Components, Props, and State (React Native)

Lesson 2

Installing

npx create-expo-app@latest YourAppName

cd YourAppName

npx expo start

Or

Npm run web

Npm run android/ios

npx expo start -c

Lesson Objectives

- Understand what components are
- Pass data using props
- Manage dynamic data using state
- Build a simple interactive screen

What is a Component?

A component is a reusable piece of UI.

Think of components as functions that return UI

Examples:

Button

Header

Card

Screen

Functional Components (Modern, Recommended)

```
function Hello() {
  return <Text>Hello!</Text>;
}
```

```
const Hello = () => {
  return <Text>Hello!</Text>;
};
```

Component Rules (Important!)

- Component name must start with a capital letter
- Must return one root element
- Can be reused multiple times

Example: Simple Component

```
import { View, Text } from 'react-native';

export default function App() {
  return (
    <View>
      <Text>Welcome to React Native</Text>
    </View>
  );
}
```

Why Reusable Components?

- Less duplicated code
- Cleaner structure
- Easier to maintain

Recommended Folder Structure (Real Projects)

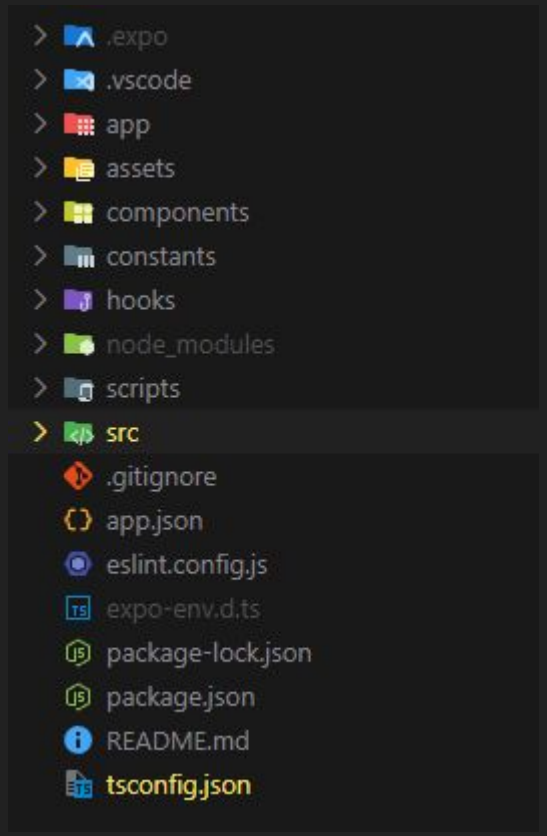
src/

- components/
- screens/
- navigation/
- services/
- hooks/
- utils/ (md folder1)

Question

The required folder are already created

Whats the point of moving them to “SRC” folder?



The real reason src/ exists

`src/` is meant to say:

> “Everything that is application code lives here.”

```
root/
  components/
  assets/
  hooks/
  constants/
```

```
root/
  src/
    components/
    assets/
    hooks/
    constants/
```

Why keeping app code in root becomes messy later

Now app code is mixed with:

build configs

CI scripts

platform files

That’s where src/ saves your sanity.

Move everything into src/ (recommended)

```
root/
  src/
    components/
    assets/
    hooks/
    constants/
    screens/
    navigation/
  App.tsx
```

How to Move it?

Custom Component

components/Greeting.js

```
import { Text } from 'react-native';

export default function Greeting() {
  return <Text>Hello Student!</Text>;
}
```

```
import Greeting from './components/Greeting';

<Greeting />
```

Props (Passing Data to Components)

Props = properties

They allow you to pass data from parent to child components

Props are read-only

Props Example

```
function Greeting(props) {
  return <Text>Hello {props.name}</Text>;
}
```

```
<Greeting name="Nasirdin" />
```

Props with Destructuring (Recommended)

Props destructuring in React is an ES6 technique that extracts specific properties directly from the props object within component function parameters, reducing props.

```
function Greeting({ name }) {
  return <Text>Hello {name}</Text>;
}
```

Passing Multiple Props

```
<Greetings name="Makhabat"  course="Elective"/>
```

```
function Greeting({ name, course }) {
  return <Text>{name} studies {course}</Text>;
}
```

State (Dynamic Data)

State is data that:

- Changes over time
- Affects what is shown on the screen

Examples:

- Counter value
- Input text
- Logged-in user