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React Core Concepts

1. JavaScript XML (JSX)

JSX is a syntax extension for JavaScript that lets you write HTML-like markup inside a JavaScript file.

Rules you should know:

- To return multiple elements from a component, wrap them with a single parent tag like `<div></div>` or `<></>`
- "class" attribute becomes "className"
- Properties are written in camelCase. Example, `onclick` → `onClick`, `tabindex` → `tabIndex`
- Tags must be closed: `<h1></h1>`, ``

2. Component?

- **Components** are the foundation upon which you build user interfaces (UI)
- In a React app, every piece of UI is a component.
- React components are regular JavaScript functions except:
 - 1) Their names always begin with a capital letter.
 - 2) They return JSX markup.

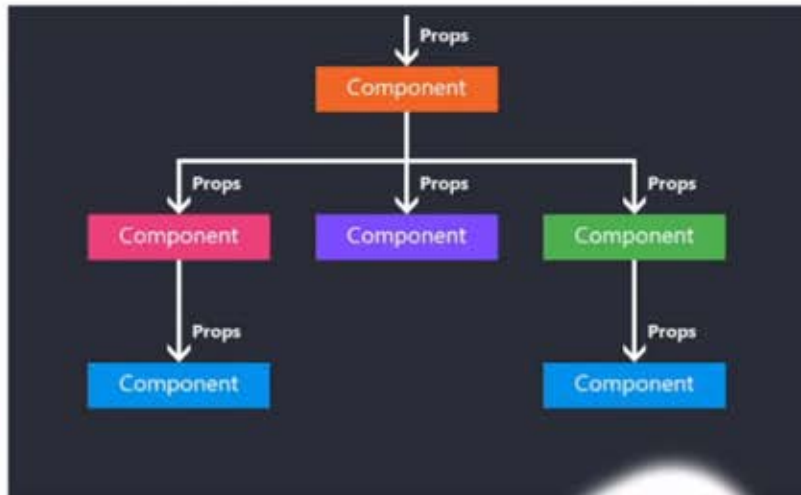
How to build a component?

- Define and export the function
- Add markup. For example:

```
return (  
  <div>  
      
  </div>  
);
```

3. Props

- React components use props to communicate with each other.
- Every parent component can pass some information to its child components by giving them props.
- You can pass any JavaScript value through props, including objects, arrays, and functions.



Rules of Props

```
function Profile() {  
  return (  
    <Avatar  
      person={{ name: 'Lin Lanying', imageId: '1bX5QH6' }}  
      size={100}  
    />  
  );  
}  
  
export default Profile;
```

Pass props to the child component

```
function Avatar({ person, size }) {  
  // person and size are available here  
}  
  
export default Avatar;
```

Read props inside the child component

4. useState

`useState` is a React Hook that lets you add a state variable to your component.

Syntax:

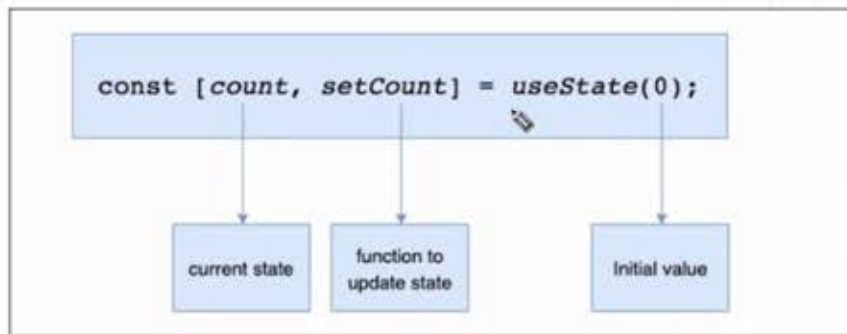


```
const [state, setState] = useState(initialState)
```

useState

useState returns an array with exactly **two** values:

- The current state. During the first render, it will match the **initialState** you have passed.
- The **set function** that lets you update the state to a different value and trigger a re-render.



5. Event Handlers

In React, when an event handler updates the state of a component, it triggers a re-render of the component and its children.

```
import React, { useState } from 'react';

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

  const handleClick = () => {
    setCount(count + 1);
  };

  return (
    <div>
      <p>Count: {count}</p>
      <button onClick={handleClick}>Increment</button>
    </div>
  );
}
```

The `handleClick` function updates the count state by calling the `setCount` function with a new value. This triggers a re-render of the component and updates the DOM to display the new count.

6. useEffect

- The useEffect Hook allows you to perform side effects in your components. One example of side effects are: **fetching data**



```
useEffect(callback, dependencies)
```

useEffect

- **callback function:** This function can perform any side effects, such as fetching data from an API
- **dependencies:** Dependencies is an optional array of values that the callback function relies on

We will learn more about React
This is just the beginning