

# 32-short-link-app [video](#)

## Setting up Modal Errors

we are now going to handle the error when the user types something that isn't a url

lets go to AddLink.js

lets create another state property - by default it will be empty string

```
import React from 'react';
import Modal from 'react-modal';
import { Meteor } from 'meteor/meteor';

export default class AddLink extends React.Component{
  constructor(props){
    super(props);
    this.state = {
      url: '',
      isOpen: false,
      error: ''
    }
  }
}
```

- first in the onSubmit method we are going to remove the if statement, not the code inside but just the if statement

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onSubmit(e){
  const { url } = this.state
  e.preventDefault();
  Meteor.call('links.insert', url, (err, res)=>{
    if(!err){
      this.setState({url:'', isOpen: false});
    }
  });
}

```

- **lets** add an else clause
- and setState to error to err.reason
- and we are also going to clean it up if there is no error in the if statement
- and are also going to clear up the error when someone cancels
- and finally we are going to render the err.reason by using a paragraph
- lets also change the <p>Add Link</p> to an h1

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      }else{
        this.setState({error: err.reason});
      }
    }
  }

```

```

    });
  }
  onChange(e){
    this.setState({
      url: e.target.value
    })
  }

  render(){
    return(
      <div>
        <button onClick={() => this.setState({isOpen: true})}>+ Add Link</button>
        <Modal isOpen={this.state.isOpen} contentLabel="Add link">
          <h1>Add Link</h1>
          {this.state.error ? <p>{this.state.error}</p> : undefined }
          <form onSubmit={this.onSubmit.bind(this)}>
            <input type="text" placeholder="URL" value={this.state.url} onChange={this.onChange.bind(this)} />
            <button>Add Link</button>
          </form>
          <button onClick={() => {
            this.setState({isOpen: false, url: '', error: ''});
          }}>Cancel</button>
        </Modal>
      </div>
    );
  }
}

```

- to test it go to your browser and add a new link by not typing anything in the text field
- you should see a message above - *Your link must be a valid URL*
- we are going to do a technique where when the user hits the +add link the text field will automatically focus
- and we are going to be using a Modal property for this onAfterOpen
- and we also need to add the ref property to the input text field so we can reference it

```

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        <button onClick={() => this.setState({isOpen: true})}>+ Add Link</button>

        <Modal isOpen={this.state.isOpen} contentLabel="Add link" onAfterOpen=
        {()=>this.refs.url.focus()}>

            <h1>Add Link</h1>

            {this.state.error ? <p>{this.state.error}</p> : undefined }

            <form onSubmit={this.onSubmit.bind(this)}>

                <input ref="url" type="text" placeholder="URL" value={this.state.url} on
Change={this.onChange.bind(this)}>/>

                <button>Add Link</button>

            </form>

            <button onClick={() =>{

                this.setState({isOpen: false, url: '', error: ''});

            }}>Cancel</button>

        </Modal>

    </div>

    );

}

}

```

- now another feature we want is when the modal is open when clicking outside of it we want the modal close
- and modal has a property for this onRequestClose
- lets define the method first

```

    this.setState({
        url: e.target.value
    })
}

handleModalClose(){
    this.setState({isOpen: false, url: '', error: ''});
}

render(){
    return(
        <div>

            <button onClick={() => this.setState({isOpen: true})}>+ Add Link</button>

            <Modal isOpen={this.state.isOpen} contentLabel="Add link" onAfterOpen=

```

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{()=>this.refs.url.focus()}>
    <h1>Add Link</h1>
```

- and we can use this function in a couple places where its needed

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        {()=>this.refs.url.focus()}
          onRequestClose={this.handleModalClose.bind(this)}>
            <h1>Add Link</h1>
            {this.state.error ? <p>{this.state.error}</p> : undefined }
            <form onSubmit={this.onSubmit.bind(this)}>
              <input ref="url" type="text" placeholder="URL" value={this.state.url} on
Change={this.onChange.bind(this)}>
              <button>Add Link</button>
            </form>
            <button onClick={this.handleModalClose.bind(this)}>Cancel</button>
          </Modal>
        </div>
      );
    }
  }
}

```

- now we are going to add an anchor tag to our links
- lets go to LinksListItem
- we are going to be using the href attribute and the target attribute in our <a> tags

```

import React from 'react';
import Clipboard from 'clipboard';
import { Meteor } from 'meteor/meteor';
import moment from 'moment';

export default class LinksListItem extends React.Component{

  constructor(props){
    super(props);
    this.state = {

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        justCopied : false
    }
}

componentDidMount(){
    this.clipboard = new Clipboard(this.refs.copy);
    this.clipboard.on('success', ()=>{
        this.setState({justCopied: true})
        setTimeout(()=>{
            this.setState({justCopied: false});
        },1000);
    }).on('error', ()=>{
        alert('please copy the link manually');
    });
}

componentWillUnmount(){
    this.clipboard.destroy();
}

renderStats(){
    const visitMessage = this.props.visitedCount === 1 ? 'visit' : 'visits';
    let visitedMessage = null;
    const momentNow = moment(this.props.lastVisitedAt);

    if(typeof this.props.lastVisitedAt === 'number'){
        visitedMessage = `(visited ${momentNow.fromNow()})`;
    }

    return <p>{this.props.visitedCount} {visitMessage} {visitedMessage}</p>
}

render(){
    return(
        <div>
            <p>{this.props.url}</p>
            <p>{this.props.shortUrl}</p>
            <p>{this.props.visible.toString()}</p>
            {this.renderStats()}
        </div>
    )
}

```

```

    <a href={this.props.shortUrl} target= "_blank">
      Visit
    </a>

    <button ref="copy" data-clipboard-text={this.props.shortUrl}>
      {this.state.justCopied ? 'Copied' : 'Copy'}
    </button>

    <button onClick={()=>{
      Meteor.call('links.setVisibility', this.props._id, !this.props.visible);
    }}>{this.props.visible ? 'Hide' : 'Unhide'}</button>
  </div>
)
}
}

LinksListItem.propTypes = {
  _id: React.PropTypes.string.isRequired,
  url: React.PropTypes.string.isRequired,
  userId: React.PropTypes.string.isRequired,
  visible: React.PropTypes.bool.isRequired,
  shortUrl: React.PropTypes.string.isRequired,
  visitedCount: React.PropTypes.number.isRequired,
  lastVisitedAt: React.PropTypes.number
}

```

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