

Day4:React Component in details

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Different ways to create react components:

Create new file and give extension .js or .jsx both will work

When creating a React component, the component's name *MUST* start with an upper case letter
e.g. HelloComponent.js or HelloComponent.jsx

1)class syntax

```
import React from 'react'; //import React object from React package

//create class HelloComponent and HelloComponent should extends React.Component class
class HelloComponent extends React.Component {

}

export default HelloComponent; // export HelloComponentso that can be used in other component
```

If you run above code. You will get the

Error :No `render` method found on the returned component instance: you may have forgotten to define `render`.

It means every react class component requires a render method found ds

NOTE: Every render method should return something to output window

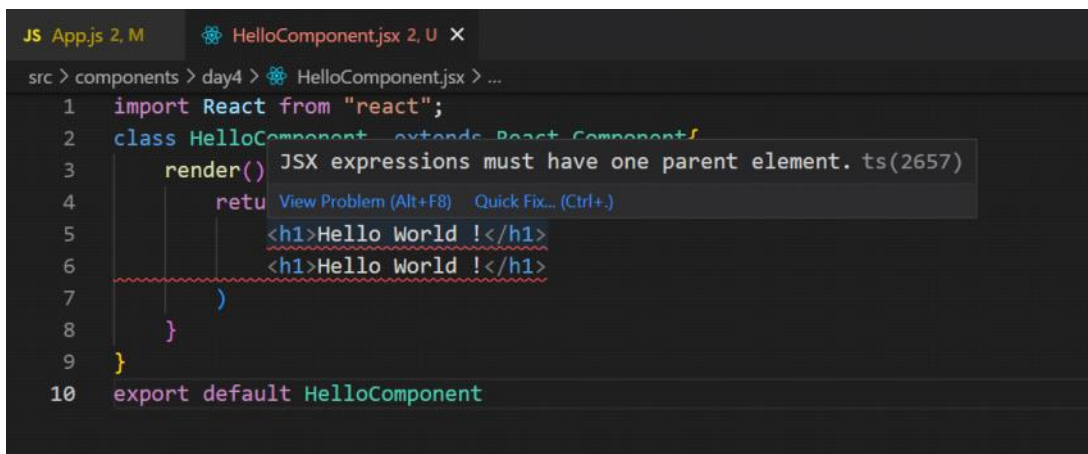
Render methos should return the JSX element to output window

Final code :	<pre>import React from 'react'; class HelloComponent extends React.Component { render() { // Return JSX Element return <h1>Hello World!</h1>; } } export default HelloComponent;</pre>
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import statement can be written in more better way:

Final code :	<pre>import React, { Component } from 'react'; class HelloComponent extends Component { render() { // Return JSX Element return <h1>Hello World!</h1>; } } export default HelloComponent;</pre>
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Render method can return only one jsx element at a time if you try to add more element in return statement you will get the error
Error :No `JSX expressions must have one parent element`.

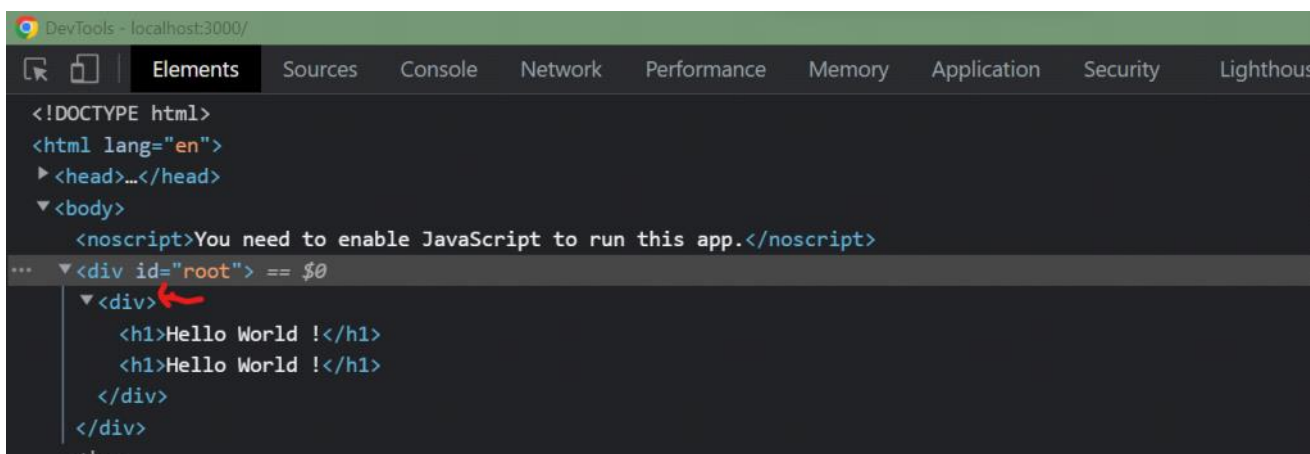


```
1 import React from "react";
2 class HelloComponent extends React.Component {
3   render() {
4     return (
5       <h1>Hello World !</h1>
6       <h1>Hello World !</h1>
7     )
8   }
9 }
10 export default HelloComponent
```

so if you want return multiple element from render method wrap all element in one parent element like

```
import React, { Component } from 'react';
class HelloComponent extends Component {
  render() {
    // Should Return only one JSX Element
    return (
      <div>
        <h1>Hello World!</h1>
        <h1>Hello World Again!</h1>
      </div>
    );
  }
}
```

Above code will add the extra div in ui which does not required



```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
  <head>...</head>
  <body>
    <noscript>You need to enable JavaScript to run this app.</noscript>
    <div id="root"> == $0
      <div>
        <h1>Hello World !</h1>
        <h1>Hello World !</h1>
      </div>
    </div>
  </body>
</html>
```

To avoid this extra div element we have React **Fragment**

```
import React, { Component } from 'react';
class HelloComponent extends Component {
  render() {
    // Should Return only one JSX Element
    return (
      <React.Fragment>
        <h1>Hello World!</h1>
        <h1>Hello World Again!</h1>
      </React.Fragment>
    );
  }
}
```

This Fragment never render on ui

```

<html lang="en">
  <head>...</head>
  <body>
    <noscript>You need to enable JavaScript to run this app.</noscript>
    <div id="root">
      <h1>Hello World !</h1>
      <h1>Hello World !</h1>
    </div> == $0
  <!--
    This HTML file is a template.
    If you open it directly in the browser, you will see an empty page.

    You can add webfonts, meta tags, or analytics to this file.
  -->

```

This Fragment can be create in different ways as well like

```

import React, { Component, Fragment } from 'react';
class HelloComponent extends Component {
  render() {
    // Should Return only one JSX Element
    return (
      <Fragment>
        <h1>Hello World!</h1>
        <h1>Hello World Again!</h1>
      </Fragment>
    );
  }
}

```

Or empty brackets

```

import React, { Component } from 'react';
class HelloComponent extends Component {
  render() {
    // Should Return only one JSX Element
    return (
      <>
        <h1>Hello World!</h1>
        <h1>Hello World Again!</h1>
      </>
    );
  }
}

```

----- Function syntax -----

Function declaration syntax	<pre> function HelloComponent() { return (<> <h1>Hello World!</h1> <h1>Function Declaration Syntax!</h1> </>); } export default HelloComponent; </pre>
Function Expression Syntax	<pre> const HelloComponent = function () { return (<> <h1>Hello World!</h1> <h1>Function Expression Syntax!</h1> </>); } export default HelloComponent; </pre>
Multiline Arrow Syntax	<pre> const HelloComponent = () => { return (<> <h1>Hello World!</h1> </>); } </pre>

	<pre> <h1>Multiline Arrow Syntax!</h1> </>); } export default HelloComponent; </pre>
Singleline Arrow Syntax	<pre> const HelloComponent = () => (<> <h1>Hello World!</h1> <h1>Singleline Arrow Syntax!</h1> </>); export default HelloComponent; </pre>