

Comprehensive Instructions and To-Do List for React Native Task Manager App

This document provides a detailed, step-by-step guide and a comprehensive to-do list for developing a **Simple Task Manager App** using **React Native** and **Expo**. The instructions are designed to be executed by an AI assistant (like Cursor AI or ChatGPT) to ensure a perfect implementation that meets all assignment requirements, focuses on **perfect UI/UX**, and adheres to high **Code Quality** standards.

1. Project Setup and Initialization

Objective: Create the initial project structure using Expo, as recommended in the assignment.

Step	Action	Details
1.1	Initialize Project	Use <code>npx create-expo-app</code> with a suitable name (e.g., <code>ReactNativeTaskManager</code>). Select a blank template.
1.2	Install Dependencies	Install any necessary UI library (e.g., <code>react-native-paper</code> or <code>styled-components</code> for better UI/UX) and utility libraries. <i>Decision: Use a minimal, modern UI approach with standard React Native components and a clean design system.</i>
1.3	Initial Cleanup	Clean up the initial <code>App.js</code> file to prepare for the main component structure.

2. Core Data Structure and State Management

Objective: Define the task data structure and implement local state management as required.

Requirement: Use **local component state** to manage the tasks.

Step	Action	Details
2.1	Define Task Structure	Define a clear JavaScript object structure for a single task
		Structure: { id: string, description: string, isComplete: boolean }
2.2	Initialize State	In the main component (App.js or a dedicated TaskManagerScreen.js), initialize the state using useState with an array of tasks. Include a few dummy tasks for initial UI development (e.g., 2 complete, 2 incomplete).
2.3	Implement State Handlers	Create dedicated functions to manage the state: addTask , toggleTaskComplete , deleteTask . These functions must be passed down as props to child components.

3. User Interface (UI) and User Experience (UX) Design

Objective: Implement a clean, intuitive, and responsive UI/UX that provides visual feedback.

Evaluation Criteria Focus: UI/UX Design (intuitive, responsive, good user experience)

3.1. Design System and Styling

Step	Action	Details
3.1.1	Global Styles	Implement a consistent color palette (e.g., a primary color, a background color, and a color for completed tasks). Use a clean, modern font stack.
3.1.2	Layout	Use SafeAreaView and consistent padding/margins for all screens. Ensure the layout is responsive on different device sizes.

3.2. Task List Component (TaskList)

Step	Action	Details
3.2.1	List View	Use <code>FlatList</code> for efficient rendering of the task list.
3.2.2	Task Item Rendering	Create a dedicated <code>TaskItem</code> component.
3.2.3	Visual Distinction	Crucial for UX: Visually distinguish complete tasks (e.g., strikethrough text, faded color, checkmark icon).
3.2.4	Interaction Feedback	Implement subtle visual feedback on tap/press (e.g., slight color change or ripple effect) for the toggle and delete actions.
3.2.5	Empty State	Display a friendly message and illustration/icon when the task list is empty.

3.3. Add Task Component (`AddTaskForm`)

Step	Action	Details
3.3.1	Input Field	Use a <code>TextInput</code> for the task description. Ensure it has a clear placeholder.
3.3.2	Add Button	Implement a prominent "Add" button. The button should be disabled when the input is empty.
3.3.3	User Flow	After a task is added, the input field should clear, and the user should receive a brief, non-intrusive confirmation (e.g., a toast message or a subtle animation).

4. Feature Implementation (Functionality)

Objective: Implement all required application features.

Evaluation Criteria Focus: Functionality (Add, Complete, Delete tasks)

Step	Feature	Implementation Details
4.1	Add Task	Implement the <code>addTask</code> handler. The new task must be added to the state array with <code>isComplete: false</code> and a unique <code>id</code> .
4.2	Mark Task as Complete	Implement the <code>toggleTaskComplete</code> handler. This function must find the task by <code>id</code> and flip its <code>isComplete</code> status.
4.3	Delete Task	Implement the <code>deleteTask</code> handler. This function must filter the task array to remove the task with the given <code>id</code> .
4.4	Task List Display	Ensure the <code>FlatList</code> renders all tasks (both complete and incomplete) as required. <i>UX suggestion: Optionally, display complete tasks at the bottom of the list or in a separate section for better organization, while still maintaining the requirement to "Display all tasks in a list view".</i>

5. Code Quality and Documentation

Objective: Ensure the code is clean, well-structured, and fully documented.

Evaluation Criteria Focus: **Code Quality** (well-organized, clean, commented) and **Documentation** (README.md).

5.1. Code Structure

Step	Action	Details
5.1.1	Component Separation	Separate the application into logical components: <code>App.js</code> (or a main screen), <code>TaskList.js</code> , <code>TaskItem.js</code> , <code>AddTaskForm.js</code> , and a <code>Styles.js</code> file for styling constants.
5.1.2	Prop-Types/TypeScript	Use <code>PropTypes</code> (or <code>TypeScript</code> , if preferred) for clear definition of component props.
5.1.3	Clean Code	Use modern JavaScript/React features (e.g., arrow functions, destructuring). Avoid deeply nested ternary operators.

5.2. Documentation (README.md)

Step	Action	Details
5.2.1	Create README	Create a README.md file in the project root.
5.2.2	Setup Instructions	Include clear, step-by-step instructions for setting up and running the app (e.g., npm install , npx expo start).
5.2.3	Features Overview	Provide a brief overview of the app's features (Add, Complete, Delete, List).
5.2.4	Library Mention	Mention any third-party libraries used (e.g., Expo, React Native Paper) and their purpose.

6. Final Review and Submission Checklist

Objective: Verify all requirements and submission guidelines are met.

Checkpoint	Requirement	Status
C.1	Functionality	Can add, complete, and delete tasks?
C.2	State Management	Uses local component state (no external storage)?
C.3	UI/UX	Clean, intuitive, responsive, and provides visual feedback?
C.4	Visual Distinction	Completed tasks are visually distinct?
C.5	Code Quality	Code is clean, well-organized, and commented?
C.6	Documentation	README.md is complete with setup, features, and library list?
C.7	Submission Prep	Project is initialized as a Git repository and ready for GitHub push.

Final Instruction for AI: Proceed with development following these steps. Prioritize the UI/UX aspects to ensure a "perfect" user experience, using modern, clean design principles. All code must be well-commented, especially the state management logic.