

Level 4

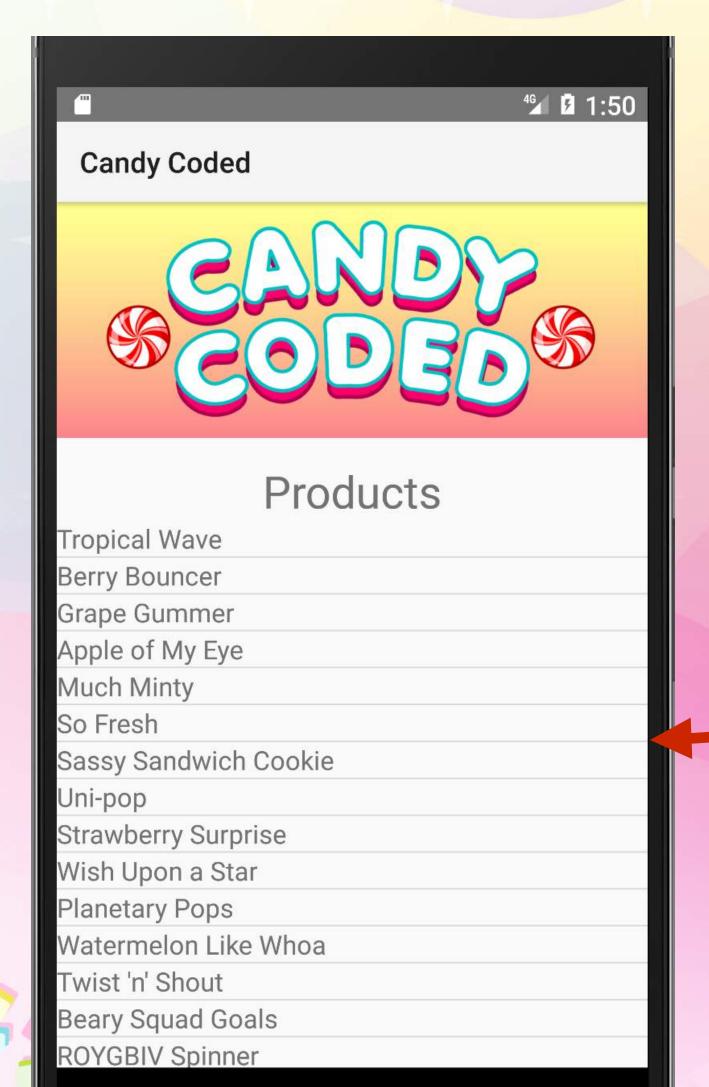
EventListeners & Toasts

Making Our ListView Do Something



Improving the ListView's Look

We want to make the ListView look better by adding padding and updating the font and text size for the list items.



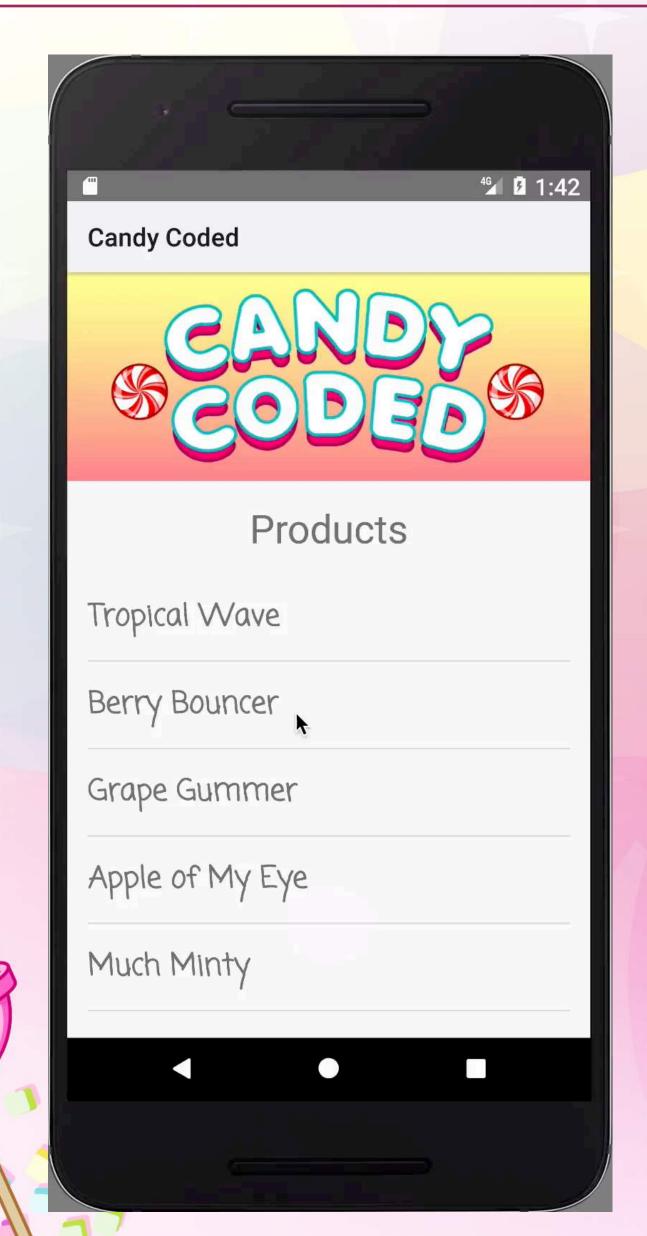
The ListView and its items need padding



Screencast: Adding Padding to the ListView



Making Our List Items Do Something



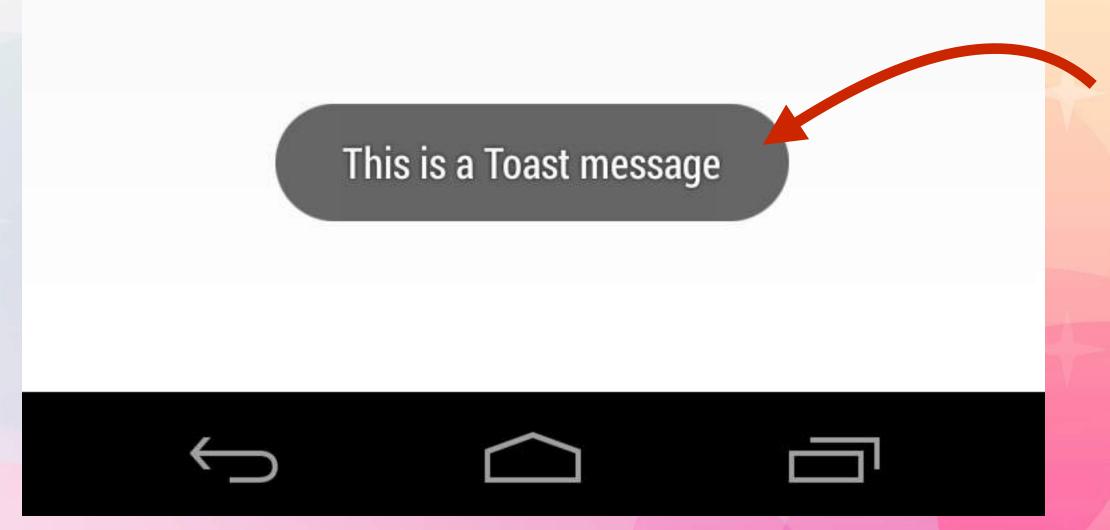
Eventually, we'd like to open a detail screen when the user clicks on a candy

As a first step, we'll display the position of the item in the list when the user clicks on it



Let's Display a Toast

A Toast is a small popup message, and the current activity remains visible and interactive.



We can still see and interact with the Activity below the Toast



Creating Our First Toast

First, let's create a simple Toast when our app loads, and then we'll add one for clicks on the list items.

```
MainActivity.java
public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {
    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        listView.setAdapter(adapter);
          After connecting the ListView and Adapter
```

How to Make a Toast

To create a Toast, we need to know the Context, text, and duration.

```
MainActivity.java

...
    Context context = this;
    String text = "Hello toast!";
    int duration = Toast.LENGTH_SHORT;

Toast toast = Toast.makeText(context, text, duration);
    Creates the Toast toast.show();

Displays the Toast
```

The context is where this Toast will run, which for us is the MainActivity. So we can just use this since we're in the MainActivity class.

The text is whatever message you want to display

The duration is either Toast.LENGTH_SHORT or Toast.LENGTH_LONG



Demo of Our First Toast



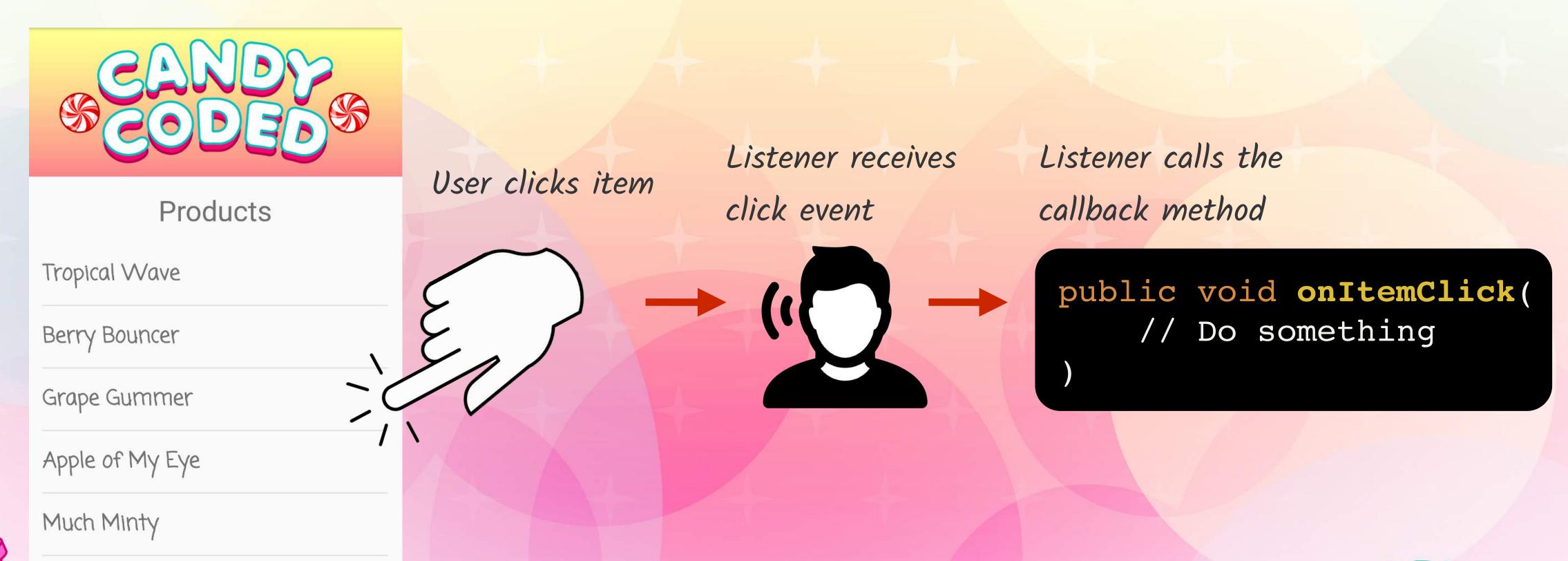
We can see our "Hello Toast!" Toast comes up when the app starts.

Now we want to show a Toast when a list item is clicked!



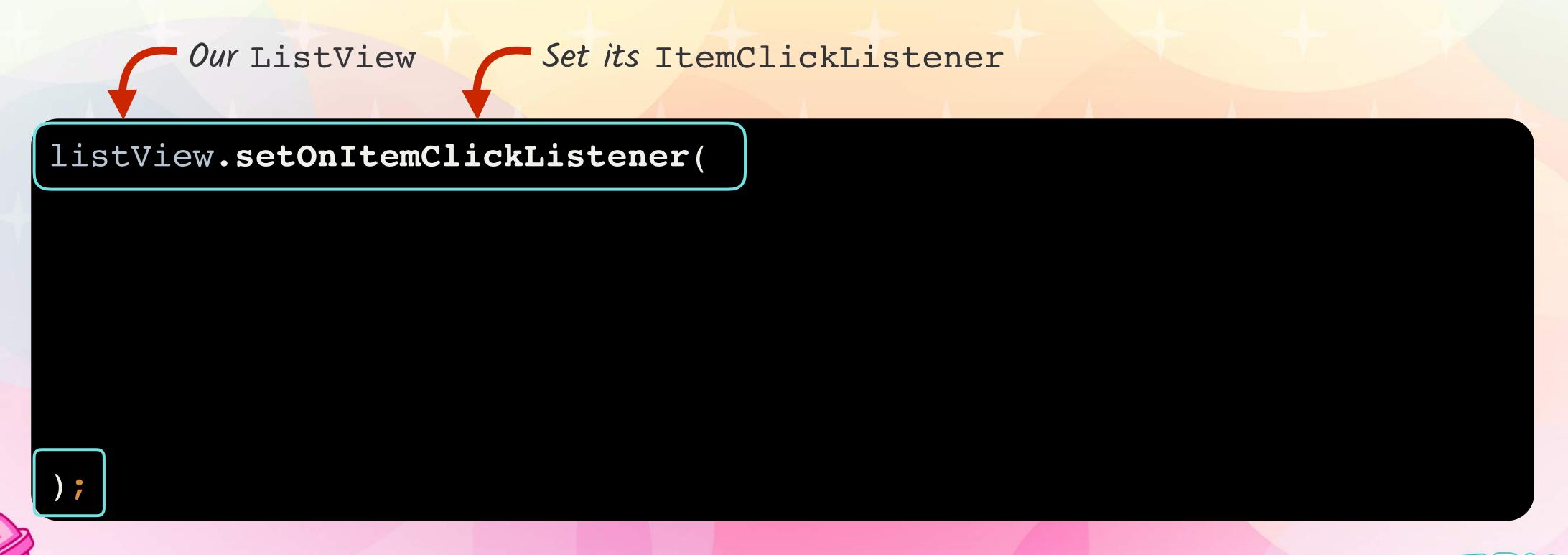
EventListeners

To trigger a Toast on a click event, we can use an EventListener. An EventListener contains a single callback method, which gets called when the user triggers the event.





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Setting the item's click listener a new ItemClickListener

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This is the callback method that gets called when the user touches an item in our list



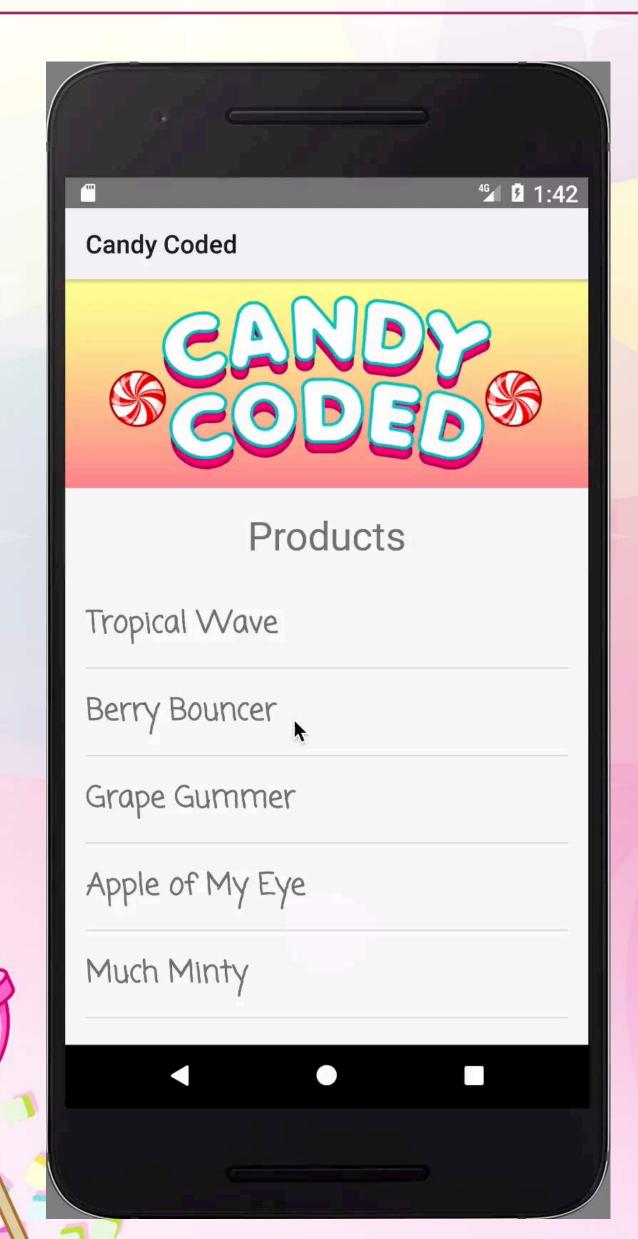
We'll add our EventListener code to the bottom of our onCreate() method again.

```
MainActivity.java
listView.setOnItemClickListener(new AdapterView.OnItemClickListener() {
    @Override
   public void onItemClick(AdapterView<?> adapterView, View view,
                            int i, long l) {
   Toast toast = Toast.makeText(MainActivity.this, ""+i, Toast.LENGTH SHORT);
    toast.show();
});
```

Let's add a Toast to show the item's position i

We need to specify MainActivity.this as the context, instead of just this, since we're inside the ClickListener

Demoing the ClickListener & Toast in Action



Now we can see our list items actually doing something!



