

3 Writing markup with JSX

The markup syntax you've seen above is called `JSX`. It is optional, but most React projects use JSX for its convenience. All of the [tools we recommend for local development](#) support JSX out of the box.

JSX is stricter than HTML. You have to close tags like `
`. Your component also can't return multiple JSX tags. You have to wrap them into a shared parent, like a `<div>...</div>` or an empty `<>...</>` wrapper:

```
function AboutPage() {  
  return (  
    <>  
      <h1> About </h1>  
      <p> Hello there. <br/> How do you do? </p>  
    </>  
  );  
}
```

If you have a lot of HTML to port to JSX, you can use an [online converter](#).