



React.js (v0.14) cheatsheet

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Components

```
var Component = React.createClass({ render:  
  function () { return <div>Hello {this.props.name}  
</div>; } });
```

```
ReactDOM.render(<Component name="John" />,  
document.body);
```

Use the React.js jsfiddle to start hacking. (or the unofficial jsbin)

Nesting

```
var UserAvatar = React.  
UserProfile = React.cre
```

```
var Info = React.create  
<div> <UserAvatar src={  
<UserProfile username={  
</div>; } };
```

Nest components to separate components.

States & Properties

States and props

```
<MyComponent fullscreen={true} />  
  
// props this.props.fullscreen //=> true // state  
this.setState({ username: 'rstacruz' });  
this.replaceState({ ... }); this.state.username  
//=> 'rstacruz'  
  
render: function () { return <div className={  
{this.props.fullscreen ? 'full' : ''}>}> Welcome,  
{this.state.username} </div>; }
```

Setting defaults

```
React.createClass({ get  
return { comments: [] }  
function () { return {
```

Pre-populates this.state
this.props.name.

Use `props` (`this.props`) to access parameters passed from the parent. Use `states` (`this.state`) to manage dynamic data.

Components

Component API

```
ReactDOM.findDOMNode(c) // 0.14+
React.findDOMNode(c) // 0.13 c.getDOMNode() // 0.12
below
```

```
c.forceUpdate() c.isMounted() c.state c.props
c.setState({ ... }) c.replaceState({ ... })
c.setProps({ ... }) // for deprecation
c.replaceProps({ ... }) // for deprecation c.refs
```

These are methods available for Component instances. See [Component API](#).

Component specs

```
render()
getInitialState()
getDefaultProps()
mixins: [ ... ]
propTypes: { ... }
statics: { ... }
displayName: "..."
```

Methods and properties you can specify in your component specs.

Lifecycle

Mounting

<code>componentWillMount()</code>	Before rendering (no DOM yet)
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<code>componentDidMount()</code>	After rendering
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Before initial rendering occurs. Add your DOM stuff on `componentDidMount` (events, timers, etc). See [reference](#).

Updating

<code>componentWillReceiveProps()</code>	Before receiving new props
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<code>shouldComponentUpdate(nextProps, nextState)</code>	Decide whether to update the component
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componentWillUpdate

Unmounting

componentWillUnmount()

Invoked before
DOM removal

Clear your DOM stuff here (probably done on componentDidMount).
See reference.

componentDidUpdate

Called when parents change.
These are not called for initial mount.

Examples

Example: loading data

```
React.createClass({ componentDidMount: function ()  
{ $.get(this.props.url, function (data) {  
this.setState(data); }.bind(this)); }, render:  
function () { return <CommentList data=  
{this.state.data} /> } });
```

See initial AJAX data.

DOM nodes

References

```
<input ref="myInput">  
  
this.refs.myInput  
ReactDOM.findDOMNode(this.refs.myInput).focus()  
ReactDOM.findDOMNode(this.refs.myInput).value
```

DOM Events

Add attributes like onChange={this.handleChange}

```
<input type="text" value="Initial Value" onChange={this.handleChange}>
```

```
handleChange: function(event)  
{  
  this.setState({ value: event.target.value })  
},
```

Allows access to DOM node via this.refs

Two-way binding

```
Email: <input type="text" valueLink={this.linkState('email')} />
```

```
React.createClass({ mixins:  
  [React.addons.LinkedStateMixin] });
```

```
this.state.email
```

Use LinkedStateMixin for easier two-way binding.

Property validation

Basic types

```
React.createClass({ propTypes: { email:  
  React.PropTypes.string, seats:  
  React.PropTypes.number, settings:  
  React.PropTypes.object, callback:  
  React.PropTypes.func, isClosed:  
  React.PropTypes.bool, any: React.PropTypes.any, }  
});
```

Primitive types: .string, .number, .func, and .bool. See propTypes.

Enumerables

```
propTypes: { enum:  
  React.PropTypes.oneOf(['M','F']), // enum union:  
  React.PropTypes.oneOfType([ // any  
  React.PropTypes.string, React.PropTypes.number ]),
```

Use .oneOf, .oneOfType.

Custom validation

```
propTypes: { customProp: function(props, propName,  
componentName) { if  
(!/matchme/.test(props[propName])) { return new  
Error('Validation failed!'); } } }
```

Supply your own function.

Required types

```
propTypes: { requiredFu  
React.PropTypes.func.isRequired  
React.PropTypes.any.isRequired}
```

Add .isRequired.

React elements

```
propTypes: { element: React.PropTypes.element,  
node: React.PropTypes.node, string, element // ...}
```

Use .element, .node.

Arrays and objects

```
propTypes: { array: React.PropTypes.array,  
object: React.PropTypes.object,  
React.PropTypes.object.isRequired  
message: React.PropTypes.string,  
object2: React.PropTypes.object,  
React.PropTypes.string,  
React.PropTypes.number}
```

Use .array[Of], .object[

Other features

Class set

```
var cx = require('classnames'); render: function()
{ var classes = cx({ 'message': true, 'message-
important': this.props.isImportant, 'message-read':
this.props.isRead }); return <div className=
{classes}>Great Scott!</div>; }
```

Manipulate DOM classes with `classnames`, previously known as `React.addons.classSet`. See [Class set](#).

Propagating properties

```
<VideoPlayer src="video

var VideoPlayer = React
function() { /* propagate
sub component */ return
controls='false' />; }
```

See [Transferring props](#).

Mixins

```
var SetIntervalMixin =
function() { .. } }
```

```
var TickTock = React.c
[SetIntervalMixin] }
```

See [addons](#) for some built-in mixins.

Top level API

```
React.createClass({ ... }) React.isValidElement(c)
ReactDOM.findDOMNode(c) // 0.14+
ReactDOM.render(<Component />, domnode, [callback])
// 0.14+ ReactDOM.unmountComponentAtNode(domnode)
// 0.14+ ReactDOMServer.renderToString(<Component
/>) // 0.14+
ReactDOMServer.renderToStaticMarkup(<Component />)
// 0.14+
```

JSX patterns

Style shorthand

```
var style = { backgroundImage: 'url(x.jpg)',  
height: 10 }; return <div style={style}></div>;
```

See inline styles.

InnerHTML

```
function markdownify()  
<div dangerouslySetInne  
markdownify(){}> />
```

See dangerously set inner

Lists

```
var TodoList = React.createClass({ render:  
function() { function item(itemText) { return <li>  
{itemText}</li>; } return <ul>  
{this.props.items.map(item)}</ul>; } });
```

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