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Random post from Reddit

Description

I am following the default recommendation from Udacity for final Capstone project. My app would let the user indicate a set of subreddits that they would like to follow and store. The app would then choose a post from one of the subreddits and present to the user. User would be able to interact with the post or dismiss it to receive another.

Intended User

The app is for anyone who cares enough about post from reddit for fun or genuine interest.

Features

List the main features of your app. For example:

* Saves user’s list of subreddits
* Present images, vidoes, etc.
* Request json response from Reddit api
* Swipe left or right to view new post
* Share post with via email/facebook/ etc ..

User Interface Mocks

**Screen 1: Choose some subreddits**

A screenshot of a cell phone

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Upon opening the app, user would select series of subreddits they that would like to follow and store. Then the app would store the list to app’s local database so that it would query a random post from one of the subreddits each time user refreshes the app.

**Screen 2: Interact with a post from one of the subreddits**

A screenshot of a cell phone

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User would then be able to interact with one of the posts from the chosen subreddit. User can view images/videos, view comments, visit associated links. Upon swiping left or right, user would be able to view new post from either current or different subreddit.

Key Considerations

**How will your app handle data persistence?**

The only thing that needs to be stored is user’s list of subreddits. I think I can store these in shared preferences. If not, I will use Room. Please give me recommendation on what to use. (I have to store user’s choice of subreddits so that the app remembers them and makes according api call to reddit api)

**Describe any edge or corner cases in the UX.**

User should be able to navigate to some website if the post contain any links and be able to comment on the post via the app.

**Describe any libraries you’ll be using and share your reasoning for including them.**

Picasso or Glide to handle the loading and caching of images.

**Describe how you will implement Google Play Services or other external services.**

I am not sure what I should be using for Google Services. Please give me recommendations on this one ☹ I think maybe Google Mobile Ads for displaying ads and firebase for storing user data? For my use case, using Goggle Services is not really necessary. What do you think?

Next Steps: Required Tasks

**Task 1: Project Setup**

* Configure libraries

**Task 2: Implement UI for Each Activity and Fragment**

* Build UI for choosing from subreddits
* Build UI for viewing post from one of the subreddits

**Task 3: Setup database for user’s choice of subreddits**

* Set up Room database to store user’s choice of subreddits

**Task 4: Implement JSON request to Reddit api using retrofit**

* Sign up for Reddit api to user reddit api services
* Make api call to get post from one of the subreddits

**Task 5: Create build variant for free/paid version**

* Implement Goggle Play Services for Mobile Ads in free version
* Create build variant for paid version without interrupting ads

**Task 5: Handle Error Cases and wrap up**

* Handle corner cases for api call, video playback, viewing webpages, etc.
* Make some unit Tests for different activities.