Complete React.js Cheat Sheet - Beginner to Advanced

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Getting Started

Installation

```
# Create React App
npx create-react-app my-app
cd my-app
npm start

# With Vite (faster alternative)
npm create vite@latest my-app -- --template react
cd my-app
npm install
npm run dev

# With TypeScript
npx create-react-app my-app --template typescript
```

Basic App Structure

JSX Fundamentals

JSX Syntax Rules

```
// JSX must return a single parent element
function Component() {
 return (
   <div>
     <h1>Title</h1>
     Content
   </div>
 );
}
// Or use React Fragment
function Component() {
 return (
   <>
      <h1>Title</h1>
     Content
   </>
  );
}
// Or explicit Fragment
import { Fragment } from "react";
function Component() {
 return (
   <Fragment>
     <h1>Title</h1>
     Content
   </Fragment>
 );
}
```

JavaScript in JSX

JSX Attributes

```
function Example() {
 const imgSrc = "image.jpg";
 const isActive = true;
 return (
   <div>
     {/* className instead of class */}
     <div className={isActive ? "active" : "inactive"}>
        <img src={imgSrc} alt="Description" />
     </div>
     {/* camelCase for attributes */}
      <input type="text" onChange={handleChange} maxLength={50} autoFocus />
     {/* Style as object */}
      <div
        style={{
         backgroundColor: "blue",
         fontSize: "16px",
         marginTop: "10px",
       }}
       Styled div
     </div>
   </div>
 );
}
```

Components

Function Components

```
// Basic function component
function Welcome() {
 return <h1>Hello, World!</h1>;
}
// Arrow function component
const Welcome = () => {
 return <h1>Hello, World!</h1>;
};
// Implicit return
const Welcome = () => <h1>Hello, World!</h1>;
// With parameters (props)
const Welcome = (props) => <h1>Hello, {props.name}!</h1>;
// With destructuring
const Welcome = ({ name, age }) => (
    <h1>Hello, {name}!</h1>
    Age: {age}
 </div>
);
```

Class Components (Legacy)

```
import React, { Component } from "react";
class Welcome extends Component {
 constructor(props) {
   super(props);
   this.state = {
     count: 0,
   };
 }
 render() {
   return (
     <div>
       <h1>Hello, {this.props.name}!</h1>
       Count: {this.state.count}
      </div>
   );
 }
```

```
function Header() {
  return <h1>My Website</h1>;
}
function Sidebar() {
  return <aside>Sidebar content</aside>;
}
function Main() {
  return <main>Main content</main>;
}
function Layout() {
  return (
    <div>
      <Header />
      <div className="container">
        <Sidebar />
        <Main />
      </div>
    </div>
  );
}
```

Props

Basic Props

```
// Parent component
function App() {
 return (
    <div>
      <Welcome name="Alice" age={30} />
      <Welcome name="Bob" age={25} />
    </div>
 );
}
// Child component
function Welcome(props) {
 return (
    <div>
      <h1>Hello, {props.name}!</h1>
      Age: {props.age}
    </div>
 );
}
// With destructuring
```

Default Props

Props Children

```
function Card({ children, title }) {
  return (
    <div className="card">
      <h2>{title}</h2>
      <div className="card-content">{children}</div>
    </div>
 );
}
// Usage
function App() {
 return (
    <Card title="My Card">
      This is inside the card
      <button>Click me</button>
    </Card>
  );
}
```

```
import PropTypes from "prop-types";
function Welcome({ name, age, isActive }) {
  return (
   <div>
      <h1>Hello, {name}!</h1>
      Age: {age}
      Status: {isActive ? "Active" : "Inactive"}
   </div>
  );
}
Welcome.propTypes = {
  name: PropTypes.string.isRequired,
 age: PropTypes.number,
  isActive: PropTypes.bool,
};
Welcome.defaultProps = {
  age: ∅,
  isActive: false,
};
```

State & useState Hook

Basic useState

Multiple State Variables

```
function UserProfile() {
  const [name, setName] = useState("");
  const [email, setEmail] = useState("");
```

```
const [age, setAge] = useState(∅);
 return (
    <form>
      <input</pre>
        type="text"
        value={name}
        onChange={(e) => setName(e.target.value)}
        placeholder="Name"
      />
      <input
        type="email"
        value={email}
        onChange={(e) => setEmail(e.target.value)}
        placeholder="Email"
      />
      <input</pre>
        type="number"
        value={age}
        onChange={(e) => setAge(parseInt(e.target.value))}
        placeholder="Age"
      />
    </form>
 );
}
```

Object State

```
function UserProfile() {
  const [user, setUser] = useState({
    name: "",
    email: "",
    age: ∅,
 });
 const updateUser = (field, value) => {
    setUser((prevUser) => ({
      ...prevUser,
      [field]: value,
   }));
 };
 return (
    <form>
      <input</pre>
        type="text"
        value={user.name}
        onChange={(e) => updateUser("name", e.target.value)}
        placeholder="Name"
      />
      <input</pre>
```

```
type="email"
    value={user.email}
    onChange={(e) => updateUser("email", e.target.value)}
    placeholder="Email"
    />
    </form>
);
}
```

Array State

```
function TodoList() {
 const [todos, setTodos] = useState([]);
 const [input, setInput] = useState("");
 const addTodo = () => {
   if (input.trim()) {
      setTodos([
        ...todos,
        {
          id: Date.now(),
         text: input,
         completed: false,
       },
      ]);
      setInput("");
 };
 const removeTodo = (id) => {
    setTodos(todos.filter((todo) => todo.id !== id));
 };
 const toggleTodo = (id) => {
   setTodos(
      todos.map((todo) =>
        todo.id === id ? { ...todo, completed: !todo.completed } : todo
   );
 };
 return (
   <div>
      <input</pre>
        value={input}
        onChange={(e) => setInput(e.target.value)}
       onKeyPress={(e) => e.key === "Enter" && addTodo()}
      />
      <button onClick={addTodo}>Add Todo</button>
      <l
```

Event Handling

Basic Event Handling

```
function EventExample() {
 const handleClick = () => {
   alert("Button clicked!");
 };
 const handleInputChange = (e) => {
   console.log("Input value:", e.target.value);
 };
 const handleSubmit = (e) => {
   e.preventDefault(); // Prevent default form submission
   console.log("Form submitted");
 };
 return (
      <button onClick={handleClick}>Click me</button>
     <input onChange={handleInputChange} />
     <form onSubmit={handleSubmit}>
        <input type="text" />
        <button type="submit">Submit</button>
     </form>
   </div>
 );
}
```

Event Object Properties

```
function EventDetails() {
 const handleEvent = (e) => {
    console.log("Event type:", e.type);
   console.log("Target element:", e.target);
   console.log("Current target:", e.currentTarget);
   console.log("Key pressed:", e.key); // for keyboard events
   console.log("Mouse button:", e.button); // for mouse events
 };
 return (
   <div>
      <button onClick={handleEvent}>Click</button>
      <input onKeyDown={handleEvent} />
      <div onMouseEnter={handleEvent}>Hover me</div>
   </div>
 );
}
```

Passing Parameters to Event Handlers

```
function ParameterExample() {
 const handleClick = (message, e) => {
   console.log(message);
   console.log("Event:", e);
 };
 const items = ["Apple", "Banana", "Cherry"];
 return (
   <div>
     {/* Method 1: Arrow function */}
      <button onClick={(e) => handleClick("Hello!", e)}>Click me</button>
     {/* Method 2: In a list */}
     {items.map((item, index) => (
        <button key={index} onClick={() => console.log(`Clicked ${item}`)}>
          {item}
        </button>
     ))}
   </div>
 );
}
```

Conditional Rendering

Ternary Operator

Switch-like Conditional Rendering

```
function StatusMessage({ status }) {
 const getStatusMessage = () => {
   switch (status) {
      case "loading":
        return <div>Loading...</div>;
      case "success":
        return <div>Success!</div>;
      case "error":
        return <div>Something went wrong</div>;
        return <div>Unknown status</div>;
   }
 };
 return (
   <div>
      <h1>Status</h1>
      {getStatusMessage()}
   </div>
 );
}
```

Conditional Styling

```
function ConditionalStyling({ isActive, isError }) {
 return (
    <div
      className={`
        button
        ${isActive ? "active" : ""}
        ${isError ? "error" : ""}
      `.trim()}
      style={{
        backgroundColor: isError ? "red" : isActive ? "green" : "gray",
        opacity: isActive ? 1 : 0.5,
      }}
      Button
    </div>
 );
}
```

Lists & Keys

Basic List Rendering

Complex List with Objects

Filtered Lists

```
function FilteredList() {
 const [filter, setFilter] = useState("");
 const items = ["Apple", "Banana", "Cherry", "Date", "Elderberry"];
 const filteredItems = items.filter((item) =>
   item.toLowerCase().includes(filter.toLowerCase())
 );
 return (
   <div>
     <input</pre>
       type="text"
       value={filter}
       onChange={(e) => setFilter(e.target.value)}
       placeholder="Filter items..."
     />
     <l
       {filteredItems.map((item, index) => (
         {item}
       ))}
     </div>
 );
}
```

Keys Best Practices

```
// ☑ Good: Using unique identifier as key
function GoodList({ items }) {
 return (
   <l
     {items.map((item) => (
      {item.name}
     ))}
   );
}
// ☑ Good: Using stable content as key (if no unique id)
function ContentKeyList({ items }) {
 return (
   <l
     {items.map((item) => (
      {item.name}
     ))}
   );
}
```

Forms

Controlled Components

```
function ContactForm() {
  const [formData, setFormData] = useState({
    name: "",
    email: "",
   message: "",
    category: "general",
    subscribe: false,
 });
 const handleInputChange = (e) => {
    const { name, value, type, checked } = e.target;
    setFormData((prev) => ({
      ...prev,
      [name]: type === "checkbox" ? checked : value,
   }));
 };
 const handleSubmit = (e) => {
   e.preventDefault();
   console.log("Form submitted:", formData);
   // Handle form submission
 };
 return (
```

```
<form onSubmit={handleSubmit}>
  <div>
    <label>
      Name:
      <input</pre>
        type="text"
        name="name"
        value={formData.name}
        onChange={handleInputChange}
        required
      />
    </label>
  </div>
  <div>
    <label>
      Email:
      <input</pre>
        type="email"
        name="email"
        value={formData.email}
        onChange={handleInputChange}
        required
      />
    </label>
  </div>
  <div>
    <label>
      Message:
      <textarea
        name="message"
        value={formData.message}
        onChange={handleInputChange}
        rows={4}
      />
    </label>
  </div>
  <div>
    <label>
      Category:
      <select
        name="category"
        value={formData.category}
        onChange={handleInputChange}
        <option value="general">General</option>
        <option value="support">Support</option>
        <option value="feedback">Feedback</option>
      </select>
    </label>
  </div>
```

Form Validation

```
function ValidatedForm() {
 const [formData, setFormData] = useState({
    email: "",
    password: "",
   confirmPassword: "",
  });
 const [errors, setErrors] = useState({});
 const validateForm = () => {
   const newErrors = {};
   // Email validation
   if (!formData.email) {
     newErrors.email = "Email is required";
    } else if (!/\S+@\S+\.\S+/.test(formData.email)) {
      newErrors.email = "Email is invalid";
    }
    // Password validation
   if (!formData.password) {
      newErrors.password = "Password is required";
    } else if (formData.password.length < 6) {</pre>
      newErrors.password = "Password must be at least 6 characters";
    }
    // Confirm password validation
    if (formData.password !== formData.confirmPassword) {
      newErrors.confirmPassword = "Passwords do not match";
    }
    setErrors(newErrors);
    return Object.keys(newErrors).length === 0;
```

```
};
const handleSubmit = (e) => {
  e.preventDefault();
  if (validateForm()) {
    console.log("Form is valid:", formData);
  }
};
const handleChange = (e) => {
  const { name, value } = e.target;
  setFormData((prev) => ({
    ...prev,
    [name]: value,
  }));
  // Clear error when user starts typing
  if (errors[name]) {
    setErrors((prev) => ({
      ...prev,
      [name]: "",
   }));
  }
};
return (
  <form onSubmit={handleSubmit}>
    <div>
      <input</pre>
        type="email"
        name="email"
        value={formData.email}
        onChange={handleChange}
        placeholder="Email"
      {errors.email && <span className="error">{errors.email}</span>}
    </div>
    <div>
      <input</pre>
        type="password"
        name="password"
        value={formData.password}
        onChange={handleChange}
        placeholder="Password"
      {errors.password && <span className="error">{errors.password}</span>}
    </div>
    <div>
      <input</pre>
        type="password"
        name="confirmPassword"
        value={formData.confirmPassword}
```

useEffect Hook

Basic useEffect

useEffect with Dependencies

```
function EffectWithDependencies() {
  const [count, setCount] = useState(0);
  const [name, setName] = useState("");

// Effect runs only when count changes
  useEffect(() => {
    document.title = `Count: ${count}`;
  }, [count]);

// Effect runs only once (component mount)
  useEffect(() => {
```

Cleanup with useEffect

```
function Timer() {
 const [seconds, setSeconds] = useState(∅);
 useEffect(() => {
   const intervalId = setInterval(() => {
      setSeconds((prev) => prev + 1);
   }, 1000);
   // Cleanup function
    return () => {
      clearInterval(intervalId);
 }, []); // Empty dependency array = runs once
 return <div>Timer: {seconds} seconds</div>;
}
function WindowSize() {
 const [windowSize, setWindowSize] = useState({
   width: window.innerWidth,
   height: window.innerHeight,
 });
 useEffect(() => {
   const handleResize = () => {
      setWindowSize({
       width: window.innerWidth,
        height: window.innerHeight,
     });
   };
    window.addEventListener("resize", handleResize);
```

```
// Cleanup
return () => {
    window.removeEventListener("resize", handleResize);
};
}, []);

return (
    <div>
        Window size: {windowSize.width} x {windowSize.height}
        </div>
    );
}
```

Data Fetching with useEffect

```
function UserProfile({ userId }) {
 const [user, setUser] = useState(null);
 const [loading, setLoading] = useState(true);
 const [error, setError] = useState(null);
 useEffect(() => {
   let isCancelled = false;
   const fetchUser = async () => {
     try {
        setLoading(true);
       setError(null);
       const response = await fetch(`/api/users/${userId}`);
       if (!response.ok) {
         throw new Error("User not found");
       }
       const userData = await response.json();
       if (!isCancelled) {
          setUser(userData);
     } catch (err) {
       if (!isCancelled) {
          setError(err.message);
     } finally {
       if (!isCancelled) {
         setLoading(false);
        }
     }
   };
   fetchUser();
```

useContext Hook

Creating and Using Context

```
import { createContext, useContext, useState } from "react";
// Create context
const ThemeContext = createContext();
// Context provider component
function ThemeProvider({ children }) {
 const [theme, setTheme] = useState("light");
 const toggleTheme = () => {
    setTheme((prev) => (prev === "light" ? "dark" : "light"));
 };
 const value = {
   theme,
   toggleTheme,
 };
 return (
    <ThemeContext.Provider value={value}>{children}</ThemeContext.Provider>
 );
}
// Custom hook to use theme context
function useTheme() {
 const context = useContext(ThemeContext);
 if (!context) {
    throw new Error("useTheme must be used within ThemeProvider");
```

```
return context;
}
// Component using context
function Header() {
  const { theme, toggleTheme } = useTheme();
  return (
    <header</pre>
      style={{
        backgroundColor: theme === "light" ? "#fff" : "#333",
        color: theme === "light" ? "#333" : "#fff",
      }}
      <h1>My App</h1>
      <button onClick={toggleTheme}>
        Switch to {theme === "light" ? "dark" : "light"} theme
    </header>
  );
}
// App component
function App() {
  return (
    <ThemeProvider>
      <Header />
      {/* Other components */}
    </ThemeProvider>
  );
}
```

User Authentication Context

```
const AuthContext = createContext();

function AuthProvider({ children }) {
   const [user, setUser] = useState(null);
   const [loading, setLoading] = useState(true);

useEffect(() => {
    // Check if user is logged in
    const token = localStorage.getItem("token");
    if (token) {
        // Validate token and get user data
        fetchUserProfile(token);
    } else {
        setLoading(false);
    }
}, []);
```

```
const login = async (email, password) => {
    try {
      const response = await fetch("/api/login", {
        method: "POST",
        headers: { "Content-Type": "application/json" },
        body: JSON.stringify({ email, password }),
      });
      const data = await response.json();
      if (response.ok) {
       localStorage.setItem("token", data.token);
        setUser(data.user);
        return { success: true };
      } else {
        return { success: false, error: data.message };
    } catch (error) {
      return { success: false, error: "Network error" };
    }
  };
  const logout = () => {
    localStorage.removeItem("token");
    setUser(null);
  };
 const value = {
    user,
    login,
   logout,
    loading,
  };
 return <AuthContext.Provider value={value}>{children}</AuthContext.Provider>;
}
function useAuth() {
 const context = useContext(AuthContext);
  if (!context) {
    throw new Error("useAuth must be used within AuthProvider");
  return context;
}
```

useReducer Hook

Basic useReducer

```
import { useReducer } from "react";
// Reducer function
function counterReducer(state, action) {
  switch (action.type) {
   case "INCREMENT":
     return { count: state.count + 1 };
   case "DECREMENT":
     return { count: state.count - 1 };
   case "RESET":
     return { count: 0 };
   case "SET":
      return { count: action.payload };
   default:
     throw new Error(`Unknown action type: ${action.type}`);
 }
}
function Counter() {
 const [state, dispatch] = useReducer(counterReducer, { count: 0 });
 return (
   <div>
      Count: {state.count}
      <button onClick={() => dispatch({ type: "INCREMENT" })}>Increment
      <button onClick={() => dispatch({ type: "DECREMENT" })}>Decrement/button>
      <button onClick={() => dispatch({ type: "RESET" })}>Reset
      <button onClick={() => dispatch({ type: "SET", payload: 10 })}>
       Set to 10
      </button>
   </div>
 );
}
```

Complex State with useReducer

```
case "TOGGLE_TODO":
      return {
        ...state,
        todos: state.todos.map((todo) =>
         todo.id === action.payload
            ? { ...todo, completed: !todo.completed }
            : todo
        ),
      };
    case "DELETE_TODO":
      return {
       ...state,
       todos: state.todos.filter((todo) => todo.id !== action.payload),
      };
    case "SET_FILTER":
      return {
        ...state,
       filter: action.payload,
      };
    case "CLEAR_COMPLETED":
      return {
        ...state,
       todos: state.todos.filter((todo) => !todo.completed),
      };
    default:
     throw new Error(`Unknown action type: ${action.type}`);
 }
}
function TodoApp() {
 const initialState = {
   todos: [],
   filter: "all", // 'all', 'active', 'completed'
 };
 const [state, dispatch] = useReducer(todoReducer, initialState);
 const [input, setInput] = useState("");
 const addTodo = () => {
   if (input.trim()) {
      dispatch({ type: "ADD_TODO", payload: input });
      setInput("");
   }
 };
 const filteredTodos = state.todos.filter((todo) => {
   if (state.filter === "active") return !todo.completed;
   if (state.filter === "completed") return todo.completed;
   return true;
 });
  return (
    <div>
```

```
<input</pre>
 value={input}
 onChange={(e) => setInput(e.target.value)}
 onKeyPress={(e) => e.key === "Enter" && addTodo()}
<button onClick={addTodo}>Add Todo</button>
<div>
 <button
   onClick={() => dispatch({ type: "SET_FILTER", payload: "all" })}
   style={{ fontWeight: state.filter === "all" ? "bold" : "normal" }}
   All
 </button>
 <button
   onClick={() => dispatch({ type: "SET_FILTER", payload: "active" })}
   style={{ fontWeight: state.filter === "active" ? "bold" : "normal" }}
   Active
  </button>
 <button
   onClick={() => dispatch({ type: "SET_FILTER", payload: "completed" })}
   style={{
     fontWeight: state.filter === "completed" ? "bold" : "normal",
   }}
   Completed
 </button>
</div>
<l
 {filteredTodos.map((todo) => (
    key={todo.id}>
      <span
        style={{
         textDecoration: todo.completed ? "line-through" : "none",
         cursor: "pointer",
        }}
        onClick={() =>
         dispatch({ type: "TOGGLE_TODO", payload: todo.id })
        }
        {todo.text}
      </span>
      <button
        onClick={() =>
         dispatch({ type: "DELETE_TODO", payload: todo.id })
        }
       Delete
      </button>
    ))}
```

Custom Hooks

Basic Custom Hook

```
// Custom hook for local storage
function useLocalStorage(key, initialValue) {
  const [storedValue, setStoredValue] = useState(() => {
   try {
     const item = window.localStorage.getItem(key);
      return item ? JSON.parse(item) : initialValue;
    } catch (error) {
      console.error("Error reading from localStorage:", error);
      return initialValue;
 });
  const setValue = (value) => {
   try {
      const valueToStore =
        value instanceof Function ? value(storedValue) : value;
      setStoredValue(valueToStore);
     window.localStorage.setItem(key, JSON.stringify(valueToStore));
    } catch (error) {
      console.error("Error writing to localStorage:", error);
    }
 };
 return [storedValue, setValue];
}
// Usage
function Settings() {
 const [theme, setTheme] = useLocalStorage("theme", "light");
 const [language, setLanguage] = useLocalStorage("language", "en");
 return (
   <div>
      <button onClick={() => setTheme(theme === "light" ? "dark" : "light")}>
        Theme: {theme}
      </button>
      <select value={language} onChange={(e) => setLanguage(e.target.value)}>
        <option value="en">English</option>
```

Fetch Data Hook

```
function useFetch(url, options = {}) {
 const [data, setData] = useState(null);
 const [loading, setLoading] = useState(true);
 const [error, setError] = useState(null);
 useEffect(() => {
   let isCancelled = false;
   const fetchData = async () => {
     try {
       setLoading(true);
        setError(null);
       const response = await fetch(url, options);
       if (!response.ok) {
         throw new Error(`HTTP error! status: ${response.status}`);
       const result = await response.json();
       if (!isCancelled) {
          setData(result);
       }
     } catch (err) {
        if (!isCancelled) {
          setError(err.message);
     } finally {
       if (!isCancelled) {
         setLoading(false);
     }
   };
   fetchData();
   return () => {
     isCancelled = true;
 }, [url, JSON.stringify(options)]);
 return { data, loading, error };
```

Form Hook

```
function useForm(initialValues, validate) {
  const [values, setValues] = useState(initialValues);
  const [errors, setErrors] = useState({});
  const [touched, setTouched] = useState({});
  const handleChange = (e) => {
    const { name, value, type, checked } = e.target;
    const newValue = type === "checkbox" ? checked : value;
    setValues((prev) => ({
      ...prev,
      [name]: newValue,
    }));
    // Clear error when user starts typing
    if (errors[name]) {
      setErrors((prev) => ({
        ...prev,
        [name]: "",
      }));
    }
  };
  const handleBlur = (e) => {
    const { name } = e.target;
    setTouched((prev) => ({
      ...prev,
      [name]: true,
    }));
    if (validate) {
```

```
const fieldErrors = validate(values);
      setErrors((prev) => ({
        ...prev,
        [name]: fieldErrors[name] || "",
      }));
    }
  };
  const handleSubmit = (onSubmit) => (e) => {
    e.preventDefault();
    if (validate) {
      const formErrors = validate(values);
      setErrors(formErrors);
      if (Object.keys(formErrors).length === 0) {
        onSubmit(values);
      }
    } else {
      onSubmit(values);
    }
  };
  const reset = () => {
   setValues(initialValues);
    setErrors({});
    setTouched({});
  };
  return {
    values,
    errors,
    touched,
    handleChange,
    handleBlur,
    handleSubmit,
    reset,
  };
}
// Usage
function LoginForm() {
  const validate = (values) => {
    const errors = {};
    if (!values.email) {
      errors.email = "Email is required";
    } else if (!/\S+@\S+\.\S+/.test(values.email)) {
      errors.email = "Email is invalid";
    }
    if (!values.password) {
      errors.password = "Password is required";
    } else if (values.password.length < 6) {</pre>
```

```
errors.password = "Password must be at least 6 characters";
  }
  return errors;
};
const {
  values,
  errors,
  touched,
  handleChange,
  handleBlur,
  handleSubmit,
  reset,
} = useForm({ email: "", password: "" }, validate);
const onSubmit = (data) => {
  console.log("Form submitted:", data);
  reset();
};
return (
  <form onSubmit={handleSubmit(onSubmit)}>
    <div>
      <input</pre>
        type="email"
        name="email"
        value={values.email}
        onChange={handleChange}
        onBlur={handleBlur}
        placeholder="Email"
      {touched.email && errors.email && (
        <span className="error">{errors.email}</span>
      )}
    </div>
    <div>
      <input</pre>
        type="password"
        name="password"
        value={values.password}
        onChange={handleChange}
        onBlur={handleBlur}
        placeholder="Password"
      {touched.password && errors.password && (
        <span className="error">{errors.password}</span>
      )}
    </div>
    <button type="submit">Login</button>
  </form>
```

```
);
}
```

Component Lifecycle

Functional Component Lifecycle with Hooks

```
function LifecycleExample() {
 const [count, setCount] = useState(∅);
 // ComponentDidMount equivalent
 useEffect(() => {
   console.log("Component mounted");
   // ComponentWillUnmount equivalent (cleanup)
   return () => {
     console.log("Component will unmount");
   };
 }, []);
 // ComponentDidUpdate equivalent
 useEffect(() => {
   console.log("Component updated, count:", count);
 }, [count]);
 // Combined mount and update
 useEffect(() => {
   console.log("Component mounted or count updated");
 }, [count]);
 return (
   <div>
      Count: {count}
      <button onClick={() => setCount(count + 1)}>Increment/button>
   </div>
 );
```

Class Component Lifecycle (Legacy)

```
class LifecycleClass extends React.Component {
  constructor(props) {
    super(props);
    this.state = { count: 0 };
    console.log("Constructor");
  }
  static getDerivedStateFromProps(props, state) {
```

```
console.log("getDerivedStateFromProps");
  return null; // No state update needed
}
componentDidMount() {
  console.log("Component mounted");
}
shouldComponentUpdate(nextProps, nextState) {
 console.log("shouldComponentUpdate");
 return true; // Always update
}
getSnapshotBeforeUpdate(prevProps, prevState) {
  console.log("getSnapshotBeforeUpdate");
  return null;
}
componentDidUpdate(prevProps, prevState, snapshot) {
  console.log("Component updated");
}
componentWillUnmount() {
  console.log("Component will unmount");
}
render() {
 console.log("Render");
  return (
    <div>
      Count: {this.state.count}
      <button onClick={() => this.setState({ count: this.state.count + 1 })}>
        Increment
      </button>
    </div>
 );
}
```

Error Boundaries

Class-based Error Boundary

```
class ErrorBoundary extends React.Component {
  constructor(props) {
    super(props);
    this.state = { hasError: false, error: null, errorInfo: null };
}

static getDerivedStateFromError(error) {
```

```
// Update state to show error UI
    return { hasError: true };
  }
  componentDidCatch(error, errorInfo) {
    // Log error details
    console.error("Error caught by boundary:", error, errorInfo);
    this.setState({
      error: error,
      errorInfo: errorInfo,
   });
  }
  render() {
    if (this.state.hasError) {
      return (
        <div style={{ padding: "20px", border: "1px solid red" }}>
          <h2>Something went wrong.</h2>
          <details style={{ whiteSpace: "pre-wrap" }}>
            <summary>Error details</summary>
            {this.state.error && this.state.error.toString()}
            <br />
            {this.state.errorInfo.componentStack}
          </details>
          <button
            onClick={() =>
              this.setState({ hasError: false, error: null, errorInfo: null })
            }
            Try again
          </button>
        </div>
      );
    return this.props.children;
  }
}
// Usage
function App() {
  return (
    <ErrorBoundary>
      <Header />
      <Main />
      <Footer />
    </ErrorBoundary>
  );
}
```

Hook-based Error Boundary (with react-error-boundary)

```
// Install: npm install react-error-boundary
import { ErrorBoundary } from "react-error-boundary";
function ErrorFallback({ error, resetErrorBoundary }) {
 return (
   <div role="alert" style={{ padding: "20px", border: "1px solid red" }}>
      <h2>Something went wrong:</h2>
      {error.message}
      <button onClick={resetErrorBoundary}>Try again
    </div>
 );
function MyErrorBoundary({ children }) {
 return (
    <ErrorBoundary</pre>
      FallbackComponent={ErrorFallback}
     onError={(error, errorInfo) => {
        console.error("Error logged:", error, errorInfo);
       // Send to error reporting service
     }}
     onReset={() => {
       // Reset app state if needed
     }}
     {children}
    </ErrorBoundary>
 );
}
```

Performance Optimization

React.memo

```
// Memoize component to prevent unnecessary re-renders
const ExpensiveComponent = React.memo(function ExpensiveComponent({
    name,
    value,
}) {
    console.log("ExpensiveComponent rendered");

// Expensive calculation
    const expensiveValue = useMemo(() => {
        return Array.from({ length: 10000000 }, (_, i) => i).reduce(
            (a, b) => a + b,
            0
        );
    }, []);
```

```
return (
   <div>
      <h3>{name}</h3>
      Value: {value}
      Expensive calculation: {expensiveValue}
   </div>
 );
});
// With custom comparison function
const CustomMemoComponent = React.memo(
 function CustomMemoComponent({ user, posts }) {
   return (
     <div>
       <h3>{user.name}</h3>
        Posts: {posts.length}
     </div>
   );
 },
  (prevProps, nextProps) => {
   // Custom comparison logic
   return (
     prevProps.user.id === nextProps.user.id &&
     prevProps.posts.length === nextProps.posts.length
   );
 }
);
```

useMemo Hook

```
function ExpensiveCalculation({ items, multiplier }) {
 // Memoize expensive calculation
 const expensiveValue = useMemo(() => {
   console.log("Calculating expensive value...");
   return items.reduce((sum, item) => sum + item.value, 0) * multiplier;
 }, [items, multiplier]);
 // Memoize filtered items
 const filteredItems = useMemo(() => {
   console.log("Filtering items...");
   return items.filter((item) => item.active);
 }, [items]);
 return (
   <div>
     Total value: {expensiveValue}
     Active items: {filteredItems.length}
   </div>
 );
}
```

useCallback Hook

```
function TodoList({ todos }) {
 const [filter, setFilter] = useState("all");
 // Memoize callback to prevent child re-renders
 const handleToggle = useCallback((id) => {
   setTodos((prevTodos) =>
      prevTodos.map((todo) =>
        todo.id === id ? { ...todo, completed: !todo.completed } : todo
      )
   );
 }, []);
 const handleDelete = useCallback((id) => {
    setTodos((prevTodos) => prevTodos.filter((todo) => todo.id !== id));
 }, []);
 const filteredTodos = useMemo(() => {
   return todos.filter((todo) => {
      if (filter === "active") return !todo.completed;
      if (filter === "completed") return todo.completed;
      return true;
   });
 }, [todos, filter]);
 return (
    <div>
      <FilterButtons filter={filter} onFilterChange={setFilter} />
      {filteredTodos.map((todo) => (
        <TodoItem
          key={todo.id}
         todo={todo}
          onToggle={handleToggle}
          onDelete={handleDelete}
      ))}
   </div>
 );
const TodoItem = React.memo(({ todo, onToggle, onDelete }) => {
 console.log(`TodoItem ${todo.id} rendered`);
 return (
    <div>
      <span
        onClick={() => onToggle(todo.id)}
        style={{ textDecoration: todo.completed ? "line-through" : "none" }}
        {todo.text}
      </span>
```

Lazy Loading

```
import { lazy, Suspense } from "react";
// Lazy load components
const LazyComponent = lazy(() => import("./LazyComponent"));
const Dashboard = lazy(() => import("./Dashboard"));
const Profile = lazy(() => import("./Profile"));
function App() {
  return (
    <div>
      <Suspense fallback={<div>Loading...</div>}>
        <LazyComponent />
      </Suspense>
      <Suspense fallback={<div>Loading dashboard...</div>}>
        <Dashboard />
      </Suspense>
    </div>
  );
}
// Lazy loading with error boundary
function LazyWithErrorBoundary() {
  return (
    <ErrorBoundary>
      <Suspense fallback={<div>Loading...</div>}>
        <Profile />
      </Suspense>
    </ErrorBoundary>
  );
}
```

Advanced Patterns

Higher-Order Components (HOC)

```
// HOC for authentication
function withAuth(WrappedComponent) {
  return function AuthenticatedComponent(props) {
    const { user, loading } = useAuth();
```

```
if (loading) {
      return <div>Loading...</div>;
    }
    if (!user) {
     return <div>Please log in to access this page.</div>;
    }
    return <WrappedComponent {...props} user={user} />;
 };
}
// Usage
const ProtectedDashboard = withAuth(Dashboard);
// HOC for loading state
function withLoading(WrappedComponent) {
  return function LoadingComponent({ isLoading, ...props }) {
    if (isLoading) {
      return <div>Loading...</div>;
    }
   return <WrappedComponent {...props} />;
 };
}
const UserListWithLoading = withLoading(UserList);
```

Render Props Pattern

```
// Mouse tracker with render props
function MouseTracker({ render }) {
  const [position, setPosition] = useState({ x: 0, y: 0 });
  useEffect(() => {
    const handleMouseMove = (e) => {
      setPosition({ x: e.clientX, y: e.clientY });
    };
    document.addEventListener("mousemove", handleMouseMove);
    return () => {
      document.removeEventListener("mousemove", handleMouseMove);
    };
  }, []);
 return render(position);
}
// Usage
function App() {
```

```
return (
    <div>
      <MouseTracker
         render=\{(\{x, y\}) \Rightarrow (
           <div>
             Mouse position: {x}, {y}
           </div>
        )}
      />
      <MouseTracker
         render=\{(\{x, y\}) \Rightarrow (
           <div
             style={{
               position: "absolute",
               left: x,
               top: y,
               width: 10,
               height: 10,
               backgroundColor: "red",
               borderRadius: "50%",
             }}
           />
         )}
      />
    </div>
  );
}
```

Compound Components Pattern

```
return (
    <button
      className={`tab ${activeTab === index ? "active" : ""}`}
      onClick={() => setActiveTab(index)}
      {children}
    </button>
 );
}
function TabPanels({ children }) {
  return <div className="tab-panels">{children}</div>;
}
function TabPanel({ index, children }) {
  const { activeTab } = useContext(TabsContext);
 if (activeTab !== index) return null;
 return <div className="tab-panel">{children}</div>;
}
// Attach components to main component
Tabs.List = TabList;
Tabs.Tab = Tab;
Tabs.Panels = TabPanels;
Tabs.Panel = TabPanel;
// Usage
function App() {
  return (
    <Tabs defaultTab={0}>
      <Tabs.List>
        <Tabs.Tab index={0}>Tab 1</Tabs.Tab>
        <Tabs.Tab index={1}>Tab 2</Tabs.Tab>
        <Tabs.Tab index={2}>Tab 3</Tabs.Tab>
      </Tabs.List>
      <Tabs.Panels>
        <Tabs.Panel index={0}>Content for Tab 1</Tabs.Panel>
        <Tabs.Panel index={1}>Content for Tab 2</Tabs.Panel>
        <Tabs.Panel index={2}>Content for Tab 3</Tabs.Panel>
      </Tabs.Panels>
    </Tabs>
  );
```

Portal Pattern

```
import { createPortal } from "react-dom";
```

```
function Modal({ isOpen, onClose, children }) {
  if (!isOpen) return null;
 return createPortal(
    <div className="modal-overlay" onClick={onClose}>
      <div className="modal-content" onClick={(e) => e.stopPropagation()}>
        <button className="modal-close" onClick={onClose}>
        </button>
       {children}
      </div>
    </div>,
   document.body
 );
}
// Usage
function App() {
  const [isModalOpen, setIsModalOpen] = useState(false);
 return (
    <div>
      <button onClick={() => setIsModalOpen(true)}>Open Modal
     <Modal isOpen={isModalOpen} onClose={() => setIsModalOpen(false)}>
        <h2>Modal Title</h2>
        Modal content goes here
      </Modal>
    </div>
 );
}
```

Testing

Jest and React Testing Library

```
// Test file: Counter.test.js
import { render, screen, fireEvent } from "@testing-library/react";
import "@testing-library/jest-dom";
import Counter from "./Counter";
describe("Counter Component", () => {
 test("renders initial count", () => {
    render(<Counter initialCount={5} />);
   expect(screen.getByTestId("count")).toHaveTextContent("Count: 5");
 });
 test("increments count when increment button is clicked", () => {
    render(<Counter />);
    const incrementButton = screen.getByText("Increment");
   fireEvent.click(incrementButton);
   expect(screen.getByTestId("count")).toHaveTextContent("Count: 1");
 });
 test("decrements count when decrement button is clicked", () => {
    render(<Counter initialCount={5} />);
    const decrementButton = screen.getByText("Decrement");
   fireEvent.click(decrementButton);
   expect(screen.getByTestId("count")).toHaveTextContent("Count: 4");
 });
 test("resets count when reset button is clicked", () => {
    render(<Counter initialCount={10} />);
    const resetButton = screen.getByText("Reset");
   fireEvent.click(resetButton);
    expect(screen.getByTestId("count")).toHaveTextContent("Count: 0");
 });
});
```

Testing Hooks

```
// Custom hook to test
function useCounter(initialValue = 0) {
  const [count, setCount] = useState(initialValue);

  const increment = () => setCount(count + 1);
  const decrement = () => setCount(count - 1);
  const reset = () => setCount(initialValue);

  return { count, increment, decrement, reset };
}

// Test file: useCounter.test.js
import { renderHook, act } from "@testing-library/react";
```

```
import useCounter from "./useCounter";
describe("useCounter Hook", () => {
 test("should initialize with default value", () => {
   const { result } = renderHook(() => useCounter());
   expect(result.current.count).toBe(∅);
 });
 test("should initialize with provided value", () => {
   const { result } = renderHook(() => useCounter(10));
   expect(result.current.count).toBe(10);
 });
 test("should increment count", () => {
   const { result } = renderHook(() => useCounter());
   act(() => {
     result.current.increment();
   });
   expect(result.current.count).toBe(1);
 });
 test("should decrement count", () => {
   const { result } = renderHook(() => useCounter(5));
   act(() => {
     result.current.decrement();
   });
   expect(result.current.count).toBe(4);
 });
 test("should reset count", () => {
   const { result } = renderHook(() => useCounter(10));
   act(() => {
     result.current.increment();
     result.current.reset();
   });
   expect(result.current.count).toBe(10);
 });
});
```

Testing with Context

```
// Test with context provider
function renderWithTheme(ui, { theme = 'light', ...renderOptions } = {}) {
  function Wrapper({ children }) {
    return (
```

```
<ThemeProvider value={{ theme, toggleTheme: jest.fn() }}>
        {children}
      </ThemeProvider>
   );
 return render(ui, { wrapper: Wrapper, ...renderOptions });
}
test('renders with theme context', () => {
  renderWithTheme(<ThemedComponent />);
  expect(screen.getByTestId('theme')).toHaveTextContent('light');
});
### Mocking Functions and Modules
```jsx
// Mocking fetch or API calls
import { render, screen, waitFor } from '@testing-library/react';
import App from './App';
global.fetch = jest.fn(() =>
 Promise.resolve({
 ok: true,
 json: () => Promise.resolve({ data: 'Hello' })
 })
);
test('fetches and displays data', async () => {
 render(<App />);
 await waitFor(() => expect(screen.getByText('Hello')).toBeInTheDocument());
});
```

## Testing Async Logic

```
import { render, screen, fireEvent, waitFor } from "@testing-library/react";
import AsyncComponent from "./AsyncComponent";

test("shows loading and then data", async () => {
 render(<AsyncComponent />);
 expect(screen.getByText(/loading/i)).toBeInTheDocument();
 await waitFor(() =>
 expect(screen.getByText(/data loaded/i)).toBeInTheDocument()
);
});
```

## Code Coverage

```
With Create React App
npm test -- --coverage
```

```
With Vite + Vitest
npx vitest run --coverage
```

## **Useful Testing Tips**

- Use data-testid for selecting elements when necessary, but prefer queries like getByRole, getByLabelText, or getByText for more robust tests.
- Mock timers with jest.useFakeTimers() for time-based logic.
- Use act() for updates that trigger React state changes outside of user events.
- Clean up after tests with afterEach(cleanup) if not handled automatically.
- Test accessibility: use axe or jest-axe to check for a11y issues.

## **Best Practices**

- 1. Code Organization & Structure
  - Keep components small and focused. Each should do one thing well.
  - Group by feature/folder, not by type.

```
features/
 user/
 UserProfile.jsx
 userAPI.js
 userSlice.js
 product/
 ProductList.jsx
 productAPI.js
components/
Button.jsx
Modal.jsx
utils/
formatDate.js
```

• Use index.js for re-exports to simplify imports.

## 2. Naming Conventions

- Use PascalCase for components, camelCase for functions/variables.
- File names should match the component name: UserProfile.jsx.
- Use clear, descriptive names for props and state.

#### 3. State Management

- Use local state for UI, useContext or state libraries (Redux, Zustand) for global state.
- Avoid prop drilling by using context or composition.

• Keep state as flat as possible; avoid deeply nested objects.

#### 4. Side Effects

- Use useEffect for side effects (fetching, subscriptions, timers).
- Always clean up subscriptions or timers in the cleanup function.
- Avoid unnecessary effects by specifying correct dependencies.

# 5. Performance Optimization

- Use React.memo, useMemo, and useCallback to prevent unnecessary re-renders.
- Lazy load heavy components with React.lazy and Suspense.
- Split code with dynamic imports for faster initial loads.
- Avoid inline functions/objects in props when possible.

## 6. Accessibility (a11y)

- Use semantic HTML elements (<button>, <nav>, <main>, etc.).
- Always provide alt text for images.
- Use labels for form fields and ensure keyboard navigation works.
- Test with screen readers and a11y tools.

# 7. Security

- Never trust user input; always validate and sanitize.
- Avoid dangerouslySetInnerHTML unless absolutely necessary.
- Store sensitive data securely (never in client-side code).
- Use HTTPS and secure cookies for authentication.

## 8. Testing

- Write tests for components, hooks, and utilities.
- Use React Testing Library for user-centric tests.
- Mock APIs and external dependencies.
- Aim for high code coverage, but focus on meaningful tests.

## 9. Code Quality

- Use a linter (ESLint) and formatter (Prettier) for consistent style.
- Use TypeScript or PropTypes for type safety.
- Review code with pull requests and code reviews.
- Document components and utilities with comments or Storybook.

#### 10. Deployment & CI/CD

- Use environment variables for config (never hardcode secrets).
- Automate tests and builds with CI/CD pipelines (GitHub Actions, GitLab CI, etc.).
- Monitor performance and errors in production (Sentry, LogRocket, etc.).

This cheat sheet covers the essentials and advanced topics for React.js development. For more, check the React docs and keep practicing!