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Topic: Basic Android Concepts

1. Manifest

a. Permissions

- i. API 26+ run time
 - 1. Check permissions in Activity if required
- ii. API < 26 only manifest -> accepts at installation time

b. Styles

- i. Noactionbar, lightactionbar, darkactionbar, day/night
 - 1. ActionBar -> header bar used to display menus, titles, drawers, etc.
 - a. Set toolbar view as actionbar using `setActionBar`
 - b. Override `onCreateOptionsMenu` and `onOptionsItemSelected` to inflate menu and listen to clicks
 - c. `setDisplayHomeAsUpEnabled` shows corner button (can set custom drawable)

c. Services/providers registration

- i. [For more information](#)

d. Parameters

- i. `launchMode` (`singleTop`, `singleInstance`, etc), theme (from Styles)

2. Activity

a. Lifecycle

- i. `onCreate`, `onStart`, `onResume`, `onPause`, `onStop`
 - 1. Override to add functionality, call super
 - 2. [Activity Lifecycle Guide](#)

b. Threads

- i. UI Thread -> don't block or UI will become unresponsive (drops frames)
- ii. Threads vs AsyncTask vs Service vs Handler
 - 1. [Background Processing Explanation](#) for more information
 - 2. Thread -> basic multi-threading tool, pure Java
 - a. Need to handle sync, cancellation, pooling, config changes
 - 3. AsyncTask
 - a. Encapsulates thread, can report progress, syncs automatically
 - 4. Service
 - a. Decouples execution from context, bind to communicate (interface) -> remember to unbind
 - 5. Handler
 - a. Used to send data to thread registered with (post results)

- c. Layout
 - i. Views
 - 1. Specs
 - a. Layout specs
 - i. Height (minheight), width (minwidth), elevation
 - ii. Background, src, theme
 - iii. Margin vs padding
 - 1. Margin -> outside
 - 2. Padding -> inside
 - iv. Gravity vs layoutgravity
 - 1. Gravity -> children
 - 2. layoutGravity -> view itself
 - v. id -> (@+id/layout_name)
 - 2. Containers
 - a. RelativeLayout
 - i. Relative alignment -> alignStart, alignLeft
 - b. LinearLayout
 - i. Orientation
 - ii. Weight
 - c. CoordinatorLayout
 - i. Link views together
 - d. FrameLayout
 - i. Fills all available space
 - 3. Views
 - a. Options -> same as layouts
 - b. Focus change listener
 - c. <include layout="@layout/layout_name">
 - d. Xlmns tool
 - e. Common views
 - i. Textview, editText, fab, toolbar, imageview, scrollview (nestedscrollview), View, fragment, snackbar, cardview
 - ii. Inflating layouts/menus
 - 1. Menu listener -> access by id
 - iii. Referencing views
 - 1. Requires id parameter
 - 2. findViewById(R.id.layout_name)
 - 3. UI Thread only
 - a. If in different thread, use handler, async task, or callbacks
- d. State
 - i. Bundles, SharedPreferences, etc
 - 1. Override onSaveInstanceState to save data, restore in onCreate if Bundle != null

- 2. SharedPreferences: mode to set permissions, must open editor and apply changes to commit (can use commit but apply is async)
- e. Instances, new activities, etc
 - i. Intents (operation), flags, passing data
 - 1. Animation -> anim folder resources
 - 2. Bundles to pass data
 - ii. Toasts -> context, string, duration (View.LENGTH_LONG/LENGTH_SHORT)
- f. Context
 - i. getContext vs getApplicationContext
 - 1. Current context vs entire application
- g. Animations (activities/fragments)
 - i. Basic -> anim -> override pending animation
- h. Orientation
 - i. portrait/landscape
 - 1. Manifest -> can restrict orientation (screenOrientation) - not rec.
 - 2. Specific layouts in layout-land folder
 - 3. Split screen consideration and scalability
 - ii. Fullscreen
 - 1. Window params (sticky)
- 3. Fragments
 - a. Callback/binders(not just fragments)
 - i. Interfaces
 - b. Lifecycle
 - i. onAttach, onCreate, onCreateView, onActivityCreated, onStart, onResume, onPause, onStop, onDestroyView, onDestroy, onDetach
 - 1. Override to add functionality (eg bind/unbind), call super
 - ii. [Fragment Lifecycle Guide](#)
 - c. Retained fragments -> save state/execution on context change
- 4. Listeners/adapters
 - a. RecyclerViews
 - i. Custom views -> custom adapters
 - b. Listeners
 - i. onClick, stateChanged, custom listeners
- 5. Resources
 - a. Use getResources().getSomething to get resource by id
 - b. Strings, Colors, Drawables, Dimen
 - i. Strings -> translation purposes, reuse, etc
 - 1. Arrays/items
 - ii. Colors -> day/night, palette
 - iii. Drawables -> icon for display density, size vs loading times
 - iv. Dimen -> view dimensions
- 6. Memory/SD Card
 - a. Complicated, depends on permissions, intent, etc

- b. Uris vs URIs, uri permissions (persist)
 - i. Java vs Android
 - c. DocumentProvider/FileProvider/ContentProvider -> Register in manifest
- 7. Libraries
 - a. Github, Android-Arsenal
 - i. Make sure to check Android version and most recent library version
 - b. Licenses
 - i. Apache, MIT
 - 1. Attribution Required
 - ii. CC
 - 1. Check type of CC license, some restrict commercial use
 - iii. No license -> default copyrighted
- 8. Builds
 - a. Gradle options
 - i. Proguard -> obfuscation -> proguard-rules.pro
 - ii. API levels -> min API limits API usage
 - b. Build apk/aar
 - i. Keystore
 - 1. Keystore for signing apps (V1 and V2)
 - ii. Release type
 - 1. Debug vs Release params
- 9. Misc
 - a. Root -> RootTools (Stericsson or equivalent)
 - b. Camera API
 - c. ADB Commands