

# React Lists

Lists are used to display data in an ordered format and mainly used to display menus on websites. In React, Lists can be created in a similar way as we create lists in JavaScript. Let us see how we transform Lists in regular JavaScript.

The `map()` function is used for traversing the lists. In the below example, the `map()` function takes an array of numbers and multiply their values with 5. We assign the new array returned by `map()` to the variable `multiplyNums` and log it.

## Example

```
var numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5];  
const multiplyNums = numbers.map((number)=>{  
  return (number * 5);  
});  
console.log(multiplyNums);
```

## Output

The above JavaScript code will log the output on the console. The output of the code is given below.

```
[5, 10, 15, 20, 25]
```

Now, let us see how we create a list in React. To do this, we will use the `map()` function for traversing the list element, and for updates, we enclosed them between **curly braces {}**. Finally, we assign the array elements to `listItems`. Now, include this new list inside `<ul>` `</ul>` elements and render it to the DOM.

## Example

```
import React from 'react';  
import ReactDOM from 'react-dom';  
  
const myList = ['Peter', 'Sachin', 'Kevin', 'Dhoni', 'Alisa'];  
const listItems = myList.map((myList)=>{  
  return <li>{myList}</li>;  
});
```

```
ReactDOM.render(  
  <ul> {listItems} </ul>,  
  document.getElementById('app')  
)  
export default App;
```

## Output



## Rendering Lists inside components

In the previous example, we had directly rendered the list to the DOM. But it is not a good practice to render lists in React. In React, we had already seen that everything is built as individual components. Hence, we would need to render lists inside a component. We can understand it in the following code.

## Example

```
import React from 'react';  
import ReactDOM from 'react-dom';  
  
function NameList(props) {  
  const myLists = props.myLists;  
  const listItems = myLists.map((myList) =>  
    <li>{myList}</li>  
  );  
  return (  
    <div>  
      <h2>Rendering Lists inside component</h2>  
      <ul>{listItems}</ul>  
    </div>  
  );  
}  
  
const myLists = ['Peter', 'Sachin', 'Kevin', 'Dhoni', 'Alisa'];
```

```
ReactDOM.render(  
  <NameList myLists={myLists} />,  
  document.getElementById('app')  
)  
export default App;
```

## Output



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