

## REACT FUTURE: REFACTORING THE ROUTES WITH ROUTE OBJECTS

- Centralized **route configuration by using the** `routes.js` file.
- Representing routes as objects provides a more structured and data-driven approach to defining your routing.
- We will use the `useRoutes` hook from `react-router-dom` to take an array of route objects and create route elements.
- We will add **`index: true`** to specify the default child route when the parent route (`/` in this case) is matched.

### 1. Create a `routes.js` file

- Create a new file named `routes.js` to hold your route objects.

### 2. Define the Route Objects

- Translate the JSX `<Route>` elements into JavaScript objects with `path` and `element` properties.
- For nested routes, use the `children` property to represent the nested structure.

```
// routes.js
import Home from './Home';
import About from './About';
import Contact from './Contact';
import Team from './Team';
import Profile from './Profile';
import Layout from './Layout';

const routes = [
  {
    path: '/',
    element: <Layout />,
    children: [
      {
        index: true, // For the default route at '/'
        element: <Home />
      }
    ]
  }
];
```

```

    },
    {
      path: 'about',
      element: <About />,
      children: [
        {
          path: 'team',
          element: <Team />
        }
      ]
    },
    {
      path: 'contact',
      element: <Contact />
    },
    {
      path: 'profile/:userId',
      element: <Profile />
    },
  ],
}
];

```

```
export default routes;
```

### 3. Update App.js

- Import the routes array and the useRoutes hook from react-router-dom.
- Use useRoutes(routes) to create your route elements.

```

import React from 'react';
import { BrowserRouter as Router } from 'react-router-dom';
import { useRoutes } from 'react-router-dom';
import routes from './routes';

```

```
function App() {
```

```
    const element = useRoutes(routes);  
    return  
    (  
      <Router>  
        {element}  
      </Router>  
    );  
  }  
  
  export default App;
```