



CREATE THE AWS COMPONENTS

Initialize Amplify

In this step, we will begin adding AWS Components using the Amplify framework. To start, let's initialize amplify in our project directory.

```
# Change to the React project directory
cd ~/environment/andy-pizza-shop
# Initialize the project configuration for Amplify
amplify init
```

Note

Amplify is an opinionated framework. To make relevant and automated decisions, the Amplify CLI will ask you a series of questions.

For the name of the project, you can use the default name. For the environment name, enter `dev`.

```
hoog:~/environment/andy-pizza-shop (master) $ amplify init
Note: It is recommended to run this command from the root of your app directory
? Enter a name for the project andy-pizza-shop
? Enter a name for the environment dev
```

For the default editor, you can choose 'None'.

```
? Enter a name for the environment dev
? Choose your default editor:
Visual Studio Code
Atom Editor
Sublime Text
IntelliJ IDEA
Vim (via Terminal, Mac OS only)
Emacs (via Terminal, Mac OS only)
> None
```

For type of app, choose **javascript**. For the javascript framework, choose **react**

Note

Amplify attempts to identify the application and programming frameworks that you are using. Typically this means that the correct values are already selected. NOTE: If you make a mistake during the Q/A portion, you can use CTRL-C to safely start over.

```
? Choose the type of app that you're building javascript
Please tell us about your project
? What javascript framework are you using (Use arrow keys)
angular
ember
ionic
> react
react-native
vue
none
```

For the rest of the questions, you can select the default options. This includes selecting **Y** when asked if you want to use an AWS profile, and then select **default** for the profile name.

```
Using default provider awscloudformation

For more information on AWS Profiles, see:
https://docs.aws.amazon.com/cli/latest/userguide/cli-multiple-profiles.html

? Do you want to use an AWS profile? Yes
? Please choose the profile you want to use (Use arrow keys)
> default
```

Once you have made all the selections, Amplify will begin initializing your project in AWS. Once completed, you will receive a success message.

```
CREATE_COMPLETE DeploymentBucket          AWS::S3::Bucket          Sun Oct 27 2019 02:30:26
ted Universal Time)
CREATE_COMPLETE amplify-andy-pizza-shop-dev-22959 AWS::CloudFormation::Stack Sun Oct 27 2019 02:30:28
ted Universal Time)
✓ Successfully created initial AWS cloud resources for deployments.
✓ Initialized provider successfully.
Initialized your environment successfully.

Your project has been successfully initialized and connected to the cloud!

Some next steps:
"amplify status" will show you what you've added already and if it's locally configured or deployed
"amplify <category> add" will allow you to add features like user login or a backend API
"amplify push" will build all your local backend resources and provision it in the cloud
"amplify publish" will build all your local backend and frontend resources (if you have hosting cate
gion it in the cloud

Pro tip:
Try "amplify add api" to create a backend API and then "amplify publish" to deploy everything

hoog:~/environment/andy-pizza-shop (master) $
```

Note

If you are wondering what is happening here, the amplify CLI is creating and executing CloudFormation templates. It also creates an S3 bucket to store configuration information about your this Amplify project in your AWS account.

Now that amplify is initialized, you can move on to adding additional components.

