

**Welcome to Backendless!** In this document you will find the instructions for getting up and running with Backendless quickly. The SDK you downloaded contains a library with the APIs, which provide access to the Backendless services. These services enable the server-side functionality for developing and running mobile and desktop applications. Follow the steps below to get started with Backendless:

1. **Create Developer Account.** An account is required in order to create and manage your Backendless application. Registration form is available at:  
<http://backendless.com/create-app>
2. **Login.** Login to your account using Backendless Console at:  
<http://backendless.com/develop>
3. **Locate Application ID and Secret Key.** The console is where you can manage the applications, their configuration settings and data. Before you start using any of the APIs, make sure to select an application in the console and open the “Manage” section. The “App Settings” screen contains the application ID and secret API keys, which you will need to use in your code.
4. **Open Backendless Examples.** The SDK includes several examples demonstrating some of the Backendless functionality. The /examples folder contains a project file for IntelliJ idea and a workspace for Eclipse/Flash Builder. To open the examples with IDEA, double click /examples/BackendlessExamples.ipr. Flash Builder users can open a workspace with all the examples by navigating and selecting the /examples directory.
5. **Copy/Paste Application ID and Secret Key.** All examples reference the /examples/shared-lib/ project which contains the ActionScript code uniquely identifying your Backendless application.
  - Locate the following class:  
/examples/shared-lib/src/com/backendless/examples/flex/AppSetting.as
  - Copy/paste Application ID and ActionScript Secret Key from the Backendless Console into the following constants declared in the class:  

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private static const APP_ID:String = "";  
private static const SECRET_KEY:String = "";
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6. **Run Sample Apps.**

When you are ready to begin working on your Backendless Application, make sure your project references the /lib/backendless.swc included into the SDK distribution.

Below are a few links to help with the development:

Backendless Documentation (work in progress):

<http://backendless.com/product/documentation>

Support Home: <http://support.backendless.com>

Blog: <http://backendless.com/blog>

YouTube Channel: <http://youtube.com/backendless>

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We would love to hear from you. Please let us know about your experiences using Backendless. You can reach us through the support page at <http://support.backendless.com> or email: [support@backendless.com](mailto:support@backendless.com)

Thank you and endlessly happy coding!  
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