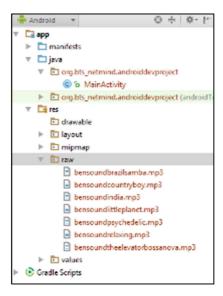


## ANDROID DEVELOPMENT ASSIGNMENT

# **Exercise proposal**

Create an Android application which allows the user playing a certain set of audio files provided in the resources' *raw* folder.



The developer will have to use the MediaPlayer API for this purpose. Follows a snippet about a straightforward usage of the MediaPlayer class.

```
private MediaPlayer mPlayer;

@Override
protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState)
{
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
    setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);

    this.mPlayer = MediaPlayer.create(this, R.raw.bensoundbrazilsamba);
    this.mPlayer.start();
}
[...]
```

For more information about the MediaPlayer API, check the official documentation at <a href="http://developer.android.com/quide/topics/media/mediaplayer.html">http://developer.android.com/quide/topics/media/mediaplayer.html</a>.

The developer has to provide a set of buttons to manipulate the player. For instance, two different <code>Button</code> objects to start/resume and stop the reproduction. Furthermore, all songs have to be selectable, for example, adding another <code>Button</code> to swap to another track.



In the host <code>Activity</code>, it is convenient to override the <code>onDestroy()</code> method in order to stop the payer in case the application is going to finish. Bear in mind that a screen orientation change also calls <code>onDestroy()</code>, but the track should not be stopped then (use an if clause to check the return value of the <code>isFinishing()</code> method).

The app has to include a notification on the status bar when any song is playing, including the default app launcher icon (included in the resources' *mipmap* folder), the title of the song in course and a brief description about it.

Follows a table with some information about the music tracks involved:

Song title	Duration	Country	Comments
bensoundbrazilsamba.mp3	04:00	Brazil	Samba is a Brazilian musical genre and dance style, with its roots in Africa via the West African slave trade and African religious traditions, particularly of Angola
bensoundcountryboy.mp3	03:27	USA	Country music is a genre of American popular music that originated in the Southern United States in the 1920s
bensoundindia.mp3	04:13	India	The music of India includes multiple varieties of folk music, pop, and Indian classical music. India's classical music tradition, including Hindustani music and Carnatic, has a history spanning millennia and developed over several eras
bensoundlittleplanet.mp3	06:36	Iceland	The music of Iceland includes vibrant folk and pop traditions. Well-known artists from Iceland include medieval music group Voces Thules, alternative rock band The Sugarcubes, singers Björk and Emiliana Torrini, postrock band Sigur Rós and indie folk/indie



			pop band Of Monsters and Men
bensoundpsychedelic.mp3	03:56	South Korea	The Music of South Korea has evolved over the course of the decades since the end of the Korean War, and has its roots in the music of the Korean people, who have inhabited the Korean peninsula for over a millennium.  Contemporary South Korean music can be divided into three different main categories: Traditional Korean folk music, popular music, or K-pop, and Westerninfluenced non-popular music
bensoundrelaxing.mp3	04:48	Indonesia	The music of Indonesia demonstrates its cultural diversity, the local musical creativity, as well as subsequent foreign musical influences that shaped contemporary music scenes of Indonesia. Nearly thousands of Indonesian islands having its own cultural and artistic history and character
bensoundtheelevatorbossanova.mp3	04:14	Brazil	Samba is a Brazilian musical genre and dance style, with its roots in Africa via the West African slave trade and African religious traditions, particularly of Angola

According to the official documentation it is a best practice to run the MediaPlayer instance in a background thread, such as a Service executed within a Thread object, for instance.



The minimum SDK has to be set up to API 11 (Android 3.0 Honeycomb).

# **Program performance**

### **Minimum-requirements**

The app has to allow the user to play any of the songs provided, including a notification which has to be visible during the reproduction. If the notification is clicked, a new Activity or Dialog has to be started showing the information provided in the *Comments* column. The application must include the launcher icon provided in the assignment data package.

It is strongly recommended to **include at least one** of the "Extra tasks" mentioned below.

In order to get extra marks, the developer can choose to implement one or several of the following extra tasks.

#### Extra task 1

Utilise a ListView or similar to show a list of the available songs. When an item is clicked, the corresponding song has to be played (for more information about ListView objects, check the link from the official documentation

http://developer.android.com/quide/topics/ui/layout/listview.html).

#### Extra task 2

Make use of any type of menu available in the Android platform (standard options menu, ActionBar, Context Menu, Toolbar, etc.) implementing any functionality which may be appropriate for the app. For instance, a context menu when long clicking an item in the list (if task 1 has been addressed before) showing some information about the audio track.

#### Extra task 3

Include a background thread (such as an AsyncTask or a bound Service within a Thread object) where the MediaPlayer performs.

#### Extra task 4

Include the table data into a database to be accessed from the app. It is also convenient to implement a ContentProvider to make the data shareable with any other app with appropriate permissions.

### Extra task 5

Add a *Google Map Activity* which includes markers on the locations indicated on the above list relating to each song. When a marker is clicked, an info window pops up showing the information provided in the *Comments* column. If this latter window is also clicked, the associated song is played. The Google Map Activity has to be



accessed either by pressing a Button or implementing any navigation feature (such as a navigation drawer, configuring the Toolbar/ActionBar, etc.).

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