## JavaScript – ES/JS, ES5, ES6, and ES7 features needed in React development and seen in many React examples.

The list of the ES features needed in React development. Some are even older than ES5 though...

See the Mozilla Developer Network for all of these!

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- let block scoped variable (Until ES6 we only had 'var' with only two possible scopes: function and global) <a href="https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Statements/let">https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Statements/let</a>
   src/routes/api/category.js: 31 + src/routes/api/idea.js:
  30,121,255,262,286,287,316,323,346,347,379,403,431,461,505 + src/routes/api/ideaMember.js:
  21,53,100,206,207 + src/routes/api/member.js: 184 + src/routes/api/reset\_service.js: 14,33,51,63,64,65, + src/db/db\_reset.js: 16,17
- const block scoped constant (the first immediate value needs to be given right away and will be constant, e.g. the object reference. But the \_contents\_ of that object and so on are not protected by const!). <a href="https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Statements/const">https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Statements/const</a>
   src/index.js: 9,15 + src/ERROR\_CODES.js: 1 + src/routes/api/category.js: 4 + src/routes/api/comment.js: 4,87 + src/routes/api/idea.js: 4,405,468 + src/routes/api/ideaMember.js:
   4,23,42,43,55,78,86,87,107,113,144,178,186,192,209,220,226,227 + src/routes/api/index.js: 10 + src/routes/api/member.js: 5 + src/routes/api/reset\_service.js: 6 + src/db/db\_reset.js: 7,8
- arrow functions (shorter syntax, implicit return, reference 'this' auto-bound to outer scope)
  https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Functions/Arrow\_functions
   src/index.js: 15,22 + src/routes/api/category.js: 13,19,42,48,76,82,93,99,122,135,151,164,185,189,220,233 + src/routes/api/comment.js: 13,20,41,44,64,67,83,91,108,115,134,139,143,152,173,180 + src/routes/api/idea.js: 12,18,47,53,64,69,82,93,98,111,132,138165,171,182,188,215,221,232,238,254,268,274,285,299,305,315,329,33
  5,345,359,365,402418,424,460485,498,538,551 + src/routes/api/ideaMember.js:
  8,14,15,20,33,40,52,63,73,76,99,127,139,142,161,173,176,205,216,224 + src/routes/api/member.js:
  15,21,40,50,85,98,112,125,142,155,183,191,204 + src/routes/api/reset\_service.js: 20,24 + src/db/db\_reset.js:
  42,50
- .map function <a href="https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Array/map">https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Array/map</a>
   (?) none found in js files ... only in package.lock.json, not sure if it counts for this assignment
- .forEach function for many kind of collections
   https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Array/forEach
   https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Map/forEach
   https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Set/forEach
   - none found
- ES6 class syntax <a href="https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Statements/class">https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Statements/class</a> none found
- ES6 class inheritance syntax
   <a href="https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Classes/extends-none-found">https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Classes/extends-none-found</a>

- template literals and placeholders (with backticks ` and \${ } to get rid of this kind of String concatenation clumsiness: "Hello"+name+"!")
   <a href="https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Template\_literals">https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Template\_literals</a>
   src/index.js: 29
- spread operator (spread notation/spread syntax) to make a 'deeper copy' of an object, instead of the 'totally shallow copy'. Copying goes one level deep = the properties of the original and copy object are separate. (But those separate properties may contain references to same objects)
   https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Operators/Spread\_operator\_none
- ES6 export and import from module to another (default or named)
   https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Statements/export
  - o So after 2015 this version has been expanding in use:

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```
in original.js export default someObj or export someObj;
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in file using.js import myObj from './original';

or import {someObj as myObj} from './original';

- o (It replaced the older the CommonJS way: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/CommonJS)
  - (in original.js module.exports = someObject; // exposing someObject as/from module)
  - (in file using.js var copyOfSomeObject = require('/original.js'); // getting an instance of it)

```
- src/index.js: 1,2,3,4,5,7 + src/ERROR_CODES.js: 10 + src/routes/api/category.js: 1,2,249 + src/routes/api/comment.js: 1,2,207 + src/routes/api/idea.js: 1,2,3,558 + src/routes/api/ideaMember.js: 1,2,233 + src/routes/api/index.js: 1,3,4,5,6,7,8,18 + src/routes/api/member.js: 1,2,3,211 + src/routes/api/reset_service.js: 2,85 + src/db/db_reset.js: 1,2,3,4,15 + src/db/index.js: 1,2,5
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- extra trailing comma(s) allowed at the end of ES6(?) lists etc. e.g. [1,2,3,] {name:"Joe",yob:1986,} foo(2,3,); <a href="https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Trailing\_commas">https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Trailing\_commas</a>
   I went through all the js code and did not find any
- Property accessor used so that its name is not hard-coded string, but comes from a variable:
   <a href="https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Operators/Object\_initializer">https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Operators/Object\_initializer</a> Scroll down to "Computed property names".

```
this.setState({[event.target.name]: event.target.value});
compare to this: this.setState({firstName: event.target.value});
```

if the event's target's name was string "firstName".

- I once again went through all the code but only found hardcoded examples
- OLD JS: function parameter default values
   https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Functions/Default\_parameters
   - here I only found it in a loop condition (let i = ...)
- OLD JS: leaving arguments out is only allowed at the end of a function argument list while calling a function

That's why we need to write e.g. ( \_ , index ) => key={index}>index
 where we are marking the skipped parameter with dummy name \_ . That is counted as a parameter, but not needed/used. We need to write the \_ as otherwise index would not be the second parameter like it needs to be. Similar use:

( \_ => whatever\_code\_here )

OLD JS: falsy values and them in type-coerced comparisons with only two equals signs ==

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Glossary/Falsy

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https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Glossary/Truthy

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Operators/Comparison\_Operators#Equality ()

- src/routes/api/category.js: 31,34,37,152,221 + src/routes/api/comment.js: 14,109,135,174 + src/routes/api/idea.js: 70,99,121,124,127,177,227,431,505 + src/routes/api/ideaMember.js: 23,24,55,56,107,108,110,113,114,116,195,196,209,210 + src/routes/api/reset\_service.js: 33,63,72

• short notation object literals of this kind: { a } which means same as { a : a}

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Operators/Object\_initializer#New\_notations in ECMAScript 2015

In React JSX {{a}} means first going to JS mode using the outer { } and then having that shortened {a} object literal inside

- none found in the code I checked, I was not able to search the entire code in this case.

- IIFE = SIAF = SEAF <a href="https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Glossary/IIFE">https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Glossary/IIFE</a> Learn the first example(s) here: <a href="https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Glossary/IIFE#Examples">https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Glossary/IIFE#Examples</a>
   none found
- Difference between JavaScript Object literals and JSON:

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Operators/Object\_initializer#Object\_liter al\_notation\_vs\_JSON

- src/routes/api/category.js: 253,254,255,256,262,263,264,265,268,269,270,271 + src/routes/api/comment.js: 192,193,194,195,201,202,203 + src/routes/api/ideaMember.js: 51,96,98,109,110,115,116,195,196

- A new way of defining methods (Methods: object-attached functions, object's function members)
   <a href="https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Functions/Method\_definitions#Description">https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Functions/Method\_definitions#Description</a>
  - in this case I did not go through all the code with detail, but I reckon there should be some in the example code
- (A bit abstract and advanced) JavaScript closures
   https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Closures
   - none found
- async functions with an implicit Promise and a possible await inside where e.g. AJAX call will be initiated, but then we start to wait for the answer at the await. The thread though is freed to do other stuff in the mean time: <a href="https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Statements/async\_function">https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Statements/async\_function</a>
   src/index.js: 15 + src/db/db\_reset.js: 27
- ES6 promises (promise1.then(function2) ....) Easier to read handling of asynchronous function calls and their callbacks. <a href="https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Promise-src/routes/api/category.js: 13,42,76,93,122,151,185,220 + src/routes/api/comment.js: 13,41,64,83,108,134,139,173 + src/routes/api/idea.js:</li>

12,47,69,98,132,165,182,215,232,268,299,329,359,418,485,538 + src/routes/api/ideaMember.js: 14,33,63,73,127,139,161,173,215 + src/routes/api/member.js: 15,40,85,112,142,191 + src/routes/api/reset\_service.js: 20 + src/db/db\_reset.js: 42

• (Smaller curiosity) JavaScript doesn't allow **identifiers starting with number**. But what if you get the JSON text {"123":"Yeah"} and parse it as an JavaScript object?

```
var a = JSON.parse('{"123":"Yeah"}');
console.log(a.123);  // Error, unexpected number
console.log(a."123");  // Error, unexpected String
console.log(a["123"]);  // ok, prints: Yeah
console.log(a[123]);  // ok, prints: Yeah
```

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Operators/Object\_initializer#Accessing\_p\_roperties\_

none found

Not in the 2019-02-04 exam: (Some of these just because they were not included yet, possibly will be in future exams)

OUT OF SCOPE: The items below in this list:

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Most likely not in future exams either even if useful

OUT OF SCOPE I: Intl API.

Going to the other exams:

- Ready-made React UI Components, like the react-table package.
- npm/yarn/create-react-app: After installing package check where everything went. (Related to npm/yarn/React, not just JS)