

## getInitialProps was defined as an instance method

**Why This Error Occurred** `getInitialProps` must be a static method in order to be called by next.js.

**Possible Ways to Fix It** Use the static keyword.

```
export default class YourEntryComponent extends React.Component {
  static getInitialProps() {
    return {}
  }

  render() {
    return 'foo'
  }
}
```

or

```
const YourEntryComponent = function () {
  return 'foo'
}
```

```
YourEntryComponent.getInitialProps = () => {
  return {}
}
```

```
export default YourEntryComponent
```

### Useful Links

- [Fetching data and component lifecycle](#)