Exercise: Refactoring the Movie Rating List to use Async/Await

Objective:

In the previous exercise, you created a web page that fetches movie details from an external API using Promises and the .then() syntax. Now, your task is to refactor the fetchMovies function to use the modern async/await syntax, which will make the code more concise and easier to read.

Steps:

1. Modify the fetchMovies Function:

We'll keep everything else in the project the same and focus solely on refactoring the fetchMovies function.

a. Declare the Function as Async:

First, declare the function as an async function by adding the async keyword before the function keyword.

```
async function fetchMovies() {
  // ...
}
```

b. Use the await Keyword:

Inside the fetchMovies function, you'll replace the .then() calls with the await keyword.

- 1. **Await the fetch Call**: You'll use the await keyword when calling the fetch function. This will pause the execution of the code until the Promise is resolved, and the result will be stored in a variable.
- 2. **Await the Response Transformation**: Next, you'll need to transform the response into JSON. You can use await again for this purpose:

```
const data = await response.json();
```

c. Process the Results:

Now, you can process the results just as you did in the previous exercise, using the data from the API.

```
data.results.forEach(item => {
   // Your previous code here...
});
```

d. Handle Errors with Try/Catch:

Instead of the .catch() method, you'll use a try/catch block to handle errors in an async function.

```
try {
   // Your fetch and processing code here...
} catch (err) {
   console.error(err);
}
```

Conclusion:

Refactoring the fetchMovies function to use async/await makes the code more concise and easier to follow. By following these steps, you've learned how to work with modern asynchronous JavaScript features.

Challenge:

• Extend the createErrorMessage function (if you implemented it in the previous challenge) to handle errors in a more user-friendly way.

Remember that async/await is just syntactic sugar on top of Promises and provides a cleaner way to handle asynchronous operations, especially when dealing with multiple asynchronous operations that depend on each other.