

Enable Emmet support for JSX in Visual Studio Code | React



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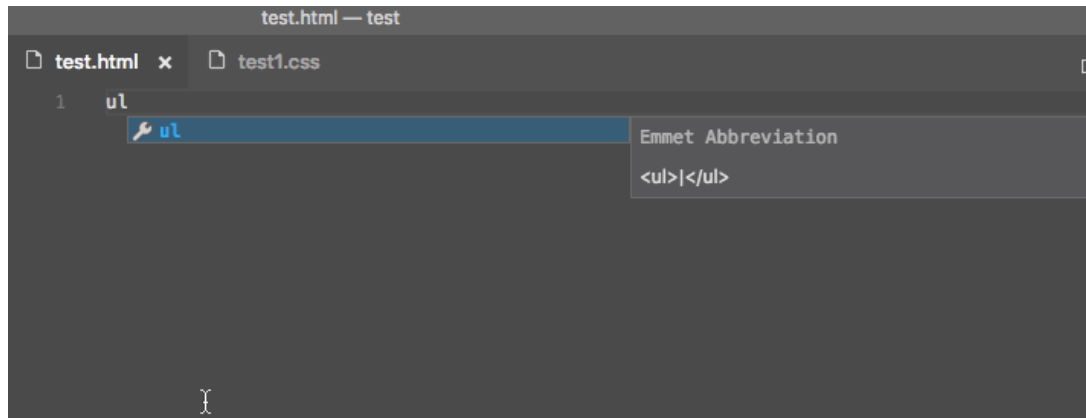


Image from <https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/editor/emmet>

There is a small tweak you need to do on your VS Code to enable Emmet support for JSX. This makes typing HTML in React (.js) files much faster and easier.

Emmet comes with VS Code by default.

This tutorial was tested on VS Code version 1.31.1

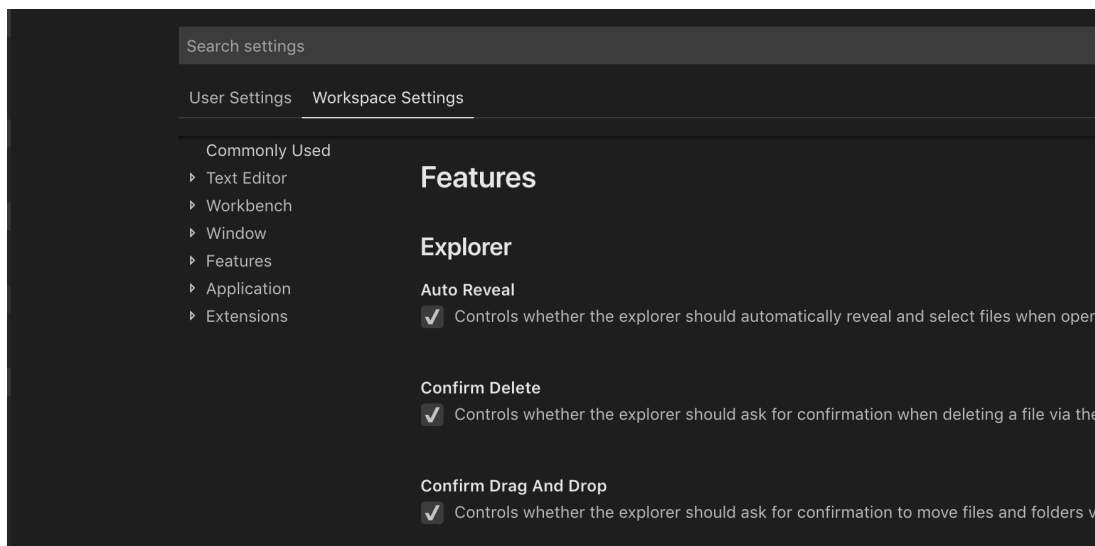
1. Open any source folder on VS Code, and go to Settings :

On **Mac** : Command + ,

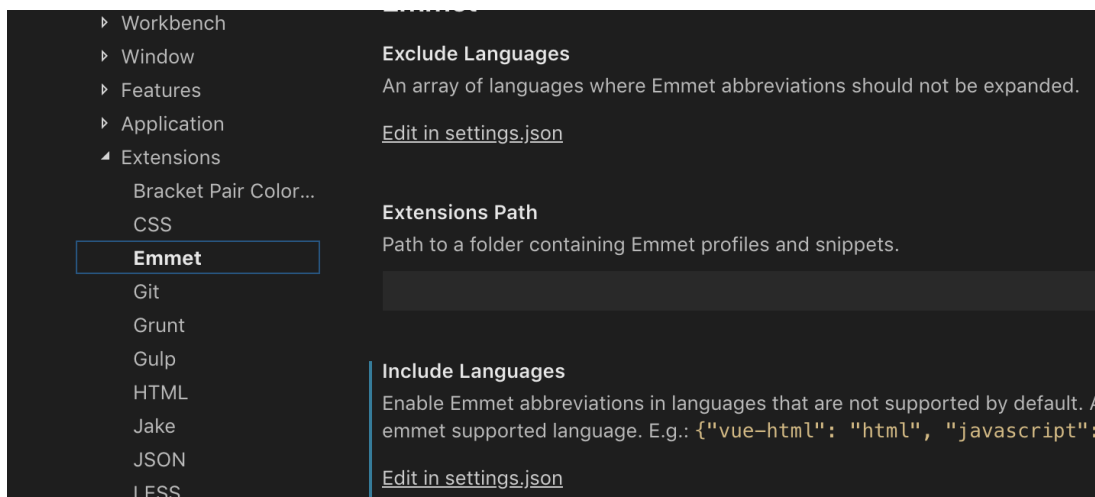
On **Windows** : Ctrl + ,

It's Command or Control with the Comma symbol. Just to avoid any confusion.

2. Go to the **Workspace Settings** tab.



3. On the left sidebar, go to **Extensions** dropdown, and choose **Emmet**.



Markdown

Merge Conflict

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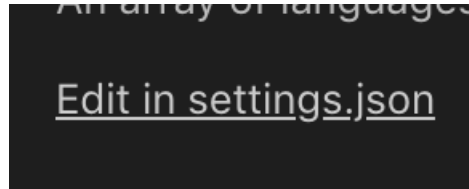
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Optimize Stylesheet Parsing



When set to `false`, the whole file is parsed to determine if current position is in a stylesheet.
When set to `true`, only the content around the current position in css/scss files is parsed.

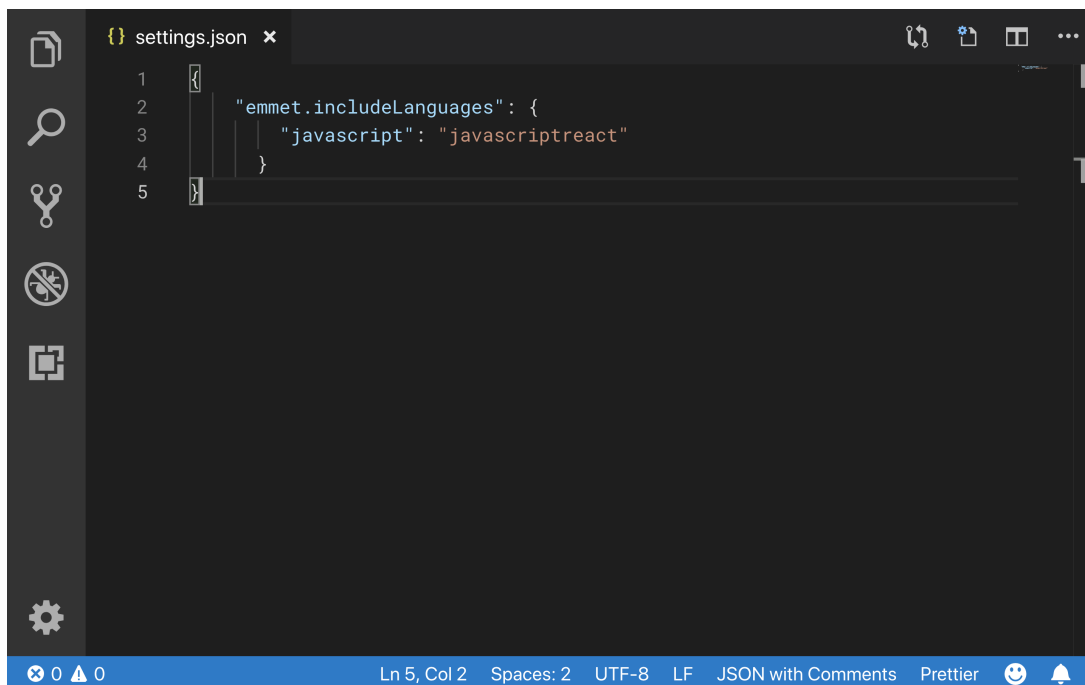
4. Click “Edit in settings.json”



Small link under Exclude Languages on the right bar

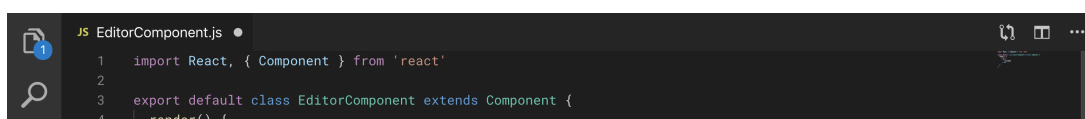
5. Add this following lines to the settings.json file that opened up.

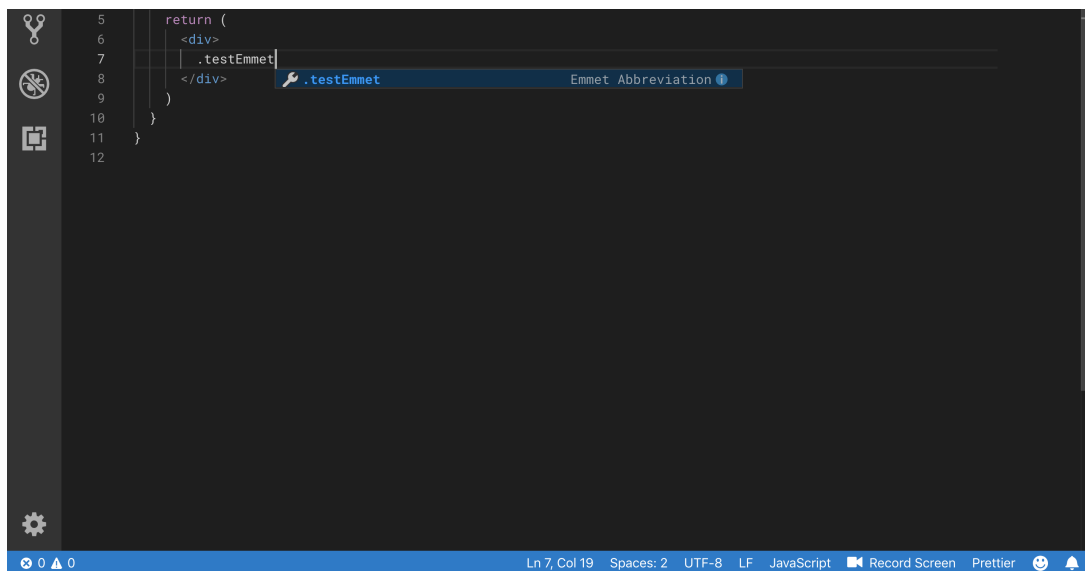
```
{
  "emmet.includeLanguages": {
    "javascript": "javascriptreact"
  }
}
```



Your settings.json should look like this now

6. Emmet should be enabled in .js files now! 🎉

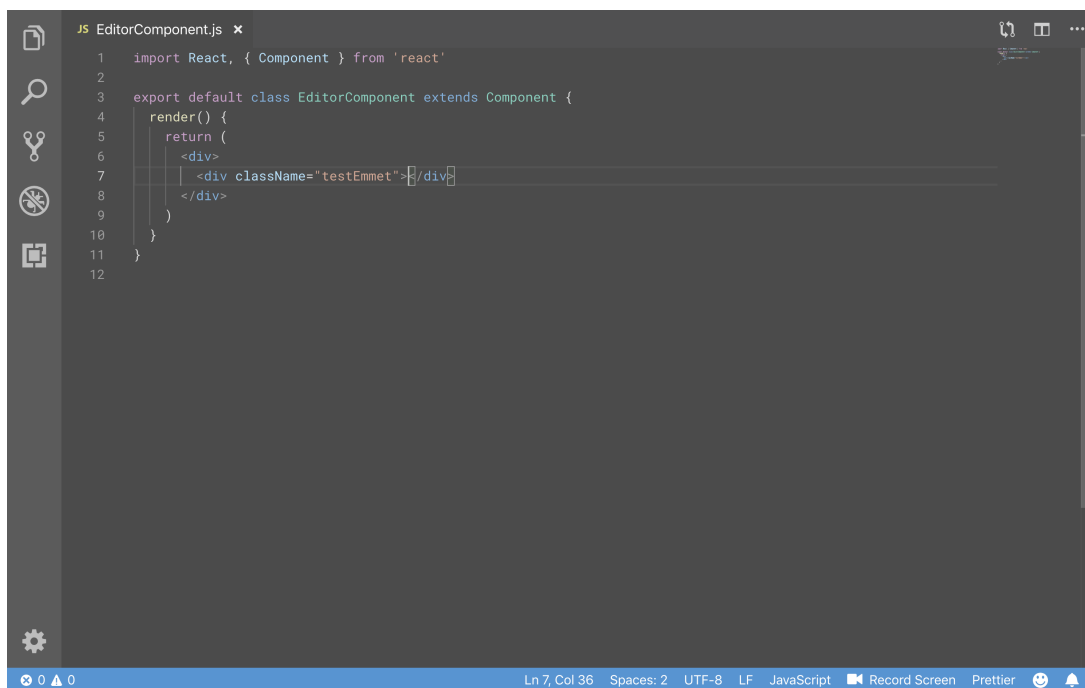




A screenshot of the Visual Studio Code editor interface. The editor is in dark theme. On the left, there's a sidebar with icons for Explorer, Search, Source Control, and Run and Debug. The main editor area shows a JavaScript file with a JSX element. The code is as follows:

```
5     return (  
6       <div>  
7         .testEmmet  
8       </div>  
9     )  
10  }  
11  }  
12  }
```

The cursor is at the end of the line `.testEmmet`. A tooltip is visible, showing the text `.testEmmet` and `Emmet Abbreviation` with a blue icon. The status bar at the bottom shows `Ln 7, Col 19`, `Spaces: 2`, `UTF-8`, `LF`, `JavaScript`, `Record Screen`, `Prettier`, and a smiley face icon.



A screenshot of the Visual Studio Code editor interface. The editor is in dark theme. On the left, there's a sidebar with icons for Explorer, Search, Source Control, and Run and Debug. The main editor area shows a JavaScript file named `EditorComponent.js`. The code is as follows:

```
1  import React, { Component } from 'react'  
2  
3  export default class EditorComponent extends Component {  
4    render() {  
5      return (  
6        <div>  
7          <div className="testEmmet">/div  
8        </div>  
9      )  
10    }  
11  }  
12  }
```

The cursor is at the end of the line `<div className="testEmmet">/div`. The status bar at the bottom shows `Ln 7, Col 36`, `Spaces: 2`, `UTF-8`, `LF`, `JavaScript`, `Record Screen`, `Prettier`, and a smiley face icon.

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