

# Visual Studio Code

Visual Studio Code is a good IDE for developing web apps. In this chapter we will look at installing and configuring VSCode.

## Visual Studio Code Basics

- Install Visual Studio Code from: <https://code.visualstudio.com/>
- You can open new projects by going to the **File > Open** tag, to either open a folder containing your project or a single file
- Some useful keyboard shortcuts are:
  - **command + b** : to close/open the file navigator
  - **command + shift + p** : to open the prompt
- To install extensions open the prompt with **command + shift + p** and type:  
  
`> install extension`
- You can change the keyboard shortcuts settings from **Preferences > Keyboard Shortcuts** . Open the settings and then you can add your own shortcuts:

```
// Place your key bindings in this file to overwrite the defaults
[
  {
    "key": "cmd+t",
    "command": "workbench.action.quickOpen"
  },
  {
    "key": "shift+cmd+r",
    "command": "editor.action.format",
    "when": "editorTextFocus"
  }
]
```

