

# Designing Educational Game of Indonesian Traditional Musical Instruments Based on Android Using Unity 3D

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**Abstract:** Nowadays the knowledge of traditional Indonesian musical instruments is deficient. This happens because traditional musical instruments are rarely played and traditional musical instruments are increasingly scarce. Learning multimedia applications Indonesian traditional musical instruments are made to preserve and facilitate learning Indonesian traditional musical instruments. The application was developed based on Android using C# language and Unity 3D game engine. The system development method that is done is waterfall model. The steps are taken requirements analysis, design, coding, system testing, maintenance. Based on the system testing that has been done, the game functional and sound can work well with 100% success. The application for introducing traditional Indonesian musical instruments can also make it easier for teachers in schools to introduce traditional Indonesian musical instruments.

## 1 INTRODUCTION

Along with the times, concern for the preservation of Indonesia's national culture, especially traditional musical instruments, is very deficient. Most people prefer modern music than traditional music because modern musical instruments are very easy to find in anywhere such as restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, and in other public places (Rahim, 2016). Really different from traditional musical instruments that are classified as rare. People who want to introduce or want to get to know and learn traditional musical instruments still find it difficult to find traditional musical instruments that are sought. This is because the place of the traditional musical instrument is located quite far away, the price is quite expensive, and so forth. Traditional musical instruments usually can only be found in performances of traditional cultural music or places where there are performances of traditional musical instruments and that too is very rare (Ginting and Sofyan, 2017).

Deficiency of recognition and socialization of Indonesia's own culture in the community is one important factor why people's interest traditional musical instruments is poorly. The introduction of musical instruments is very important given to the community especially for children because this activity is a way to introduce Indonesian culture early on.

Many media that can be used to introduce traditional musical instruments, one of them through technological advancements. Technological advancements have brought many influence to society, one of which is the trend in the community was smartphones or mobile devices. Digital marketing research institute (Emarketer) estimates that in 2018 there will be more than 100 million active smartphone users in Indonesia. With such a large number, Indonesia will become the country with the fourth largest active smartphone user in the world after China, India, and America ('Kementerian Komunikasi dan Informatika', 2015). Mobile technologies such as mobile phones and tablets are very interactive and interesting tools in conveying information. There are several advantages of educational games. Games are very useful to improve the logic and understanding of players about a problem that will improve memory. Besides the advantages of a smartphone that is lightweight, fast, easier to use, and carried while traveling (practical).

Based on the description above, smartphones have the potential to be very good as a learning medium. The advantage of games as interactive learning multimedia is that the use of games emphasizes the activeness and experience of the user so that it can improve student's understanding of the subject matter because the material representation

through multimedia learning is visual (Br and Ompusunggu, 2016). Computer Technology Research (CRT) states that people are only able to remember 20% of what was seen and 30% of what was heard. However, according to (Widiastuti and Setiawan, 2012) people remember 50% of what is seen and heard and 80% of what is seen, heard and done at once. Therefore, the use of games based multimedia as a learning medium is suitable, especially for children. The use of games also sharpens the power of thought and logic that can introduce material to be more interesting to be accepted and understood (Dian Wahyu Putra, A. Prasita Nugroho, 2014).

## **2 LITERATURE**

### **2.1 Traditional Musical Instruments**

Indonesia has a lot of culture, one of which is a traditional musical instrument. A musical instrument is an instrument that is created or modified with the aim of producing sounds or sounds that produce a rhythm (Dian Wahyu Putra, A. Prasita Nugroho, 2014). Every region in Indonesia must have a traditional musical instrument. One of the uses of traditional musical instruments in addition to entertaining can also be used for traditional ceremonial purposes. Examples of proud and well-known traditional Indonesian musical instruments are Angklung from West Java and Sasando from Nusa Tenggara.

Along with the times, concern for the preservation of national culture, especially traditional musical instruments, is very deficient. Traditional musical instruments have become very rare, especially in urban settings (Dian Wahyu Putra, A. Prasita Nugroho, 2014). Traditional musical instruments are a cultural heritage that we must maintain and we will inherit back to our children and grandchildren as the next generation of the nation. Lack of recognition and socialization of Indonesia's own culture in the community is one important factor why people's interest is lacking in traditional musical instruments.

### **2.2 Educational Games**

Games can be used to support learning and teaching through educational games. Games have positive functions and benefits for children including problem-solving and logic exercises, training motor nerves and spatial skills, establishing children's

communication with parents while playing together, and providing entertainment. In fact, for certain patients, gameplay can be used as a healing therapy (Dian Wahyu Putra, A. Prasita Nugroho, 2014).

Based on (Vitianingsih, 2016), there are several advantages of educational games compared to conventional educational methods. One of the main advantages of educational games is the visualization of real problems, so as to improve memory. Besides games also make learning more varied and not boring.

### **2.3 Android Smartphone**

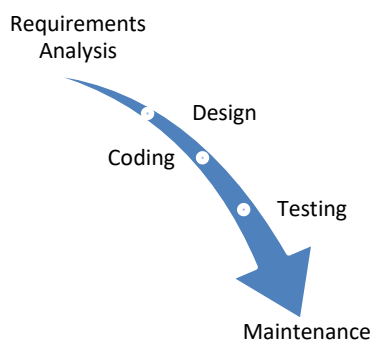
Android is an operating system for Linux-based mobile device that includes an operating system, middleware, and applications. Android provides an open platform for developers to create their applications. Android is an operating system on more than one billion smartphones and tablets (Dian Wahyu Putra, A. Prasita Nugroho, 2014). Heriyanto (Rahim, 2016) revealed Android users in Indonesia experienced a significant increase each year. Even Android users in Indonesia are in the top five active users in the world. There are 47 million, or around 14% of all cellphone users. Therefore, the introduction of culture for children is very well implemented with collaboration from Android devices, because Android users among students are also very high.

### **2.4 Unity 3D**

Unity 3D is a program for creating games that are designed to be easy for beginners to use. This program is very popular and is the choice of more than 800,000 game creators from all over the world because Unity provides all the core functionality needed to create great games. Unity has high optimization graphics performance and also Unity provides game development features on various platforms, namely Unity Web, Windows, Mac, Android, iOS, Xbox, Playstation 3 and Wii. Unity provides various programming language options for developing games, including JavaScript, C#, and BooScript. Even though three programming languages are available, most developers use JavaScript and C# as the language used to develop games (Rahim, 2016).

### 3 RESEARCH METHOD

The method used in the development of the Indonesian traditional musical instrument introduction game is the waterfall method. The reason for using this method is that the waterfall method approaches systematically and sequentially in building a system so that it fits perfectly with the theme of this study. The waterfall method process is the work of a system carried out in sequence. The resulting system will be of good quality, due to its gradual implementation so that it is not focused on certain stages. The stages of the waterfall method are as follows in figure 1:



**Figure 1.** Waterfall Method Steps

#### 3.1 Requirements Analysis

The needs analysis phase is done by analyzing user needs, analysis of software and hardware needed in system development and other needs. Making this game using the ASUS X454Y PC with AMD Quad-Core processor specifications, 4 GB of memory. The smartphone used to test is Xiami Redmi 4A, Android 7.1.2 N2G47H (Nougat) with 2 GB of RAM.

#### 3.2 Design

The purpose of this stage is to provide an overview of what will be done and graphical user interface. This stage fulfills all the needs of users according to the results analyzed such as the display design of development game and helps define the overall system architecture. Documentation produced from this system design stage includes the design of the Application Flowchart, Use Case Diagrams, and the design of the user interface.

#### 3.3 Coding

Writing program code is making translation of system weaknesses that have been made in the form of commands that use computers by using programming languages. This stage is a real stage in a system. The programming language systems used are Javascript and C # with the help of the Unity 3D game engine (Rahim, 2016).

#### 3.4 Testing

Testing is used to ensure that the software created is in accordance with the design and that all functions can be used properly without any errors. This study uses the Blackbox Testing method.

Blackbox Testing is a software testing technique that focuses on the functional specifications of the software. Blackbox Testing works by ignoring the control structure so that its attention is focused on domain information. Blackbox Testing allows software developers to create a set of input conditions that will train all the functional requirements of a program. The advantages of using the Blackbox Testing method are: (1) Testers do not need to have knowledge of a particular programming language; (2) Testing is carried out from the user's perspective, this help to reveal ambiguity or inconsistencies in the requirement's specification; (3) The programmer and tester are both interdependent (Jaya, 2018).

#### 3.5 Maintenance

The final stage of system development in the Waterfall model is maintenance which includes the installation and process of system improvement. The maintenance accordance with the wishes of the user or in accordance with the work contract.

### 4 RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The game design must first draw a whole system flowchart so that the game system to be made clearer and structured. A flowchart is a chart that shows a logical flow in a program or system procedure. Flowcharts are used primarily for communication aids and for documentation.

Flowchart used is a type of Flowchart System, which is a chart that shows the workflow or what is being done in the system as a whole and explains the

sequence of procedures that exist in the system. The game flowchart is shown in figure 2 below:

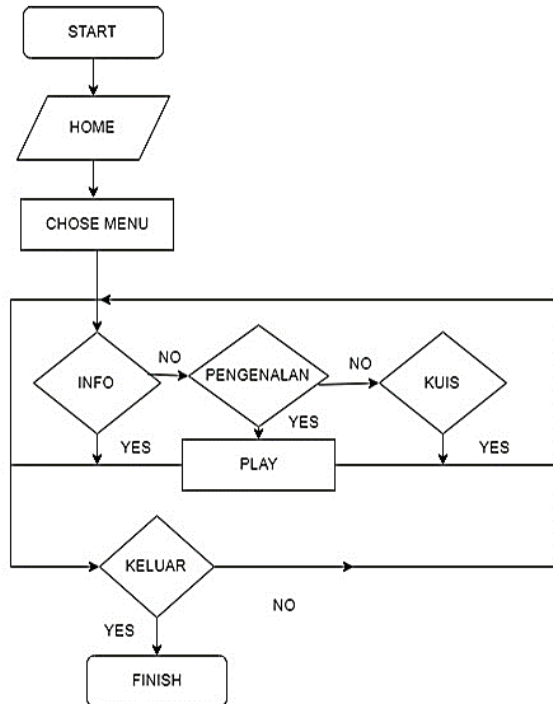


Figure 2. Flowchart of The Game

The flow of game usage can be known through the Use Case Diagram. Use Case Diagrams describe an interaction between one or more actors with the information system to be created. The following is the design of the processes contained in the educational game introduction to traditional musical instruments, illustrated by the Use Case Diagram which can be seen in figure 3 below:

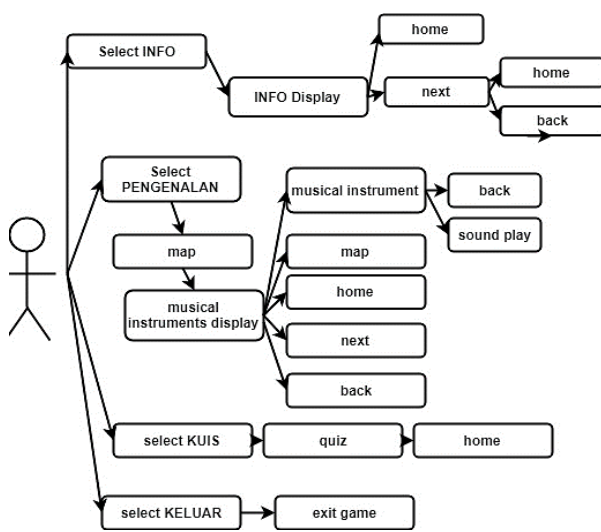


Figure3. Use Case Diagram

#### 4.1 Designing User Interface

As a design product, educational games adapt general design principles which include: proportion principle, emphasis principle, balance principle, rhythm principle, harmony principle and unity principle. A good educational game must meet these design principles in user interface design (Wandah and Rahina, 2018).

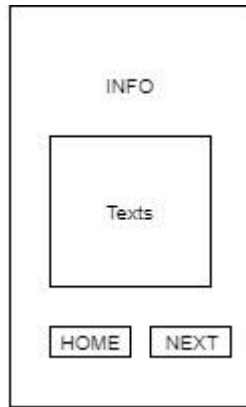
The user interface is a set of tools/elements used to manipulate digital objects (Wandah and Rahina, 2018). Rauschenberger et al in (Wandah and Rahina, 2018) stated that a user interface is considered good if it can function well, not only considering the aesthetic aspects. In other words, in determining the form of interface design (user interface), not only visual aesthetic aspects are needed, but also must consider the functional aspects of the elements in the interface design.

In making this user interface of the educational game was using the Draw I/O application that can be accessed offline by installing the application and online through the website. The design prioritizes learning medium that clear and easy to understand. The following is an educational game user interface design for the introduction of traditional Indonesian musical instruments in figure 4 to figure 9:



Figure4. Design User Interface of Main Menu Page

The earliest menu is the main menu or home menu which consists of 3 menus and 1 button including INFO Menu (Information), PENGENALAN Menu (Introduction), KUIS Menu (Quiz) and exit button.



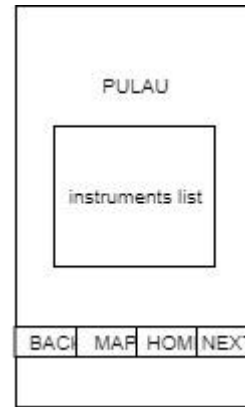
**Figure5.**Design User Interface of Info Menu Page

The Info menu consists of 2 pages there is introductory page and application developer list page.

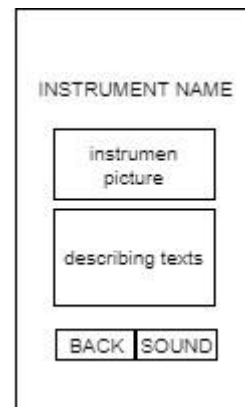


**Figure6.**Design User Interface of Pengenalan (Introduction) Menu Page

The introduction menu consists of three main pages, namely the Indonesia map page, the instrument listing page, the instrument introduction page. The map page is made so that users can simultaneously learn and visualize regions in Indonesia. The map is divided into 7 main islands namely Sumatra, Java, Kalimantan, Sulawesi, Maluku, Bali, Nusa Tenggara and Papua. The introduction page of musical instruments is equipped with the sound of musical instruments that can be played directly so as to increase user knowledge.



**Figure7.**Design User Interface Instruments list in Pengenalan (Introduction) Menu Page



**Figure8.**Design User Interface Instrument Explanation in Pengenalan (Introduction) Menu Page

The last menu is the QUIZ menu. Quiz made by multiple choice with 4 choices. This is because children prefer to answer multiple-choice questions rather than essay questions. The page is accompanied by a time limit answering each question which is 10 seconds. Questions are also accompanied by a home button to return to the main menu.

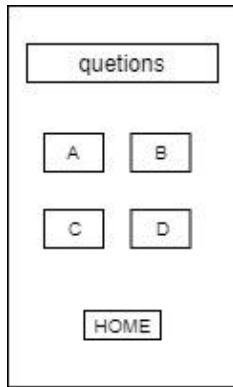


Figure9. User Interface of Kuis Menu Page

### 4.2 Design of Game Display

Display the game created using the Adobe Illustrator CC 2018 application with reference to the user interface that was designed previously. Making the appearance of the game using the main color of brown. In the rules of human and computer interaction, the colors used must not be more than 5 colors. Besides the symbols used must be in accordance with the rules of the use of symbols so that users more easily understand the elements in the game.

Data display on the educational game user interface includes the use of colors, typography, illustrations, and layout/ composition. Typographic analysis is done by examining the type and size of the letters used, setting/ setting letters, giving effects, and the end result on the ease of text to read (Wandah and Rahina, 2018). Below are the results of the game interface display design in figure 10 to figure 15:



Figure10. Display of Main Menu/Home

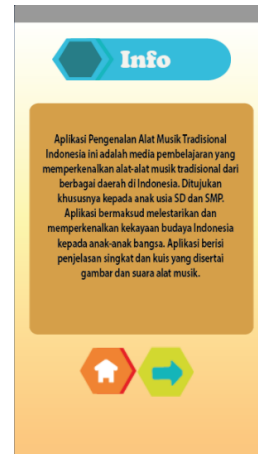


Figure11. Display of Info Menu



Figure12. Display of Map Page in Pengenalan (Introduction) Menu

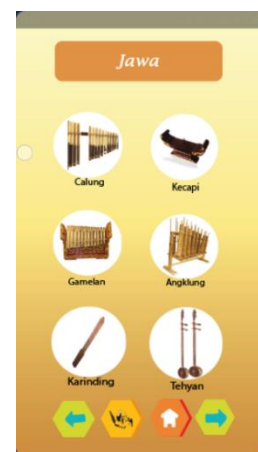


Figure13. Display of Instruments List Page in Pengenalan (Introduction) Menu



Figure14. Display of Instruments Explanation Page in Pengenalan (Introduction) Menu



Figure15. Display of Kuis Menu

### 4.3 Game Testing

Testing this game uses the Blackbox Testing technique, a software testing technique that focuses on the functional specifications of the software. Each element of the game is tested for function and recorded whether it meets the expectations of the developer. The trial results are illustrated with the following information:

1. Success. Means the function or work element in accordance with expectations.
2. Fail. This means an error occurs or the function does not run according to expectations.

The test results are displayed in table 1 to table 6 below:

Table 1. Main Menu/ Home Testing

BUTTON	FUNCTION	RESULT
Info	Go to the info page	Success
Pengenalan	Go to the map page	Success
Kuis	Go to the quiz page	Success

Table2. Info Menu Testing

BUTTON	FUNCTION	RESULT
Home	Back to the main menu	Success
Next	Go to the next info page	Success
Back	Return to the first info page	Success

Table3. Pengenalan (Introduction) Menu Testing

BUTTON	FUNCTION	RESULT
Home	Back to Main Menu	Success
Sumatra (Talempong, Saluang, Hapetan, Serune, Kompang, Doll)	Return to the list of musical instruments from Sumatra (go to the instrument description page)	Success
Jawa (Calung, Gamelan, Karinding, Kecapi, Angklung, Tehyan)	Return to the list of musical instruments from Java (enter the instrument description page)	Success
Kalimantan (Sluding, Panting, Japen, Tuma, Sampek, Japen)	Return to the Kalimantan music instrument list page (go to the instrument description page)	Success
Bali	Return to the list of musical instruments from Bali (go to the	Success



BUTTON	FUNCTION	RESULT
	instrument description page)	
<b>Nusa Tenggara</b>	Return to the Nusa Tenggara musical instrument list page (enter the instrument description page) success	Success
<b>Maluku</b>	Return to the list of musical instruments from Maluku (enter the instrument description page)	Success
<b>Sulawesi</b>	Return to the list of instruments from Sulawesi (go to the instrument description page)	Success
<b>Papua</b>	Return to the list of instruments from Papua (enter the instrument description page)	Success
<b>Back</b>	Go to the previous page/ list of musical instruments	Success
<b>Map</b>	Return to the map page	Success

**Table4.**Kuis Menu Testing

BUTTON	FUNCTION	RESULT
<b>Question</b>	Quit randomly every time the quiz	Success
<b>Multiple Choices</b>	When clicked, it comes out true/wrong	Success
<b>Timer</b>	The timer works for 10 seconds countdown	Success
<b>Home</b>	Return to the main page	Success
<b>True/Wrong Sign</b>	It comes with a tick/ cross based on the answer	Success

**Table5.**Exit Menu Testing

BUTTON	FUNCTION	RESULT
<b>Keluar/Exit</b>	Exit from game	Success

**Table6.**Sound Testing

BUTTON	FUNCTION	RESULT
<b>Backsound</b>	Playing angklung sounds during gameplay	Success
<b>Instruments Sound (All)</b>	Exposes the sounds of related instruments when clicked	Success

Results of the tests that have been done, the application runs as expected with 100% success results. Where the features and functions of each menu include: INFO, INTRODUCTION, QUIZ, EXIT along with the button inside it to produce the desired output in accordance with the purpose and function of making the application. Display output in accordance with the display design that has been made. The back songs and the sound of the instruments also made the sound as they should. Overall the application is considered feasible to use.

## 5 CONCLUSION

Test results show that the educational game for the introduction of traditional Indonesian musical instruments that have been made functional is running well with the presentation of the test 100% successful and is considered feasible to use. But the appearance, function, material, and animation still have to be developed to be more leverage when used and effectively provide knowledge.

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Suggestions for further research are to make the quiz menu design more varied, which is to combine and combine multiple questions and choices with text, images, and sound. In addition, you should also test the display and material to the user.



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