Software Update
Always keep in mind that any software update released by Samsung for the Galaxy A Series will contain security patches, bug fixes and battery improvements. This can be done via OTA (Over the air) or by using the Samsung Smart Switch PC application.

Closing Applications
Most apps on your device consume memory, and if you want to fully close them, go to Settings > Apps Manager > Click the app > Force Close. However, some force closed apps may re-activate if your re-start the device.

Optimising Performance
Even though it features great hardware, the Galaxy A Series device may still suffer lag problems over time. It is recommended to free its memory. Close apps by tapping the Back key instead of the Home button and use its built-in Task Manager to close all running apps.

Screen Mirroring
Use the Wi-Fi Direct technology to activate Screen Mirroring to allow the Smartphone to send its screen visuals to another (compatible) device such as Samsung TV. To access this setting, Pull down the Notification Panel from the HOME SCREEN, press the QUICK CONNECT icon and follow the on-screen prompts.
5. Creating Personalised Wallpaper
The Galaxy A3 and A5 allow you to fully personalise a wallpaper for the home screen. One way to personalise an image for your wallpaper is to use the Gallery app > Select an image > Tap the "pencil" icon.

6. Haptic Feedback
Some functions on the device responds through Haptic (physical) Feedback which can be adjusted or turned off. Go to Settings > Sound > Haptic Feedback to turn it off.

7. Airplane or Flight Mode
If the battery is getting really low and your charger is at home, turn on the Airplane or Flight mode to save more power. It will disable all wireless functionality to get more life from the battery. Pull down the notification panel from the home screen, press the Flight Mode icon located in the top row of round buttons (you may need to swipe your finger to the right to see the icon).

8. *Power Saving Mode
Enable the power saving tool on your device during situations where you wish to extend the battery life until you can re-charge it. This can be found in ‘Settings’ under the ‘SYSTEM’ heading.
9. Lock Screen Customisation
There are two main things you can personalise on the lock screen - Wallpaper and Apps. Go to the Gallery app > Menu key > Set as > Lock screen option to change lock screen wallpaper. For the other alterations on the lock screen, go to Settings > Device > Lock screen and follow the on-screen help.

10. Wireless Connectivity
The Galaxy A3 and A5 feature advanced connectivity such as Wi-Fi, mobile date, GPS, Bluetooth, NFC, S Beam and USB, for the Internet, data transfer and other wireless functions. To access all of these options go to settings and all of the options are Blue circular icons, under the ‘CONNECTIONS’ heading. Simply press the option you want to access.

11. * Easy Mode
If the user interface, navigation and menus look very complex to you, change the display mode into Easy Mode. The Easy Mode UI feature can be found in Settings under the ‘PERSONALISATION’ heading.

12. View Recently Used Apps
If you want to view recently used apps, press the Recent Apps (soft) key located to the left of the Home Button. In addition, you can remove all of these apps to close them.
13. Home Screen and Lock Screen Widgets
Widgets can be used to give direct access to buttons and options for certain Apps without having to open the full application at all. For example, the Music Player Widget allows you to start and stop music as well as change tracks, right from a Home Screen. To add a new widget to a Home Screen, simply press and hold your finger on and free space on the screen. Then let go and press the ‘Widgets’ button at the bottom of the screen.

14. *Brightness Level
The brightness of the screen can be manually adjusted or set to ‘Auto’ Simply drag a finger down from the top of the Home Screen and you will see the brightness adjustment bar. Or it can be found under ‘SETTINGS’ and the ‘DISPLAY AND WALLPAPER’ Icon. Tap inside the ‘AUTO’ box to tick it and enable it. Keeping the brightness to around 50% will enhance battery life considerably.

15. Mobile Hotspot
You can turn your device in to a Mobile Hotspot to provide an internet connection for your Tablet or Laptop on the go. This does use mobile data and can incur additional costs if not monitored. To activate ‘Mobile Hotspot’ go to SETTINGS, CONNECTIONS, MOBILE HOTSPOT AND TETHERING.

16. Capture Screen
A Series devices have another way to make screenshots aside from the pressing buttons. Go to Settings > Controls > Palm Motion > Capture Screen. You can now swipe your palm across the screen to take a screenshot.

*Brightness Level
17. Ultra Power Saver Mode
Ultra Power Saving Mode enables the user to get several days use from a single charge. Turning the screen Black and White and shutting down power-hungry Apps and programs, enables the device to last far longer between charges. Important features remain active including Calls, Messaging, Internet & WhatsApp. To Activate U. Power Saver’ Pull down the status bar from the top of the screen using one finger, Scroll to the right and select Ultra Power Saving. Tab ok to accept Terms & Conditions and then select enable.

18. Smart Manager App
This application allows you manage your Battery, Storage, Ram & Security of your device. Your handset will notify you if your device is using more resources than normal. All you need to do is select FORCE STOP when notified. You can keep your handset optimised by selecting the Smart Manager Application and pressing the CLEAN ALL button.