

To set up your Dev Environment:

Download & Install SDK- <http://developer.android.com/sdk/installing.html>

ADB (Android Debug Bridge) - very useful command line tool for debugging/logging

<http://developer.android.com/guide/developing/tools/adb.html>

Quick Start

Create a project, manipulate the look and feel:

<http://developer.android.com/resources/tutorials/hello-world.html>

Android Fundamentals - an Overview:

<http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/fundamentals.html>

Main Building Blocks of an Android app (you don't necessarily need all of these)

Activities & Activity Life cycle:

The presentation layer, e.g. a screen that the user sees. An application typically has multiple activities, and the users flip back and forth among them

EXTREMELY IMPORTANT! YOU MUST KNOW THIS!

<http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/fundamentals/activities.html>

Intents:

Asynchronous messages which allow the application to request functionality from other services or activities - *ALSO SUPER IMPORTANT!*

<http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/intents/intents-filters.html>

Resources - how to get screen layouts, colours, images into your app

<http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/resources/index.html>

Services - perform background tasks and don't have any UI components

<http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/fundamentals/services.html>

Content Providers - interfaces for sharing data between applications

<http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/providers/content-providers.html>

Broadcast Receiver - a system-wide publish/subscribe mechanism, receives system messages and implicit intents

<http://developer.android.com/reference/android/content/BroadcastReceiver.html>

Other components:

User Interface

Overview - <http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/ui/index.html>

Layouts - <http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/ui/layout-objects.html>

Adapters - <http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/ui/binding.html>

Threading

General - <http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/fundamentals/processes-andthreads.html>

Async Task - <http://developer.android.com/reference/android/os/AsyncTask.html>

Networking

HttpClient library: <http://hc.apache.org/httpcomponents-client-ga/examples.html>

Tutorial: <http://hc.apache.org/httpcomponents-client-ga/tutorial/html/index.html>

Sample Code – **VERY USEFUL FOR REFERENCE!**

Full list of samples - <http://developer.android.com/resources/browser.html?tag=sample>

API Demo (recommended) - Lots of UI demos: layouts, views, preferences, menus, etc

Note Pad (recommended) - adapter views, content provider, data access, intents

Install the samples - <http://developer.android.com/resources/samples/get.h>