**https://github.com/learning-zone/react-basics**

**Interview MERN stack Question**

The **MERN Stack** is a popular **full-stack JavaScript framework** used for building modern web applications. It consists of four key technologies:

1. **MongoDB** – A **NoSQL database** that stores data in flexible, JSON-like documents.
2. **Express.js** – A **backend web application framework** for Node.js that simplifies server-side development.
3. **React.js** – A **frontend library** for building dynamic and interactive user interfaces.
4. **Node.js** – A **JavaScript runtime** that allows server-side execution of JavaScript code.

**When to Use MERN?**

* **Dynamic web apps** (e.g., social media, e-commerce dashboards)
* **RESTful APIs & CRUD applications**
* **Projects needing fast development** with a unified tech stack

**Node js Question**

What is nodejs

What is the diff between node and javascript

Node js is single threaded or not

What kind of api function is used in node js

Diff of ascronys and sncronys

Diff of async and promises

What is module In node js

What is npm and advantages?

Flow of start to node js in application

Which framework you prefer node js or any others?

What is middleware in nodejs with real exmpel

How does nodejs handel concurrency even after being singel threaded

What is controlflow in node js

What is event loop in node js

Disadvantage of nodejs

Is relation and no relational database used in nodejs?

What is ripple environment in node js

Modules in nodejs

What is package.json in node js

Why use express.js

What is event driven programming in noedjs

What is buffer in node js

What are streams in nodejs

What is call back hell in node js

Use of timer module in nodejs

What is body parser in node jss

What is course module and why we use

How to use authentication in nodejs

Package used in file uploading in nodejs

Sending mail what package

How we can coonect database with our nodejs

How to handel environment variable in node js

What package use in password

Explain Folder structure of NodeJS

What is EGS

Diff of Query params and req params in nodejs

What is websocket

Whats is express seasion

How to create a databse model

Why use mongoose ? why we not using like core

What is cluster in node js

How to implement search functionality in node js

What is regular expression in nodejs

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**1. Core React Concepts (Fundamentals)**

**🔹 React Components**

React apps are built with **components**—reusable pieces of UI.

jsx

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function Welcome() {

return <h1>Hello, React!</h1>;

}

**🔹 Functional vs. Class Components**

**Functional Component** (Modern)

jsx

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function Greeting(props) {

return <h1>Hello, {props.name}</h1>;

}

**Class Component** (Legacy)

jsx

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class Greeting extends React.Component {

render() {

return <h1>Hello, {this.props.name}</h1>;

}

}

**🔹 Component Lifecycle (Class-based)**

* **Mounting**: constructor → render → componentDidMount
* **Updating**: shouldComponentUpdate → render → componentDidUpdate
* **Unmounting**: componentWillUnmount

**🔹 useEffect vs Lifecycle Methods**

**Class:**

js

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componentDidMount() {

fetchData();

}

**Functional:**

js

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useEffect(() => {

fetchData();

}, []);

**🔹 JSX (JavaScript XML)**

jsx

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const element = <h1>Hello JSX!</h1>;

**🔹 How JSX Works Under the Hood**

JSX is compiled to React.createElement.

jsx

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const element = <h1>Hello</h1>;

// becomes

const element = React.createElement('h1', null, 'Hello');

**🔹 Props & State**

**Props:**

jsx

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function Welcome(props) {

return <h1>Hello, {props.name}</h1>;

}

**State (useState):**

jsx

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const [count, setCount] = useState(0);

**useReducer (for complex state):**

jsx

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const reducer = (state, action) => {

if (action.type === 'INCREMENT') return { count: state.count + 1 };

return state;

};

const [state, dispatch] = useReducer(reducer, { count: 0 });

**🔹 Event Handling**

jsx

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function MyButton() {

const handleClick = () => alert('Clicked!');

return <button onClick={handleClick}>Click</button>;

}

**Binding in Class Component:**

jsx

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this.handleClick = this.handleClick.bind(this);

**🔹 Conditional Rendering**

jsx

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// Ternary

{isLoggedIn ? <Dashboard /> : <Login />}

// &&

{error && <p>Error occurred!</p>}

**🔹 Lists & Keys**

jsx

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const items = ['One', 'Two'];

items.map((item, index) => <li key={index}>{item}</li>);

✅ **Why Keys?**  
They help React track and efficiently update DOM elements.

❌ **Wrong Key Use:**  
Using index as key can lead to bugs if the list changes dynamically.

**🔹 Forms & Controlled Components**

jsx

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function Form() {

const [name, setName] = useState('');

return (

<input value={name} onChange={(e) => setName(e.target.value)} />

);

}

**Validation:**

jsx

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if (name.length < 3) setError('Too short');

**🔹 React Fragments (<> </>)**

Avoid extra <div> wrappers:

jsx

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<>

<h1>Title</h1>

<p>Content</p>

</>

I’ll now prepare **Part 2: Intermediate React Topics**, which includes hooks, routing, context API, etc.

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**You said:**

yes create that too

**ChatGPT said:**

Great! Here’s **Part 2: Intermediate React Topics**, with clear explanations and practical examples.

**✅ 2. Intermediate React Topics**

**🔹 Advanced Hooks**

**✅ useState & useEffect**

Basic usage:

jsx

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const [count, setCount] = useState(0);

useEffect(() => {

document.title = `Count: ${count}`;

}, [count]);

**✅ useContext**

Avoid prop-drilling by sharing global state.

jsx

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const ThemeContext = React.createContext();

function App() {

return (

<ThemeContext.Provider value="dark">

<Toolbar />

</ThemeContext.Provider>

);

}

function Toolbar() {

const theme = useContext(ThemeContext);

return <div className={theme}>Toolbar</div>;

}

**✅ useReducer**

More powerful than useState for complex logic.

jsx

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const reducer = (state, action) => {

switch (action.type) {

case 'INCREMENT': return { count: state.count + 1 };

default: return state;

}

};

const [state, dispatch] = useReducer(reducer, { count: 0 });

**✅ useCallback & useMemo**

jsx

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const memoizedCallback = useCallback(() => {

doSomething(a, b);

}, [a, b]);

const memoizedValue = useMemo(() => computeExpensiveValue(a, b), [a, b]);

**✅ useRef**

jsx

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const inputRef = useRef(null);

<input ref={inputRef} />

<button onClick={() => inputRef.current.focus()}>Focus</button>

**🔹 Custom Hooks**

**useLocalStorage Example:**

jsx

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function useLocalStorage(key, initialValue) {

const [value, setValue] = useState(() => {

const stored = localStorage.getItem(key);

return stored ? JSON.parse(stored) : initialValue;

});

useEffect(() => {

localStorage.setItem(key, JSON.stringify(value));

}, [key, value]);

return [value, setValue];

}

**🔹 Context API vs. Redux**

* **Context**: Great for light, app-wide state (e.g., theme, language)
* **Redux**: Better for large-scale apps with complex state & actions

**🔹 React Router (v6)**

Install: npm install react-router-dom

**Basic Routing:**

jsx

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<Routes>

<Route path="/" element={<Home />} />

<Route path="/about" element={<About />} />

</Routes>

**Dynamic Route with useParams:**

jsx

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<Route path="/user/:id" element={<User />} />

function User() {

const { id } = useParams();

return <div>User ID: {id}</div>;

}

**Navigation:**

jsx

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const navigate = useNavigate();

<button onClick={() => navigate('/about')}>Go</button>

**🔹 Protected Routes**

jsx

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function PrivateRoute({ children }) {

const isAuthenticated = true; // check auth

return isAuthenticated ? children : <Navigate to="/login" />;

}

**🔹 Error Boundaries**

**Only work in class components:**

jsx

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class ErrorBoundary extends React.Component {

state = { hasError: false };

static getDerivedStateFromError() {

return { hasError: true };

}

componentDidCatch(error, info) {

logErrorToService(error);

}

render() {

return this.state.hasError ? <h1>Error!</h1> : this.props.children;

}

}

**🔹 Higher-Order Components (HOCs)**

jsx

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function withLogger(WrappedComponent) {

return function EnhancedComponent(props) {

console.log('Props:', props);

return <WrappedComponent {...props} />;

};

}

**🔹 Render Props Pattern**

jsx

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function MouseTracker({ render }) {

const [pos, setPos] = useState({ x: 0, y: 0 });

return <div onMouseMove={(e) => setPos({ x: e.clientX, y: e.clientY })}>

{render(pos)}

</div>;

}

<MouseTracker render={({ x, y }) => <p>{x}, {y}</p>} />

**🔹 Performance Optimization**

* **React.memo** – Prevent re-render if props didn’t change
* **useMemo** – Cache expensive calculations
* **useCallback** – Cache functions
* **Lazy Loading:**

jsx

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const LazyComponent = React.lazy(() => import('./MyComponent'));

<Suspense fallback={<div>Loading...</div>}>

<LazyComponent />

</Suspense>

**🔹 Refs & DOM Manipulation**

**Forward Refs:**

jsx

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const FancyInput = React.forwardRef((props, ref) => {

return <input ref={ref} />;

});

This concludes the **Intermediate React Topics**.

Next:  
✅ **Part 3: Advanced React Topics**  
✅ **Part 4: React Ecosystem & Tooling**  
✅ **Part 5: System Design with React**  
✅ **Common Interview Questions with Answers and Examples**

Would you like me to continue with **Part 3: Advanced Topics** now?

**You said:**

yes

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Perfect! Here’s **Part 3: Advanced React Topics**, which cover performance, architecture, state management, and server-side rendering.

**✅ 3. Advanced React Topics**

**🔹 React Fiber (Reconciliation Algorithm)**

**What is it?**  
React Fiber is a reimplementation of the React core algorithm (since v16) to enable:

* Interruptible rendering
* Prioritization of updates
* Concurrency (React 18)

**Key Concepts:**

* React breaks rendering into small units of work (called “fibers”).
* These can be paused and resumed.
* It enables features like Suspense and Concurrent Rendering.

**🔹 Virtual DOM vs. Real DOM**

* **Real DOM:** Updates are expensive. Changing UI means repainting the whole DOM.
* **Virtual DOM:** React keeps a copy of the DOM in memory and updates only what's changed.

js

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React.createElement() -> Virtual DOM -> Diffing -> Real DOM Patch

**🔹 Server-Side Rendering (SSR)**

**Why use SSR?**

* Faster initial load
* SEO-friendly
* Better perceived performance

**Using Next.js for SSR:**

js

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export async function getServerSideProps() {

const res = await fetch('https://api.example.com/data');

const data = await res.json();

return { props: { data } };

}

**🔹 Hydration**

* React attaches event listeners to the server-rendered HTML.
* Ensures interactivity after SSR.

**🔹 Static Site Generation (SSG) with Next.js**

**getStaticProps & getStaticPaths:**

js

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export async function getStaticProps() {

const data = await fetchData();

return { props: { data } };

}

export async function getStaticPaths() {

return {

paths: [{ params: { id: '1' } }],

fallback: false

};

}

**🔹 State Management (Beyond Context)**

**✅ Redux (with Redux Toolkit)**

Redux stores and manages global state with predictable flow.

js

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// slice.js

const counterSlice = createSlice({

name: 'counter',

initialState: { value: 0 },

reducers: {

increment: state => { state.value += 1; }

}

});

**✅ Zustand (Minimal state library)**

js

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const useStore = create((set) => ({

count: 0,

increase: () => set((state) => ({ count: state.count + 1 })),

}));

**✅ Recoil**

js

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const countState = atom({ key: 'count', default: 0 });

const count = useRecoilValue(countState);

✅ **When to use Redux:** Large, structured apps  
✅ **When to use Context or Zustand:** Simpler or modular apps

**🔹 React Testing**

**✅ Jest + React Testing Library**

js

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import { render, screen } from '@testing-library/react';

test('renders title', () => {

render(<App />);

expect(screen.getByText(/hello/i)).toBeInTheDocument();

});

**✅ Mocking API Calls with MSW (Mock Service Worker)**

js

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// handlers.js

rest.get('/api/user', (req, res, ctx) =>

res(ctx.json({ name: 'Nikhil' }))

);

**🔹 React + TypeScript**

**✅ Typing Props**

tsx

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type Props = { name: string };

const Greet: React.FC<Props> = ({ name }) => <h1>Hello, {name}</h1>;

**✅ Typing Hooks**

tsx

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const [count, setCount] = useState<number>(0);

**🔹 React 18+ Features**

**✅ Concurrent Rendering**

jsx

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import { startTransition } from 'react';

startTransition(() => {

setSearchTerm(input);

});

**✅ useTransition**

jsx

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const [isPending, startTransition] = useTransition();

**✅ useDeferredValue**

jsx

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const deferredInput = useDeferredValue(input);

**✅ Automatic Batching**

jsx

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setA(1);

setB(2); // Both batched together

**🔹 Micro-Frontends with React**

**Module Federation with Webpack 5:**

* Allows independent teams to ship separate React apps
* Apps share common libraries and components

js

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// webpack.config.js

new ModuleFederationPlugin({

name: 'app1',

remotes: {

app2: 'app2@http://localhost:3002/remoteEntry.js',

}

});

Next up:  
✅ **Part 4: React Ecosystem & Tooling** (Next.js, GraphQL, Styling, Auth, CI/CD)  
✅ **Part 5: System Design with React**  
✅ **Common React Interview Questions & Sample Answers**

Shall I continue with **Part 4**?

**You said:**

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**ChatGPT said:**

Excellent! Here's the continuation with:

* ✅ **Part 4: React Ecosystem & Tooling**
* ✅ **Part 5: System Design with React**
* ✅ **Bonus: Common React Interview Questions & Answers**

**✅ Part 4: React Ecosystem & Tooling**

**🔹 Next.js (Full-Stack React Framework)**

**Key Features:**

* File-based routing
* Server-side rendering (SSR)
* Static site generation (SSG)
* API Routes
* Image optimization
* Built-in support for SEO and performance

**Example: File-based Routing**

js

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// pages/about.js

export default function About() {

return <h1>About Page</h1>;

}

**Example: API Routes**

js

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// pages/api/hello.js

export default function handler(req, res) {

res.status(200).json({ name: 'Nikhil' });

}

**Image Optimization:**

jsx

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import Image from 'next/image';

<Image src="/logo.png" width={200} height={100} alt="Logo" />;

**🔹 React + GraphQL**

**Apollo Client:**

jsx

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import { useQuery, gql } from '@apollo/client';

const GET\_USERS = gql`{ users { name } }`;

const { loading, data } = useQuery(GET\_USERS);

**Relay / URQL** are other alternatives, used in large-scale apps.

**🔹 Styling in React**

**CSS Modules:**

css

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// styles.module.css

.title { color: red; }

js

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import styles from './styles.module.css';

<h1 className={styles.title}>Hello</h1>;

**Styled Components:**

js

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const Button = styled.button` color: blue; `;

**TailwindCSS:**

jsx

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<button className="bg-blue-500 text-white p-2">Click</button>

**🔹 Authentication in React**

**JWT (JSON Web Token):**

* Store token in localStorage or cookie
* Attach token in headers

**Example:**

js

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fetch('/api', {

headers: { Authorization: `Bearer ${token}` }

});

**NextAuth.js (for Next.js)**

js

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// [...nextauth].js

providers: [Providers.Google(), Providers.GitHub()]

**🔹 Deployment & CI/CD**

* **Vercel** (best for Next.js)
* **Netlify** (easy for SPAs)
* **AWS Amplify** (enterprise scale)

**Dockerizing React App:**

dockerfile

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FROM node:18

WORKDIR /app

COPY . .

RUN npm install

RUN npm run build

CMD ["npx", "serve", "-s", "build"]

**✅ Part 5: System Design with React**

**🔹 Scalable React Architecture**

**Folder Structure:**

css

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src/

├── components/

├── pages/

├── hooks/

├── utils/

├── contexts/

**Feature-Based Structure:**

bash

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src/features/

└── blog/

├── BlogList.jsx

├── blogSlice.js

├── blogAPI.js

**🔹 Atomic Design Pattern**

* **Atoms**: Button, Input
* **Molecules**: FormGroup (Input + Label)
* **Organisms**: Form
* **Templates**: Page layout
* **Pages**: Routes

**🔹 Performance Monitoring**

* **React Profiler** (in React DevTools)
* **Lighthouse Audits** (Chrome DevTools)
* **Web Vitals** (web-vitals package)

**🔹 Accessibility (a11y)**

* Use semantic HTML (<button>, <label>)
* aria-label, aria-hidden, etc.
* Ensure **keyboard navigation** and **screen reader** support

**🔹 Internationalization (i18n)**

**Using react-i18next:**

js

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t('welcome\_message'); // Automatically translated text

Supports language switching and date/number formatting.

**🎯 Bonus: Common React Interview Questions**

**🔸 1. How does React work under the hood?**

**Answer:**  
React uses a **Virtual DOM**, where UI is stored in memory and synced with the real DOM via a **diffing** algorithm. React Fiber optimizes updates by breaking rendering into units of work.

**🔸 2. When to use useMemo vs useCallback?**

* useMemo: Memoize **values**
* useCallback: Memoize **functions**

Example:

js

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const memoValue = useMemo(() => compute(a), [a]);

const memoFn = useCallback(() => handleClick(id), [id]);

**🔸 3. How would you optimize a slow React app?**

* Use React.memo, useMemo, useCallback
* Lazy load components (React.lazy)
* Avoid anonymous functions in props
* Use pagination for large lists
* Use shouldComponentUpdate in class components

**🔸 4. Difference between useEffect and useLayoutEffect?**

* useEffect: Runs **after paint**
* useLayoutEffect: Runs **before paint** (blocks painting)

Use useLayoutEffect when you need to **measure DOM** before the user sees the screen.

**🔸 5. How does React Router differ from traditional routing?**

React Router uses **client-side routing**, preventing full page reloads and improving performance by rendering only the needed components.

**🔸 6. What are React Portals?**

Allow rendering a component outside its parent DOM node.

jsx

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ReactDOM.createPortal(<Modal />, document.getElementById('modal-root'));

Useful for modals, tooltips, etc.

**🔸 7. How to implement a debounced search input in React?**

jsx

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useEffect(() => {

const handler = setTimeout(() => {

search(query);

}, 500);

return () => clearTimeout(handler);

}, [query]);

**🔸 8. Explain Redux middleware (e.g., Thunk vs. Saga)**

* **Redux Thunk:** Handles async logic inside action creators.
* **Redux Saga:** Uses generators to manage side-effects more cleanly and scalably.

**🔸 9. What are React Server Components?**

* Introduced in Next.js 13+
* Allow components to run only on the server (no JS on the client)
* Used with **App Router** in Next.js

**🔸 10. How would you handle authentication in React?**

* Store tokens securely (httpOnly cookies > localStorage)
* Protect routes using PrivateRoute pattern
* Use context or Redux to share auth state
* Use NextAuth.js or Firebase Auth for quick setup