

# react-simple-wysiwyg



Simple and lightweight React WYSIWYG editor. **Demo**.

# **Description**



Key features:

• pretty small (~9kb, ~4kb gzipped)

- fast
- simple to configure
- simple to extend
- support automatic LTR and RTL text direction switching for Arabic languages

Of course, it's not so powerful as other complex editors. It DOES NOT:

- X change HTML generated by a browser (sometimes it can be dirty)
- X sanitize HTML (you can use sanitize-html)
- X contain advanced features as others (like table editor, image editor and so on)
- X support old browsers (IE 11 is minimal)

If you need a more powerful solution for React, you'd better take a look at more powerful editors like Slate.js, Tiptap, CKEditor, TinyMCE, Quill or Summernote and so on.

## **Usage**

```
1. Install with npm:
    npm install react-simple-wysiwyg

or CDN (unpkg.com)
    <script src="//unpkg.com/react-simple-wysiwyg"></script>
2. Use the component

import { useState } from 'react';
import Editor from 'react-simple-wysiwyg';

function App() {
    const [html, setHtml] = useState('my <b>HTML</b>');
    function onChange(e) {
        setHtml(e.target.value);
    }
}
```

```
return (
     <Editor value={html} onChange={onChange} />
);
}
```

#### **Component Props**

Generally, all props as well as a ref are passed to the content editable element, which is a div element. It also supports a few additional properties to act like an input element:

- autoFocus
- **disabled** for read-only mode
- name for onChange event
- placeholder
- tagName 'div' ny default
- value

You can also set the root container props using container Props property.

#### **Custom toolbar**

```
import { useState } from 'react';
import Editor, {
   BtnBold,
   BtnItalic,
   Toolbar
} from 'react-simple-wysiwyg';

export default function CustomEditor() {
   const [value, setValue] = useState('simple text');
   function onChange(e) {
      setValue(e.target.value);
   }

   return (
```

Check **DefaultEditor.tsx** for details.

#### **Custom buttons**

This library contains only a basic set of buttons, but it can be extended easily. Check buttons.ts and dropdowns.ts for example. Most of the buttons use document.execCommand. You can find a list of all available commands there. This API is deprecated, but there is still no alternative and there are no plans to remove it from browsers. Most of the popular WYSIWYG editors continue using it.

#### Editor style and size

By default, it fills the whole width of the parent element, and the height depends on a content height. It could be customized easily. The root element of the editor has rsweditor css class, so you could use it in your styles.

Also, you can pass containerProps to customize editor appearance. Here's an example how make the editor resizable:

```
<Editor
  containerProps={{ style: { resize: 'vertical' } }}
  value={html}
  onChange={onChange}
/>
```

All css classes are consistent, so feel free to use these names in your css:

```
    rsw-editor (root container)
    rsw-ce (editable area)
    rsw-toolbar

            rsw-btn
            rsw-separator
            rsw-dd (drop down list)
```

## **Troubleshooting**

Style issues: no list item bullets, wrong link styles and so on

```
#31, #44, #45
```

RSW editor doesn't isolate its styles from the parent styles. It's a pretty common case when you use a global reset or normalize styles which remove bullets or numbers for lists. To fix that, you should redefine these styles again:

```
.rsw-ce ul {
   list-style: disc;
   padding-left: 2em;
}

.rsw-ce ol {
   list-style: decimal;
   padding-left: 2em;
}
```

### Insert a link which target="\_blank"

**#55**. Also, it's a good example of inserting a custom HTML element.

## **Credits**

- Based on lovasoa/react-contenteditable
- Uses Material Design Icons

### **Keywords**

```
react wysiwyg editor rich text
```

#### Install

```
> npm i react-simple-wysiwyg
```

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