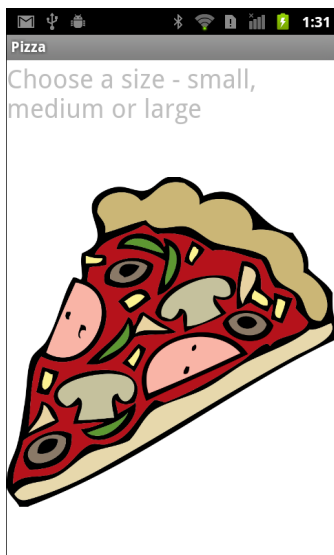


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Pizza Ordering App

Text-to-Speech, Speech-to-Text and Telephony



Objectives

In this chapter you'll:

- Use Android's text-to-speech engine to speak audio instructions to the user.
- Use Android's speech-to-text engine to interpret voice input from the user.
- Use the `SMSManager` to send text messages.
- Send `Message` objects to a `Handler` to ensure that GUI modifications occur in the GUI thread.

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15.1 Introduction

The **Pizza** ordering app (Fig. 15.1) uses Android's *text-to-speech* and *speech-to-text* engines to communicate with the user by speaking text and by receiving the user's spoken input. The app creates a pizza order by asking the user to answer questions about the pizza size and toppings. The user responds by speaking the answer into the phone when prompted. If the app cannot understand the user or gets an unexpected answer, the app asks the user to repeat the answer. After processing the user's responses, the app summarizes the order, asks the user whether it's correct and whether it should be submitted. If so, the app sends the order to a mobile phone number (specified in the app's `strings.xml` file) as an SMS message using the Android telephony APIs. If the user wishes to change the order, the app resets and begins asking the questions again. After the order is placed, the user has the option to exit the app or begin again with a new order.

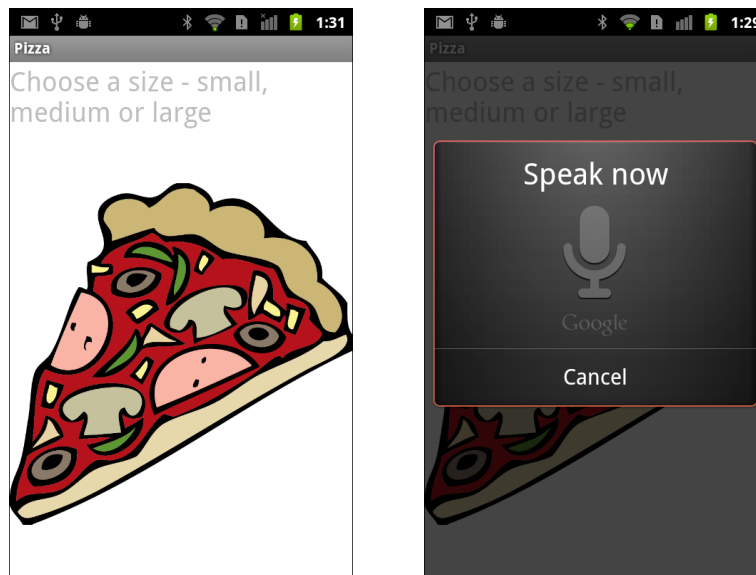


Fig. 15.1 | Pizza ordering app.

15.2 Test-Driving the Pizza Ordering App

Opening and Running the App

Open Eclipse and import the **Pizza** app project. To import the project:

1. Select **File > Import...** to display the **Import** dialog.
2. Expand the **General** node, select **Existing Projects into Workspace**, then click **Next >**.
3. To the right of the **Select root directory:** text field, click **Browse...**, then locate and select the **Pizza** folder.
4. Click **Finish** to import the project.

At the time of this writing, the speech synthesis and speech recognition capabilities and the SMS message-sending capability work only on actual devices, not in the Android emulator. In addition, a network connection is required (data plan or WiFi) for the voice recognition to work. To use the SMS message-sending functionality, enter your own mobile phone number for the `phone_number <string>` resource in `strings.xml`. Ensure that you have an Android device with USB debugging enabled connected to your computer, right click the project's folder and select **Run As > Android Application** to install and run the app on your device.

Choosing your Pizza

Listen to each question spoken by the app—the questions are also displayed on the screen for your convenience. Respond to each question only after the app prompts you to speak. Be sure to speak clearly into your device's microphone. If there's too much background noise the app may ask you to repeat certain answers.

Sending an Order

The app will repeat your completed order back to you, then ask if you want to place the order. Say “yes” to submit the order, which sends an SMS message to the phone number specified in your `strings.xml` file. If the phone number specified represents an actual mobile phone, that phone will receive an SMS text message detailing your order; otherwise, the SMS message will not send correctly.

15.3 Technologies Overview

Speech Synthesis

The app speaks to the user using an instance of the **TextToSpeech** class. The text-to-speech engine requires initialization that's performed asynchronously. For this reason, the app's **TextToSpeech.OnInitListener** is notified when this initialization completes. TextToSpeech's **speak** method converts Strings to audio messages. A **TextToSpeech.OnUtteranceCompletedListener** is notified when the speech synthesizer finishes speaking an audio message.

Speech Recognition

The app listens for user input by launching an Intent for the **RecognizerIntent** using the **RecognizerIntent.ACTION_RECOGNIZE_SPEECH** constant. We use `startActivityForResult` to receive the speech recognition results in Activity's `onActivityResult` method. An ArrayList of possible matches for the user's speech is included as an *extra* in the Intent returned by the **RecognizerIntent** and passed to `onActivityResult`. By comparing the elements in this ArrayList to options in the ordering menu we can determine which option the user chose and build the order accordingly.

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Sending SMS Messages

When an order is completed, the app sends a text message programmatically using class **SMSManager**. SMSManager's static method **getDefault** returns the SMSManager object that your app can use to send a message. SMSManager method **sendTextMessage** sends an SMS message to a specified phone number. One of the arguments to **sendTextMessage** method is a **PendingIntent** that is broadcast when the SMS message is sent. This enables us to use a **BroadcastReceiver** to listen for the broadcast to determine whether the SMS message was sent successfully.

Using a Handler to Pass Messages Between Threads

As you know, all GUI modifications must be performed from the GUI thread of execution in Android. In this app, other non-GUI threads need to notify the GUI thread to display text. For example, speech synthesis happens in a separate thread of execution. When speech synthesis completes and we need to display text, we'll notify the GUI thread by passing a **Message** object to a **Handler** that's created from the GUI thread. A **Handler**'s **handleMessage** method is called on the thread that created the **Handler**.

15.4 GUI and Resource Files

In this section, we create the **Pizza** ordering app and discuss its XML files.

15.4.1 Creating the Project

Begin by creating a new Android project named **Pizza**. Specify the following values in the **New Android Project** dialog, then press **Finish**:

- **Build Target:** Ensure that **Android 2.3.3** is checked
- **Application name:** **Pizza**
- **Package name:** **com.deitel.pizza**
- **Create Activity:** **Pizza**
- **Min SDK Version:** **8**

15.4.2 AndroidManifest.xml

Figure 15.2 shows this app's **AndroidManifest.xml** file. The only new feature is the permission **android.permission.SEND_SMS** for sending SMS messages (line 16).

```

1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
2  <manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
3    package="com.deitel.pizza" android:versionCode="1"
4    android:versionName="1.0">
5    <application android:icon="@drawable/icon"
6      android:label="@string/app_name" android:debuggable="true">
7      <activity android:name=".Pizza" android:screenOrientation="portrait"
8        android:label="@string/app_name">
9        <intent-filter>
10         <action android:name="android.intent.action.MAIN" />

```

Fig. 15.2 | **AndroidManifest.xml**. (Part I of 2.)

```

11         <category android:name="android.intent.category.LAUNCHER" />
12     </intent-filter>
13 </activity>
14 </application>
15 <uses-sdk android:minSdkVersion="8" android:targetSdkVersion="10"/>
16 <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.SEND_SMS"/>
17 </manifest>

```

Fig. 15.2 | AndroidManifest.xml. (Part 2 of 2.)

15.4.3 main.xml, strings.xml and arrays.xml

The main.xml layout for this app is a vertical LinearLayout containing a TextView and an ImageView. We display the spoken Strings in the TextView so that the user can also read them. The app's Strings are defined as <string> resources in strings.xml and as <string-array> resources in arrays.xml. You can review the contents of these XML files by opening them in Eclipse.

15.5 Building the App

The Pizza class (Figs. 15.3–15.17) is the only Activity in the app. The app asks a number of questions to determine the user's desired pizza order, then sends the order as an SMS message to a phone number that's specified as a <string> resource in strings.xml.

Pizza Activity Class package Statement, import Statements and Fields

Figure 15.3 contains the package statement, import statements and fields for class Pizza. We've highlighted the import statements for the new classes and interfaces that were introduced in Section 15.3. We discuss the class's fields as they're used. Method loadResources (Fig. 15.7) initializes most of the class's instance variables using XML resources that we load from strings.xml and arrays.xml.

```

1  // Pizza.java
2  // Main Activity for the Pizza App.
3  package com.deitel.pizza;
4
5  import java.util.ArrayList;
6  import java.util.HashMap;
7  import java.util.Locale;
8
9  import android.app.Activity;
10 import android.app.PendingIntent;
11 import android.content.ActivityNotFoundException;
12 import android.content.BroadcastReceiver;
13 import android.content.Context;
14 import android.content.Intent;
15 import android.content.IntentFilter;
16 import android.content.res.Resources;
17 import android.os.Bundle;
18 import android.os.Handler;

```

Fig. 15.3 | Pizza Activity class package statement, import statements and fields. (Part 1 of 3.)

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```

19 import android.os.Message;
20 import android.speech.RecognizerIntent;
21 import android.speech.tts.TextToSpeech;
22 import android.speech.tts.TextToSpeech.OnInitListener;
23 import android.speech.tts.TextToSpeech.OnUtteranceCompletedListener;
24 import android.telephony.SmsManager;
25 import android.widget.TextView;
26 import android.widget.Toast;
27
28 public class Pizza extends Activity
29 {
30     private String phoneNumber; // phone number to which order is sent
31
32     // identifying String for sent SMS message broadcast Intent
33     private static final String BROADCAST_STRING =
34         "com.deitel.pizza.sent_sms";
35
36     // SMS message broadcast Intent
37     private BroadcastReceiver textMessageStatusBroadcastReceiver;
38
39     // 0-based index of each pizza question
40     private static final int PIZZA_SIZE_INDEX = 1;
41     private static final int PEPPERONI_INDEX = 2;
42     private static final int MUSHROOM_INDEX = 3;
43     private static final int ORDER_SUMMARY_INDEX = 4;
44
45     // message IDs to differentiate between a
46     // regular message and the final message
47     private final static int UPDATE_TEXT_ID = 15;
48     private final static int FINAL_UPDATE_TEXT_ID = 16;
49     private final static int DISPLAY_TOAST_ID = 17;
50
51     // String identifiers for restoring instance state
52     private final static String INDEX_ID = "index";
53     private final static String ORDER_ID = "order";
54     private final static String LISTENING_ID = "listening";
55
56     private TextToSpeech textToSpeech; // converts text to speech
57     private int currentMessageIndex; // index of the current message
58
59     private boolean waitingForResponse; // waiting for user response?
60     private boolean listening; // waiting for Activity result?
61     private TextView messageText; // used to display the current message
62     private String order; // the pizza order
63
64     private String[] audioMessages; // messages spoken by the app
65     private String[] displayMessages; // messages displayed by the app
66
67     private String errorMessageString; // message for unexpected response
68     private String finalMessageString; // message when app sends order
69
70     // possible choices for each of the five order options
71     private String[][] choices = new String[6][];

```

Fig. 15.3 | Pizza Activity class package statement, import statements and fields. (Part 2 of 3.)

```

72
73     private String positiveResponseString; // "Yes"
74     private String negativeResponseString; // "No"
75
76     private Resources resources; // used to access the app's Resources
77     private boolean quitInProgress;
78
79     private HashMap<String, String> ttsParams; // TextToSpeech parameters
80

```

Fig. 15.3 | Pizza Activity class package statement, import statements and fields. (Part 3 of 3.)

Overriding Activity Method onCreate

The `onCreate` method (Fig. 15.4) sets up the Pizza Activity. Lines 89–115 create a new `TextToSpeech` object and configure its listeners. We'll use this object to speak commands and questions to the user during the pizza-ordering process. The first argument to the `TextToSpeech` constructor is the `Context` in which the object will be used. The second argument is the `TextToSpeech.OnInitListener` (lines 90–114) that's notified when the `TextToSpeech` engine's initialization is complete.

```

81     // Called when the Activity is first created
82     @Override
83     public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState)
84     {
85         super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
86         setContentView(R.layout.main); // set the Activity's layout
87
88         // initialize TextToSpeech engine and register its OnInitListener
89         textToSpeech = new TextToSpeech(this,
90             new OnInitListener()
91             {
92                 // called when the TextToSpeech is initialized
93                 @Override
94                 public void onInit(int status)
95                 {
96                     // speak U.S. English
97                     textToSpeech.setLanguage(Locale.US);
98
99                     // set listener that responds to events generated
100                    // when messages are completed
101                    textToSpeech.setOnUtteranceCompletedListener(
102                        new OnUtteranceCompletedListener()
103                        {
104                            @Override
105                            public void onUtteranceCompleted(String id)
106                            {
107                                utteranceCompleted();
108                            } // end method onUtteranceCompleted
109                        } // end anonymous inner class
110                    ); // end call to setOnUtteranceCompletedListener

```

Fig. 15.4 | Overriding Activity method `onCreate`. (Part 1 of 2.)

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```

111
112         playFirstMessage();
113     } // end method onInit
114 } // end anonymous inner class that implements OnInitListener
115 ); // end call to TextToSpeech constructor
116
117 // used in calls to TextToSpeech's speak method to ensure that
118 // OnUtteranceCompletedListener is notified when speech completes
119 ttsParams = new HashMap<String, String>();
120 ttsParams.put(TextToSpeech.Engine.KEY_PARAM_UTTERANCE_ID, "speak");
121
122 currentMessageIndex = 1; // start at the first message
123 waitingForResponse = false; // not waiting for user response
124
125 // get the Activity's TextView
126 messageText = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.mainText);
127
128 loadResources(); // load String resources from xml
129 } // end method onCreate
130

```

Fig. 15.4 | Overriding Activity method onCreate. (Part 2 of 2.)

The `TextToSpeech.OnInitListener`'s **onInit** method is called when the `TextToSpeech` object finishes initializing. Line 97 uses `TextToSpeech`'s **setLanguage** method to specify that the app will speak U.S. English (`Locale.US`). Class `Locale` provides constants for many locales, but it's not guaranteed that all are supported on every device. You can use method **isLanguageAvailable** to check whether a specific `Locale` is available before using it. Lines 101–110 define the `TextToSpeech` object's `OnUtteranceCompletedListener`, which is notified when the `TextToSpeech` object finishes speaking a message. When this occurs, the event handler's **onUtteranceCompleted** method (lines 104–108) calls our method `utteranceCompleted` (Fig. 15.9) to process that event.

Lines 119–120 create and configure the `ttsParams` `HashMap` that will be used as the last argument in each call to the `TextToSpeech` object's `speak` method. To ensure that the `OnUtteranceCompletedListener` is notified when speech completes, the `HashMap` must contain the key `TextToSpeech.Engine.KEY_PARAM_UTTERANCE_ID` with a value that's a non-empty string. The value associated with this key is passed to the `OnUtteranceCompletedListener`'s `onUtteranceCompleted` method and can be used in the method to determine the text that the TTS engine just completed speaking, so that you can perform specific tasks based on that information. We do not use the `onUtteranceCompleted` method's argument in this app.

Instance variable `currentMessageIndex` (line 122) keeps track of the index in a `String` array of the messages and questions the app speaks to the user. The `waitingForResponse` boolean indicates whether or not the app is currently waiting for the user to respond before continuing with the order—the app has not spoken any text yet, so this is initialized to `false` (line 123). Line 128 calls our method `loadResources` (Fig. 15.7) to load the `String` values from the app's `strings.xml` and `arrays.xml` files.

Overriding Activity Method onResume

When the user completes the order, the app asks whether the order should be sent as an SMS message. To ensure that the SMS is sent, we can register a `BroadcastReceiver` to check the result of the Intent that sent the message. Method `onResume` (Fig. 15.5) creates and registers the `textMessageStatusBroadcastReceiver`. When the `BroadcastReceiver`'s `onReceive` method is called, we check whether the result code is not `Activity.RESULT_OK` (line 144), in which case we display an error message on the app. The `BroadcastReceiver` is notified asynchronously, so we need to display the error from the GUI thread, which we do by passing a `Message` to a `Handler`'s `sendMessage` method (lines 146–148). The `viewUpdateHandler` is defined in Fig. 15.15 and used throughout the `Pizza` Activity.

```

131 // called when this Activity is resumed
132 @Override
133 public void onResume()
134 {
135     super.onResume();
136
137     // create BroadcastReceiver to receive SMS message status broadcast
138     textMessageStatusBroadcastReceiver = new BroadcastReceiver()
139     {
140         @Override
141         public void onReceive(Context context, Intent intent)
142         {
143             // if the message was not sent
144             if (getResultCode() != Activity.RESULT_OK)
145             {
146                 viewUpdateHandler.sendMessage(
147                     viewUpdateHandler.obtainMessage(Pizza.DISPLAY_TOAST_ID,
148                         R.string.text_error_message, 0, null));
149             } // end if
150         } // end method onReceive
151     }; // end BroadcastReceiver anonymous inner class
152
153     // register the receiver
154     registerReceiver(textMessageStatusBroadcastReceiver,
155         new IntentFilter(Pizza.BROADCAST_STRING));
156 } // end method onResume
157

```

Fig. 15.5 | Overriding Activity method onResume.

A `Handler`'s `handleMessage` method executes in the thread from which the `Handler` was created and receives the `Message` sent by the `Handler`'s `sendMessage` method. Because `viewUpdateHandler` is an instance variable of `Activity` class `Pizza`, the `viewUpdateHandler` is created in the GUI thread of execution. This helps us ensure that modifications to the GUI happen in the GUI thread.

Android maintains a *global pool* of reusable `Message` objects, so rather than creating `Message` objects with the default constructor, lines 147–148 create the `Message` that's passed to the `viewUpdateHandler` by calling `Handler` method `obtainMessage`. The version of `obtainMessage` used here requires four arguments—an `int` ID that indicates the

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Message's purpose (used to decide how to process it) and two arbitrary `int` values and an arbitrary `Object` that can be used when handling the `Message`. In our case, the second argument is a `String` resource ID for the error message we'll display. We pass `0` and `null` for the last two arguments because we do not use them in this app.

Lines 154–155 pass the `BroadcastReceiver` and a new **IntentFilter** to Activity's **registerReceiver method** to allow the app to receive broadcast Intents. The `String` argument to the `IntentFilter` constructor is an app-specific `String` that allows the app to receive the broadcasts intended for the app. When we send the SMS message (Fig. 15.14), we'll arrange to receive a broadcast Intent with an action `String` that uses the same `Pizza.BROADCAST_STRING` constant.

Overriding Activity Method onPause

When the Activity is paused, there's no need to receive broadcast Intents, so we override `onPause` (Fig. 15.6) to unregister our `BroadcastReceiver` by passing it to Activity's **unregisterReceiver method**.

```

158 // called when this Activity is paused
159 @Override
160 public void onPause()
161 {
162     super.onPause();
163
164     // if the BroadcastReceiver is not null, unregister it
165     if (textMessageStatusBroadcastReceiver != null)
166         unregisterReceiver(textMessageStatusBroadcastReceiver);
167
168     textMessageStatusBroadcastReceiver = null;
169 } // end method onPause
170

```

Fig. 15.6 | Overriding Activity method `onPause`.

Pizza Method loadResources

The `loadResources` method (Fig. 15.7) is called from `onCreate` (line 128 of Fig. 15.4) and loads the app's `String` and `String` array resources using the Activity's `Resource` object's `getString` and `getStringArray` methods. The choices two-dimensional `String` array contains the possible answers for each question asked by the app. For example, the `String` array at index `PEPPERONI_INDEX` contains all acceptable responses to the question: "Do you want pepperoni?"—in this case, "Yes" and "No". These `Strings` are loaded in the array `binaryChoices` (lines 194–195) and reused for several of the questions.

```

171 // load String resources from XML
172 private void loadResources()
173 {
174     resources = getResources(); // get the app's resources
175     phoneNumber = resources.getString(
176         R.string.phone_number); // load audio messages

```

Fig. 15.7 | Pizza method `loadResources`. (Part 1 of 2.)

```

177     audioMessages = resources.getStringArray(
178         R.array.audio_messages); // load audio messages
179     displayMessages = resources.getStringArray(
180         R.array.display_messages); // load the display messages
181     errorMessageString = resources.getString(
182         R.string.error_message); // error message
183     finalMessageString = resources.getString(
184         R.string.final_message); // final message
185     positiveResponseString = resources.getString(
186         R.string.positive_response); // "Yes"
187     negativeResponseString = resources.getString(
188         R.string.negative_response); // "No"
189
190     // initialize the pizza order
191     order = resources.getString(R.string.initial_order);
192
193     // load the valid user responses
194     String[] binaryChoices =
195         resources.getStringArray(R.array.binary_choices);
196     choices[PIZZA_SIZE_INDEX] =
197         resources.getStringArray(R.array.size_choices);
198     choices[PEPPERONI_INDEX] = binaryChoices;
199     choices[MUSHROOM_INDEX] = binaryChoices;
200     choices[ORDER_SUMMARY_INDEX] = binaryChoices;
201 } // end method loadResources
202

```

Fig. 15.7 | Pizza method loadResources. (Part 2 of 2.)

Pizza Method playFirstMessage

The playFirstMessage method (Fig. 15.8) is called (Fig. 15.4, line 112) after the TextToSpeech engine is initialized. The method speaks the app's welcome message (stored in audioMessages[0]) by calling TextToSpeech's speak method with three arguments—the String to speak, the queue mode and a HashMap of parameters for the TextToSpeech engine. The queue mode is either TextToSpeech.QUEUE_FLUSH or TextToSpeech.QUEUE_ADD. The mode QUEUE_FLUSH empties the speech queue (the list of Strings waiting to be spoken) so that the new String can be spoken immediately. The mode QUEUE_ADD adds the new text to speak to the end of the speech queue.

```

203     // speak the first message
204     private void playFirstMessage()
205     {
206         // speak the first message
207         textToSpeech.speak(
208             audioMessages[0], TextToSpeech.QUEUE_FLUSH, ttsParams);
209     } // end method playFirstMessage
210

```

Fig. 15.8 | Pizza method playFirstMessage.

15-12 Chapter 15 Pizza Ordering App***Pizza Method utteranceCompleted***

Method `utteranceCompleted` (Fig. 15.9) is called by the `TextToSpeech` object's `onUtteranceCompleted` event handler (Fig. 15.4, lines 104–108) and whenever the app needs to move to the next message to speak. We first obtain from the `ttsParams` object the value of the key `TextToSpeech.Engine.KEY_PARAM_UTTERANCE_ID` so we can determine whether the user has chosen to quit the app (lines 220–225). If so, we **shutDown** the `TextToSpeech` engine to release its resources and terminate the app by calling `Activity` method `finish`.

```

211 // utility method called when speech completes and
212 // when it's time to move to the next message
213 private void utteranceCompleted()
214 {
215     // if the TextToSpeech.Engine.KEY_PARAM_UTTERANCE_ID
216     // contains "quit" terminate the app
217     String quit =
218         ttsParams.get(TextToSpeech.Engine.KEY_PARAM_UTTERANCE_ID);
219
220     if (quit.equals("quit")) // check whether user wishes to quit
221     {
222         textToSpeech.shutdown(); // shut down the TextToSpeech
223         finish();
224         return;
225     } // end if
226
227     // allow user to quit
228     if (currentMessageIndex >= displayMessages.length &&
229         !quitInProgress)
230     {
231         allowUserToQuit();
232     } // end if
233     else if (!waitingForResponse) // if we're not waiting for a response
234     {
235         // update the TextView
236         viewUpdateHandler.sendMessage(
237             viewUpdateHandler.obtainMessage(UPDATE_TEXT_ID));
238
239         String words = "";
240
241         // summarize the order
242         if (currentMessageIndex == ORDER_SUMMARY_INDEX)
243         {
244             words = resources.getString(R.string.order_summary_prefix);
245             words += order.substring(order.indexOf(':') + 1);
246         } // end if
247
248         words += audioMessages[currentMessageIndex]; // next message
249         words = words.replace(resources.getString(R.string.pepperoni),
250             resources.getString(R.string.pepperoni_speech));
251         words = words.replace(resources.getString(R.string.pizza),
252             resources.getString(R.string.pizza_speech));
253

```

Fig. 15.9 | Pizza method `utteranceCompleted`. (Part 1 of 2.)

```

254         // speak the next message
255         textToSpeech.speak(words, TextToSpeech.QUEUE_FLUSH, ttsParams);
256         waitingForResponse = true; // we are waiting for a response
257     } // end if
258     else if (!listening && currentMessageIndex > 0)
259     {
260         listen(); // capture the user's response
261     } // end else if
262 } // end method utteranceCompleted
263

```

Fig. 15.9 | Pizza method utteranceCompleted. (Part 2 of 2.)

Next, we determine whether the order has been completed (lines 228–229). If so, we call method `allowUserToQuit` to allow the user to exit the app or start a new order. If we're not waiting for a user response (line 233) we pass a `Message` to the `viewUpdateHandler` so that it can update the `TextView`'s text. Lines 239–252 configure the `String` `words`, which will contain the `String` representation of the words to speak to the user. If we're on the last of the messages that the app speaks to the user (line 242), lines 244–245 summarize the order. Line 248 appends the current `String` from the `audioMessages` array to `words`. Lines 249–250 replace the words “pepperoni” and “pizza” with strings that allow the `TextToSpeech` engine to speak these words with better pronunciation—such as “pehperohnee” for “pepperoni.” Then line 255 speaks the message using `TextToSpeech`'s `speak`. We also set `waitingForResponse` to `true`. If we're waiting for a user response (line 258), we call the `listen` method (Fig. 15.10) to start an `Intent` for the speech recognition Activity.

Pizza Method listen

The `listen` method (Fig. 15.10) uses an `Intent` (270–271) to start an Activity that listens for audio input from the user. The `RecognizerIntent.ACTION_RECOGNIZE_SPEECH` constant represents the speech recognition Activity. We launch the `Intent` using `startActivityForResult` (line 276) so that we can receive results in the `Pizza` Activity's overridden `onActivityResult` method. We catch an `ActivityNotFoundException` that will be thrown by an AVD or any device that does not have speech recognition capability. If this happens, we send a `Message` to the `viewUpdateHandler` to display a `Toast` explaining why this app will not work.

```

264     // listens for a user response
265     private void listen()
266     {
267         listening = true; // we are now listening
268
269         // create Intent for speech recognition Activity
270         Intent speechRecognitionIntent =
271             new Intent(RecognizerIntent.ACTION_RECOGNIZE_SPEECH);
272
273         // try to launch speech recognition Activity
274         try
275         {

```

Fig. 15.10 | Pizza method listen. (Part 1 of 2.)

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```

276         startActivityForResult(speechRecognitionIntent, 0);
277     } // end try
278     catch (ActivityNotFoundException exception)
279     {
280         viewUpdateHandler.sendMessage(viewUpdateHandler.obtainMessage(
281             Pizza.DISPLAY_TOAST_ID, R.string.no_speech_message, 0, null));
282     } // end catch
283 } // end method listen
284

```

Fig. 15.10 | Pizza method listen. (Part 2 of 2.)**Overriding Activity Method onActivityResult**

The Pizza Activity overrides the `onActivityResult` method (Fig. 15.11) to process results from the speech recognition Activity. We pass the `RecognizerIntent.EXTRA_RESULTS` to the received Intent's `getStringArrayListExtra` (lines 296–298) to get an `ArrayList` containing `String` representations of the speech recognition Activity's interpretations of the user's spoken input. Speech recognition is not exact, so if any of these `Strings` matches a response that the app expects, we'll assume that the user spoke that response and act accordingly. Lines 316–327 loop through each of the valid choices, comparing them with each of the possible matches to the user's speech input. We save the first match in `result` (line 323). If there's no match, we call the `playError` method to ask the user to repeat the response (line 330). Otherwise lines 331–418 process the user's response. Lines 331–371 quit or continue the app. Lines 373–387 send the pizza order or start over. Lines 388–412 continue the order process—we call the `utteranceCompleted` method (line 411) with the empty `String` to speak the next message to the user. Lines 414–418 process the case in which the user cancels the speech input.

```

285 // called when the speech recognition Activity returns
286 @Override
287 protected void onActivityResult(int requestCode, int resultCode,
288     Intent dataIntent)
289 {
290     listening = false;
291
292     // if there was no error
293     if (requestCode == 0 && resultCode == RESULT_OK)
294     {
295         // get list of possible matches to user's speech
296         ArrayList<String> possibleMatches =
297             dataIntent.getStringArrayListExtra(
298                 RecognizerIntent.EXTRA_RESULTS);
299
300         // get current list of possible valid choices
301         String[] validResponses;
302
303         if (!quitInProgress)
304             validResponses = choices[currentMessageIndex];
305
306     }
307 }
308

```

Fig. 15.11 | Overriding Activity method onActivityResult. (Part 1 of 4.)

```

305         else
306             validResponses =
307                 resources.getStringArray(R.array.binary_choices);
308
309         if (validResponses == null)
310             return;
311
312         String result = null;
313
314         // for each possible valid choice, compare to the user's speech
315         // to determine whether the user spoke one of those choices
316         checkForMatch:
317         for (String validResponse : validResponses)
318         {
319             for (String match : possibleMatches)
320             {
321                 if (validResponse.compareToIgnoreCase(match) == 0)
322                 {
323                     result = validResponse; // store the user response
324                     break checkForMatch; // stop checking possible responses
325                 } // end if
326             } // end for
327         } // end for
328
329         if (result == null) // there was no match
330             playError(); // ask the user to repeat the response
331         else if (quitInProgress)
332         {
333             quitInProgress = false;
334
335             // the user said to quit
336             if (result.equalsIgnoreCase(positiveResponseString))
337             {
338                 if (currentMessageIndex >= displayMessages.length)
339                 {
340                     reset(); // reset the order
341                     return; // return
342                 } // end if
343             }
344             else
345             {
346                 ttsParams.put(
347                     TextToSpeech.Engine.KEY_PARAM_UTTERANCE_ID, "quit");
348
349                 // speak the final message
350                 textToSpeech.speak(
351                     resources.getString(R.string.quit_message),
352                     TextToSpeech.QUEUE_FLUSH, ttsParams);
353             } // end else
354         } // end if
355         else // the user wants to return
356         {
357             if (currentMessageIndex >= displayMessages.length)
358             {

```

Fig. 15.11 | Overriding Activity method onActivityResult. (Part 2 of 4.)

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```

358         ttsParams.put(
359             TextToSpeech.Engine.KEY_PARAM_UTTERANCE_ID, "quit");
360
361         // speak the final message
362         textToSpeech.speak(
363             resources.getString(R.string.leave_message),
364             TextToSpeech.QUEUE_FLUSH, ttsParams);
365     } // end if
366     else
367     {
368         listen();
369     } // end else
370 } // end else
371 } // end else if
372 // there was a match and it is on the last message
373 else if (currentMessageIndex == displayMessages.length - 1)
374 {
375     // the user said to send the order
376     if (result.equalsIgnoreCase(positiveResponseString))
377     {
378         waitingForResponse = false;
379         ++currentMessageIndex;
380         sendMessage(); // send the order as a text message
381     } // end if
382     else // the user canceled the order
383     {
384         reset(); // reset the order
385         return; // return
386     } // end else
387 } // end else if
388 else // there was a match and it is not the last message
389 {
390     // the user responded positively
391     if (result.equalsIgnoreCase(positiveResponseString))
392     {
393         // if previous question asked if the user wants pepperoni
394         if (currentMessageIndex == PEPPERONI_INDEX)
395         {
396             // add pepperoni to the pizza order
397             order += resources.getString(R.string.pepperoni);
398         } // end if
399         else if (currentMessageIndex == MUSHROOM_INDEX)
400         {
401             // add mushrooms to the pizza order
402             order += resources.getString(R.string.mushrooms);
403         } // else if
404     } // end if
405     else if (!result.equalsIgnoreCase(negativeResponseString))
406     {
407         order += ", " + result; // update the order
408     }
409     waitingForResponse = false;
410     ++currentMessageIndex; // move to the next question

```

Fig. 15.11 | Overriding Activity method onActivityResult. (Part 3 of 4.)

```

411         utteranceCompleted(); // move to next message
412     } // end else
413 } // end if
414 else if ((currentMessageIndex > 0 && !listening) ||
415         resultCode == Activity.RESULT_CANCELED)
416 {
417     allowUserToQuit(); // listen for user input
418 } // end else
419
420 // call super method
421 super.onActivityResult(requestCode, resultCode, dataIntent);
422 } // end method onActivityResult
423

```

Fig. 15.11 | Overriding Activity method onActivityResult. (Part 4 of 4.)

Pizza Method playError

The `playError` method (Fig. 15.12, lines 425–429) is called by `onActivityResult` whenever Android’s speech recognizer fails to recognize the user’s spoken response. Lines 427–428 use the `textToSpeech` object’s `speak` method to ask the user to try again. Method `reset` (lines 432–441) is called by `onActivityResult` whenever the user decides to restart the order process.

```

424 // called when the user says an unexpected response
425 private void playError()
426 {
427     textToSpeech.speak(errorMessageString, // play error message
428                       TextToSpeech.QUEUE_FLUSH, ttsParams);
429 } // end method playError
430
431 // start a new order
432 private void reset()
433 {
434     // reset the instance variables associated with taking an order
435     currentMessageIndex = 1;
436     order = resources.getString(R.string.initial_order);
437     waitingForResponse = false;
438     listening = false;
439
440     playFirstMessage();
441 } // end method reset
442

```

Fig. 15.12 | Pizza methods `playError` and `reset`.

Overriding Activity Methods onSaveInstanceState and onRestoreInstanceState

Activity methods `onSaveInstanceState` and `onRestoreInstanceState` (Fig. 15.13) save and restore the values for the Pizza Activity’s `currentMessageIndex`, `order` and `listening` instance variables in the event that the Pizza Activity is pushed to the background and brought back to the foreground.

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```

443 // save the order state
444 @Override
445 public void onSaveInstanceState(Bundle savedInstanceState)
446 {
447     // store the currentMessageIndex, order and listening values
448     savedInstanceState.putInt(INDEX_ID, currentMessageIndex);
449     savedInstanceState.putString(ORDER_ID, order);
450     savedInstanceState.putBoolean(LISTENING_ID, listening);
451
452     super.onSaveInstanceState(savedInstanceState);
453 } // end method onSaveInstanceState
454
455 // restore the order state
456 @Override
457 public void onRestoreInstanceState(Bundle savedInstanceState)
458 {
459     // retrieve the currentMessageIndex, order and listening values
460     currentMessageIndex = savedInstanceState.getInt(INDEX_ID);
461     order = savedInstanceState.getString(ORDER_ID);
462     listening = savedInstanceState.getBoolean(LISTENING_ID);
463     super.onRestoreInstanceState(savedInstanceState);
464 } // end method onRestoreInstanceState
465

```

Fig. 15.13 | Overriding Activity methods onSaveInstanceState and onRestoreInstanceState.

Pizza Method sendMessage

The sendMessage method (Fig. 15.14) is called by onActivityResult to send the final order String as an SMS text message. To do this, we create a new Intent (line 469) with an action String that matches the one we used to register the textMessageStatusBroadcastReceiver. We then use this Intent to create a PendingIntent (lines 470–471) by calling PendingIntent’s static **getBroadcast method**. Recall from Chapter 14 that a PendingIntent represents an Intent and an action to perform with that Intent. When the PendingIntent completes, it broadcasts the Intent specified as the third argument to getBroadcast—this is the Intent that the BroadcastReceiver (Fig. 15.5) receives indicating whether the SMS message was sent successfully.

```

466 // send order as a text message
467 private void sendMessage()
468 {
469     Intent broadcastIntent = new Intent(Pizza.BROADCAST_STRING);
470     PendingIntent messageSentPendingIntent =
471         PendingIntent.getBroadcast(this, 0, broadcastIntent, 0);
472
473     // get the default SMSManager
474     SmsManager smsManager = SmsManager.getDefault();
475

```

Fig. 15.14 | Pizza method sendMessage. (Part I of 2.)

```

476      // send the order to PHONE_NUMBER
477      smsManager.sendTextMessage(phoneNumber, null, order,
478                               messageSentPendingIntent, null);
479
480      // display the final message
481      viewUpdateHandler.sendMessage(
482          viewUpdateHandler.obtainMessage(FINAL_UPDATE_TEXT_ID));
483  } // end method sendMessage
484

```

Fig. 15.14 | Pizza method sendMessage. (Part 2 of 2.)

Line 474 gets the SMSManager by calling SMSManager static method getDefault. SMSManager's sendTextMessage method (lines 477–478) sends the SMS message. The first argument is the phone number to which the message will be sent. The second argument, null, indicates that the default SMS center (SMSC) should be used to forward the SMS message to its destination. The third argument is the message to send. The PendingIntent in the fourth argument is broadcast when the message is sent—the PendingIntent's result code will indicate whether the sending the SMS succeeded or failed. The last argument (if not null) is another PendingIntent that's broadcast when the SMS message is delivered to the recipient. Lines 481–482 send a Message to the viewUpdateHandler to display an order-completed message to the user and to speak that message.

viewUpdateHandler for Updating the GUI

The viewUpdateHandler (Fig. 15.15) is called throughout the Pizza Activity to update the GUI based on the current order state and to display error messages. Lines 489–519 override Handler's handleMessage method, which receives a Message as an argument and updates the GUI based on the contents of that Message. Lines 492–518 process the Message based on the ID contained in receivedMessage.what. For Pizza.UPDATE_TEXT_ID, we display the next message in displayMessages, so that the user can see the same text that the app is speaking. For Pizza.FINAL_UPDATE_TEXT_ID, we display and speak the finalMessageString. For Pizza.DISPLAY_TOAST_ID, we display a Toast containing the value that was stored in the Message's arg1 instance variable when the Message was sent—this instance variable contains the text to display in the Toast.

```

485      // updates the UI
486      private Handler viewUpdateHandler = new Handler()
487      {
488          // displays the given next message
489          public void handleMessage(Message receivedMessage)
490          {
491              // process Message based on the ID stored in receivedMessage.what
492              switch (receivedMessage.what)
493              {
494                  case Pizza.UPDATE_TEXT_ID: // if it is not the last message
495                      // display the message
496                      String text = "";
497

```

Fig. 15.15 | viewUpdateHandler for updating the GUI. (Part 1 of 2.)

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```

498         // if next message is the last one
499         if (currentMessageIndex == displayMessages.length - 1)
500             text = order;
501
502         text += displayMessages[currentMessageIndex];
503         messageText.setText(text);
504         break;
505     case Pizza.FINAL_UPDATE_TEXT_ID: // if order is complete
506         // display and play the final message
507         messageText.setText(finalMessageString);
508
509         // speak the final message
510         textToSpeech.speak(finalMessageString,
511             TextToSpeech.QUEUE_FLUSH, ttsParams);
512         break;
513     case DISPLAY_TOAST_ID:
514         // if speech recognition is not available on this device
515         // inform the user using a Toast
516         Toast.makeText(Pizza.this, receivedMessage.arg1,
517             Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show();
518     } // end switch statement
519 } // end method handleMessage
520 }; // end Handler
521

```

Fig. 15.15 | viewUpdateHandler for updating the GUI. (Part 2 of 2.)***Pizza Method allowUserToQuit***

The `allowUserToQuit` method (Fig. 15.16) is called from the `utteranceCompleted` and `onActivityResult` methods to ask the user whether to exit the **Pizza** app. If we've completed an order (line 529), we ask the user whether to quit the app or to start another order (lines 531–533); otherwise, we ask whether they want to quit or continue the current order.

```

522     // allow the user to exit the app
523     private void allowUserToQuit()
524     {
525         quitInProgress = true;
526         waitingForResponse = true;
527
528         // if the order is complete, ask whether to quit or start new order
529         if (currentMessageIndex >= displayMessages.length)
530         {
531             textToSpeech.speak(
532                 resources.getString(R.string.leave_question),
533                 TextToSpeech.QUEUE_FLUSH, ttsParams);
534         } // end if
535         else // ask whether to quit or continue order
536         {

```

Fig. 15.16 | Pizza method `allowUserToQuit`. (Part 1 of 2.)

```

537         textToSpeech.speak(
538             resources.getString(R.string.quit_question),
539             TextToSpeech.QUEUE_FLUSH, ttsParams);
540     } // end else
541 } // end method allowUserToQuit
542

```

Fig. 15.16 | Pizza method `allowUserToQuit`. (Part 2 of 2.)

Overriding Activity Method `onDestroy`

The `onDestroy` method (Fig. 15.17) is called when this Activity is destroyed. We call TextToSpeech's shutdown method to release the native Android resources used by the TextToSpeech engine.

```

543 // when the app is shut down
544 @Override
545 public void onDestroy()
546 {
547     super.onDestroy(); // call super method
548     textToSpeech.shutdown(); // shut down the TextToSpeech
549 } // end method onDestroy
550 } // end class Pizza

```

Fig. 15.17 | Overriding Activity method `onDestroy`.

15.6 Wrap-Up

The **Pizza** ordering app used Android's *text-to-speech* and *speech-to-text* engines to communicate with the user by speaking text and by receiving the user's spoken input. Once an order was complete, the app sent the order to a mobile phone number as an SMS message using the Android telephony APIs.

The app used a TextToSpeech object to speak text. Because the text-to-speech engine is initialized asynchronously, you used a TextToSpeech.OnInitListener so the app could be notified when the initialization completed. You converted text to spoken messages by calling TextToSpeech's `speak` method and determined how to proceed in the app when speech completed by implementing a TextToSpeech.OnUtteranceCompletedListener.

You listened for user input by launching a RecognizerIntent with the constant ACTION_RECOGNIZE_SPEECH then responded to the speech recognition results in the Pizza Activity's `onActivityResult` method. The RecognizerIntent returned an ArrayList of possible matches for the user's speech. By comparing the elements in this ArrayList to the app's ordering options, you determined which option the user chose and processed the order accordingly.

When an order was completed, you sent an SMS message programmatically with an SMSManager that you obtained with SMSManager's static method `getDefault`. You sent the SMS by calling SMSManager's `sendTextMessage` method. You used a PendingIntent to receive a notification of whether the SMS message was sent successfully and handled the notification with a BroadcastReceiver.

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To ensure that all GUI modifications were performed from the GUI thread of execution, you passed a `Message` object to a `Handler` that was created from the GUI thread. The `Handler`'s `handleMessage` method was called on the thread that created the `Handler`—the GUI thread in this app.

In Chapter 16, we present the **Voice Recorder** app, which allows the user to record sounds using the phone's microphone and save the audio files for playback later.