

HOOKS IN REACT

1. use State

- A hook that allows you to add state (data) to functional components.
- It returns a state variable and a function to update it.
- When the state changes, the component re-renders.

```
jsx

import React, { useState } from "react";

function Example() {
  const [count, setCount] = useState(0);
  return (
    <button onClick={() => setCount(count + 1)}>
      Count: {count}
    </button>
  );
}
```

2. use Effect

- A hook that lets you perform side effects in a component.
- Examples: fetching data, setting timers, or subscribing to events.
- Runs after rendering and can include a cleanup function.

```
jsx

import React, { useEffect, useState } from "react";

function Example() {
  const [time, setTime] = useState(0);

  useEffect(() => {
    const timer = setInterval(() => setTime(t => t + 1), 1000);
    return () => clearInterval(timer); // cleanup
  }, []);

  return <h3>Time: {time}</h3>;
}
```

3. use Context

- A hook that allows you to use values from a React Context.
- It helps avoid **prop drilling** by providing data directly to components.

jsx

```
import React, { useContext, createContext } from "react";

const UserContext = createContext("Guest");

function Example() {
  const user = useContext(UserContext);
  return <h2>Hello, {user}</h2>;
}
```

4. useReducer

- An alternative to useState for managing complex state logic.
- Works with a reducer function that takes the current state and an action, and returns a new state.

jsx

```
import React, { useReducer } from "react";

function reducer(state, action) {
  if (action.type === "inc") return state + 1;
  return state;
}

function Example() {
  const [count, dispatch] = useReducer(reducer, 0);
  return <button onClick={() => dispatch({ type: "inc" })}>{count}</button>;
}
```

5. useCallback

- A hook that memoizes a function.
- It returns the same function instance unless its dependencies change.
- Useful to prevent unnecessary re-renders of child components.

jsx

```
import React, { useCallback, useState } from "react";

function Example() {
  const [count, setCount] = useState(0);
  const increment = useCallback(() => setCount(c => c + 1), []);
  return <button onClick={increment}>Count: {count}</button>;
}
```

6. useMemo

- A hook that memoizes the result of a calculation.
- Only re-computes when its dependencies change.
- Helps optimize performance for expensive computations.

```
jsx

import React, { useMemo, useState } from "react";

function Example() {
  const [num, setNum] = useState(2);
  const double = useMemo(() => num * 2, [num]);
  return <h2>Double: {double}</h2>;
}
```

7. useRef

- A hook that gives you a mutable object (ref).
- You can store a value or access DOM elements with it.
- Changing a ref does not cause re-render.

```
jsx

import React, { useRef } from "react";

function Example() {
  const inputRef = useRef();
  return (
    <>
      <input ref={inputRef} />
      <button onClick={() => inputRef.current.focus()}>Focus</button>
    </>
  );
}
```

8. useImperativeHandle

- Used with forwardRef to customize the value exposed to parent components via refs.
- Allows you to define custom methods that parent components can call.

jsx

```
import React, { useImperativeHandle, useRef, forwardRef } from "react";

const MyInput = forwardRef((props, ref) => {
  const inputRef = useRef();
  useImperativeHandle(ref, () => ({
    focus: () => inputRef.current.focus(),
  }));
  return <input ref={inputRef} />;
});

function Example() {
  const ref = useRef();
  return <button onClick={() => ref.current.focus()}>Focus Input</button>;
}
```

9. useLayoutEffect

- Similar to useEffect, but it runs **synchronously** after all DOM updates.
- Useful when you need to measure or mutate the DOM before the browser paints.

jsx

```
import React, { useLayoutEffect, useRef } from "react";

function Example() {
  const divRef = useRef();
  useLayoutEffect(() => {
    divRef.current.style.color = "red";
  }, []);
  return <div ref={divRef}>Hello</div>;
}
```

10. useDebugValue

- Used inside custom hooks to display a label in React DevTools.
- Helpful for debugging custom hooks.

```
import React, { useState, useDebugValue } from "react";

function useCounter() {
  const [count, setCount] = useState(0);
  useDebugValue(count > 5 ? "High" : "Low");
  return [count, setCount];
}
```

11. useId (React 18)

- Generates a unique, stable ID for elements.
- Useful for accessibility attributes like id and htmlFor.

jsx

```
import React, { useId } from "react";

function InputField() {
  const id = useId();
  return <>
    <label htmlFor={id}>Name</label>
    <input id={id} />
  </>;
}
```

12. useTransition (React 18)

- Allows you to mark certain state updates as **non-urgent**.
- Improves UI responsiveness by deferring expensive updates.

```
import React, { useState, useTransition } from "react";

function Example() {
  const [isPending, startTransition] = useTransition();
  const [text, setText] = useState("");

  const handleChange = (e) => {
    startTransition(() => setText(e.target.value));
  };

  return (
    <>
      <input onChange={handleChange} />
      {isPending ? "Loading..." : <p>{text}</p>}
    </>
  );
}
```

13. useDeferredValue (React 18)

- Defers updating a value until less urgent rendering work is finished.
- Helps keep the UI responsive when rendering large lists or heavy computations.

```
import React, { useState, useDeferredValue } from "react";

function Example() {
  const [text, setText] = useState("");
  const deferredText = useDeferredValue(text);

  return (
    <>
      <input onChange={(e) => setText(e.target.value)} />
      <p>{deferredText}</p>
    </>
  );
}
```

14. useSyncExternalStore (React 18)

- Used to subscribe to external data sources (like Redux or other stores).
- Ensures the component stays in sync with external state changes.

```
import React, { useSyncExternalStore } from "react";

function subscribe(callback) {
  window.addEventListener("resize", callback);
  return () => window.removeEventListener("resize", callback);
}

function Example() {
  const size = useSyncExternalStore(
    subscribe,
    () => window.innerWidth
  );
  return <h2>Width: {size}</h2>;
}
```

15. useInsertionEffect (React 18)

- Runs synchronously before DOM mutations are applied.
- Mainly used for injecting styles dynamically.

```
import React, { useInsertionEffect } from "react";

function Example() {
  useInsertionEffect(() => {
    const style = document.createElement("style");
    style.innerHTML = "body { background: lightblue; }";
    document.head.appendChild(style);
  }, []);
  return <h2>Background Applied</h2>;
}
```

Hook	Definition	Use-case (When to Use)	📌
<code>useState</code>	Adds state to a functional component.	For counters, toggles, form inputs.	
<code>useEffect</code>	Runs side effects after render.	API calls, timers, event listeners.	
<code>useContext</code>	Access values from Context.	Avoid prop drilling (theme, auth, language).	
<code>useReducer</code>	Manages complex state with reducer function.	Todo app, forms, multiple state updates.	
<code>useCallback</code>	Memoizes a function.	Prevents re-render of child components.	
<code>useMemo</code>	Memoizes result of a calculation.	Expensive calculations, filtering, sorting.	
<code>useRef</code>	Stores mutable value or DOM reference.	Access input focus, store previous values.	
<code>useImperativeHandle</code>	Customizes value exposed via <code>ref</code> .	Expose methods (like <code>.focus()</code>) to parent.	
<code>useLayoutEffect</code>	Runs before paint, after DOM update.	DOM measurement, animations, sync layout.	
<code>useDebugValue</code>	Shows custom hook value in DevTools.	Debugging custom hooks.	
<code>useId</code> (React 18)	Generates unique stable IDs.	For form elements (<code>id</code> , <code>htmlFor</code>).	
<code>useTransition</code> (React 18)	Marks state updates as non-urgent.	Smooth UI updates (search box typing).	
<code>useDeferredValue</code> (React 18)	Defers non-urgent value updates.	Large list rendering without blocking input.	
<code>useSyncExternalStore</code> (React 18)	Syncs with external store.	Redux, Zustand, window events.	
<code>useInsertionEffect</code> (React 18)	Runs before DOM mutations.	Inject styles dynamically (CSS-in-JS).	