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# Stopwatch App

A simple stopwatch app built using React Native. The app allows you to start, stop, and reset a timer. It is designed to be a straightforward example of using React Native's `useState` and `useEffect` hooks.

## Features

- Start and stop the stopwatch

- Reset the stopwatch to zero

- Display the elapsed time in seconds

## Getting Started

### Prerequisites

- Node.js installed on your machine

- Expo CLI installed (`npm install -g expo-cli`)

- A React Native environment setup (Expo or React Native CLI)

### Installation

1. Clone the repository:

```bash

git clone https://github.com/your-username/stopwatch-app.git

1. Navigate to the project directory:

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cd stopwatch-app

1. Install dependencies:

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npm install

1. Start the development server:

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npm start

1. Open the app on an iOS or Android simulator/emulator or on your mobile device using the Expo Go app.

**Usage**

* **Start/Stop**: Click the "Start" button to begin timing, and click it again to stop the timer.
* **Reset**: Click the "Reset" button to set the timer back to zero.

**Code Overview**

* App.js: Main application entry point, renders the Stopwatch component.
* Stopwatch.js: Contains the stopwatch logic and UI.

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**Contributing**

Feel free to open issues and submit pull requests. Contributions are welcome!

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### Detailed Document

#### Overview

This document provides a line-by-line explanation of the `Stopwatch` component in React Native.

#### `Stopwatch.js` Code

```javascript

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

import { View, Text, Button, StyleSheet } from 'react-native';

* **import React, { useState, useEffect } from 'react';**: Import React library and hooks (useState, useEffect) used for managing state and side effects.
* **import { View, Text, Button, StyleSheet } from 'react-native';**: Import components and styles from React Native library.

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const Stopwatch = () => {

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

const [running, setRunning] = useState(false);

* **const Stopwatch = () => {**: Defines the Stopwatch functional component.
* **const [time, setTime] = useState(0);**: Initializes time state variable to 0, with a function setTime to update it.
* **const [running, setRunning] = useState(false);**: Initializes running state variable to false, with a function setRunning to toggle the timer.

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useEffect(() => {

let interval;

if (running) {

interval = setInterval(() => {

setTime((prevTime) => prevTime + 1);

}, 1000);

} else if (!running) {

clearInterval(interval);

}

return () => clearInterval(interval);

}, [running]);

* **useEffect(() => { ... }, [running]);**: Sets up a side effect to start or stop the interval timer based on running state.
  + **let interval;**: Declares a variable to hold the interval ID.
  + **if (running) { ... }**: Checks if the stopwatch is running.
    - **interval = setInterval(() => { ... }, 1000);**: Sets up an interval to update the time every second.
    - **setTime((prevTime) => prevTime + 1);**: Updates the time state with the incremented value.
  + **else if (!running) { clearInterval(interval); }**: Clears the interval if the stopwatch is not running.
  + **return () => clearInterval(interval);**: Cleans up the interval when the component unmounts or running state changes.

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return (

<View style={styles.container}>

<Text style={styles.timerText}>{time} seconds</Text>

<View style={styles.buttonContainer}>

<Button title={running ? "Stop" : "Start"} onPress={() => setRunning(!running)} />

<Button title="Reset" onPress={() => setTime(0)} />

</View>

</View>

);

};

* **return (<View style={styles.container}>...</View>);**: Returns the JSX to render the stopwatch UI.
  + **<Text style={styles.timerText}>{time} seconds</Text>**: Displays the elapsed time in seconds.
  + **<View style={styles.buttonContainer}>**: Container for buttons.
    - **<Button title={running ? "Stop" : "Start"} onPress={() => setRunning(!running)} />**: Button to start/stop the timer, toggles the running state.
    - **<Button title="Reset" onPress={() => setTime(0)} />**: Button to reset the timer to zero, updates time state to 0.

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const styles = StyleSheet.create({

container: {

flex: 1,

justifyContent: 'center',

alignItems: 'center',

backgroundColor: 'white',

},

timerText: {

fontSize: 48,

marginBottom: 20,

},

buttonContainer: {

flexDirection: 'row',

justifyContent: 'space-between',

width: '60%',

}

});

* **const styles = StyleSheet.create({ ... });**: Defines the styles for the component.
  + **container: { flex: 1, justifyContent: 'center', alignItems: 'center', backgroundColor: 'white' }**: Centers content vertically and horizontally, with a white background.
  + **timerText: { fontSize: 48, marginBottom: 20 }**: Styles for the timer text, with large font size and margin below.
  + **buttonContainer: { flexDirection: 'row', justifyContent: 'space-between', width: '60%' }**: Aligns buttons in a row with space between them.

**Document for Records**

This document outlines the steps taken to develop the stopwatch app, including the issues faced and the solutions implemented.

**Project Overview**

1. **Initial Setup**: Created a stopwatch app using React Native.
2. **Features**:
   * Start and stop the timer.
   * Reset the timer to zero.
   * Display elapsed time in seconds.

**Code Issues and Solutions**

1. **Button and Timer Alignment Issue**:
   * **Issue**: Buttons and timer were not properly centered.
   * **Solution**: Used flex properties with justifyContent and alignItems to center the content.
2. **Button and Timer Disappearing**:
   * **Issue**: Content disappeared when applying flex: 1.
   * **Solution**: Ensured flex: 1 was used in the container style, and adjusted width and flexDirection in button container style.
3. **Component Rendering Issues**:
   * **Issue**: Errors related to useEffect and Button not existing.
   * **Solution**: Verified imports and ensured React Native components and hooks were used correctly.