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Handling **JSON**



JAVASCRIPT





Introduction to JSON

- **JSON** (JavaScript Object Notation) is a lightweight data interchange format used for storing and transporting data.
- It's often used when data is sent from a server to a web page.
- JSON is language-independent, self-describing, and easy to understand.





JSON Syntax

- JSON data consists of **name/value pairs**, similar to JavaScript object properties.
- A name/value pair includes a field name (in double quotes), followed by a colon and the corresponding value.
- Unlike JavaScript, JSON names **require double quotes**.





JSON Objects

- JSON objects are enclosed in curly braces {}.
- Objects can contain multiple name/value pairs.



```
{  
  "firstName": "John",  
  "lastName": "Doe"  
}
```



JSON Arrays

- JSON arrays are enclosed in square brackets [].
- An array can contain objects.

```
employeeData.json

{
  "employees": [
    {
      "firstName": "John",
      "lastName": "Doe"
    },
    {
      "firstName": "Anna",
      "lastName": "Smith"
    },
    {
      "firstName": "Peter",
      "lastName": "Jones"
    }
  ]
}
```



Converting JSON to Js Object & Js Object to JSON

To convert a JSON string to a JavaScript object, use `JSON.parse()`.



JS parse.js

```
let jsonString = '{ "name": "Alice", "age": 25 }';  
let jsonObj = JSON.parse(jsonString);  
console.log(jsonObj.name); // Output: "Alice"  
console.log(jsonObj.age); // Output: 25
```

To convert a JavaScript object to JSON format, use `JSON.stringify()`.



JS stringify.js

```
const jsonData = { "name": "John", "age": 22 };  
const jsonStr = JSON.stringify(jsonData);  
console.log(jsonStr); // Output: '{"name":"John","age":22}'
```



JS code to handle JSON data from an API

```
JS fetch.js

async function fetchData(url) {
  try {
    const response = await fetch(url);
    if (!response.ok) {
      throw new Error(`Error fetching data: ${response.status}`);
    }
    const data = await response.json();
    return data; // Return the parsed data
  } catch (error) {
    console.error("Error:", error);
    return null; // Or handle the error differently (optional)
  }
}

// Example usage:
(async () => {
  const apiData = await fetchData('https://api.example.com/data');
  if (apiData) {
    console.log("Fetched data:", apiData);
    // Process the data here (e.g., display it, manipulate it)
  } else {
    console.log("Error fetching data!");
  }
})();
```

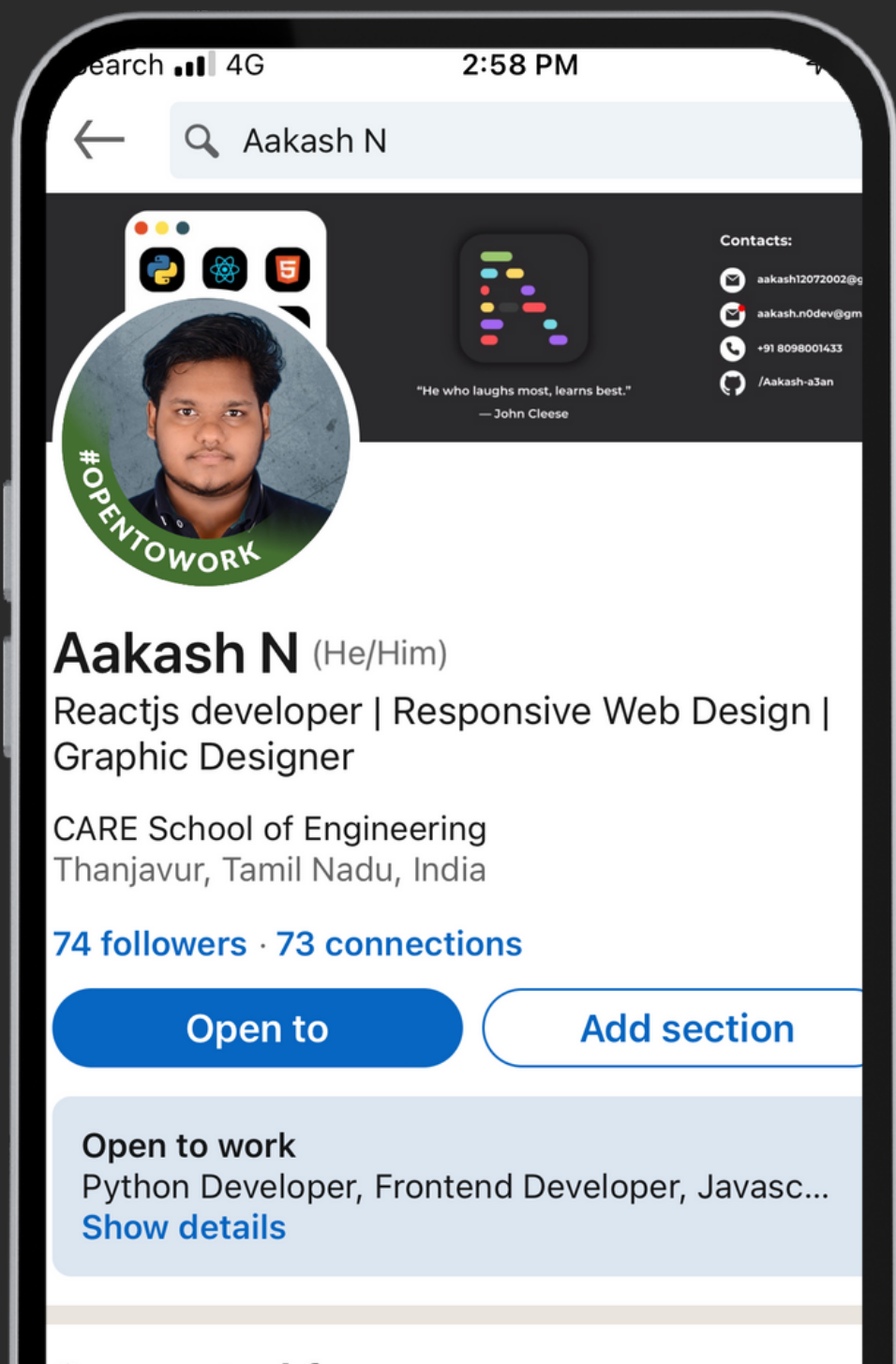


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Understanding **JSON** syntax and conversion methods is essential for working with methods is essential for working with **APIs** and handling data in JavaScript.



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