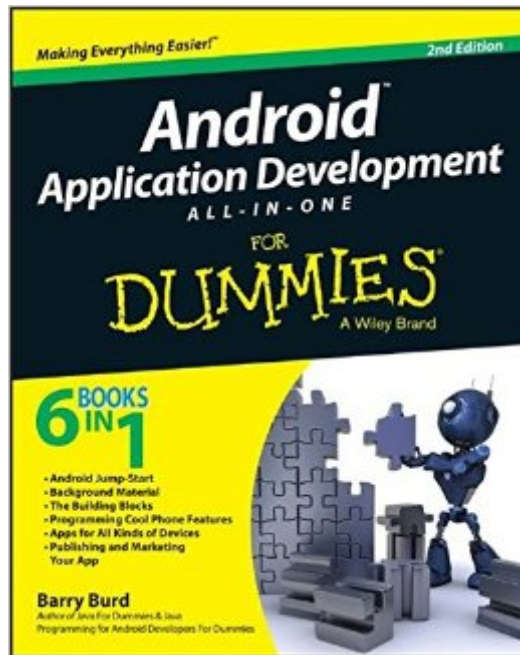


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Your all-encompassing guide to learning Android app development If you're an aspiring or beginning programmer interested in creating apps for the Android marketâ "which grows in size and downloads every dayâ "this is your comprehensive, one-stop guide. **Android Application Development All-in-One For Dummies** covers the information you absolutely need to get started developing apps for Android. Inside, you'll quickly get up to speed on Android programming concepts and put your new knowledge to use to manage data, program cool phone features, refine your applications, navigate confidently around the Android native development kit, and add important finishing touches to your apps. Covering the latest features and enhancements to the Android Software Developer's Kit, this friendly, hands-on guide walks you through Android programming basics, shares techniques for developing great Android applications, reviews Android hardware, and much more. All programming examples, including the sample application, are available for download from the book's website Information is carefully organized and presented in an easy-to-follow format 800+ pages of content make this an invaluable resource at an unbeatable price Written by an expert Java educator, Barry Burd, who authors the bestselling *Java For Dummies* Go from Android newbie to master programmer in no time with the help of *Android Application Development All-in-One For Dummies*!

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This isn't so much a review of the quality of Mr. Burd's book. This is more a short narrative of how a programmatic dinosaur (at least this one) adapts to modern coding, and how books like those of Mr. Burd's might help. To summarize the stuff below: 1) this book attempts to teach Java and Android concurrently; 2) that's a lot of new and complicated stuff for a dinosaur to try to absorb at the same time, and 3) it might be easier to try to learn Java first (e.g., Java for Dummies, or something like it), then use this book to see how Java and Android work together. (If you're younger than 50 don't bother to read the rest of this review; it's written in a foreign language.) I learned to program on a B5500 (which was, at the time, brand new). Fortran. I progressed, using the term loosely, to assembler, ALGOL, COBOL, c, Pascal, Univac, IBM, DEC, etc.. I admit all this only to establish without doubt that I am a dinosaur. Although I haven't done any programming in a long time, I recently decided to learn to write programs that run on my cell phone (i.e, apps!). I have a Samsung phone, and so I needed to learn Java and Android. Hence my interest in Mr. Burd's book. The first problem was my misconception that I could learn this language/OS just like I learned the other ones. Wrongo. Java isn't Fortran (or even C++). Even people who wrote good structured code (remember that) will be thrown by the nature and degree of program structure imposed by Java (not to say that's bad, but it's very different). Second, the relationship between the language and the OS (Java and Android) is much more, for lack of a better word, intimate than anything that existed in the old days; it's just about impossible (and maybe meaningless) to tell where one ends and the other begins.

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