

## STACK NAVIGATION



### What is our GOAL for this MODULE?

In this class, we continued to build a Storytelling application. We learned to add **Stack Navigation** to the Storytelling App. Plus, we implemented a text-to-speech conversion feature.

### What did we ACHIEVE in the class TODAY?

- Installed **Stack Navigation** with the following command and created a new file - **StoryScreen.js**.
- Created a new file - **StackNavigator.js** inside our navigation folder.
- Accessed the StoryScreen from our Feed screen.
- Installed **expo-speech** using **expo install expo-speech**.
- Wrap our icon within a **TouchableOpacity** to be able to add an **onPress** event to it!
- Created the **initiateTTS()** function.

### Which CONCEPTS/ CODING BLOCKS did we cover today?

- integrate stack navigation on the app
- create the story screen
- add text-to-speech

### How did we DO the activities?

1. Install stack navigation with the following command -  
`yarn add @react-navigation/stack`
2. Create a new file - StoryScreen.js.

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 1  import React, { Component } from 'react';
 2  import { Text, View } from 'react-native';
 3
 4  export default class StoryScreen extends Component {
 5    render() {
 6      return (
 7        <View
 8          style={{
 9            flex: 1,
10            justifyContent: "center",
11            alignItems: "center"
12          }}>
13          <Text>Story Screen</Text>
14        </View>
15      )
16    }
17  }
```

3. Create a new file—StackNavigator.js inside our navigation folder.

```
import React from "react";
import { createStackNavigator } from "@react-navigation/stack";
import TabNavigator from "../TabNavigator";
import StoryScreen from "../screens/StoryScreen";

const Stack = createStackNavigator();

const StackNavigator = () => {
  return (
    <Stack.Navigator initialRouteName="Home" screenOptions={{
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    headerShown: false
  }}>
  <Stack.Screen name="Home" component={TabNavigator} />
  <Stack.Screen name="StoryScreen" component={StoryScreen} />
</Stack.Navigator>
);
};

export default StackNavigator;

```

4. **TabNavigator** is our default view. If we add this **Stack Navigator** now in our **DrawerNavigator**, we will still see the **TabNavigator** by default, and have the ability to toggle to our StoryScreen.

```

import React from "react";
import { createDrawerNavigator } from "@react-navigation/drawer";
import StackNavigator from "../StackNavigator";
import Profile from "../screens/Profile";

const Drawer = createDrawerNavigator();

const DrawerNavigator = () => {
  return (
    <Drawer.Navigator>
      <Drawer.Screen name="Home" component={StackNavigator} />
      <Drawer.Screen name="Profile" component={Profile} />
    </Drawer.Navigator>
  );
};

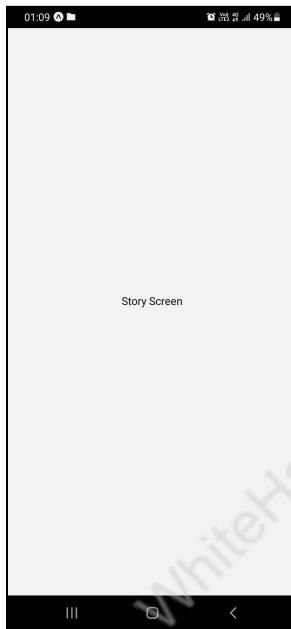
export default DrawerNavigator;

```

- Access the StoryScreen from our Feed screen, but our cards are in **StoryCard.js**. Access to the navigation props in the Feed Screen, but we want the navigation to happen in the **StoryCard**; therefore we will have to pass it to the component.

```
renderItem = ({ item: story }) => {
  return <StoryCard story={story} navigation={this.props.navigation} />
};
```

- Use this navigation in our **<StoryCard>** component. We will have to use a **<TouchableOpacity>** component to wrap our card contents inside it and perform the navigation on the onPress event of our **<TouchableOpacity>** component.



- Add 2 new states, **speakerColor** set to **gray** and **speakerIcon** set to **'volume-high-outline'** in StoryScreen.js

```
const current_color = this.state.speakerColor;
this.setState({
  speakerColor: current_color === "gray" ? "#ee8249" : "gray"
}); if (current_color === "gray") {

  Speech.speak(`${title} by ${author}`);
  Speech.speak(story);
```

```
Speech.speak("The moral of the story is!");  
Speech.speak(moral);  
} else {  
  Speech.stop();  
}  
}
```

OUTPUT:



8. Install **expo-speech** using **expo install expo-speech**.
9. Wrap the **icon** within a **TouchableOpacity** to be able to add an **onPress** event to it.  
Now, for the text-to-speech, we want it to relay the:
  - title
  - name of the author
  - story
  - moral of the story

For this, we can call an **initiateTTS()** function on the **onPress** event and pass these values to it.

```
      <TouchableOpacity
        onPress={() =>
          this.initiateTTS(
            this.props.route.params.story.title,
            this.props.route.params.story.author,
            this.props.route.params.story.story,
            this.props.route.params.story.moral
          )
        }
      >
      <Ionicons
        name={this.state.speakerIcon}
        size={RFValue(30)}
        color={this.state.speakerColor}
        style={{ margin: RFValue(15) }}
      />
    </TouchableOpacity>
```

10. Create the **initiateTTS()** function. To check the current state of speakerColor in the constant current\_color and based on its value set the state.

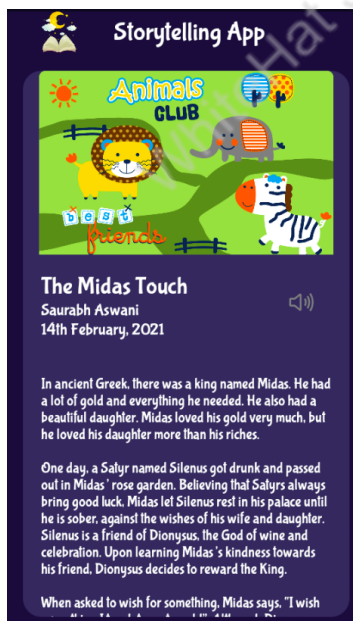
- Check if the current\_color is gray. If the current color is gray, that means that the user enabled text-to-speech. Note that the current\_color here is the color of the icon before the user pressed it.

```

async initiateTTS(title, author, story, moral) {
  const current_color = this.state.speakerColor;
  this.setState({
    speakerColor: current_color === "gray" ? "#ee8249" : "gray"
  });
  if (current_color === "gray") {
    Speech.speak(`${title} by ${author}`);
    Speech.speak(story);
    Speech.speak("The moral of the story is!");
    Speech.speak(moral);
  } else {
    Speech.stop();
  }
}

```

OUTPUT



### What's next?

In the next class, we will be implementing Google Authentication and integrating the app with Firebase.

### Expand your knowledge

1. Learn more about text-to-speech conversion using react native:

<https://www.npmjs.com/package/react-native-tts>

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