

ANDROID DEVELOPMENT LAB VIVA QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

1. Login Form Authentication

- **What is LinearLayout and how is it used in login forms?**
 - LinearLayout arranges UI elements either horizontally or vertically. In login forms, it's typically used to stack fields like username, password, and button vertically.
- **How do you implement EditText for username and password?**
 - Use `<EditText>` in XML, set `android:inputType="textEmailAddress"` for username and `android:inputType="textPassword"` for password.
- **How to validate credentials in Android?**
 - Use `TextUtils.isEmpty()` to check if fields are empty and validate credentials against stored data (SharedPreferences or database).
- **Explain Toast messages and their implementation**
 - Toast messages are brief messages that appear on the screen.
Example: `Toast.makeText(context, message, Toast.LENGTH_SHORT).show();`
- **How to handle button clicks in Android?**
 - Set an `onClickListener()` on buttons to handle click events:
`button.setOnClickListener(view -> { // action });`
- **What are the best practices for form validation?**
 - Validate fields for emptiness, proper formats (e.g., email), and provide clear feedback for errors before submitting data.

2. Activity Lifecycle Demo

- **Explain the complete Android Activity lifecycle**
 - The activity lifecycle includes `onCreate()`, `onStart()`, `onResume()`, `onPause()`, `onStop()`, `onDestroy()`. These methods manage UI updates, background tasks, and resource allocation.
- **What are the different lifecycle methods?**

- `onCreate()`, `onStart()`, `onResume()`, `onPause()`, `onStop()`, `onDestroy()`, `onRestart()`.
 - **When is `onCreate()` called?**
 - `onCreate()` is called when an activity is first created, typically for initializing UI components and resources.
 - **What's the difference between `onPause()` and `onStop()`?**
 - `onPause()` is called when the activity loses focus but is still partially visible. `onStop()` is when the activity is no longer visible.
 - **How do you implement Toast messages for lifecycle events?**
 - Use `Toast.makeText(this, "Event", Toast.LENGTH_SHORT).show()` in lifecycle methods to display messages at various stages.
 - **What happens during configuration changes?**
 - Android automatically restarts the activity on configuration changes (like screen orientation) unless explicitly handled in the `AndroidManifest.xml`.
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3. Calculator Application

- **How to implement arithmetic operations in Android?**
 - Use standard arithmetic operators (+, -, *, /) inside event listeners. Handle division by zero errors properly.
- **What's the best way to handle input validation?**
 - Use `TextUtils.isDigitsOnly()` to ensure input is numeric or handle exceptions like `NumberFormatException`.
- **How to implement clear functionality?**
 - Reset input fields and result display by setting them to empty or default states.
- **Explain error handling in calculator operations**
 - Use try-catch blocks to handle arithmetic errors like division by zero and display user-friendly messages.
- **How to organize UI elements in `LinearLayout`?**

- Use `LinearLayout` with vertical orientation to neatly stack buttons and text fields.
 - **How to handle decimal calculations?**
 - Ensure calculations preserve precision using `BigDecimal` for accurate decimal handling.
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4. UI Control Validations

- **How to validate email format in Android?**
 - Use `Patterns.EMAIL_ADDRESS.matcher(email).matches()` to validate the email format.
 - **Explain password validation techniques**
 - Validate password length (`password.length() >= 6`) and enforce rules like at least one number, letter, and special character.
 - **How to implement real-time error feedback?**
 - Use a `TextWatcher` on `EditText` fields to provide instant feedback and error messages using `setError()`.
 - **What is TextUtils and its uses?**
 - `TextUtils` is a utility class for text operations like checking if a string is empty (`TextUtils.isEmpty()`).
 - **How to handle empty field validation?**
 - Use `TextUtils.isEmpty()` to check if fields are empty and provide appropriate feedback.
 - **Best practices for UI validation?**
 - Validate input before submission, provide clear feedback, and ensure user-friendly error messages.
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5. User Registration System

- **What is SharedPreferences?**
 - `SharedPreferences` is used for storing key-value pairs of primitive data types (e.g., strings, integers) persistently.
- **How to store and retrieve data using SharedPreferences?**

- Store data using `preferences.edit().putString("key", "value").apply()` and retrieve using `preferences.getString("key", defaultValue)`.
 - **How to implement navigation between screens?**
 - Use `Intent` to navigate between activities: `startActivity(new Intent(this, TargetActivity.class));`
 - **How to display stored user data?**
 - Retrieve stored data from `SharedPreferences` and display it in UI elements like `TextView`.
 - **What are the different modes in SharedPreferences?**
 - Modes include `MODE_PRIVATE` (default), `MODE_WORLD_READABLE`, `MODE_WORLD_WRITEABLE`.
 - **How to clear SharedPreferences data?**
 - Use `preferences.edit().clear().apply()` to remove all stored data.
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6. Facebook-Style Layout 🎨

- **What is RelativeLayout?**
 - `RelativeLayout` arranges UI elements relative to each other, allowing for flexible positioning (e.g., top, bottom, left, right).
- **How does RelativeLayout differ from other layouts?**
 - Unlike `LinearLayout` or `ConstraintLayout`, `RelativeLayout` offers more control over element positioning based on relationships.
- **How to position elements relative to each other?**
 - Use attributes like `android:layout_alignParentTop="true"` or `android:layout_toRightOf="@id/element"` for positioning.
- **How to implement fallback navigation?**
 - Use `onBackPressed()` to manage fallback navigation behavior, typically when using `FragmentManager`.
- **What are the common RelativeLayout attributes?**
 - `layout_alignParentTop`, `layout_toRightOf`, `layout_centerInParent`.
- **How to handle different screen sizes?**

- Use `dp` for size units and create responsive layouts with `ConstraintLayout` or `RelativeLayout`.
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7. Image Toggle Application

- **What is FrameLayout?**
 - `FrameLayout` stacks its children on top of each other, making it ideal for displaying images or fragments.
 - **How to implement image switching?**
 - Use `ImageView` and dynamically change the `src` property with `imageView.setImageResource()`.
 - **How to handle click events for images?**
 - Set an `OnClickListener()` on `ImageView` to toggle the image or perform actions when clicked.
 - **What are the advantages of FrameLayout?**
 - Efficient for stacking elements on top of each other, such as images or fragments.
 - **How to optimize image loading?**
 - Use libraries like Glide or Picasso for asynchronous image loading and caching.
 - **How to handle image resources?**
 - Store images in `res/drawable` and use resource IDs to reference them.
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8. Adapter & Exception Handling

- **What is an ArrayAdapter?**
 - `ArrayAdapter` binds a data source (like an array or list) to a `ListView` or other adapter-based UI elements.
- **How to implement GridView?**
 - Define a `GridView` in XML and set an `ArrayAdapter` to it in your activity or fragment.
- **How to handle exceptions in Android?**

- Use try-catch blocks for common exceptions like `NullPointerException`, `FileNotFoundException`, etc.
 - **What are common exceptions in Android?**
 - Common exceptions include `NullPointerException`, `IOException`, `NetworkOnMainThreadException`.
 - **How to implement click events in GridView?**
 - Use `setOnClickListener()` to handle clicks on GridView items.
 - **Best practices for exception handling?**
 - Catch specific exceptions, log errors for debugging, and provide appropriate user feedback for exceptions.
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9. Multi-Activity Navigation

- **What are Intents?**
 - `Intents` are used to start activities or services and can carry data between them.
- **Types of Intents and their uses?**
 - **Explicit Intents:** Start a specific activity or service.
 - **Implicit Intents:** Perform an action, like sending an email or viewing a URL.
- **How to pass data between activities?**
 - Use `putExtra()` to pass data with the `Intent` and retrieve it using `getIntent()` in the target activity.
- **How to handle activity lifecycle during navigation?**
 - Activities have their own lifecycle methods. Manage resources properly using methods like `onPause()` and `onStop()`.
- **What is the back stack?**
 - The back stack maintains a stack of activities that users can navigate back through using the back button.
- **How to implement up navigation?**

- Use `NavController` or `onSupportNavigateUp()` for navigation, and define the parent activity in the `AndroidManifest.xml`

10. ListView Implementation 📖

• What is ListView?

- `ListView` is a UI element that displays a scrollable list of items. Each item can be defined by a simple or custom layout.

• How to implement ArrayAdapter with ListView?

- Create an `ArrayAdapter` with your data and set it to the `ListView` using `setAdapter()`. Example:

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java
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ArrayAdapter<String> adapter = new ArrayAdapter<>(this,
    android.R.layout.simple_list_item_1, data);
listView.setAdapter(adapter);
```

• How to handle ListView item clicks?

- Use `setOnItemClickListener()` to listen for item clicks:

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java
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listView.setOnItemClickListener((parent, view, position, id) -> {
    // Handle item click
});
```

• Difference between ListView and RecyclerView?

- `RecyclerView` is more efficient and flexible than `ListView`, allowing advanced layouts and view recycling for large datasets.

• How to customize ListView items?

- Create a custom layout for each list item and use a custom `ArrayAdapter` or `BaseAdapter` to bind data to the layout.

- **How to implement efficient scrolling?**

- Use `RecyclerView` instead of `ListView` for better performance with large datasets, and make sure the adapter properly recycles views.
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11. Spinner Component

- **What is a Spinner?**

- `Spinner` is a UI widget that provides a dropdown menu for the user to select from a list of options.

- **How to populate Spinner using ArrayAdapter?**

- Create an `ArrayAdapter` and set it on the `Spinner` using `setAdapter()`.

Example:

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java
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ArrayAdapter<String> adapter = new ArrayAdapter<>(this,
    android.R.layout.simple_spinner_item, data);
adapter.setDropDownViewResource(android.R.layout.simple_spinner_dropdown_item);
spinner.setAdapter(adapter);
```

- **How to handle Spinner item selection?**

- Use `setOnItemSelectedListener()` to listen for item selections:

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java
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spinner.setOnItemSelectedListener(new AdapterView.OnItemSelectedListener() {
    @Override
    public void onItemSelected(AdapterView<?> parent, View view, int position, long id) {
        // Handle selection
    }

    @Override
    public void onNothingSelected(AdapterView<?> parent)
```



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nt) {}  
});
```










- **How to customize Spinner appearance?**
 - Customize the `Spinner` dropdown by using a custom layout for the `ArrayAdapter` and styling it in XML.
 - **Different Spinner modes?**
 - **Drop-down mode:** Displays a dropdown list.
 - **Dialog mode:** Displays the list in a dialog box (use `setSpinnerMode()` to change mode).
 - **How to set default selection?**
 - Use `spinner.setSelection(position)` to select an item by its position in the adapter.
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12. SQLite Database Operations

- **What is SQLite in Android?**
 - SQLite is a lightweight, embedded relational database used in Android to store local data in tables.
- **How to implement CRUD operations?**
 - **Create:** Use `insert()` to add records.
 - **Read:** Use `query()` or `rawQuery()` to retrieve data.
 - **Update:** Use `update()` to modify existing records.
 - **Delete:** Use `delete()` to remove records.
- **What is SQLiteOpenHelper?**
 - `SQLiteOpenHelper` is a helper class for managing database creation and upgrades. It simplifies handling database versions.
- **How to create and upgrade database?**
 - Override `onCreate()` to create tables and `onUpgrade()` to handle schema changes when updating the database version.
- **How to handle database errors?**


- Use `try-catch` blocks to handle exceptions like `SQLException`, and log errors for debugging.
- **Best practices for database operations?**
 - Always close database connections with `db.close()`, use `SQLiteDatabase.beginTransaction()` for bulk operations, and handle exceptions properly.

GENERAL VIVA QUESTIONS


1. **What is Android and the latest version of Android?**
 - Android is an open-source OS for mobile devices. Latest: **Android 15** 
2. **What's Activity in Android?**
 - An Activity is a screen in an app with a user interface. 
3. **Why is XML used for frontend development in Android?**
 - XML is lightweight and separates design from code. 
4. **What are the components of the Android Application?**
 - Activities, Services, Content Providers, Broadcast Receivers, Intents. 
5. **What is the Dalvik Virtual Machine?**
 - DVM executes Android apps efficiently. 
6. **What is Toast in Android?**
 - A short message displayed on the screen. 
7. **What's Service in Android?**
 - Runs background tasks without a UI. 
8. **What's Content Provider in Android?**
 - Manages access to shared data. 
9. **What's Gradle and write down its usage in Android?**
 - Gradle automates build processes. 
10. **What's the Difference Between Intent and Intent filters?**

- Intent is a message; Intent filter describes component capabilities. 

11. What is the AndroidManifest.xml?

- Declares app components, permissions, and metadata. 

12. Explain the Activity Lifecycle in brief.

- Stages: `onCreate()`, `onStart()`, `onResume()`, `onPause()`, `onStop()`, `onDestroy()`. 

13. What is View in Android?

- Basic UI building block like TextView, Button. 


14. What is Android?

- Open-source OS for mobile devices. 


15. Who is the founder of Android?

- Andy Rubin. 

16. Explain the Android application Architecture.

- Components: Services, Intents, Resource Externalization, Notifications, Content Providers. 


17. What are the code names of android?

- Examples: Cupcake, Donut, Eclair, KitKat, Marshmallow. 


18. What are the advantages of Android?

- Open-source, platform-independent, supports various technologies. 


19. Does android support other languages than java?

- Yes, C/C++ via NDK. 


20. What are the core building blocks of android?

- Activity, View, Intent, Service, Content Provider, Fragment. 


21. What is activity in Android?

- A screen with a user interface. 

22. What are the life cycle methods of android activity?

- `onCreate()`, `onStart()`, `onResume()`, `onPause()`, `onStop()`, `onRestart()`, `onDestroy()`. 

23. What is intent?

- A message to perform actions like opening activities. 

24. How are view elements identified in the android program?

- Using `findViewById()`. 


25. Define Android toast.

- A short message displayed to the user. 

26. Give a list of important folders in android.

- `AndroidManifest.xml`, `build.xml`, `bin/`, `src/`, `res/`, `assets/`. 

27. Explain the use of 'bundle' in android?

- Used to pass data between activities. 


28. What is an application resource file?

- Files used in building the app, like layouts and strings. 


29. What is the use of LINUX ID in android?

- Unique ID for tracking processes. 

30. Can the bytecode written in java be run on android?

- No. 


31. List the various storages that are provided by Android.

- Shared Preferences, Internal Storage, External Storage, SQLite Databases, Network Connection. 

32. How are layouts placed in Android?

- As XML files. 

33. Where are layouts placed in Android?

- In the `layout` folder. 

34. What is the implicit intent in android?

- Invokes system components. 


35. What is explicit intent in android?

- Invokes a specific activity class. 

36. How to call another activity in android?

- Use Intent and `startActivity()`. 

37. What is service in android?

- Background component for long tasks. 

38. What is the name of the database used in android?

- SQLite. 


39. What is AAPT?

- Android Asset Packaging Tool. 

40. What is a content provider?

- Shares data between applications. 

41. What is fragment?

- Part of an activity for reusable UI. 

42. What is ADB?

- Android Debug Bridge. 

43. What is NDK?

- Native Development Kit for C/C++. 

44. What is ANR?

- Application Not Responding dialog. 

45. What is the Google Android SDK?

- Toolset for developing Android apps. 

46. What is an APK format?

- Android Packaging Key for app files. 

47. Which language does Android support to develop an application?

- Java and C/C++. 

48. What is ADT in Android?

- Android Development Tool. 

49. What is View Group in Android?

- Collection of views and child views. 

50. What is the Adapter in Android?

- Connects data to UI components. 🔗
51. **What is nine-patch images tool in Android?**
- Tool to stretch images in nine sections. 🖼️
52. **Which kernel is used in Android?**
- Customized Linux kernel. 🐙
53. **What is application Widgets in Android?**
- Miniature application views for embedding. 🏠
54. **Which types of flags are used to run an application on Android?**
- `FLAG_ACTIVITY_NEW_TASK` , `FLAG_ACTIVITY_CLEAR_TOP` . 🚩
55. **What is a singleton class in Android?**
- Class with only one shared object. 🔑
56. **What is sleep mode in Android?**
- CPU sleeps, only essential services run. 💤
57. **What do you mean by a drawable folder in Android?**
- Folder for visual resources. 🎨
58. **What is DDMS?**
- Dalvik Debug Monitor Server. 🛠️
59. **Define Android Architecture?**
- Consists of Linux Kernel, Libraries, Android Framework, Applications. 🏗️
50. **What is a portable wi-fi hotspot?**
- Shares internet connection with other devices. 🌐
51. **Name the dialog box which is supported by Android?**
- Alert Dialog, Progress Dialog, Date Picker Dialog, Time Picker Dialog. 💬
52. **Name some exceptions in Android?**
- `InflateException` , `Surface.OutOfResourceException` , `WindowManager.BadTokenException` . ⚠️
53. **What are the basic tools used to develop an Android app?**

- JDK, Eclipse+ADT plugin, SDK Tools. 🛠️
34. **What are the key components of an Android application?**
- Activities, Services, Broadcast Receivers, Content Providers, Intents. ⚙️
35. **What is an Activity in Android? Can you explain its lifecycle?**
- Activity is a UI screen. Lifecycle: `onCreate()`, `onStart()`, `onResume()`, `onPause()`, `onStop()`, `onDestroy()`, `onRestart()`. 🔄
36. **What is an Intent in Android? What are the different types of Intents?**
- Intent requests actions. Types: **Explicit**, **Implicit**. ✉️
37. **What is a Fragment, and how is it different from an Activity?**
- Fragment is part of an activity. It's modular and reusable. 📦
38. **What are Gradle?**
- Build automation tool for Android projects. 🛠️
39. **What is the AndroidManifest.xml file, and what is its purpose?**
- Declares app components, permissions, and configurations. 📖
70. **What is a Layout in Android?**
- Container for arranging UI components. 📐
71. **What are the different types of Layouts available in Android?**
- **LinearLayout**, **RelativeLayout**, **ConstraintLayout**, **FrameLayout**, **TableLayout**, **GridLayout**. 📐
72. **How does Toast work in Android?**
- Displays short messages at the bottom of the screen. 🍞
73. **What are SharedPreferences in Android?**
- Key-value storage for small data. 🔑
74. **ArrayAdapter in Android**
- Binds data to views like ListView. 📊
75. **Features of SQLite Database in Android**
- Lightweight, serverless, embedded database. 💿
76. **SQLite Database Operations in Android**

- Efficiently stores and retrieves structured data. 