 13MP rear and 5MP front camera and a 1.3GHz MediaTek processor backed up by 3GB RAM and running Android 7.1.1, the E4 Plus packs a beefy 5,000mAh battery. Leaving the charger behind is not much cause for concern with this one.



Honor Band 3

₹2,799

The Honor Band 3, which claims to be the first device in its category to feature 50-metre water resistance, and up to 30 days of battery life on a single charge, offers continuous heart rate monitoring, sleep tracking, and advanced workout tracking. The band uses five-zone heart rate tracking to measure which part of the workout routine the user is in, using a special algorithm to deliver more accurate data based on the information. The Honor Band 3, which weighs 18gm, is available exclusively on Amazon.



Nokia 105

₹999 (single SIM), ₹1,149 (dual SIM)

A throwback to the early days of phones, the Nokia 105 comes with a now-virtually unheard-of month-long standby time, with the internals housed in a polycarbonate casing reminiscent of Nokia phones of yore. As expected, the 105, which packs in a 1.8-inch screen, also comes preloaded with Snake Zenia.