

# How to use ZArchiver to compress and decompress files on Android

Not always Android also allows you to open all kinds of files downloaded to your device, especially compressed files. If you regularly work with rar or 7z files, you will need to install a support app.

Today, I will introduce to you ZArchiver, the app that compresses and decompresses files extremely quickly on Android, with the ability to support almost fully the most popular archive formats today.

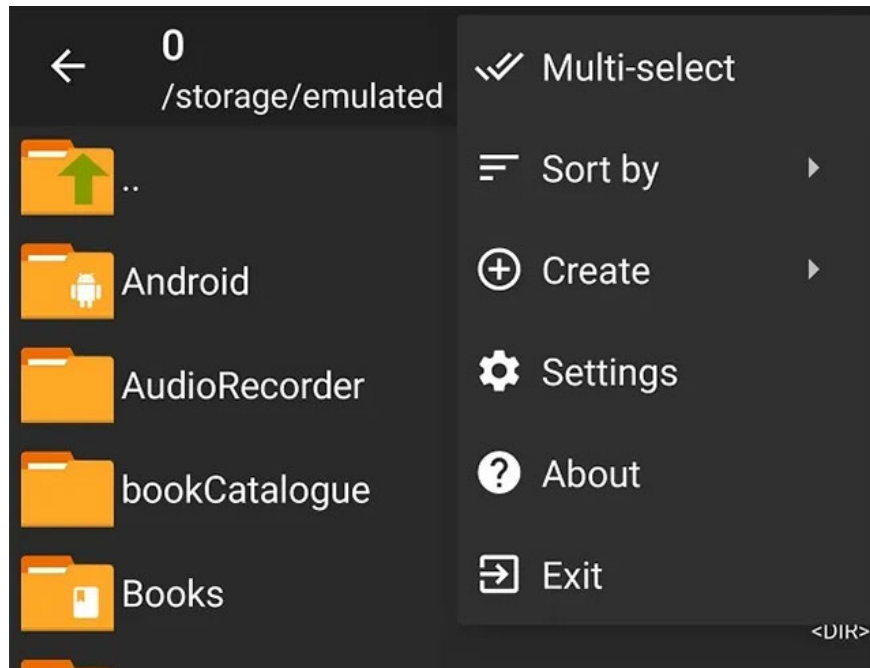
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ZArchiver is a completely free tool with a clean interface and no ads. With ZArchiver, you can create compressed files like 7z, ZIP, XZ and GZ. It can extract everything from RAR, 7Zip to DEB and ISO files.

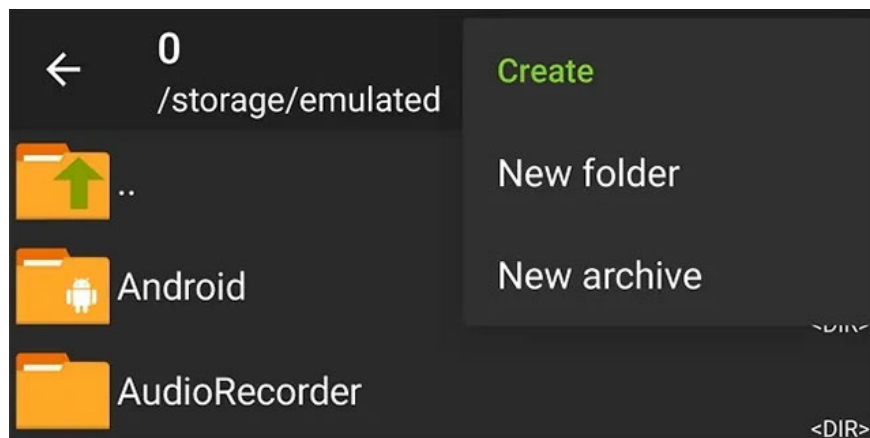
In addition, you can view archived contents without actually extracting them and even edit the contents by adding or deleting files. In addition to the compression and decompression app, ZArchiver is also a great Android file manager.

## Compress files on Android with ZArchiver

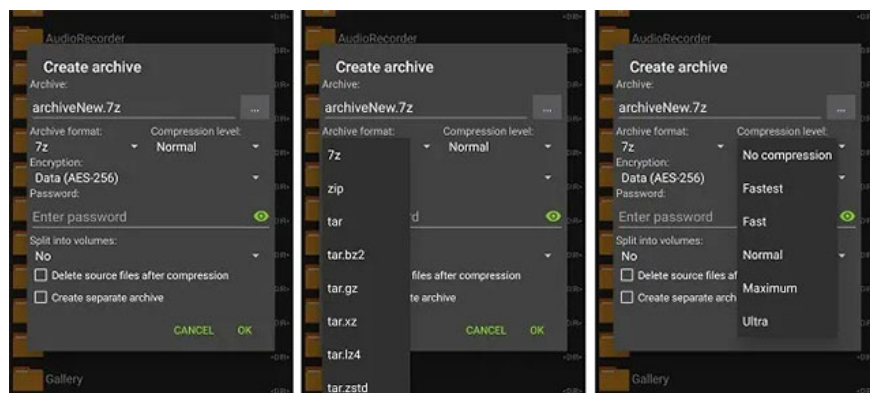
The process of creating a compressed folder with ZArchiver is really easy. After successfully downloading and installing ZArchiver on your Android device, open the app, then click on the menu in the upper right corner of the screen. This menu will list all the settings for creating compressed folders in Android.



Click **Create** to choose whether to create a new folder or archive. Here, you can choose exactly which compression format you want.

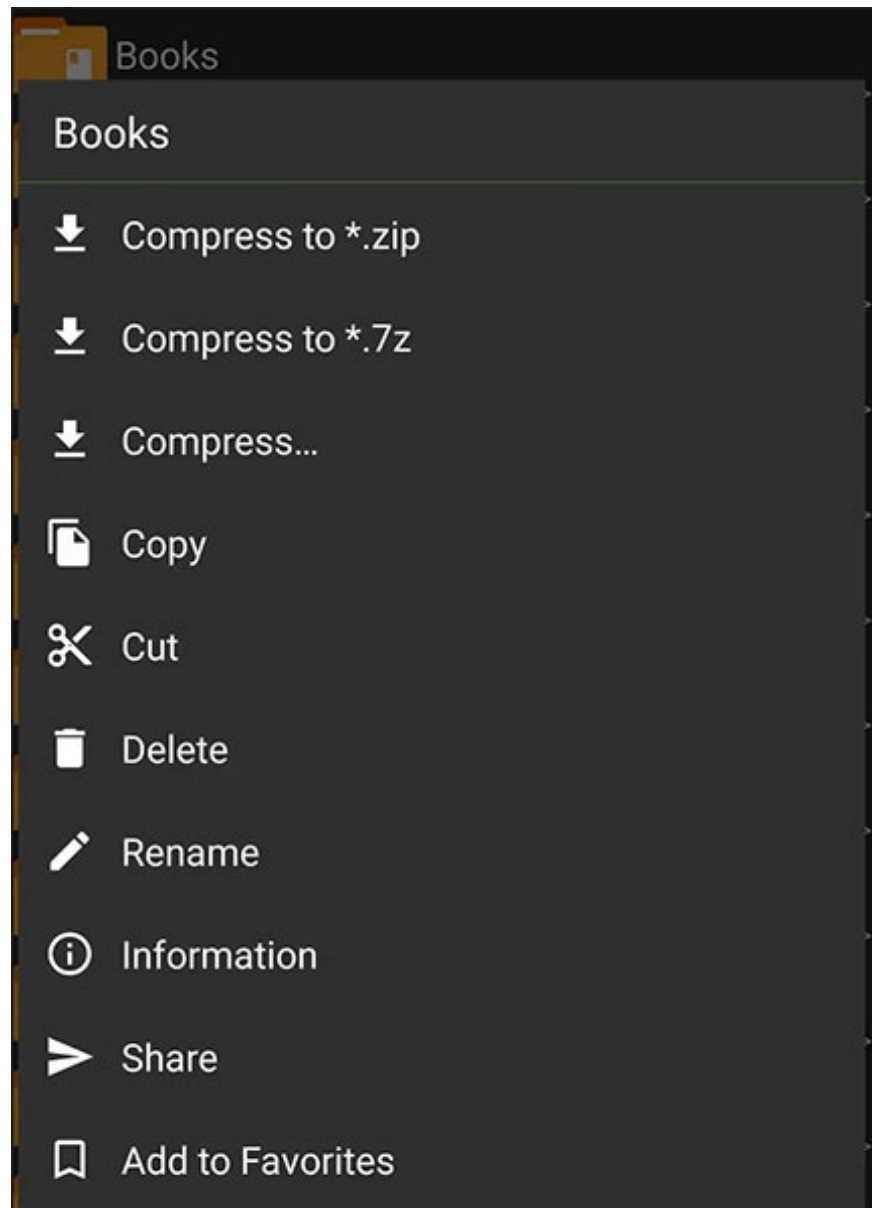


Like the PC apps, you can choose to set many advanced options for the archive you just created. Like adding passwords, choosing a compression level, and even dividing files into multiple independent archives.



Once you've set up options and named the archive, choose where to save the file. You can create a new folder and move all the files into it if needed. Click on the files to highlight them and click on the down arrow icon to start the archive creation process.

You can also press and hold any created folder to compress it. Choose the method that is most convenient for you.

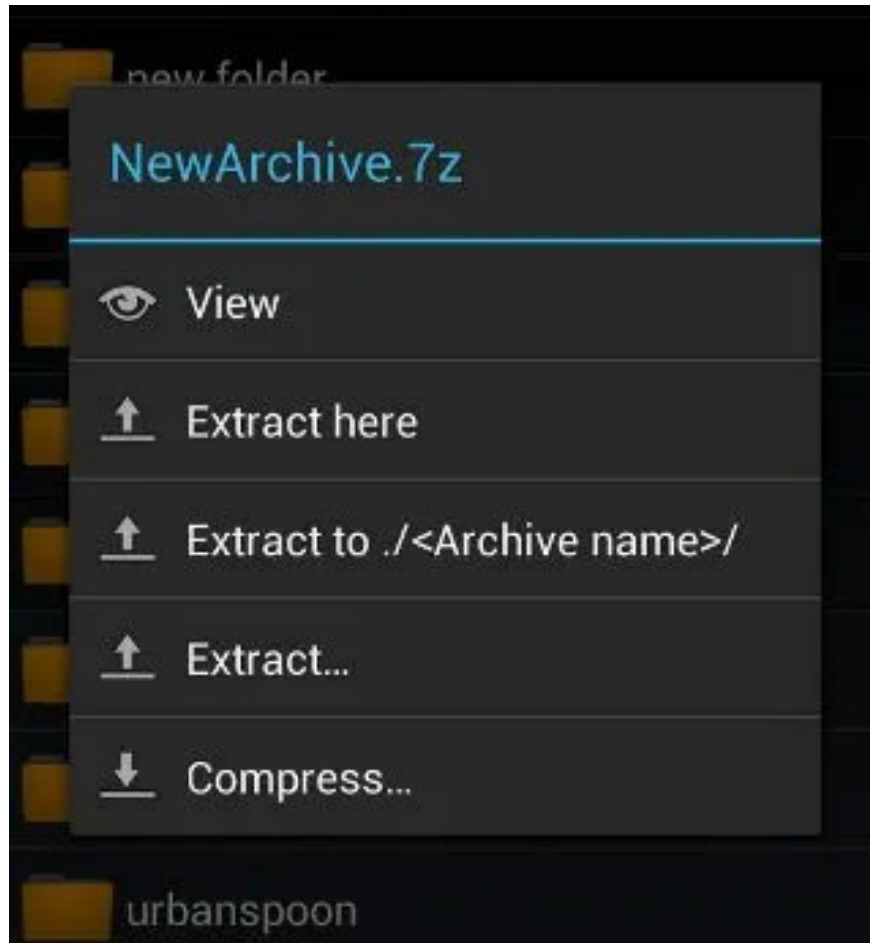


## Extract the file using ZArchiver

The process of extracting files on Android with ZArchiver is equally simple. First, open ZArchiver and find the file you need to extract. For an archive, ZArchiver gives you a few different options.

1. **View:** Preview content inside compressed file without decompressing.
2. **Extract here:** Extract the file on the spot.
3. **Extract to ./:** Extract files to a specific location.

4. **Extract:** Select manual extraction location.



## Supported file formats

Here is a list of all the compatible file types that you can compress, view, and decompress with ZArchiver. As you can see, there are many file formats that aren't really popular on Android but are still fully supported.

1. **Create archive with formats:** 7z (7zip), zip, bzip2 (bz2), gzip (gz), XZ, tar
2. **Support extracting file types:** 7z (7zip), zip, rar, bzip2, gzip, XZ, iso, tar, arj, cab, lzh, lha, lzma, xar, tgz, tbz, Z, deb, rpm, zipx, mtz
3. **Support for unzipping content for file types:** 7z (7zip), zip, rar, bzip2, gzip, XZ, iso, tar, arj, cab, lzh, lha, lzma, xar, tgz, tbz, Z, deb, rpm, zipx, mtz

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