

## index.js

```
const express = require('express');
const app = express();
const port = 3000;

app.get('/', (req, res) => {
  res.send('Hello World!');
});

app.listen(port, () => {
  console.log(`Example app listening on port ${port}`);
});
```

The index.js file  
can get messy  
really quickly



# Creating a Component

1

Create a new file.  
(By convention) File should start with a capital letter

`JS App.js`

2

Make your component. Should be a function that returns JSX.

```
function App() { return <hi>Hi</hi> }
```

3

Export the component at the bottom of the file

```
export default App;
```

4

Import the component into another file

```
import App from './App';
```

5

Use the component

```
<App />
```

*This is  
what we  
write*

```
<h1>Hi there!</h1>
```

Babel

*This is what  
runs in the  
browser*

```
React.createElement("h1", null, "Hi there!");
```

*This is what is  
returned from calling  
'createElement'*

```
{  
  $$typeof: Symbol(react.element),  
  key: null,  
  props: { children: 'Hi there!' },  
  ref: null,  
  type: 'h1'  
}
```

[babeljs.io/repl](https://babeljs.io/repl)

*Tool to show you what your JSX  
is turned into*

```
<h1>Hi there!</h1>
```

Writing this doesn't make anything show up in the browser automatically

This creates an **instruction** for React, telling it to make an element

We have to **return** it from a component for React to use it

Good!

JSX on same line as return

```
function App() {  
  return <h1>Hi!</h1>  
}
```

Bad!

JSX on next line

```
function App() {  
  return;  
  <h1>Hi!</h1>;  
}
```

Good!

Paren on same line as return

```
function App() {  
  return (  
    <h1>Hi!</h1>  
  );  
}
```

Bad!

Paren on next line

```
function App() {  
  return  
    (<h1>Hi!</h1>);  
}
```

## Standard HTML

**Some** tags can be self closing

`<img />`

`<link />`

`<area />`

`<hr />`

`<col />`

`<meta />`

## JSX

**Any** tag can be self closing

`<div />`

`<span />`

`<li />`

`<ul />`

`<button />`

`<label />`

**Use self-closing tags unless you want to nest an element**



Very long elements should be multi-lined

```
<input id="number" type="number" min={5} max={10} value={7} placeholder={5} />
```



```
<input  
  id="number"  
  type="number"  
  min={5}  
  max={10}  
  value={7}  
  placeholder={5}  
/>
```

Curly braces mean we are about to reference a JS variable or expression

```
function App() {  
  const message = 'Hi there!';  
  
  return <h1>{message}</h1>  
}
```

**Expressions** are any snippets of code that result in a value.

### Good

```
function App() {  
  return <h1>{1 + 1}</h1>  
}
```

### Bad

```
function App() {  
  return <h1>{const message = 'hi there'}</h1>  
}
```

### Good

```
function App() {  
  return <h1>{'a,b,c'.split(',')}</h1>  
}
```

### Bad

```
function App() {  
  const colors = {};  
  
  return <h1>{colors.favorite = 'red'}</h1>  
}
```

## Some values might not display quite as you expect

```
function App() {  
  const value = true;  
  
  return <h1>{value}</h1>  
}
```

*What will be  
in the h1?*

# Basics of JSX

Returning JSX

Handling JSX tags

Referencing JS values in JSX

Element Props

Inline Styles

```
function App() {  
  return <input type="number" min={5} max={10} />  
}
```

"Props"

*Customizes  
an element*

```
function App() {  
  const message = 'Enter age';  
  
  return (  
    <input  
      type="number"  
      min={5}  
      max={10}  
      list={[1,2,3]}  
      style={{ color: 'red' }}  
      alt={message}  
    />  
  );  
}
```

**Strings** - Wrap with **double** quotes

**Numbers** - Wrap with **curly** braces

**Arrays** - Wrap with **curly** braces

**Objects** - Wrap with **curly** braces

**Variables** - Wrap with **curly** braces

## HTML

```
<a href="google.com" style="text-decoration: none; font-size: 20px;">  
  Google  
</a>
```



## JSX Equivalent

```
<a href="google.com" style={{ textDecoration: 'none', fontSize: '20px' }}>  
  Google  
</a>
```

Inline styling is given as  
an object

Property names are  
camelCase (no dashes)

Pixel values are strings  
with 'px'