



Say **No** to

.../**...**/**...**/**...** Import

in React

The Problem

with

../../../imports

- you would need to update all of your imports in your project and add one extra ../ to all of your imports.
- Pretty hard to refactor
- It becomes worse as you get further deeper into it.
- You need to change the entire codebase if you need to extract the code to be used externally as an NPM module

Benefits of Absolute Import

- 1. You can move your existing code to other components with imports without any changes.**
- 2. You can directly copy/paste code from a component and use it anywhere else without making any changes to the imports.**
- 3. Using the import path, you can quickly identify where the component is actually placed.**
- 4. Cleaner Code.**
- 5. Easier to write.**

Difference



```
import React from "react";
import Button from "../..../Button/Button";
import { LINKS, STRINGS } from "../..../utils/constants";
import styles from "./App.module.css";
```

```
function App() {
  return (
    <div className={styles.App}>
      <Button>{STRINGS.HELLO}</Button>

      <a href={LINKS.HELP}>Learn more</a>
    </div>
  );
}
```

```
export default App;
```

../..../import



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Absolute import

Usage in TS & JS



```
// Using TypeScript
// If you need to set up absolute imports in your
TypeScript application add/update your tsconfig.json file
in the root directory of the project. Then you need to
update the compiler option baseUrl in the file.
```

```
{
  "compilerOptions": {
    "baseUrl": "src"
  },
  "include": ["src"]
}
```



```
// Using JavaScript
// Create the jsconfig.json file in the root directory of
the project. Then you need to update the following
snippet.
```

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