**REACT**

* **What is React?**

1. Open source library for building user interfaces
2. Not a framework
3. Used to build single page application
4. Allows us to create reusable components
5. Focus on UI
6. Has rich ecosystems plays well with other lib.
7. More than capable of building full fledged app
8. Current version of React.JS is V18.0.0 (April 2022).
9. React.JS was first used in 2011 for Facebook's Newsfeed feature.
10. Facebook Software Engineer, Jordan Walke, created it.

* **Why learn react?**

1. Markup reusability
2. State Management
3. Created and maintained by facebook
4. More than 100k starts on Github
5. Huge community support
6. In demand skillset

* **How react works?**

1. Component based architecture
   1. App component
   2. Header component
   3. Footer component
   4. Nav component
   5. Main component
2. Creates a VIRTUAL DOM in memory
   1. Instead of manipulating the browser's DOM directly, React creates a virtual DOM in memory, where it does all the necessary manipulating, before making the changes in the browser DOM.
3. React only changes what needs to be changed!
4. React is declarative
   1. Tell react what you want and react will build the actual UI

* **Prerequistites**

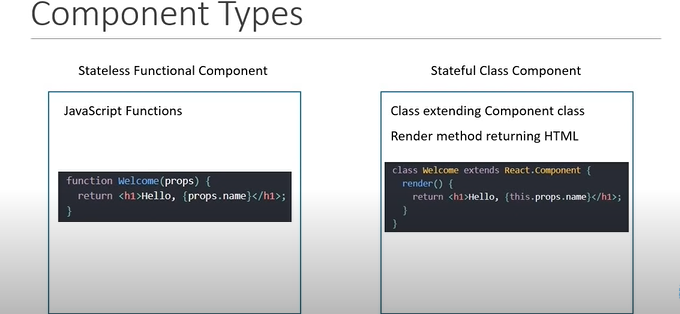
1. HTML, CSS and
2. JavaScript fundamentals like ‘this’ , filter, map, reduce
3. ES6 feature like
   1. Let & const, arrow functions, template literals, default parameters, object literals, rest and spread operators and destructuring assignment.

* **Roadmap**

1. Fundamentals - HTTP - Routing - Redux - Utilities

* **Components**

1. Describes a part of user interface
2. They are re-usable and can be nested inside other components
3. They serve the same purpose as JavaScript functions, but work in isolation and return HTML.
4. Types:
   1. Stateless functional component
   2. Stateful class component



* **ES6 features**

1. ECMAScript 6
2. ECMAScript was created to standardize JavaScript and ES6 is the 6th version of ECMAScript and also know as ECMAScript 2015
3. Concepts to know:
   1. Classes **[link](https://www.w3schools.com/react/react_es6_classes.asp)**
   2. Arrow Functions **[link](https://www.w3schools.com/react/react_es6_arrow.asp)**
   3. Variables(let, const, var) **[link](https://www.w3schools.com/react/react_es6_variables.asp)**
   4. Array Methods like map() **[link](https://www.w3schools.com/react/react_es6_array_methods.asp)**
   5. Destructuring  **[link](https://www.w3schools.com/react/react_es6_destructuring.asp)**
   6. Modules **[link](https://www.w3schools.com/react/react_es6_modules.asp)**
   7. Ternary Operator **[link](https://www.w3schools.com/react/react_es6_ternary.asp)**
   8. Spread Operator **[link](https://www.w3schools.com/react/react_es6_spread.asp)**

* **React JSX**
  + **[JSX intro](https://www.w3schools.com/react/react_jsx.asp)**

1. JSX stands for JavaScript XML.
2. JSX allows us to write HTML in React.
3. JSX allows us to write HTML elements in JavaScript and place them in the DOM without any createElement() and/or appendChild() methods.
4. JSX converts HTML tags into react elements.
5. JSX allows us to write HTML directly within the JavaScript code.
6. *“You are not required to use JSX, but JSX makes it easier to write React applications*.”

* **Without JSX**

1. Rendering HTML in React without JSX

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| const myElement = React.createElement('h1', {}, 'I do not use JSX!');  const root = ReactDOM.createRoot(document.getElementById('root'));  root.render(myElement); |

* **Using JSX**

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| const myElement = <h1>I Love JSX!</h1>;  const root = ReactDOM.createRoot(document.getElementById('root'));  root.render(myElement); |

* **Expressions in JSX**

1. With JSX you can write expressions inside curly braces { }.
2. The expression can be a React variable, or property, or any other valid JavaScript expression. JSX will execute the expression and return the result:

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| const myElement = <h1>React is {5 + 5} times better with JSX</h1>; |

* **One top level element**

1. JSX will return only one HTML element
2. The HTML code must be wrapped in ONE top level element.
3. So if you like to write two paragraphs, you must put them inside a parent element, like a div element or you can use fragment (empty element < > < />)

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| const myElement = (  <div>  <p>I am a paragraph.</p>  <p>I am a paragraph too.</p>  </div>); | const myElement = (  <>  <p>I am a paragraph.</p>  <p>I am a paragraph too.</p>  </>); |

* **Errors in JSX**

1. JSX will throw an error if the HTML is not correct, or if the HTML misses a parent element. ( returning two elements without fragment or div)
2. JSX follows XML rules, and therefore HTML elements must be properly closed.

* **Attribute class = className**

1. The class attribute is a much used attribute in HTML, but since JSX is rendered as JavaScript, and the class keyword is a reserved word in JavaScript, you are not allowed to use it in JSX

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| const myElement = <h1 className="myclass">Hello World</h1>; |

* **Rendering JS inside JSX**

1. Note that in order to embed a JavaScript expression inside JSX, the JavaScript must be wrapped with curly braces, {}.

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| const x = 5;  const myElement = <h1>{(x) < 10 ? "Hello" : "Goodbye"}</h1>; |