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Customization for Mobile EBook Readers

Abstract

Today's mobile phone users are often extensively dependent upon applications to accomplish their daily needs. Mobile applications help the users in the following ways: accessing email, navigation, chatting, reading e Books etc. All these purposes are fulfilled only when there is a framework, which provides a complete mobile platform to achieve these tasks. Android is one of the mobile application based platforms for providing a wide range of applications that are reliable.

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This research paper describes how these features can be achieved with an android application. It also describes what methods are used and what the limitations were, while the application was being built. Specifically this thesis develops an Android Application titled Customization for Mobile E-book Readers. The features developed include font changes, searches, social media posting, light mode change, background image change, bookmarks, and text-to-speech and reminder alarms.

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