

TEST UI



YOU WILL LEARN

- test the user interface using fixture data
- better separate test steps

- clean up the existing code
 - `git reset --hard`
 - `git clean -d -f`
- `git checkout b5`
- `npm install`

JSON FIXTURE

```
[
  {
    "title": "Write code",
    "completed": false,
    "id": "1"
  },
  {
    "title": "Write tests",
    "completed": true,
    "id": "2"
  },
  {
    "title": "Make tests pass",
    "completed": false,
    "id": "3"
  }
]
```

Fixture items in fixtures/three.json

PLAYWRIGHT

If we reset the backend data using the fixture items

```
const items = require('../fixtures/three.json')

test.beforeEach(async ({ request }) => {
  await request.post('/reset', { data: { todos: items } })
})
```

Then we can check if the user interface shows the data correctly

```
// pw/shows-items.spec.js
const items = require('../fixtures/three.json')

test('shows items', async ({ page }) => {
  // common locators
  const todos = page.locator('.todo-list li')
  const count = page.locator('[data-cy="remaining-count"]')

  await page.goto('/')

  // shows N items

  // go through the items and confirm each is rendered correctly
  // - label text
  // - completed or not
```

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  await expect(todos).toHaveCount(items.length)
  // go through the items and confirm each is rendered correctly
  // - label text
  // - completed or not
  for (const [k, item] of items.entries()) {
    const itemLocator = todos.nth(k)
```

Playwright solution. Note: for (... of items.entries) loop around the await ... test commands.

CYPRESS

Reset the data using the fixture array

```
// cypress/e2e/shows-items.cy.js

import items from '../fixtures/three.json'

beforeEach(() => {
  // confirm there are several items
  // and some are completed and some are not

  cy.request('POST', '/reset', { todos: items })
})
```

Confirm the data is rendered correctly

```
import items from '../fixtures/three.json'

it('completes a todo', () => {
  // common locators
  const todos = '.todo-list li'
  const count = '[data-cy="remaining-count"]'

  cy.visit('/')

  // shows N items

  // go through the items and confirm each is rendered correctly
  // - label text
  // - completed or not

  // confirm the remaining items count is correct
```



```
it('completes a todo', () => {  
  // common locators  
  const todos = '.todo-list li'  
  const todoLabels = todos + ' label'  
  const count = '[data-cy="remaining-count"]'  
  
  cy.visit('/')  
  
  // shows N items  
  cy.get(todos).should('have.length', items.length)  
  
  // go through the items and confirm each is rendered correctly  
  // - label text  
  // - completed or not  
  items.forEach((item, k) => {  
    cy.get(todos).eq(k).contains('label', item.title)
```

Note: Cypress queues up its commands before executing them, thus we can use simple `Array.forEach` method.

BETTER TEST STEPS UI

- `git checkout b6`

Let's improve how the test runner shows parts of a longer test

```
// shows the expected number of items  
...  
// check each item  
...  
// shows the remaining count
```

PLAYWRIGHT TEST STEPS

```
// pw/shows-items.spec.js

test('shows items', async ({ page }) => {
  // common locators
  const todos = page.locator('.todo-list li')
  const count = page.locator('[data-cy="remaining-count"]')

  await page.goto('/')

  // shows the expected number of items
  await expect(todos).toHaveCount(items.length)

  // check each item
  for (const [k, item] of items.entries()) {
    const itemLocator = todos.nth(k)
    await expect(itemLocator.locator('label')).toHaveText(item.title)
  }
})
```

Replace test code comments with `test.step` commands, see
<https://playwright.dev/docs/api/class-test#test-step>

```
test('shows items', async ({ page }) => {  
  // common locators  
  const todos = page.locator('.todo-list li')  
  const count = page.locator('[data-cy="remaining-count"]')  
  
  await page.goto('/')  
  
  await test.step(`shows ${items.length} items`, async () => {  
    await expect(todos).toHaveCount(items.length)  
  })  
  
  await test.step('check each item', async () => {  
    for (const [k, item] of items.entries()) {  
      const itemLocator = todos.nth(k)  
      await expect(itemLocator.locator('label')).toHaveText(item.title)  
      if (item.completed) {
```

PLAYWRIGHT NESTED STEPS

```
await test.step(`shows ${items.length} items`, async () => {  
  await expect(todos).toHaveLength(items.length)  
})
```

PLAYWRIGHT

Filter (e.g. text, @tag)

Status: all Projects: chromium

1/1 passed (100%)

shows-items.spec.js

App

shows items

0100ms200ms300ms400ms500ms600ms700ms800ms

ActionsMetadata

Passed953ms

Before Hooks564ms

page.goto /141ms

shows 3 items42ms

expect.toHaveCount locator('.todo-list... 31ms

check each item73ms

expect.toHaveText locator('.todo-list li')... 7ms

expect.not.toHaveClass locator('.todo-l... 5ms

expect.toHaveText locator('.todo-list li')... 4ms

expect.toHaveClass locator('.todo-list li... 5ms

expect.toHaveText locator('.todo-list li')... 5ms

expect.not.toHaveClass locator('.todo-l... 3ms

remaining count 29ms

expect.toHaveText locator('[data-cy="r... 4ms

After Hooks76ms

ActionBeforeAfter

http://localhost:3000/

todos

What needs to be done?

Write code

Write tests

Make tests pass

2 items leftAllActiveCompletedClear completed

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LocatorSourceCallLogErrorsConsole4Network11Attachments

remaining count 2

CYPRESS LOG COMMAND

```
// cypress/e2e/shows-items.cy.js

it('completes a todo', () => {
  // common locators
  const todos = '.todo-list li'
  const count = '[data-cy="remaining-count"]'

  cy.visit('/')

  // shows the expected number of items
  cy.get(todos).should('have.length', items.length)

  // check each item
  items.forEach((item, k) => {
    cy.get(todos).eq(k).contains('label', item.title)
    if (item.completed) {
```

Replace test code comments with bold log messages using the `cy.log` command <https://on.cypress.io/log>

```
it('completes a todo', () => {  
  // common locators  
  const todos = '.todo-list li'  
  const count = '[data-cy="remaining-count"]'  
  
  cy.visit('/')  
  
  cy.log(`**shows _${items.length}_ items**`)  
  cy.get(todos).should('have.length', items.length)  
  
  cy.log(`**check each item**`)  
  items.forEach((item, k) => {  
    cy.get(todos).eq(k).contains('label', item.title)  
    if (item.completed) {  
      cy.get(todos).eq(k).should('have.class', 'completed')  
    } else {
```


You can use simple Markdown when using `cy.log`

```
cy.log(`**shows_${items.length}_items**`)  
cy.get(todos).should('have.length', items.length)
```

...

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Specs

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shows-items.cy.js560ms

2log shows 3 items

3get .todo-list li3

4-assert expected [<li.todo>, 2 more...] to have a length of 33

(xhr) ● GET 200 /todos

5log check each item

6get .todo-list li3

7eq 0

8-contains label, Write code

9get .todo-list li3

10eq 0

11-assert expected <li.todo> not to have class completed

12get .todo-list li3

13eq 1

14-contains label, Write tests

15get .todo-list li3

16eq 1

17-assert expected <li.todo.completed> to have class completed

18get .todo-list li3

19eq 2

20-contains label, Make tests pass

⚙ http://localhost:3000/ Electron 114 ▼

todos

What needs to be done?

☐ Write code

☒ Write tests

☐ Make tests pass

2 items left

AllActiveCompletedClear completed

cy-vs-pw-example-todomvc

Cypress vs Playwright course

TESTING THE UI

- If you control the application data, checking how it is displayed is relatively easy
 - Playwright has good wait to indent test steps
 - Cypress can format its Command Log messages
 - it can also indent commands, but only inside custom commands
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