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Android Getting Started with Material Design

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You might have heard of android [Material Design](#) which was introduced in Android Lollipop version. In Material Design lot of new things were introduced like **Material Theme**, new **widgets**, **custom**

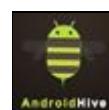
shadows, **vector drawables** and **custom animations**. If you haven't working on Material Design yet, this article will give you a good start.

In this tutorial we are going to learn the basic steps of Material Design development i.e writing the custom theme and implementing the navigation drawer using the [RecyclerView](#).

Go through the below links to get more knowledge over Material Design.

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1. Downloading Android Studio

Before going further, download the [Android Studio](#) and do the necessary setup as I am going to use Android Studio for all my tutorial from now on. If you are trying the Android Studio for the first time, go the [overview](#) doc to get complete overview of android studio.

2. Material Design Color Customization

Material Design provides set of properties to customize the Material

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Design Color theme. But we use five primary attributes to customize overall theme.

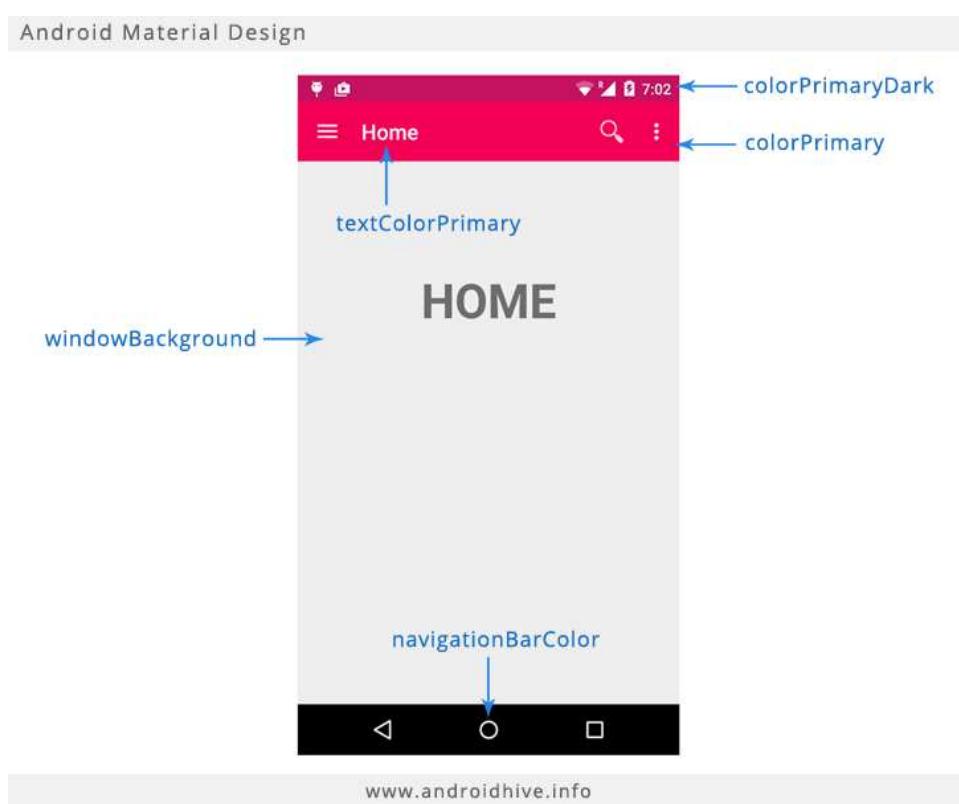
colorPrimaryDark - This is darkest primary color of the app mainly applies to notification bar background.

colorPrimary - This is the primary color of the app. This color will be applied as toolbar background.

textColorPrimary - This is the primary color of text. This applies to toolbar title.

windowBackground - This is the default background color of the app.

navigationBarColor - This color defines the background color of footer navigation bar.



You can go through this material design [color patterns](#) and choose the one that suits your app.

3. Creating Material Design Theme

1. In Android Studio, go to **File ⇒ New Project** and fill all the details

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required to create a new project. When it prompts to select a default activity, select **Blank Activity** and proceed.

2. Open **res ⇒ values ⇒ strings.xml** and add below string values.

```
strings.xml
<resources>
    <string name="app_name">Material Design</string>
    <string name="action_settings">Settings</string>
    <string name="action_search">Search</string>
    <string name="drawer_open">Open</string>
    <string name="drawer_close">Close</string>

    <string name="nav_item_home">Home</string>
    <string name="nav_item_friends">Friends</string>
    <string name="nav_item_notifications">Messages</string>

    <!-- navigation drawer item labels -->
    <string-array name="nav_drawer_labels">
        <item>@string/nav_item_home</item>
        <item>@string/nav_item_friends</item>
        <item>@string/nav_item_notifications</item>
    </string-array>

    <string name="title_messages">Messages</string>
    <string name="title_friends">Friends</string>
    <string name="title_home">Home</string>
</resources>
```

3. Open **res ⇒ values ⇒ colors.xml** and add the below color values.

If you don't find colors.xml, create a new resource file with the name.

```
colors.xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<resources>
    <color name="colorPrimary">#F50057</color>
    <color name="colorPrimaryDark">#C51162</color>
    <color name="textColorPrimary">#FFFFFF</color>
    <color name="windowBackground">#FFFFFF</color>
    <color name="navigationBarColor">#000000</color>
    <color name="colorAccent">#FF80AB</color>
</resources>
```

4. Open **res ⇒ values ⇒ dimens.xml** and add below dimensions.



```
dimens.xml
<resources>
    <!-- Default screen margins, per the Android Design Guidelines -->
    <dimen name="activity_horizontal_margin">16dp</dimen>
    <dimen name="activity_vertical_margin">16dp</dimen>
    <dimen name="nav_drawer_width">260dp</dimen>
</resources>
```

5. Open **styles.xml** under **res ⇒ values** and add below styles. The styles defined in this styles.xml are common to all the android versions. Here I am naming my theme as **MyMaterialTheme**.

```
styles.xml
<resources>
    <style name="MyMaterialTheme" parent="MyMaterialTheme.Base">
        <item name="windowNoTitle">true</item>
        <item name="windowActionBar">false</item>
        <item name="colorPrimary">@color/colorPrimary</item>
        <item name="colorPrimaryDark">@color/colorPrimaryDark</item>
        <item name="colorAccent">@color/colorAccent</item>
    </style>
    <style name="MyMaterialTheme.Base" parent="Theme.AppCompat.Light.NoActionBar">
        <item name="colorPrimary">#3F51B5</item>
        <item name="colorPrimaryDark">#3E272E</item>
        <item name="colorAccent">#FF9800</item>
    </style>
</resources>
```

6. Now under **res**, create a folder named **values-v21**. Inside values-v21, create another **styles.xml** with the below styles. These styles are specific to **Android Lollipop** only.

```
styles.xml
<resources>
    <style name="MyMaterialTheme" parent="MyMaterialTheme.Base">
        <item name="android:windowContentTransitions">true</item>
        <item name="android:windowAllowEnterTransitionFirstTimeOnly">false</item>
        <item name="android:windowAllowReturnTransitionFirstTimeOnly">false</item>
        <item name="android:windowSharedElementEnterTransition">@transition/move</item>
        <item name="android:windowSharedElementExitTransition">@transition/move</item>
    </style>
</resources>
```



7. Now we have the basic Material Design styles ready. In order to apply the theme, open **AndroidManifest.xml** and modify the **android:theme** attribute of **<application>** tag.

```
android:theme="@style/MyMaterialTheme"
```

So after applying the theme, your **AndroidManifest.xml** should look like below.

AndroidManifest.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/a
package="info.androidhive.materialdesign" >

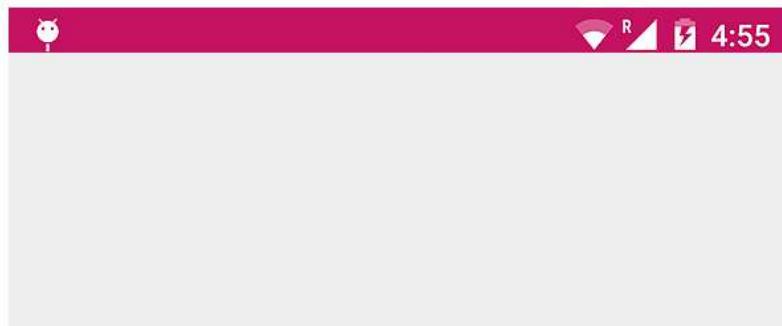
    <application
        android:allowBackup="true"
        android:icon="@mipmap/ic_launcher"
        android:label="@string/app_name"
        android:theme="@style/MyMaterialTheme" >
        <activity
            android:name=".activity.MainActivity"
            android:label="@string/app_name" >
            <intent-filter>
                <action android:name="android.intent.

                    <category android:name="android.inten
                </intent-filter>
            </activity>
        </application>

    </manifest>
```

Now if you run the app, you can see the notification bar color changed to the color that we have mentioned in our styles.

Android Material Design



3.1 Adding the Toolbar (Action Bar)

Adding the toolbar is very easy. All you have to do is, create a separate layout for the toolbar and include it in other layout wherever you want the toolbar to be displayed.

8. Create an xml file named **toolbar.xml** under **res ⇒ layout** and add **android.support.v7.widget.Toolbar** element. This create the toolbar with specific height and theming.

```
toolbar.xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<android.support.v7.widget.Toolbar xmlns:android="htt
    xmlns:local="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res-a
    android:id="@+id/toolbar"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:minHeight="?attr/actionBarSize"
    android:background="?attr/colorPrimary"
    local:theme="@style/ThemeOverlay.AppCompat.Dark.A
    local:popupTheme="@style/ThemeOverlay.AppCompat.L
```

9. Open the layout file of your main activity (**activity_main.xml**) and add the **toolbar** using **<include/>** tag.

```
activity_main.xml
<RelativeLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent"
    tools:context=".MainActivity">

    <LinearLayout
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_alignParentTop="true"
        android:orientation="vertical">

        <include
            android:id="@+id/toolbar"
            layout="@layout/toolbar" />
    </LinearLayout>

</RelativeLayout>
```



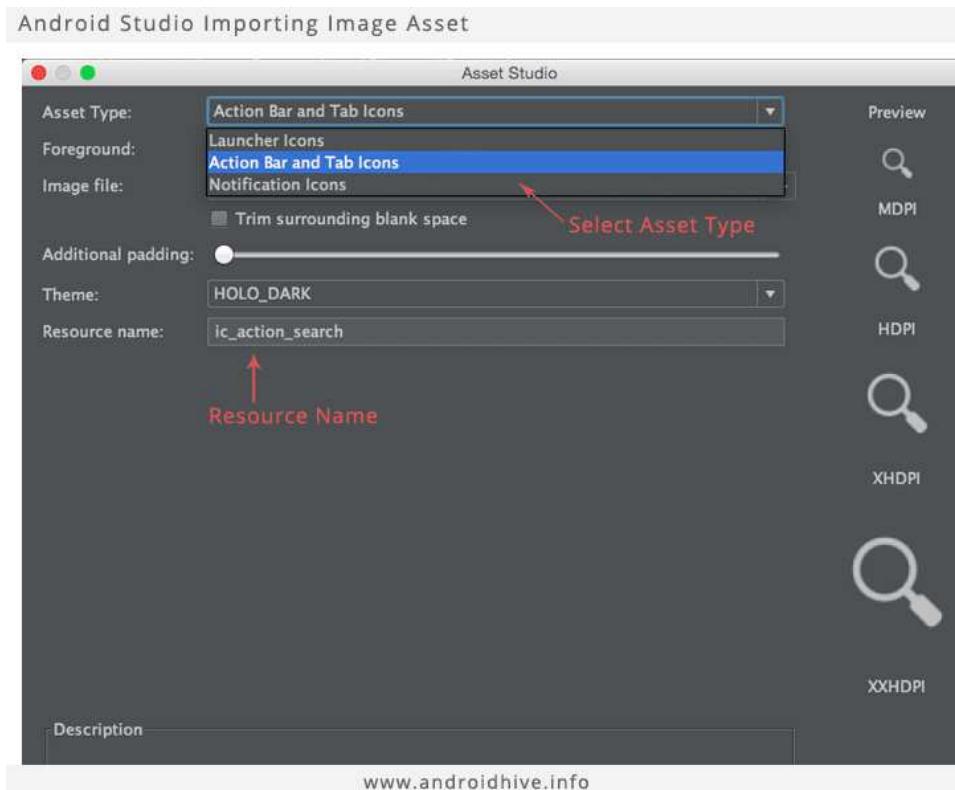
Run the app and see if the toolbar displayed on the screen or not.



Now let's try to add a toolbar title and enable the action items.

10. Download this [search](#) icon and import it into Android Studio as a Image Asset.

11. To import the Image Asset in Android Studio, right click on **res** ⇒ **New** ⇒ **Image Asset**. It will show you a popup window to import the resource. Browse the search icon that you have downloaded in the above step, select **Action Bar and Tab Icons** for Asset Type and give the resource name as **ic_search_action** and proceed.



12. Once the icon is imported, open **menu_main.xml** located under **res ⇒ menu** and add the search menu item as mentioned below.

```
menu_main.xml
<menu xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    xmlns:app="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res-auto"
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    tools:context=".MainActivity">

    <item
        android:id="@+id/action_search"
        android:title="@string/action_search"
        android:orderInCategory="100"
        android:icon="@drawable/ic_action_search"
        app:showAsAction="ifRoom" />

    <item
        android:id="@+id/action_settings"
        android:title="@string/action_settings"
        android:orderInCategory="100"
        app:showAsAction="never" />
</menu>
```

13. Now open your **MainActivity.java** and do the below changes.

- > Extend the activity from **AppCompatActivity**
- > Enable the toolbar by calling **setSupportActionBar()** by passing the toolbar object.
- > Override **onCreateOptionsMenu()** and **onOptionsItemSelected()** methods to enable toolbar action items.

```
MainActivity.java
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.support.v7.app.AppCompatActivity;
import android.support.v7.widget.Toolbar;
import android.view.Menu;
import android.view.MenuItem;

public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {

    private Toolbar mToolbar;

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



```
mToolbar = (Toolbar) findViewById(R.id.toolbar)
setSupportActionBar(mToolbar);
getSupportActionBar().setDisplayHomeAsUpEnabled(true);
}

@Override
public boolean onCreateOptionsMenu(Menu menu) {
    // Inflate the menu; this adds items to the action bar if it is available.
    getMenuInflater().inflate(R.menu.menu_main, menu);
    return true;
}

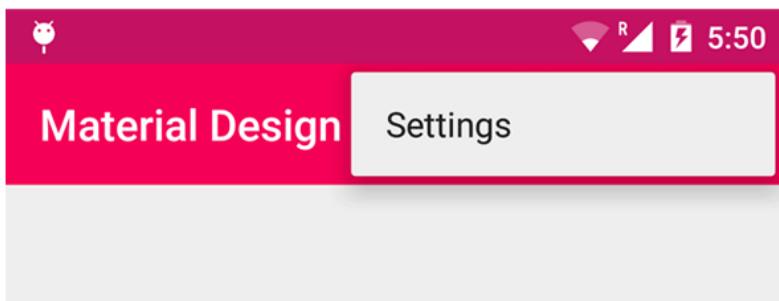
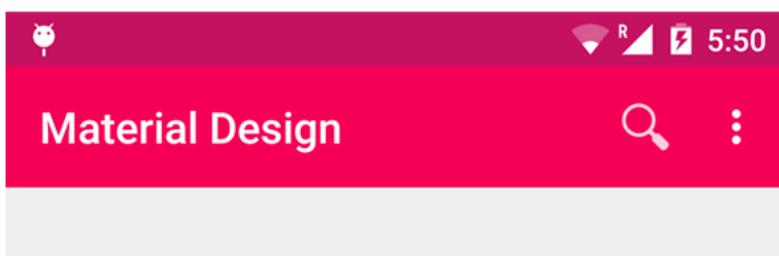
@Override
public boolean onOptionsItemSelected(MenuItem item) {
    // Handle action bar item clicks here. The action bar will
    // automatically handle clicks on the Home/Up button, so long
    // as you specify a parent activity in AndroidManifest.xml.
    int id = item.getItemId();

    //noinspection SimplifiableIfStatement
    if (id == R.id.action_settings) {
        return true;
    }

    return super.onOptionsItemSelected(item);
}
}
```

After doing the above changes, if you run the app, you should see the search icon and action overflow icon.

Android Material Design Toolbar Action Items



3.2 Adding Navigation Drawer

Adding navigation drawer is same as that we do before lollipop, but instead if using ListView for menu items, we use [RecyclerView](#) in material design. So let's see how to implement the navigation drawer with RecyclerView.

14. In your project's java folder, create three packages named **activity**, **adapter**, **model** and move your **MainActivity.java** to activity package. This will keep your project organized.

15. Open **build.gradle** located under your **app** module and add below dependencies. After adding the dependencies, goto **Build** ⇒ **Rebuild Project** to download required libraries.

```
build.gradle
dependencies {
    compile fileTree(dir: 'libs', include: ['*.jar'])
    compile 'com.android.support:appcompat-v7:22.2.0'
    compile 'com.android.support:recyclerview-v7:22.2
}
```

16. Under **model** package, create a class named **NavDrawerItem.java** with the below code. This model class is POJO class that defines each row in navigation drawer menu.

```
NavDrawerItem.java
package info.androidhive.materialdesign.model;

/**
 * Created by Ravi on 29/07/15.
 */
public class NavDrawerItem {
    private boolean showNotify;
    private String title;

    public NavDrawerItem() {

    }

    public NavDrawerItem(boolean showNotify, String t
        this.showNotify = showNotify;
```



```
    this.title = title;
}

public boolean isShowNotify() {
    return showNotify;
}

public void setShowNotify(boolean showNotify) {
    this.showNotify = showNotify;
}

public String getTitle() {
    return title;
}

public void setTitle(String title) {
    this.title = title;
}
}
```

17. Under **res ⇒ layout**, create an xml layout named **nav_drawer_row.xml** and add the below code. The layout renders each row in navigation drawer menu. If you want to customize the navigation drawer menu item, you have to do the changes in this file. For now it has only one TextView.

```
nav_drawer_row.xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<RelativeLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:clickable="true">

    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/title"
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:paddingLeft="30dp"
        android:paddingTop="10dp"
        android:paddingBottom="10dp"
        android:textSize="15dp"
        android:textStyle="bold" />

</RelativeLayout>
```

18. Download this profile [icon](#) and paste it in your drawable folder. This step is optional, but this icon used in the navigation drawer header part.



19. Create another xml layout named **fragment_navigation_drawer.xml** and add the below code. This layout renders the complete navigation drawer view. This layout contains a header section to display the user information and a RecyclerView to display the list view.

```
fragment_navigation_drawer.xml
<RelativeLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent"
    android:background="@android:color/white">

    <RelativeLayout
        android:id="@+id/nav_header_container"
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
        android:layout_height="140dp"
        android:layout_alignParentTop="true"
        android:background="@color/colorPrimary">

        <ImageView
            android:layout_width="70dp"
            android:layout_height="70dp"
            android:src="@drawable/ic_profile"
            android:scaleType="fitCenter"
            android:layout_centerInParent="true" />

    </RelativeLayout>

    <android.support.v7.widget.RecyclerView
        android:id="@+id/drawerList"
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_below="@+id/nav_header_container"
        android:layout_marginTop="15dp" />

</RelativeLayout>
```

20. As the RecyclerView is customized, we need an adapter class to render the custom xml layout. So under adapter package, create a class named **NavigationDrawerAdapter.java** and paste the below code. This adapter class inflates **nav_drawer_row.xml** and renders the **RecyclerView** drawer menu.



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```
import android.content.Context;
import android.support.v7.widget.RecyclerView;
import android.view.LayoutInflater;
import android.view.View;
import android.view.ViewGroup;
import android.widget.TextView;

import java.util.Collections;
import java.util.List;

/**
 * Created by Ravi Tamada on 12-03-2015.
 */
public class NavigationDrawerAdapter extends RecyclerView.Adapter<NavigationDrawerAdapter.MyViewHolder> {
    List<NavDrawerItem> data = Collections.emptyList();
    private LayoutInflater inflater;
    private Context context;

    public NavigationDrawerAdapter(Context context, List<NavDrawerItem> data) {
        this.context = context;
        inflater = LayoutInflater.from(context);
        this.data = data;
    }

    public void delete(int position) {
        data.remove(position);
        notifyDataSetChanged();
    }

    @Override
    public MyViewHolder onCreateViewHolder(ViewGroup parent, int viewType) {
        View view = inflater.inflate(R.layout.nav_drawer_item, parent, false);
        MyViewHolder holder = new MyViewHolder(view);
        return holder;
    }

    @Override
    public void onBindViewHolder(MyViewHolder holder, int position) {
        NavDrawerItem current = data.get(position);
        holder.title.setText(current.getTitle());
    }
}

class MyViewHolder extends RecyclerView.ViewHolder {
    TextView title;
    public MyViewHolder(View itemView) {
        super(itemView);
        title = (TextView) itemView.findViewById(R.id.nav_drawer_item_title);
    }
}
```



```
}

@Override
public int getItemCount() {
    return data.size();
}

class MyViewHolder extends RecyclerView.ViewHolder
    TextView title;

    public MyViewHolder(View itemView) {
        super(itemView);
        title = (TextView) itemView.findViewById(
    }
}
}
```

21. Under **activity** package, create a fragment named **FragmentDrawer.java**. In Android Studio, to create a new fragment, **Right click on activity** \Rightarrow **New** \Rightarrow **Fragment** \Rightarrow **Fragment (Blank)** and give your fragment class name.

FragmentDrawer.java

```
/**
 * Created by Ravi on 29/07/15.
 */

import android.content.Context;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.support.v4.app.Fragment;
import android.support.v4.widget.DrawerLayout;
import android.support.v7.app.ActionBarDrawerToggle;
import android.support.v7.widget.LinearLayoutManager;
import android.support.v7.widget.RecyclerView;
import android.support.v7.widget.Toolbar;
import android.view.GestureDetector;
import android.view.LayoutInflater;
import android.view.MotionEvent;
import android.view.View;
import android.view.ViewGroup;

import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.List;

import info.androidhive.materialdesign.R;
import info.androidhive.materialdesign.adapter.Naviga
import info.androidhive.materialdesign.model.NavDrawe

public class FragmentDrawer extends Fragment {

    private static String TAG = FragmentDrawer.class.
    ^
```

```
private RecyclerView recyclerView;
private ActionBarDrawerToggle mDrawerToggle;
private DrawerLayout mDrawerLayout;
private NavigationDrawerAdapter adapter;
private View containerView;
private static String[] titles = null;
private FragmentDrawerListener drawerListener;

public FragmentDrawer() {

}

public void setDrawerListener(FragmentDrawerListe
    this.drawerListener = listener;
}

public static List<NavDrawerItem> getData() {
    List<NavDrawerItem> data = new ArrayList<>();

    // preparing navigation drawer items
    for (int i = 0; i < titles.length; i++) {
        NavDrawerItem navItem = new NavDrawerItem
        navItem.setTitle(titles[i]);
        data.add(navItem);
    }
    return data;
}

@Override
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);

    // drawer labels
    titles = getActivity().getResources().getStri
}

@Override
public View onCreateView(LayoutInflater inflater,
                        Bundle savedInstanceState)
{
    // Inflating view layout
    View layout = inflater.inflate(R.layout.fragm
    recyclerView = (RecyclerView) layout.findViewById

    adapter = new NavigationDrawerAdapter(getActivity()
    recyclerView.setAdapter(adapter);
    recyclerView.setLayoutManager(new LinearLayou
    recyclerView.addOnItemTouchListener(new Recyc
        @Override
        public void onClick(View view, int positio
            drawerListener.onDrawerItemSelected(v
            mDrawerLayout.closeDrawer(containerVi
        }

        @Override
        public void onLongClick(View view, int pos
    }
}
```

^

```
        });

    return layout;
}

public void setUp(int fragmentId, DrawerLayout dr
    containerView = getActivity().findViewById(fr
    mDrawerLayout = drawerLayout;
    mDrawerToggle = new ActionBarDrawerToggle(get
        @Override
        public void onDrawerOpened(View drawerVie
            super.onDrawerOpened(drawerView);
            getActivity().invalidateOptionsMenu()
        }

        @Override
        public void onDrawerClosed(View drawerVie
            super.onDrawerClosed(drawerView);
            getActivity().invalidateOptionsMenu()
        }

        @Override
        public void onDrawerSlide(View drawerView
            super.onDrawerSlide(drawerView, slide
            toolbar.setAlpha(1 - slideOffset / 2)
        }
    );

    mDrawerLayout.setDrawerListener(mDrawerToggle
    mDrawerLayout.post(new Runnable() {
        @Override
        public void run() {
            mDrawerToggle.syncState();
        }
    });
}

public static interface ClickListener {
    public void onClick(View view, int position);

    public void onLongClick(View view, int positi
}

static class RecyclerTouchListener implements Rec

    private GestureDetector gestureDetector;
    private ClickListener clickListener;

    public RecyclerTouchListener(Context context,
        this.clickListener = clickListener;
        gestureDetector = new GestureDetector(con
            @Override
            public boolean onSingleTapUp(MotionEvent
                return true;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

^

```
    @Override
    public void onLongPress(MotionEvent e)
        View child = recyclerView.findChi
        if (child != null && clickListene
            clickListener.onLongClick(chi
        }
    }
);

@Override
public boolean onInterceptTouchEvent(Recycler

    View child = rv.findViewById(e.getX()
    if (child != null && clickListener != nul
        clickListener.onClick(child, rv.getCh
    }
    return false;
}

@Override
public void onTouchEvent(RecyclerView rv, Mot
}

@Override
public void onRequestDisallowInterceptTouchEv
}

}

public interface FragmentDrawerListener {
    public void onDrawerItemSelected(View view, i
}
}
```

22. Finally open main activity layout (**activity_main.xml**) and modify the layout as below. In this layout we are adding **android.support.v4.widget.DrawerLayout** to display the navigation drawer menu.

Also you have to give the correct path of your FragmentDrawer in **<fragment>** element.

```
activity_main.xml
<android.support.v4.widget.DrawerLayout xmlns:android
    xmlns:app="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res-aut
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:id="@+id/drawer_layout"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
```



```
    android:layout_height="match_parent">>

    <LinearLayout
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
        android:layout_height="match_parent"
        android:orientation="vertical">

        <LinearLayout
            android:id="@+id/container_toolbar"
            android:layout_width="match_parent"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:orientation="vertical">

            <include
                android:id="@+id/toolbar"
                layout="@layout/toolbar" />
        </LinearLayout>

        <FrameLayout
            android:id="@+id/container_body"
            android:layout_width="fill_parent"
            android:layout_height="0dp"
            android:layout_weight="1" />

    </LinearLayout>

    <fragment
        android:id="@+id/fragment_navigation_drawer"
        android:name="info.androidhive.materialdesign
        android:layout_width="@dimen/nav_drawer_width"
        android:layout_height="match_parent"
        android:layout_gravity="start"
        app:layout="@layout/fragment_navigation_drawer"
        tools:layout="@layout/fragment_navigation_dra

</android.support.v4.widget.DrawerLayout>
```

Now we have all the layout files and java classes ready in place. Let's do the necessary changes in **MainActivity** to make the navigation drawer functioning.

23. Open your **MainActivity.java** and do the below changes.

- > Implement the activity from **FragmentDrawer.FragmentDrawerListener** and add the **onDrawerItemSelected()** override method.
- > Create an instance of **FragmentDrawer** and set the drawer selected listeners.



MainActivity.java

```
import android.support.v4.widget.DrawerLayout;
import android.support.v7.app.AppCompatActivity;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.support.v7.widget.Toolbar;
import android.view.Menu;
import android.view.MenuItem;
import android.view.View;

public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {

    private Toolbar mToolbar;
    private FragmentDrawer drawerFragment;

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

        mToolbar = (Toolbar) findViewById(R.id.toolbar);
        setSupportActionBar(mToolbar);
        getSupportActionBar().setDisplayHomeAsUpEnabled(true);

        drawerFragment = (FragmentDrawer)
            getSupportFragmentManager().findFragmentById(R.id.fragment_navigation);
        drawerFragment.setUp(R.id.fragment_navigation,
            drawerFragment.setDrawerListener(this));
    }

    @Override
    public boolean onCreateOptionsMenu(Menu menu) {
        // Inflate the menu; this adds items to the action bar if it is present.
        getMenuInflater().inflate(R.menu.menu_main, menu);
        return true;
    }

    @Override
    public boolean onOptionsItemSelected(MenuItem item) {
        // Handle action bar item clicks here. The action bar will
        // automatically handle clicks on the Home/Up button, so long
        // as you specify a parent activity in AndroidManifest.xml.
        int id = item.getItemId();

        //noinspection SimplifiableIfStatement
        if (id == R.id.action_settings) {
            return true;
        }

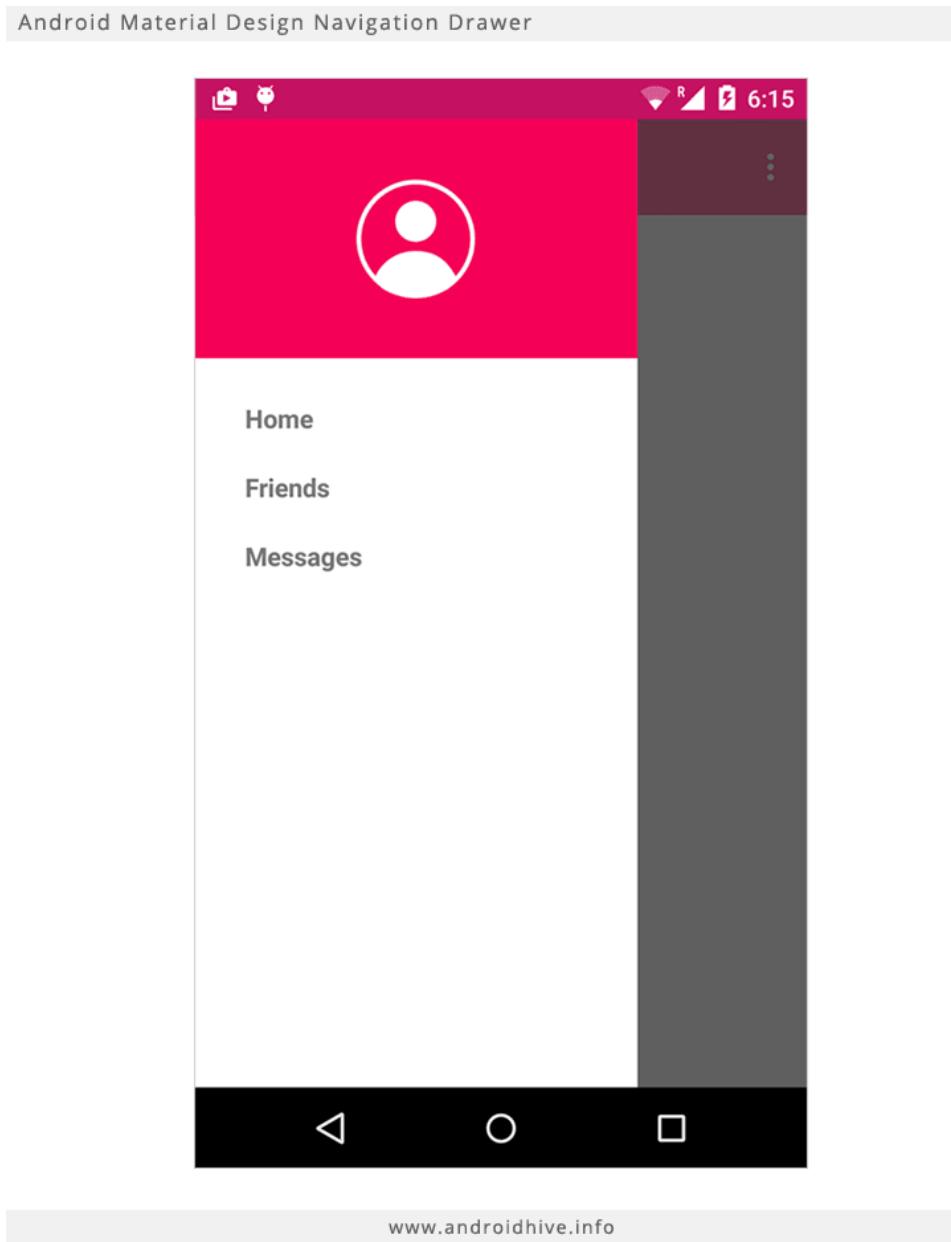
        return super.onOptionsItemSelected(item);
    }

    @Override
    public void onDrawerItemSelected(View view, int position) {
    }
}
```



```
}
```

Now if you run the app, you can see the navigation drawer with a header and few list items in it.



3.3 Implementing Navigation Drawer Item Selection

Although navigation drawer is functioning, you can see the selection of drawer list items not working. This is because we are yet to implement the click listener on RecyclerView items.



As we have three menu items in navigation drawer (**Home**, **Friends** & **Messages**), we need to create three separate fragment classes for each menu item.

24. Under res layout, create an xml layout named **fragment_home.xml** and add below code.

```
fragment_home.xml
<RelativeLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent"
    android:orientation="vertical"
    tools:context="info.androidhive.materialdesign.activity.MainActivity$PlaceholderFragment">

    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/label"
        android:layout_alignParentTop="true"
        android:layout_marginTop="100dp"
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:gravity="center_horizontal"
        android:textSize="45dp"
        android:text="HOME"
        android:textStyle="bold"/>

    <TextView
        android:layout_below="@+id/label"
        android:layout_centerInParent="true"
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:textSize="12dp"
        android:layout_marginTop="10dp"
        android:gravity="center_horizontal"
        android:text="Edit fragment_home.xml to change content" />

</RelativeLayout>
```

25. Under **activity** package, create a fragment class named **HomeFragment.java** and add below code.

```
HomeFragment.java
import android.app.Activity;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.support.v4.app.Fragment;
import android.view.LayoutInflater;
import android.view.View;
import android.view.ViewGroup;
```



```
public class HomeFragment extends Fragment {

    public HomeFragment() {
        // Required empty public constructor
    }

    @Override
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);

    }

    @Override
    public View onCreateView(LayoutInflater inflater,
                            Bundle savedInstanceState)
        View rootView = inflater.inflate(R.layout.fra

        // Inflate the layout for this fragment
        return rootView;
    }

    @Override
    public void onAttach(Activity activity) {
        super.onAttach(activity);
    }

    @Override
    public void onDetach() {
        super.onDetach();
    }
}
```

26. Create two more fragment classes named **FriendsFragment.java**, **MessagesFragment.java** and respected layout files named **fragment_friends.xml** and **fragment_messages.xml** and add the code from above two steps.

27. Now open **MainActivity.java** and do the below changes. In the below code

> **displayView()** method displays the fragment view respected the navigation menu item selection. This method should be called in **onDrawerItemSelected()** to render the respected view when a navigation menu item is selected.

MainActivity.java

```
import android.os.Bundle;
```



```
import android.support.v4.app.Fragment;
import android.support.v4.app.FragmentManager;
import android.support.v4.app.FragmentTransaction;
import android.support.v4.widget.DrawerLayout;
import android.support.v7.app.ActionBarActivity;
import android.support.v7.widget.Toolbar;
import android.view.Menu;
import android.view.MenuItem;
import android.view.View;
import android.widget.Toast;

public class MainActivity extends ActionBarActivity {

    private static String TAG = MainActivity.class.getName();

    private Toolbar mToolbar;
    private FragmentDrawer drawerFragment;

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

        mToolbar = (Toolbar) findViewById(R.id.toolbar);
        setSupportActionBar(mToolbar);
        getSupportActionBar().setDisplayHomeAsUpEnabled(true);

        drawerFragment = (FragmentDrawer)
                getSupportFragmentManager().findFragmentById(R.id.fragment_navigation_drawer);
        drawerFragment.setUp(R.id.fragment_navigation_drawer,
                drawerFragment.setDrawerListener(this));

        // display the first navigation drawer view on
        displayView(0);
    }

    @Override
    public boolean onCreateOptionsMenu(Menu menu) {
        // Inflate the menu; this adds items to the action bar if it is present.
        getMenuInflater().inflate(R.menu.menu_main, menu);
        return true;
    }

    @Override
    public boolean onOptionsItemSelected(MenuItem item) {
        // Handle action bar item clicks here. The action bar will
        // automatically handle clicks on the Home/Up button, so long
        // as you specify a parent activity in AndroidManifest.xml.
        int id = item.getItemId();

        //noinspection SimplifiableIfStatement
        if (id == R.id.action_settings) {
            return true;
        }

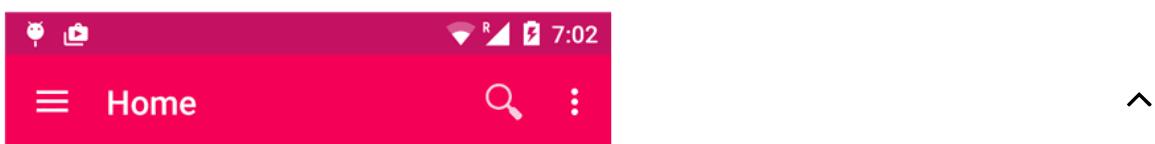
        if(id == R.id.action_search){
```

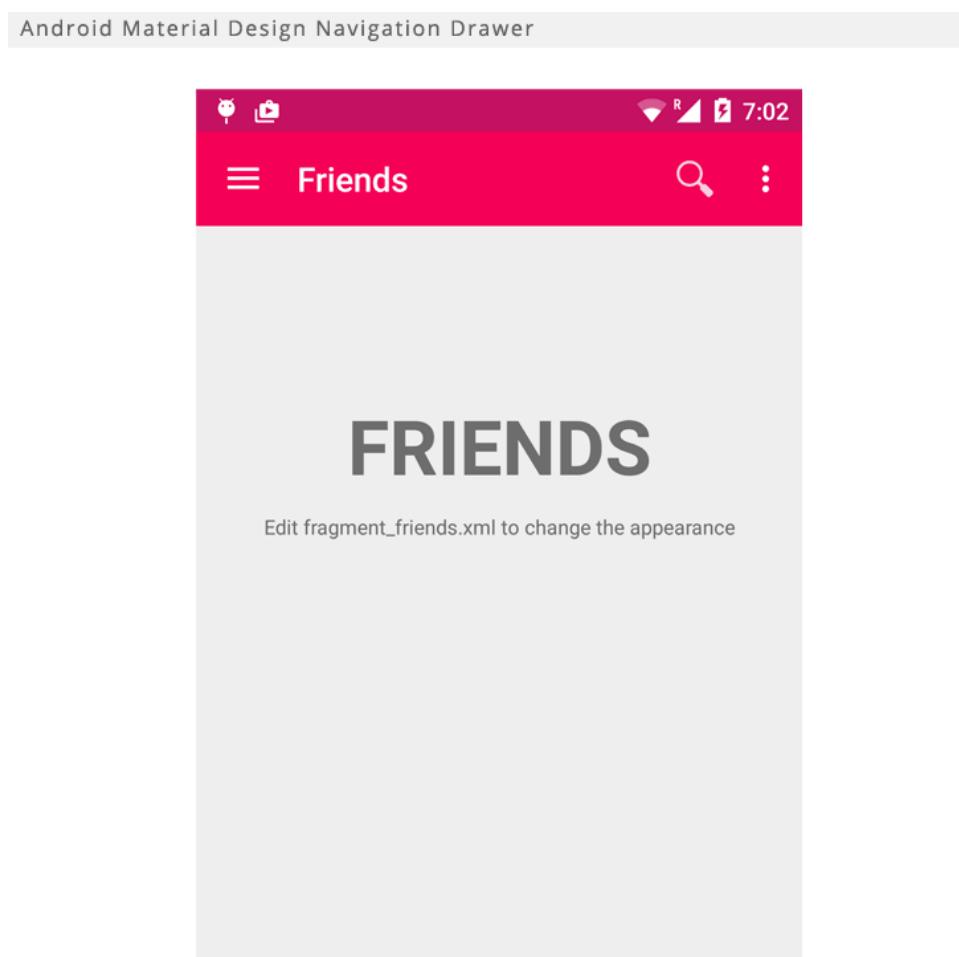
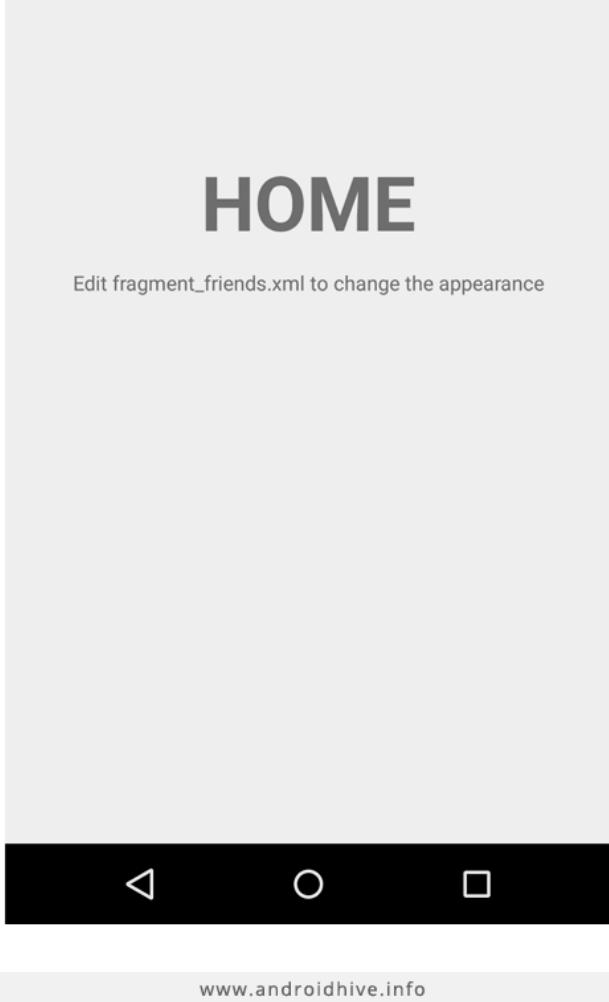
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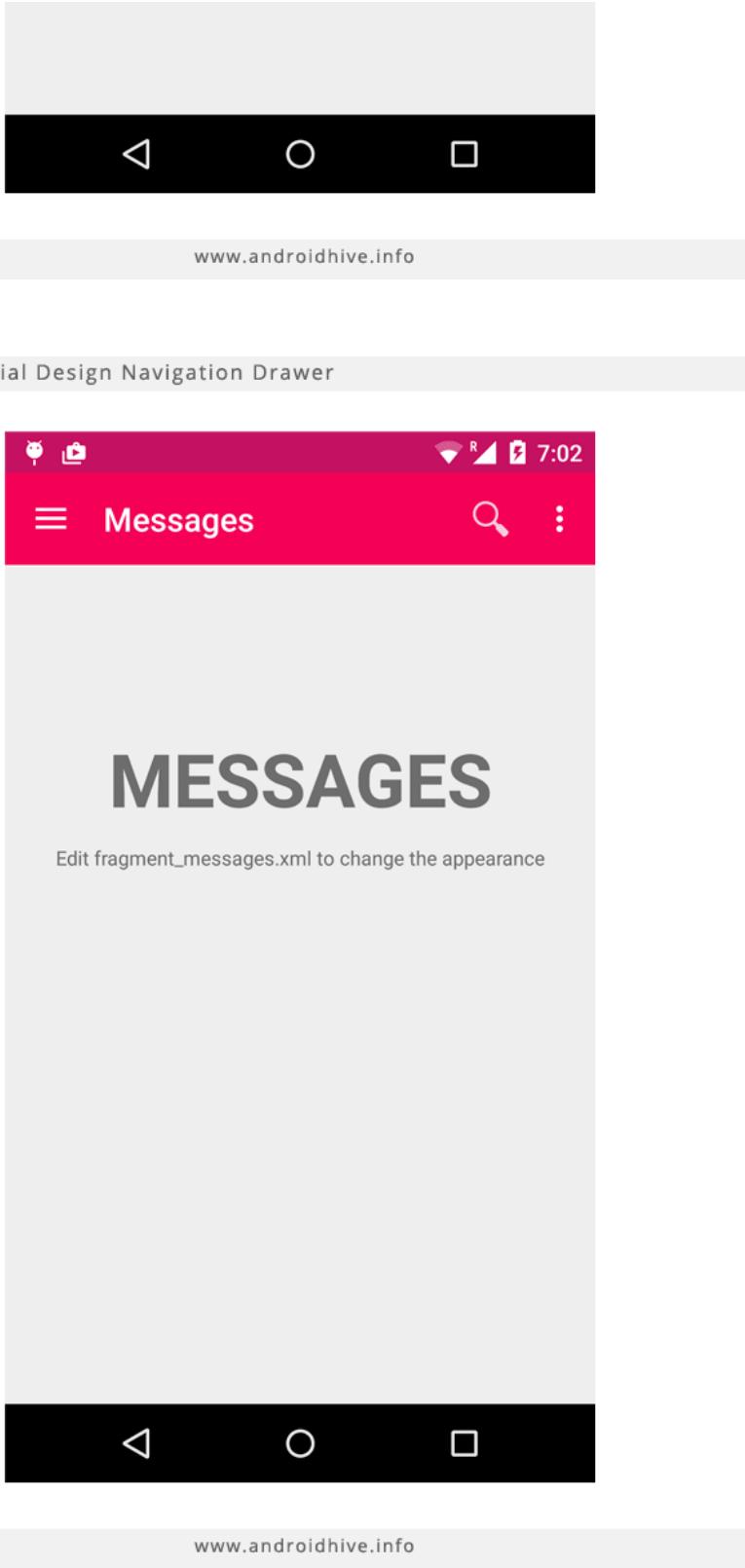
```
        Toast.makeText(getApplicationContext(), "  
        return true;  
    }  
  
    return super.onOptionsItemSelected(item);  
}  
  
@Override  
public void onDrawerItemSelected(View view, int p  
        displayView(position);  
}  
  
private void displayView(int position) {  
    Fragment fragment = null;  
    String title = getString(R.string.app_name);  
    switch (position) {  
        case 0:  
            fragment = new HomeFragment();  
            title = getString(R.string.title_home)  
            break;  
        case 1:  
            fragment = new FriendsFragment();  
            title = getString(R.string.title_frie  
            break;  
        case 2:  
            fragment = new MessagesFragment();  
            title = getString(R.string.title_mess  
            break;  
        default:  
            break;  
    }  
  
    if (fragment != null) {  
        FragmentManager fragmentManager = getSupp  
        FragmentTransaction fragmentTransaction =  
        fragmentTransaction.replace(R.id.containe  
        fragmentTransaction.commit();  
  
        // set the toolbar title  
        getSupportActionBar().setTitle(title);  
    }  
}
```

Now if you run the app, you can see the selection of navigation drawer menu is working and respected view displayed below the toolbar.

Android Material Design Navigation Drawer







What's Next?

Below are few more material components you can add to your app.
These were implemented using recent Android Design Support Library.



1. Material Design Tab Layout

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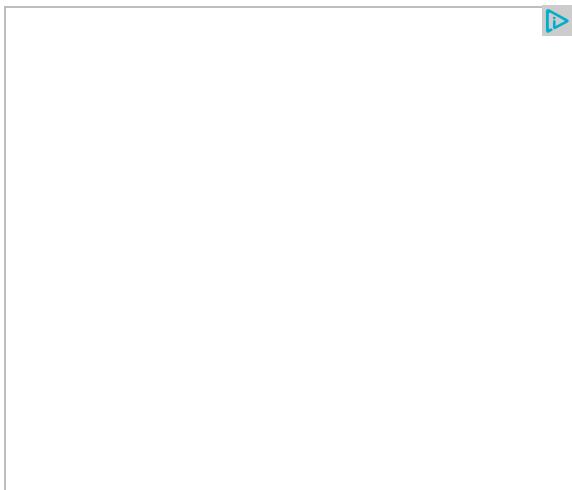
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