

Framework Training

React

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Exercise D-props

- This exercise turns the Spain component into a more reusable Nation component.
- Data is passed into **multiple instances** of the Nation component as **React props**.

Installation

- Install and run the starter version of the project.

```
npm install
npm start
```

Review the starter version of the project

- Data for Spanish and Japanese cities is imported into the main index.js file.

```
import { es } from "../cities/spain";
import { jp } from "../cities/japan";
```

- public/index.html contains two sections where the component instances will be injected.

```
<section class="spain"></section>
<section class="japan"></section>
```

- Create two React component instances in index.js

```
let spain = document.querySelector(".spain");
let japan = document.querySelector(".japan");

ReactDOM.render( <Nation/> , spain );
ReactDOM.render( <Nation/> , japan );
```

- We can pass the data into the component instances as props.

```
ReactDOM.render( <Nation country={es}/> , spain );
ReactDOM.render( <Nation country={jp}/> , japan );
```

- In the Nation component, props are passed in via the constructor.

```
constructor( props ) {  
  super( props );  
  console.log( this.props.country );  
}
```

- We can display the country name in the render method:

```
<h1>{ this.props.country.name }</h1>
```

- We can use destructuring to write more concise syntax:

```
let { name,cities } = this.props.country;  
<h1>{ name }</h1>
```

- Remove the React comments to re-enable the map code:

```
{ cities.map .. }
```

- View the component instances in the React DevTools.

Stateless components

- Nation can be redefined as a stateless ES6 arrow function.

```
let Nation = ( props ) => {  
  let { name,cities } = props.country;  
  return ( <section> .. )  
}
```