

# RecyclerView

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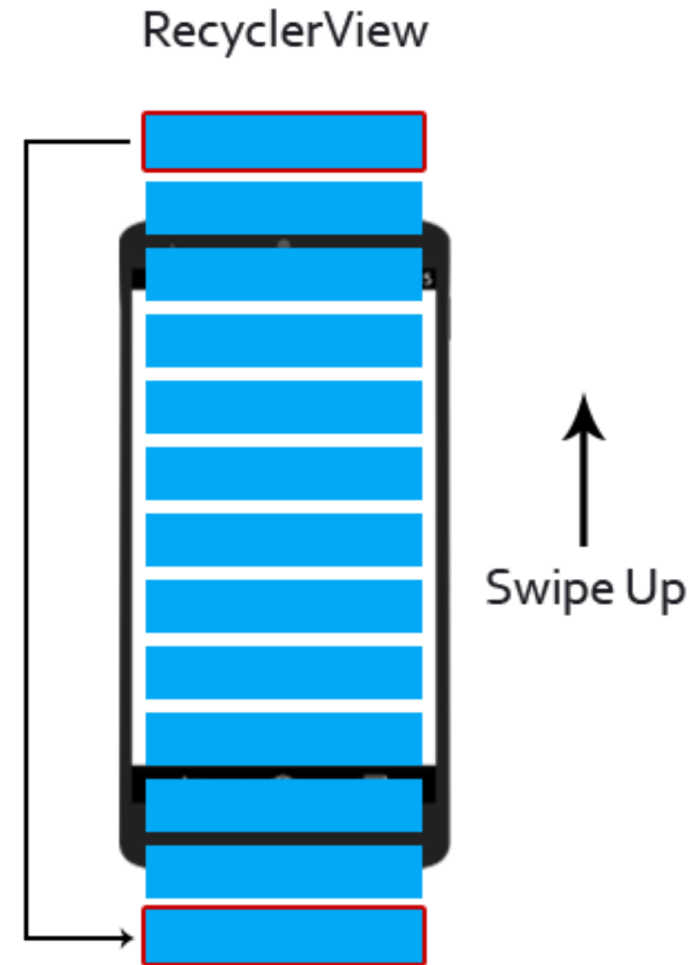
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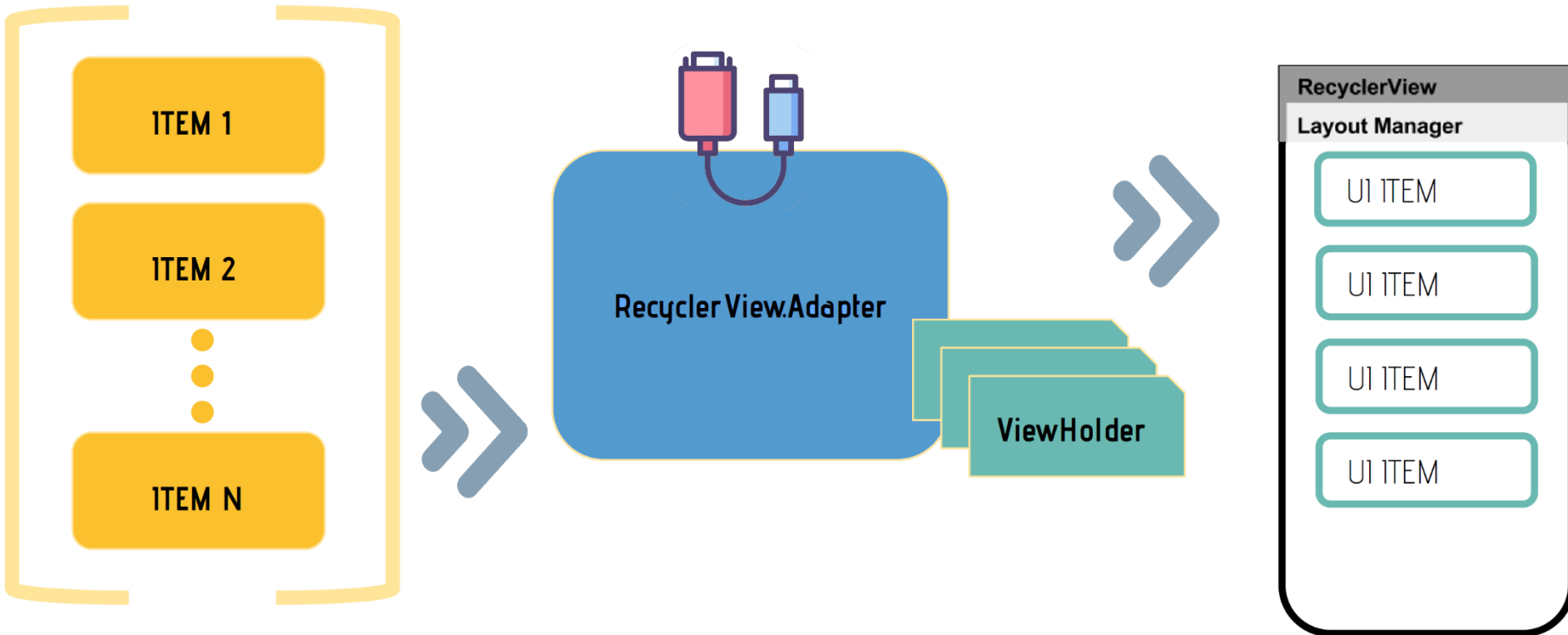
# Implementing a RecyclerView

# What is a RecyclerView?

- RecyclerView is scrollable container for displaying a list of views
- A flexible container for efficiently displaying, and interacting with large sets of data
  - As user scrolls, views that leave the screen are recycled and reused to display new items
  - Efficient as it reuses a limited number of views



# RecyclerView Key Elements



- **Adapter:** connects the *RecyclerView* to the data source
- **ViewHolder:** displays the data in the list item view

# What is RecyclerView Adapter?

- In general an adapters helps **incompatible** interfaces work together
- RecyclerView **connects the RecyclerView to the data source** (typically a list of objects) and **handles the view logic** (such as filter, sort)
- It extends [RecyclerView.Adapter](#) and implements:

## RecyclerView Adapter

1. Return the number of items  
`getItemCount()`

2. Create new view instances  
`onCreateViewHolder()`

3. Populate view items with data  
`onBindViewHolder()`

# What is a ViewHolder?

- To provide a new view, the RecyclerView either creates a new ViewHolder object to inflate the layout or it recycles an existing one
- The ViewHolder holds the view created from the list item XML Layout
- Used by the adapter to **prepare a View** with data for one list item
  - It assigns / updates the data in the view item. When a view is re-used, the previous data is overwritten
- Can have clickable elements
- Is placed in the RecyclerView by the layout manager
- Extends [RecyclerView.ViewHolder](#)

# What is a layout manager?

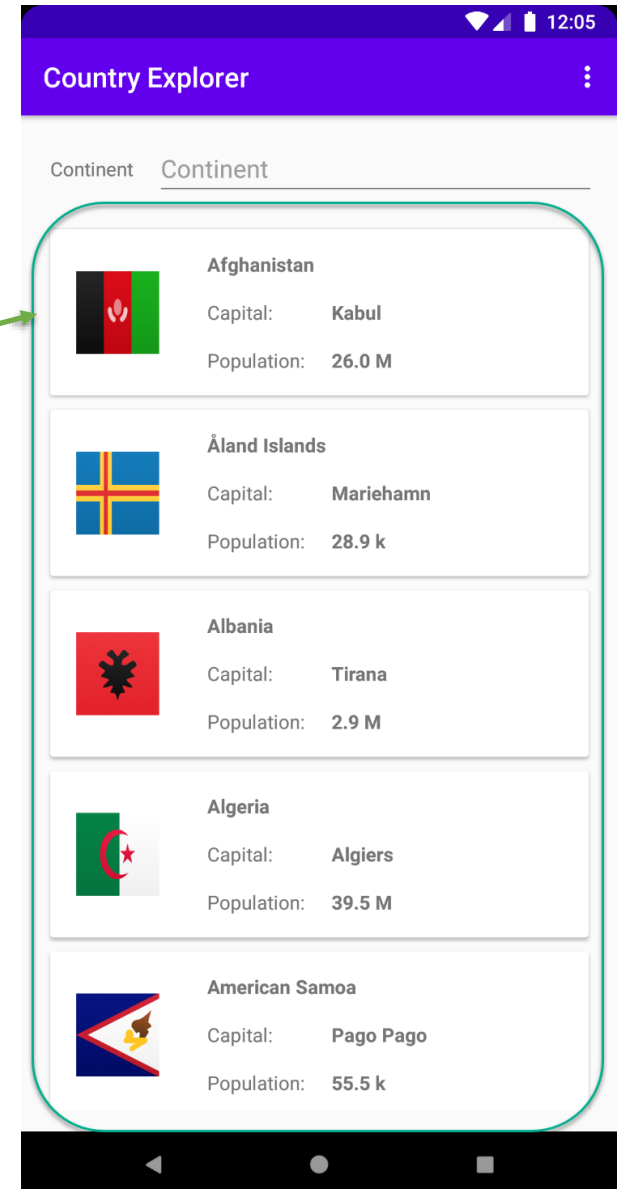
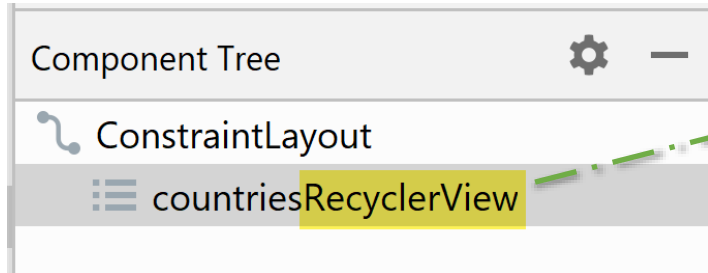
- It **positions** the RecyclerView's items and **tells it when to recycle items** that have transitioned off-screen (i.e., no longer visible to the user)
- Built-in layout managers
  - LinearLayoutManager: Lays items out vertically or horizontally
  - GridLayoutManager: Lays items out in a grid
  - Others or your own! if you want extra customization



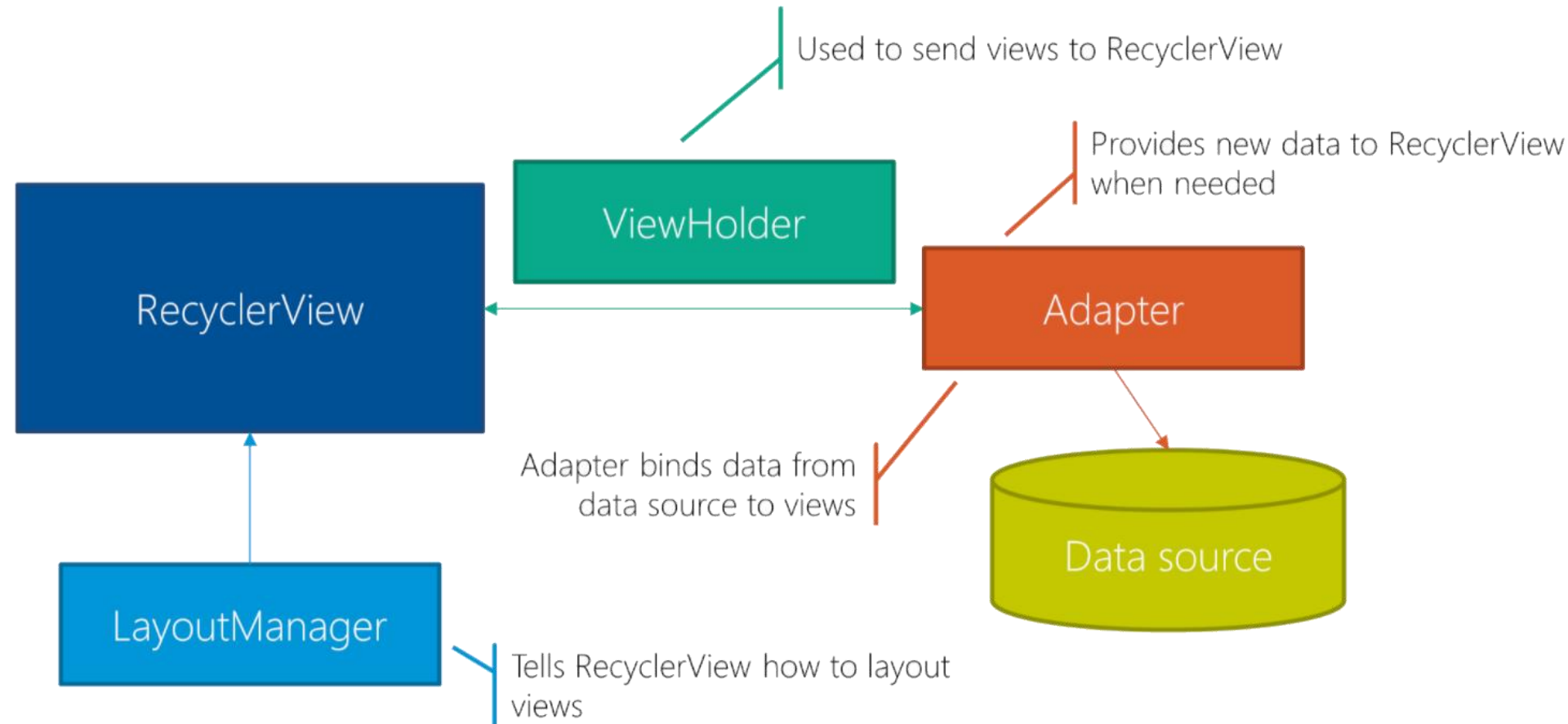
# Implementation Steps Summary

1. Add **RecyclerView** to the layout
2. Create **item XML layout** to specify how individual items should be displayed
3. Implement **RecyclerView Adapter** that extends **RecyclerView.Adapter**
  - Connect the RecyclerView to the data source and handle the view logic
4. Implement **ViewHolder** that extends **RecyclerView.ViewHolder**
  - Holds the inflated view to be used to display individual items
5. In Activity onCreate, set the RecyclerView adapter and the **LayoutManager**
  - LayoutManager controls how individual views are laid out on the screen

# Country Explorer App

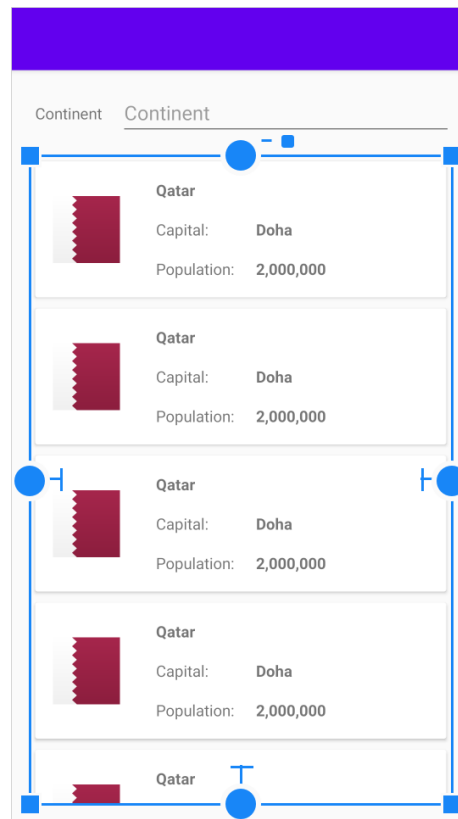


# RecyclerView Summary



# Tip: Showing List Item Views on the Layout Editor using `tools:listitem`

```
<androidx.recyclerview.widget.RecyclerView  
    android:id="@+id/countriesRv"  
    tools:listitem="@layout/list_item_country"/>
```



# Interacting with RecyclerView

# Filter

1. Add **SearchView** to the top toolbar by adding an item to `menu_top_toolbar.xml`

```
<item
    android:id="@+id/searchMi"
    android:icon="@drawable/ic_search"
    android:title="Search"
    app:actionViewClass="androidx.appcompat.widget.SearchView"
    app:showAsAction="always"
/>
```

2. Handle search by grabbing the `searchView` from the toolbar and handling the search in Activity `onCreate`

*// 2.1 Grab the searchView from the toolbar*

```
val searchView = topToolbar.findViewById<SearchView>(R.id.searchMi)
searchView.setBackgroundColor(Color.WHITE)
```

*// 2.2. Handle search as the user types the search text*

```
searchView.setOnQueryTextListener(searchHandler)
```

### 3. Write the `searchHandler` in the activity

```
private val searchHandler = object : SearchView.OnQueryTextListener {  
    // Ignore and do not perform any special behavior here  
    override fun onQueryTextSubmit(query: String?) = false  
  
    // As the user types filter the list based on the search text  
    override fun onQueryTextChange(searchText: String): Boolean {  
        Log.i("CountryListActivity", "Query: $searchText")  
        countryAdapter.filter(searchText)  
        return true  
    }  
}
```

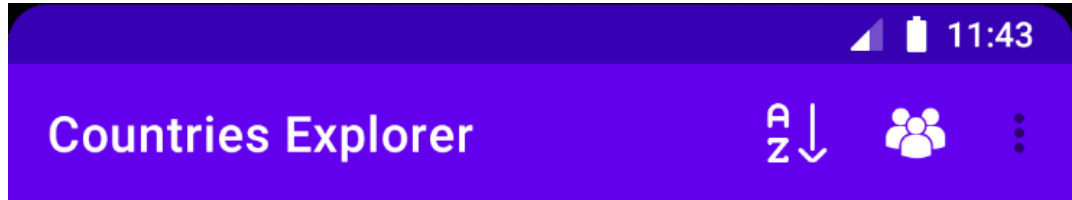
## 4. Filter the data list in the RecyclerView Adapter

```
fun filter(searchText: String) {  
    countryFilteredList = if (searchText.isEmpty()) {  
        countries  
    } else {  
        countries.filter { it.continent.contains(searchText, true) or  
            it.name.contains(searchText, true) or  
            it.capital.contains(searchText, true) or  
            it.code.contains(searchText, true)  
        }.toMutableList()  
    }  
    notifyDataSetChanged()  
}
```



# Sort

1. First add a toolbar to the activity layout



```
<com.google.android.material.appbar.AppBarLayout  
    android:id="@+id/top_app_bar">
```

```
    <com.google.android.material.appbar.MaterialToolbar  
        android:id="@+id/topToolbar"  
        app:menu="@menu/menu_top_toolbar"  
        app:title="@string/countries_list_title" />
```

```
</com.google.android.material.appbar.AppBarLayout>
```

## 2. Define of the toolbar menu items in menu\_top\_toolbar.xml

```
<menu ... >
  <!-- Setting app:showAsAction="never" will show the menu
        option under Overflow menu accessible from ellipses ... -->
  <item android:id="@+id/sortByNameMi"
        android:title="Sort by name"
        android:icon="@drawable/ic_sort"
        app:showAsAction="ifRoom" />

  <item android:id="@+id/sortByPopulationMi"
        android:title="Sort by population"
        android:icon="@drawable/ic_population"
        app:showAsAction="ifRoom" />

  <item android:id="@+id/sortByPopulationDescendingMi"
        android:title="Sort by population - Descending"
        app:showAsAction="never" />
</menu>
```

### 3. Handle toolbar menu item clicked

- Add `topToolbar.setOnMenuItemClickListener` to the activity `onCreate` method

```
topToolbar.setOnMenuItemClickListener { onToolbarMenuItemClicked(it) }
```

```
private fun onToolbarMenuItemClicked(menuItem: MenuItem): Boolean {  
    val sortBy = when (menuItem.itemId) {  
        R.id.sortByNameMi -> SortBy.NAME  
        R.id.sortByPopulationMi -> SortBy.POPULATION  
        R.id.sortByPopulationDescendingMi -> SortBy.POPULATION_DESC  
        else -> null  
    }  
    countryAdapter.sort(sortBy!!)  
    return true  
}
```

## 4. RecyclerViewAdapter sorts the list

```
fun sort(sortBy: SortBy) {  
    countries = when (sortBy) {  
        SortBy.NAME -> countries.sortedBy { it.name }  
        SortBy.POPULATION ->  
            countries.sortedBy { it.population }  
        SortBy.POPULATION_DESC ->  
            countries.sortedByDescending { it.population }  
    }  
    // Caused a refresh of the RecyclerView  
    notifyDataSetChanged()  
}
```

# Handling Item Clicked Event

1. Add a parameter to the Adapter to receive the **clickListener**

```
class CountryAdapter(private val countries: List<Country>,  
                    private val clickListener: (Country) -> Unit)  
    : RecyclerView.Adapter<RecyclerView.ViewHolder>()
```

2. Add the **clickListener** to every List Item View

```
inner class CountryViewHolder(itemView: View) : RecyclerView.ViewHolder(itemView) {  
    fun bind(country: Country) { ...  
        itemView.setOnClickListener { clickListener(country) }  
    }  
}
```

3. In the Activity create a **clickListener** and pass it to the Adapter

```
countriesRv.adapter = CountryAdapter(countries, ::onCountryClicked)  
...  
private fun onCountryClicked(country : Country) {  
    toast("Clicked: ${country.name}", Toast.LENGTH_LONG)  
}
```

# Handling Item Clicked Event

- In its constructor, the *Adapter* requires a reference to the data source and a **click handler**
  - Whenever the adapter is instructed by the *RecyclerView* to bind a new *ViewHolder*, the bind method **attaches the click listener** to the item view

```
itemView.setOnClickListener { clickListener(country) }
```

- This allows individual items in the list to handle click events
- When the user later clicks on an item in the *RecyclerView*, the click listener is executed
  - As parameter, the listener gets the data list element (e.g., country object) that was clicked, to react accordingly

# 1. Swipe to Delete and Undo

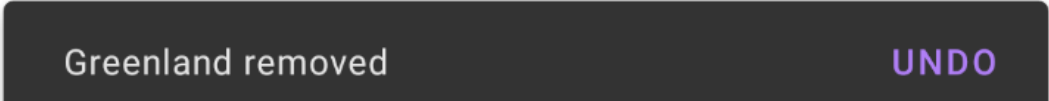
```
/* 1. Create ItemTouchHelper.SimpleCallback and tell it what events to listen for.
It takes two parameters: One for drag directions and one for swipe directions.
We're only interested in swipe. Pass 0 to inform the callback not to respond to drag events. */
val swipeHandler = object :
    ItemTouchHelper.SimpleCallback(0, ItemTouchHelper.LEFT or ItemTouchHelper.RIGHT) {
        // Ignore and do not perform any special behavior here
        override fun onMove( ... ) = false

        // 2. onSwiped ask the RecyclerView adapter to delete the swiped item
        override fun onSwiped(viewHolder: RecyclerView.ViewHolder, swipeDirection: Int) {
            countryAdapter.deleteCountry(viewHolder)
        }
    }

/* 3. Initialize ItemTouchHelper with the swipeHandler you defined,
and then attach it to the RecyclerView. */
val itemTouchHelper = ItemTouchHelper(swipeHandler)
itemTouchHelper.attachToRecyclerView(countriesRv)
```

## 2. RecyclerViewAdapter deletes the swiped item

```
fun deleteCountry(viewHolder: RecyclerView.ViewHolder) {  
    // Get the position of the item that was swiped  
    val position = viewHolder.adapterPosition  
    deletedCountry = countries[position]  
    countries.removeAt(position)  
  
    // Inform the RecyclerView adapter that an item has been  
    // removed at a specific position.  
    notifyItemRemoved(position)  
  
    Snackbar.make(viewHolder.itemView, "${deletedCountry.name}  
        removed", Snackbar.LENGTH_LONG).setAction("UNDO") {  
        countries.add(position, deletedCountry)  
        notifyItemInserted(position)  
    }.show()  
}
```





# Add & Update

- Add & Update list items will be covered later

# Resources

- RecyclerView codelab
  - <https://codelabs.developers.google.com/codelabs/kotlin-android-training-recyclerview-fundamentals/>
- Handling RecyclerView click event
  - <https://www.andreasjakl.com/recyclerview-kotlin-style-click-listener-android/>