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# Android Intents

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Android Developers  
<http://developer.android.com/index.html>



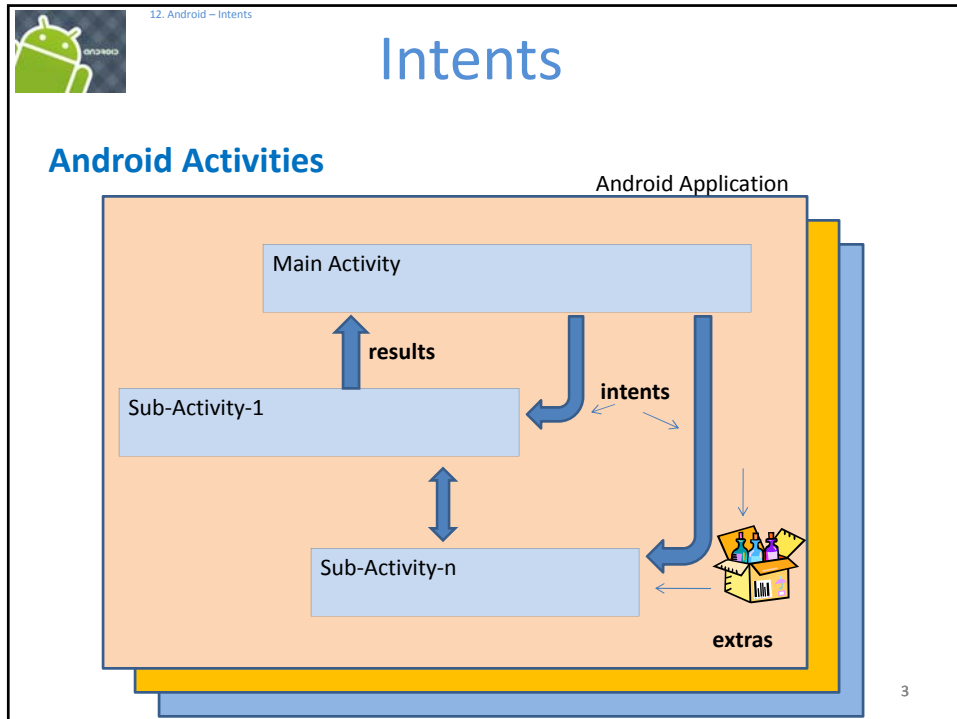
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## Intents

### Android Activities

An Android application could include any number of activities.

- An *activity* uses the `setContentView(...)` method to expose (usually) a single UI from which a number of actions could be performed.
- Activities are independent of each other; however they usually cooperate exchanging data and actions.
- Typically, one of the activities is designated as the first one (*main*) that should be presented to the user when the application is launched.
- Moving from one activity to another is accomplished by asking the current activity to execute an *intent*.
- Activities interact with each other in an **asynchronous** mode.



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# Intents

Taken from: <http://code.google.com/android/reference/android/content/Intent.html>

**Intents** are invoked using the following options

<b><i>startActivity (intent)</i></b>	launches an <i>Activity</i>
<b><i>sendBroadcast (intent)</i></b>	sends an intent to any interested <i>BroadcastReceiver</i> components
<b><i>startService(intent)</i></b> or <b><i>bindService(intent, ...)</i></b>	communicate with a background <i>Service</i> .

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# Intents

Taken from: <http://code.google.com/android/reference/android/content/Intent.html>

The main arguments of an Intent are:

- 1. Action** The built-in action to be performed, such as **ACTION\_VIEW**, **ACTION\_EDIT**, **ACTION\_MAIN**, ... or *user-created-activity*
- 2. Data** The primary data to operate on, such as a phone number to be called (expressed as a **Uri**).

```

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    A[Activity-1] -- "Intent: { action + data }" --> B[Activity-2]
    B -- "Optional results" --> A
  
```

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Typically an intent is called as follows:


```

Intent myActivity = new Intent (action, data);
startActivity (myActivity);
  
```

Built-in or user-created activity

Primary data (as an URI)  
tel://  
http://  
sendto://

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Taken from: <http://code.google.com/android/reference/android/content/Intent.html>

Examples of **action/data** pairs are:

**ACTION\_DIAL**     *tel:123*  
Display the phone dialer with the given number filled in.


**ACTION\_VIEW**     *http://www.google.com*  
Show Google page in a browser view. Note how the VIEW action does what is considered the most reasonable thing for a particular URI.

**ACTION\_EDIT**     *content://contacts/people/2*  
Edit information about the person whose identifier is "2".

**ACTION\_VIEW**     *content://contacts/people/2*  
Used to start an activity to display 2-nd person.

**ACTION\_VIEW**     *content://contacts/people/*  
Display a list of people, which the user can browse through. Selecting a particular person to view would result in a new intent

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## Built-in Standard Actions

List of standard actions that Intents can use for launching activities (usually through `startActivity(Intent)`).

<b>ACTION_MAIN</b>	<b>ACTION_ANSWER</b>
ACTION_VIEW	ACTION_INSERT
ACTION_ATTACH_DATA	ACTION_DELETE
<b>ACTION_EDIT</b>	ACTION_RUN
ACTION_PICK	ACTION_SYNC
ACTION_CHOOSER	ACTION_PICK_ACTIVITY
ACTION_GET_CONTENT	<b>ACTION_SEARCH</b>
ACTION_DIAL	<b>ACTION_WEB_SEARCH</b>
<b>ACTION_CALL</b>	ACTION_FACTORY_TEST
ACTION_SEND	
<b>ACTION_SENDDTO</b>	

For a list of actions see:  
<http://developer.android.com/reference/android/content/Intent.html>

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ACTION_AIRPLANE_MODE_CHANGED	ACTION_EDIT	ACTION_MEDIA_SCANNER_STARTED	ACTION_SCREEN_OFF
ACTION_ALL_APPS	ACTION_EXTERNAL_APPLICATIONS_AVAILABLE	ACTION_MEDIA_SHARED	ACTION_SCREEN_ON
ACTION_ANSWER	ACTION_EXTERNAL_APPLICATIONS_UNAVAILABLE	ACTION_MEDIA_UNMOUNTABLE	ACTION_SEARCH
ACTION_ATTACH_DATA	ACTION_FACTORY_TEST	ACTION_MEDIA_UNMOUNTED	ACTION_SEARCH_LONG_PRESS
ACTION_BATTERY_CHANGED	ACTION_GET_CONTENT	ACTION_MY_PACKAGE_REPLACED	ACTION_SEND
ACTION_BATTERY_LOW	ACTION_GTALK_SERVICE_CONNECTED	ACTION_NEW_OUTGOING_CALL	ACTION_SENDTO
ACTION_BATTERY_OKAY	ACTION_GTALK_SERVICE_DISCONNECTED	ACTION_PACKAGE_ADDED	ACTION_SEND_MULTIPLE
ACTION_BOOT_COMPLETED	ACTION_HEADSET_PLUG	ACTION_PACKAGE_CHANGED	ACTION_SET_WALLPAPER
ACTION_BUG_REPORT	ACTION_INPUT_METHOD_CHANGED	ACTION_PACKAGE_DATA_CLEARED	ACTION_SHUTDOWN
ACTION_CALL	ACTION_INSERT	ACTION_PACKAGE_FIRST_LAUNCH	ACTION_SYNC
ACTION_CALL_BUTTON	ACTION_INSERT_OR_EDIT	ACTION_PACKAGE_INSTALL	ACTION_SYSTEM_TUTORIAL
ACTION_CAMERA_BUTTON	ACTION_LOCALE_CHANGED	ACTION_PACKAGE_REMOVED	ACTION_TIMEZONE_CHANGED
ACTION_CHOOSER	ACTION_MAIN	ACTION_PACKAGE_REPLACED	ACTION_TIME_CHANGED
ACTION_CLOSE_SYSTEM_DIALOGS	ACTION_MANAGE_PACKAGE_STORAGE	ACTION_PACKAGE_RESTARTED	ACTION_TIME_TICK
ACTION_CONFIGURATION_CHANGED	ACTION_MEDIA_BAD_REMOVAL	ACTION_PASTE	ACTION_UID_REMOVED
ACTION_CREATE_SHORTCUT	ACTION_MEDIA_BUTTON	ACTION_PICK	ACTION_UMS_CONNECTED
ACTION_DATE_CHANGED	ACTION_MEDIA_CHECKING	ACTION_PICK_ACTIVITY	ACTION_UMS_DISCONNECTED
ACTION_DEFAULT	ACTION_MEDIA_EJECT	ACTION_POWER_CONNECTED	ACTION_USER_PRESENT
ACTION_DELETE	ACTION_MEDIA_MOUNTED	ACTION_POWER_DISCONNECTED	ACTION_VIEW
ACTION_DEVICE_STORAGE_LOW	ACTION_MEDIA_NOFS	ACTION_POWER_USAGE_SUMMARY	ACTION_VOICE_COMMAND
ACTION_DEVICE_STORAGE_OK	ACTION_MEDIA_REMOVED	ACTION_PROVIDER_CHANGED	ACTION_WALLPAPER_CHANGED
ACTION_DIAL	ACTION_MEDIA_SCANNER_FINISHED	ACTION_REBOOT	ACTION_WEB_SEARCH
ACTION_DOCK_EVENT	ACTION_MEDIA_SCANNER_SCAN_FILE	ACTION_RUN	

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**Example**

Display the phone dialer with the given number filled in.

```
Intent myActivity2 = new Intent (Intent.ACTION_DIAL,
Uri.parse( "tel:555-1234"));
startActivity(myActivity2);
```



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Taken from: <http://code.google.com/android/reference/android/content/Intent.html>

## Intents - Secondary Attributes

In addition to the primary *action/data* attributes, there are a number of **secondary attributes** that you can also include with an intent, such as:


1. Category
2. Components
3. Type
4. Extras


**Example:** Doing a Google search looking for golf clubs

```
Intent intent = new Intent (Intent.ACTION_WEB_SEARCH );

intent.putExtra(SearchManager.QUERY,
                "straight hitting golf clubs");


startActivity(intent);
```





Apparently the Google answer is 'none'

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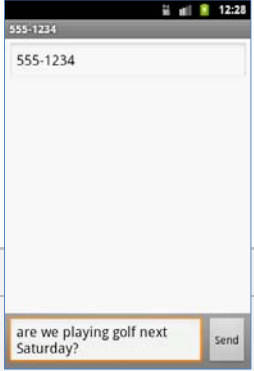
## Intents - Secondary Attributes

**Example:** Sending a text message (using extra attributes)

```
Intent intent = new Intent( Intent.ACTION_SENDTO,
                          Uri.parse( "sms:5551234" ));


intent.putExtra("sms_body", "are we playing golf next Saturday?");

startActivity(intent);
```



*"address", "sms\_body" are keywords*

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Taken from: <http://code.google.com/android/reference/android/content/Intent.html>


## Intents - Secondary Attributes

**Example: Showing Pictures (using extra attributes)**


```
Intent myIntent = new Intent();

myIntent.setType("image/pictures/*");
myIntent.setAction(Intent.ACTION_GET_CONTENT);

startActivity(myIntent);
```



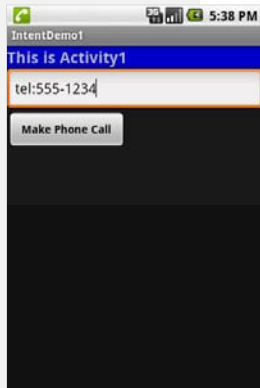
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**1. A Complete Example:** Activity1 displays an interface to accept a phone number and requests (built-in) Activity2 to make the call.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:orientation="vertical"
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"
    android:layout_height="fill_parent" >
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/label1"
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:background="#ff0000cc"
        android:text="This is Activity1"
        android:textStyle="bold"
        android:textSize="20sp" />
    <EditText
        android:id="@+id/text1"
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="54px"
        android:text="tel:555-1234"
        android:textSize="18sp" />
    <Button
        android:id="@+id/btnCallActivity2"
        android:layout_width="149px"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:text="Make Phone Call"
        android:textStyle="bold" />
</LinearLayout>
```

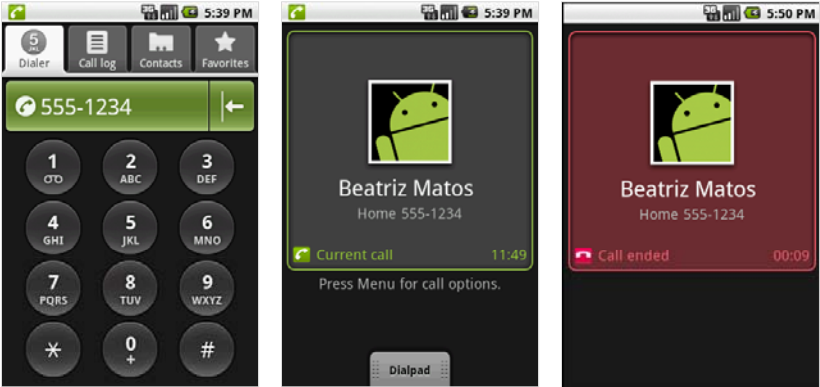


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**1. A Complete Example:** Activity1 displays an interface to accept a phone number and requests (built-in) Activity2 to make the call.



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**1. A Complete Example:** Activity1 displays an interface to accept a phone number and requests (built-in) Activity2 to make the call.

```
//IntentDemol_Intent: making a phone call
package cis493.intents;
import android.app.Activity;
import android.content.Intent;
import android.net.Uri;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.view.View;
import android.view.View.OnClickListener;
import android.widget.*;

public class IntentDemol extends Activity {
    TextView label1;
    EditText text1;
    Button btnCallActivity2;
}
```

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**1. A Complete Example:** Activity1 displays an interface to accept a phone number and requests (built-in) Activity2 to make the call.

```


@Override
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
    try {

        setContentView(R.layout.main);
        label1 = (TextView)findViewById(R.id.label1);
        text1 = (EditText)findViewById(R.id.text1);

        btnCallActivity2 = (Button)findViewById(R.id.btnCallActivity2);
        btnCallActivity2.setOnClickListener(new ClickHandler());
    }
    catch (Exception e) {
        Toast.makeText(getBaseContext(), e.getMessage(),
            Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show();
    }
} //onCreate

```

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**1. A Complete Example:** Activity1 displays an interface to accept a phone number and requests (built-in) Activity2 to make the call.


```

private class ClickHandler implements OnClickListener {
    @Override
    public void onClick(View v) {
        try {
            // myActivity2 places a phone call
            // for ACTION_CALL or ACTION_DIAL
            // use 'tel:' formatted data: "tel:555-1234"
            // for ACTION_VIEW use data: "http://www.youtube.com"
            // (you also need INTERNET permission - see Manifest)

            String myData = text1.getText().toString();
            Intent myActivity2 = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_DIAL,
                Uri.parse(myData));
            startActivity(myActivity2);
        }
        catch (Exception e) {
            Toast.makeText(getBaseContext(), e.getMessage(),
                Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show();
        }
    } //onClick
} //ClickHandler
} //IntentDemo1

```

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**1. A Complete Example:** Activity1 displays an interface that accepts from the user a phone number and requests (built-in) Activity2 to make the call.


```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    package="cis493.intents"
    android:versionCode="1"
    android:versionName="1.0">
  <application android:icon="@drawable/icon"
    android:label="@string/app_name">
    <activity android:name=".IntentDemo1"
    android:label="@string/app_name">
      <intent-filter>
        <action android:name="android.intent.action.MAIN" />
        <category android:name="android.intent.category.LAUNCHER" />
      </intent-filter>
    </activity>
  </application>
  <uses-sdk android:minSdkVersion="3" />
</manifest>

```

← Action/category

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**Built-in Standard Broadcast Actions**

List of standard actions that Intents can use for receiving broadcasts (usually through `registerReceiver(BroadcastReceiver, IntentFilter)` or a `<receiver>` tag in a manifest).

ACTION_TIME_TICK
ACTION_TIME_CHANGED
ACTION_TIMEZONE_CHANGED
ACTION_BOOT_COMPLETED
ACTION_PACKAGE_ADDED
ACTION_PACKAGE_CHANGED
ACTION_PACKAGE_REMOVED
ACTION_UID_REMOVED
ACTION_BATTERY_CHANGED

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**More Examples: Using Standard Actions**

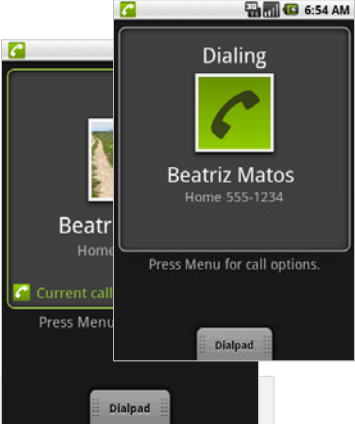
**Call Immediately**  
 Modify the *complete* example1 replacing the method 'ClickHandler' with the following code

```
String myData = "tel:555-1234";


Intent myActivity2 = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_CALL,
                               Uri.parse(myData));

startActivity(myActivity2);
```

Needs Permission:  
`<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.CALL_PHONE" />`



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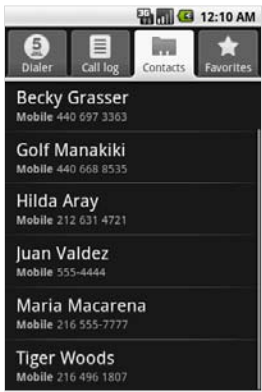
**More Examples: Using Standard Actions**

**Show all your Contacts**  
 Modify the *complete* example1 replacing the method 'ClickHandler' with the following code


```
String myData = "content://contacts/people/";

Intent myActivity2 = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_VIEW,
                               Uri.parse(myData));

startActivity(myActivity2);
```



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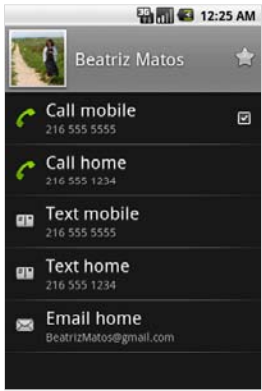
**More Examples: Using Standard Actions**

**Show a Particular Contact (ID = 2)**  
 Modify the *complete* example1 replacing the method 'ClickHandler' with the following code


```
String myData = "content://contacts/people/8";

Intent myActivity2 = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_VIEW,
                               Uri.parse(myData));

startActivity(myActivity2);
```



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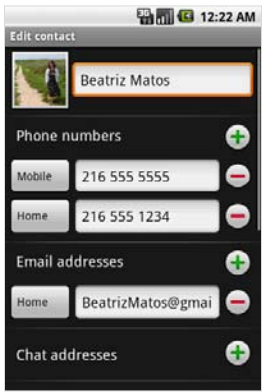
**More Examples: Using Standard Actions**

**Edit a Particular Contact (ID = 8)**  
 Modify the *complete* example1 replacing the method 'ClickHandler' with the following code


```
String myData = "content://contacts/people/8";

Intent myActivity2 = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_EDIT,
                               Uri.parse(myData));

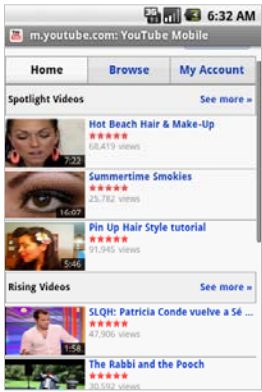
startActivity(myActivity2);
```



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## More Examples: Using Standard Actions

### View a Webpage

Modify the *complete* example1 replacing the method 'ClickHandler' with the following code

```
String myData = "http://www.youtube.com";

Intent myActivity2 = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_VIEW,
                               Uri.parse(myData));

startActivity(myActivity2);
```

**Caution.** Add to the Manifest a request to use the Internet:  
`<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.INTERNET" />`

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## More Examples: Using Standard Actions


### Geo Mapping an Address

Provide a geoCode expression holding a street address (or place, such as 'golden gate ca')  
 Replace spaces with '+'.

```
String geoCode =
    "geo:0,0?q=1860+east+18th+street+cleveland+oh";
Intent intent = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_VIEW,
                           Uri.parse(geoCode));
startActivity(intent);
```

Modify the Manifest adding the following requests:  
`<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_COARSE_LOCATION" />`  
`<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.INTERNET" />`

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**More Examples: Using Standard Actions**

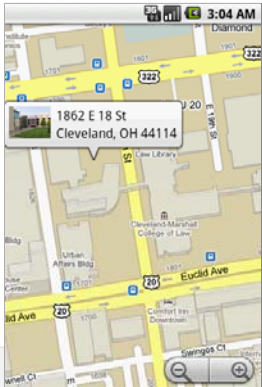
**Geo Mapping Coordinates (latitude, longitude)**  
Provide a geoCode holding latitude and longitude (also an additional zoom **'?z=xx'** with xx in range 1..23)


```
String geoCode =
    "geo:41.5020952,-81.6789717";
Intent intent = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_VIEW,
                          Uri.parse(geoCode));
startActivity(intent);
```

Modify the Manifest adding the following requests:

```
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_COARSE_LOCATION" />
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.INTERNET" />
```

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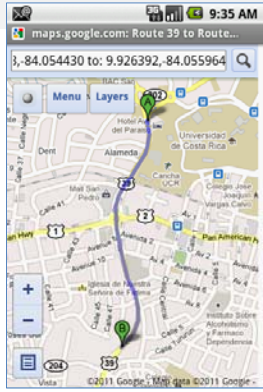
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**More Examples**

**// Getting driving directions: how to go from location A to location B?**

```
Intent intent = new Intent(android.content.Intent.ACTION_VIEW,
                          Uri.parse("http://maps.google.com/maps?saddr=9.938083,-84.054430&daddr=9.926392,-84.055964"));
startActivity(intent);
```

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**More Examples**

```
// use a mnemonic to articulate an address
String thePlace = "Cleveland State University";

Intent intent = new Intent(android.content.Intent.ACTION_VIEW,
                           Uri.parse("geo:0,0?q= (" + thePlace + ") " ));
startActivity(intent);
```



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**More Examples: Using Standard Actions**

**Geo Mapping - Google StreetView**

geoCode Uri structure:  
 google.streetview:cbll=*lat,lng*&cbp=1,  
*yaw,,pitch,zoom*&mz=*mapZoom*

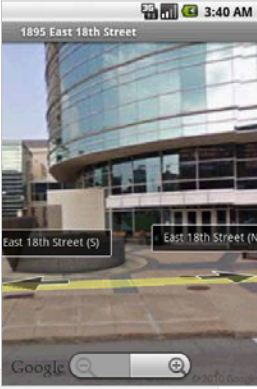
Reference: <http://developer.android.com/guide/appendix/g-app-intents.html>

```
String geoCode =
    "google.streetview:cbll=41.5020952,-81.6789717&cbp=1,270,,45,1&mz=1";

Intent intent = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_VIEW,
                           Uri.parse(geoCode));
startActivity(intent);
```

Modify the Manifest adding the following requests:

```
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_COARSE_LOCATION" />
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.INTERNET" />
```



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**More Examples: Using Standard Actions**

**Launching the Music Player**

Reference: <http://developer.android.com/guide/appendix/g-app-intents.html>

```


//launch music player

Intent myActivity2 =
    new Intent("android.intent.action.MUSIC_PLAYER");

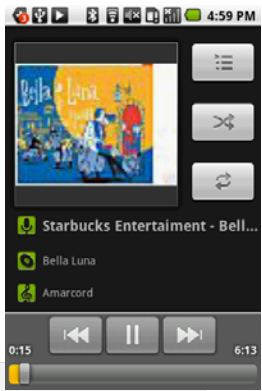
startActivity(myActivity2);

```

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**More Examples: Using Standard Actions**

**Playing a song stored in the SD card**

Reference: <http://developer.android.com/guide/appendix/g-app-intents.html>

```

// play song "amarcord.mp3" saved in the SD
Intent myActivity2 =
    new Intent(android.content.Intent.ACTION_VIEW);

Uri data = Uri.parse("file:///sdcard/amarcord.mp3");
String type = "audio/mp3";


myActivity2.setDataAndType(data, type);

startActivity(myActivity2);

```

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**More Examples: Using Standard Actions**

**Sending MMS**

Add picture #1 from SD to MMS

Reference: <http://developer.android.com/guide/appendix/g-app-intents.html>

```

//send mms attach picture #1 to it

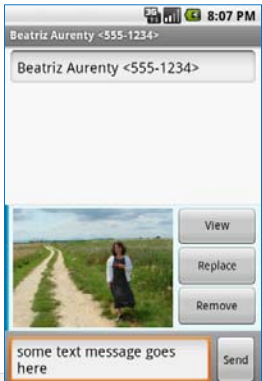
Uri uri = Uri.parse("content://media/external/images/media/1");

Intent myActivity2 = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_SEND);


myActivity2.putExtra("address", "555-1234");
myActivity2.putExtra("sms_body", "some text message goes here");
myActivity2.putExtra(Intent.EXTRA_STREAM, uri);
myActivity2.setType("image/png");

startActivity(myActivity2);

```



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**More Examples: Using Standard Actions**

**Sending Email**

Reference: <http://developer.android.com/guide/appendix/g-app-intents.html>

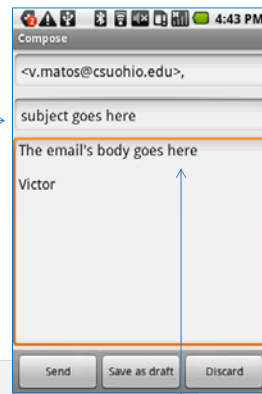
```

// send email
Uri uri = Uri.parse("mailto:v.matos@csuohio.edu");
Intent myActivity2 = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_SENDTO, uri);


// you may skip the next two pieces [subject/text]
myActivity2.putExtra(Intent.EXTRA_SUBJECT,
    "subject goes here");
myActivity2.putExtra(Intent.EXTRA_TEXT,
    "The email's body goes here");

startActivity(myActivity2);

```

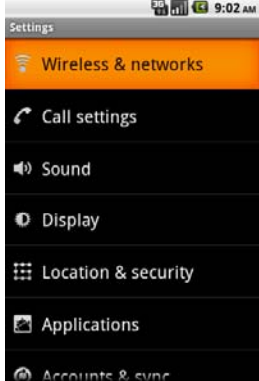


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**More Examples: Using Standard Actions**

**Setting System**

Reference: <http://developer.android.com/reference/android/provider/Settings.html>


```
Intent intent = new Intent(
    android.provider.Settings.ACTION_SETTINGS);
startActivity(intent);
```

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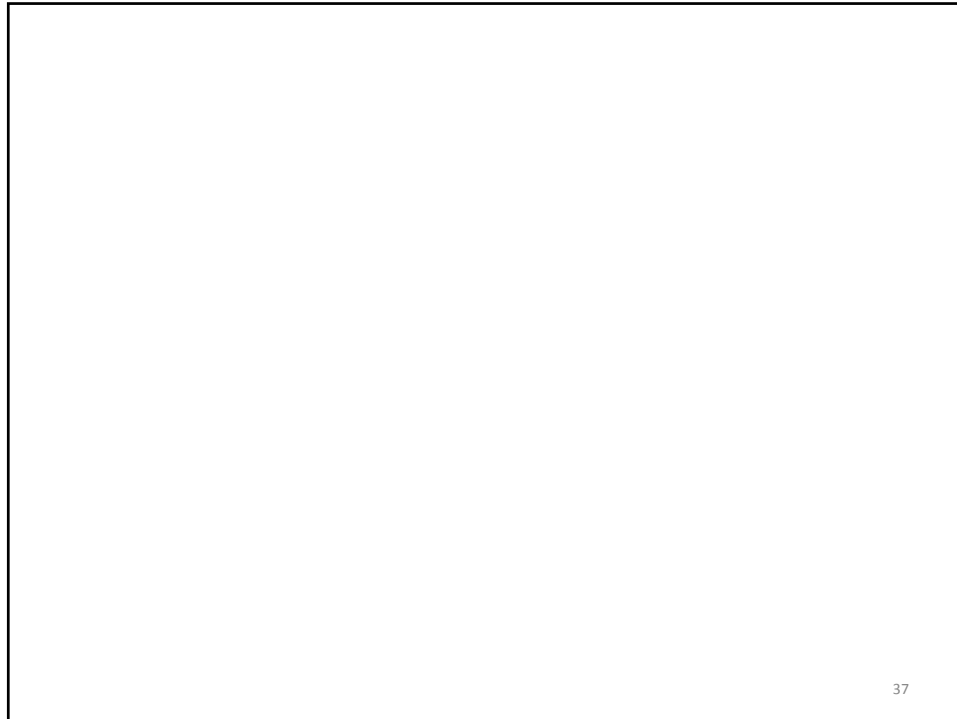
**More Examples: Using Standard Actions**

**Setting System Locale:  
Language & Keyboard**


Reference: <http://developer.android.com/reference/android/provider/Settings.html>

```
Intent intent = new Intent(
    android.provider.Settings.ACTION_LOCALE_SETTINGS);
startActivity(intent);
```

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### Starting Activities and Getting Results

The **startActivity(Intent)** method is used to start a new activity, which will be placed at the top of the activity stack. The caller however continues to execute in its own thread.

Sometimes you want to get a result back from the called sub-activity when it ends. 

For example, you may start an activity that let the user pick a person from a list of contacts; when it ends, it returns the person that was selected.

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### Starting Activities and Getting Results

In order to get results back from the called activity we use the method


**startActivityForResult ( Intent, requestCodeID )**




Where *requestCodeID* is an arbitrary value you choose to identify the call.

The result sent by the sub-activity could be picked up through the Listener-like asynchronous method

**onActivityResult ( requestCodeID, resultCode, Intent )**



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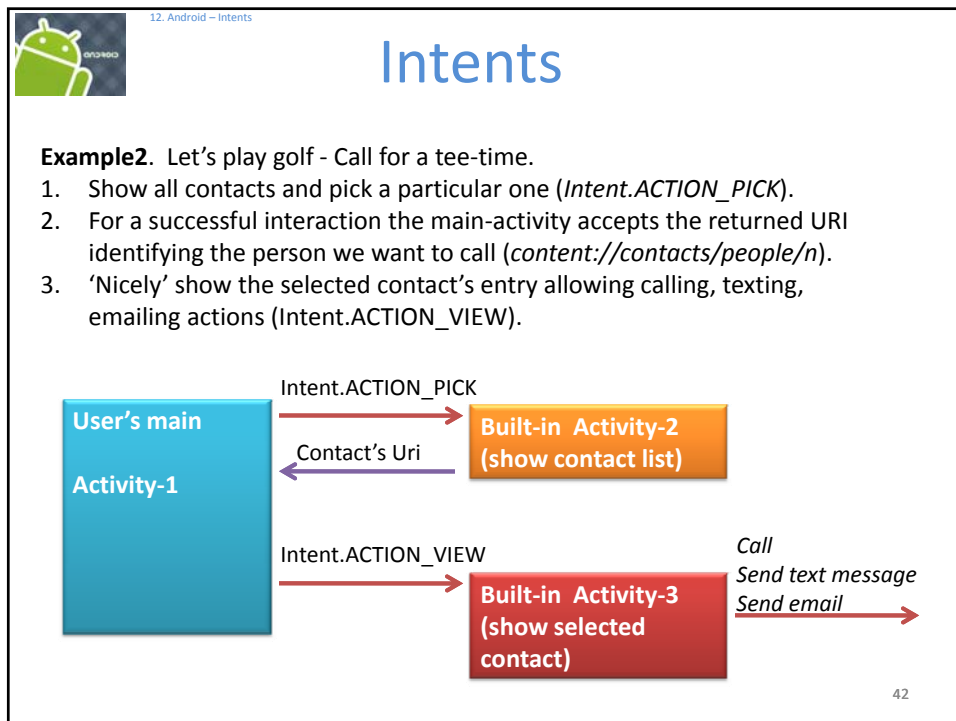
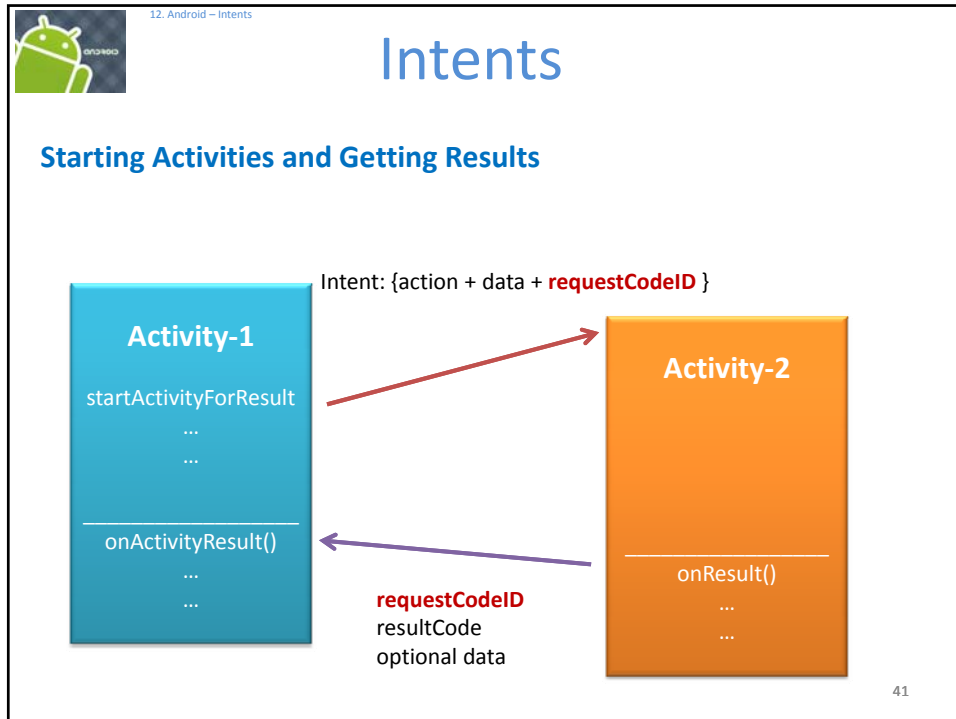

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### Starting Activities and Getting Results

- Before an invoked activity exits, it can call **setResult (resultCode)** to return a termination signal back to its parent.
- It is convenient to supply a result code, which can be the standard results **Activity.RESULT\_CANCELED**, **Activity.RESULT\_OK**, or any custom values.
- All of this information can be capture back on the parent's **onActivityResult (int requestCodeID, int resultCode, Intent data)**
- If a child activity fails for any reason (such as crashing), the parent activity will receive a result with the code **RESULT\_CANCELED**.

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**Example2.** Let's play golf - *Call for a tee-time.*

IntentDemo1  
This is Activity1  
content://contacts/people/  
Pick a Contact

Contacts  
Beatriz Matos  
Mobile 216 555 5555  
Becky Grasser  
Mobile 440 668 8535  
**Golf Manakiki**  
Mobile 440 668 8535  
Hilda Aray  
Mobile 212 631 4721  
Juan Valdez  
Mobile 555-4444  
Maria Macarena  
Mobile 216 555-7777  
Tiger Woods

Golf Manakiki  
Call mobile  
440 668 8535  
Text mobile  
440 668 8535

Main Activity      Intent.ACTION\_PICK      Intent.ACTION\_VIEW

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**Example2 (cont.)** Let's play golf - *Call for a tee-time*

IntentDemo1  
content://contacts/people/8  
content://contacts/people/  
Pick a Contact

Place the call      Terminate the call      Selected contact's URI

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**Example2.** *Calling a sub-activity, receiving results.*

```
//IntentDemo2_Intent: making a phone call
//receiving results from a sub-activity
package cis493.intents;
import android.app.Activity;
import android.content.Intent;
import android.net.Uri;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.view.View;
import android.view.View.OnClickListener;
import android.widget.*;

public class IntentDemo2 extends Activity {
    TextView label1;
    EditText text1;
    Button btnCallActivity2;
```

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**Example2.** *Calling a sub-activity, receiving results.*

```
@Override
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
    try {
        setContentView(R.layout.main);
        label1 = (TextView)findViewById(R.id.label1);
        text1 = (EditText)findViewById(R.id.text1);

        btnCallActivity2 = (Button)findViewById(R.id.btnPickContact);
        btnCallActivity2.setOnClickListener(new ClickHandler());
    }
    catch (Exception e) {
        Toast.makeText(getBaseContext(),
            e.getMessage(), Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show();
    }
} //onCreate
```

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**Example2. Calling a sub-activity, receiving results.**

```
private class ClickHandler implements OnClickListener {
    @Override
    public void onClick(View v) {
        try {
            // myData refer to: content://contacts/people/
            String myData = text1.getText().toString();

            //you may also try ACTION_VIEW instead
            Intent myActivity2 = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_PICK,
                Uri.parse(myData));

            // start myActivity2.
            // Tell it that our requestCodeID (or nickname) is 222
            startActivityForResult(myActivity2, 222);

            // Toast.makeText(getApplicationContext(),
            //     "I can't wait for you", 1).show();
        }
        catch (Exception e) {
            labell.setText(e.getMessage());
        }
    } //onClick
} //ClickHandler
```





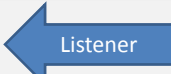
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**Example2. Calling a sub-activity, receiving results.**

```
@Override
protected void onActivityResult(int requestCode,
    int resultCode,
    Intent data) {
    super.onActivityResult(requestCode, resultCode, data);
    try {
        // use requestCode to find out who is talking back to us
        switch (requestCode){
            case (222): {
                // 222 is our friendly contact-picker activity
                if (resultCode == Activity.RESULT_OK) {
                    String selectedContact = data.getDataString();
                    // it will return an URI that looks like:
                    // content://contacts/people/n
                    // where n is the selected contacts' ID
                    labell.setText(selectedContact.toString());

                    //show a 'nice' screen with the selected contact
                    Intent myAct3 = new Intent (Intent.ACTION_VIEW,
                        Uri.parse(selectedContact));
                    startActivity(myAct3);
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```




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**Example2.** *Calling a sub-activity, receiving results.*

```

else {
    //user pressed the BACK button
    labell.setText("Selection CANCELLED "
        + requestCode + " " + resultCode);
}
break;
}
} //switch
}
catch (Exception e) {
    Toast.makeText(getBaseContext(), e.getMessage(),
        Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show();
}
} // onActivityResult
} // IntentDemo2

```

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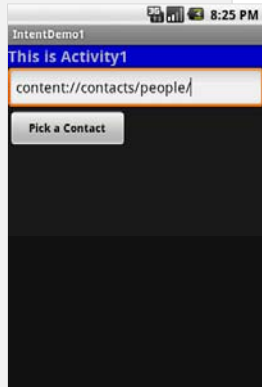
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**Example2.** *Calling a sub-activity, receiving results.*

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:orientation="vertical"
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"
    android:layout_height="fill_parent" >
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/labell"
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:background="#ff0000cc"
        android:text="This is Activity1"
        android:textStyle="bold"
        android:textSize="20sp"/>
    <EditText
        android:id="@+id/text1"
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="54px"
        android:text="content://contacts/people/"
        android:textSize="18sp" />
    <Button
        android:id="@+id/btnPickContact"
        android:layout_width="149px"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:text="Pick a Contact"
        android:textStyle="bold" />
</LinearLayout>

```




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**Example3.** Showing Pictures and Video - Calling a sub-activity, receiving results.

```

private void showSoundTracks() {
    Intent myIntent = new Intent();
    myIntent.setType("video/*, images/*");
    myIntent.setAction(Intent.ACTION_GET_CONTENT);
    startActivityForResult(myIntent, 0);
}

@Override
protected void onActivityResult(int requestCode, int resultCode, Intent intent) {
    super.onActivityResult(requestCode, resultCode, intent);

    if ((requestCode == 0) && (resultCode == Activity.RESULT_OK)) {
        String selectedImage = intent.getDataString();


        Toast.makeText(this, selectedImage, 1).show();

        // show a 'nice' screen with the selected image
        Intent myAct3 = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_VIEW, Uri.parse(selectedImage));
        startActivity(myAct3);
    }
}

```

All videos and all still images

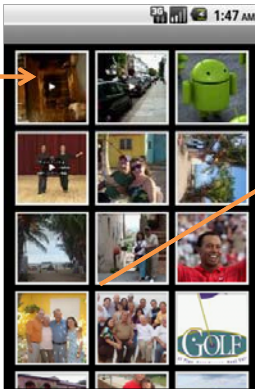
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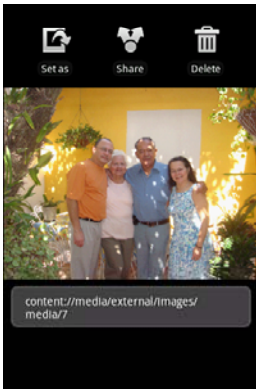

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**Example3.** Showing Pictures and Video - Calling a sub-activity, receiving results.

video →





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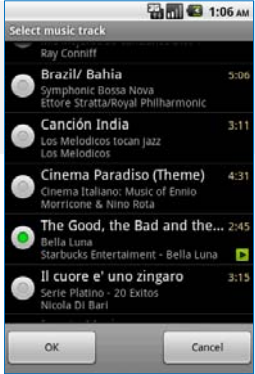
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**Example4.** Showing/Playing Sound Tracks - Calling a sub-activity, receiving results.

```
private void showSoundTracks() {
    Intent myIntent = new Intent();
    myIntent.setType("audio/mp3");
    myIntent.setAction(Intent.ACTION_GET_CONTENT);
    startActivityForResult(myIntent, 0);
} //showSoundTracks
```

The returned string value is similar to the following  
 "content://media/external/audio/media/14"  
 ACTION\_VIEW on that Uri would produce a result  
 similar to the image on the right


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## Built-in Standard Broadcast Actions

List of standard actions that Intents can use for receiving broadcasts (usually through `registerReceiver(BroadcastReceiver, IntentFilter)` or a `<receiver>` tag in a manifest).

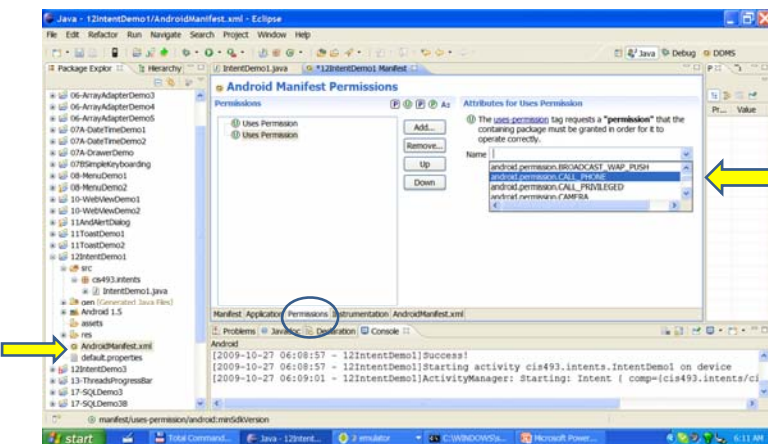
- ACTION\_TIME\_TICK
- ACTION\_TIME\_CHANGED
- ACTION\_TIMEZONE\_CHANGED
- ACTION\_BOOT\_COMPLETED
- ACTION\_PACKAGE\_ADDED
- ACTION\_PACKAGE\_CHANGED
- ACTION\_PACKAGE\_REMOVED
- ACTION\_UID\_REMOVED
- ACTION\_BATTERY\_CHANGED

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## Appendix: Getting Permissions



Becomes:

```
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.CALL_PHONE"></uses-permission>
```

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