

# React Hooks Cheat Sheet

## 1. useState

Allows you to add state to a functional component. It returns a stateful value and a function to update it. Each call to `setState` causes the component to re-render with the new state.

Example:

```
const [count, setCount] = useState(0);
```

```
<button onClick={() => setCount(count + 1)}>Increment</button>
```

## 2. useEffect

Performs side effects in function components. Runs after the render and can be used for data fetching, DOM updates, subscriptions, etc. The dependency array controls when it runs.

Example:

```
useEffect(() => {  
  console.log("Component mounted or count changed");  
}, [count]);
```

## 3. useRef

Returns a mutable ref object whose `.current` property is initialized to the passed argument. Useful to persist values across renders without causing re-renders.

Example:

```
const inputRef = useRef(null);
```

```
<input ref={inputRef} />  
<button onClick={() => inputRef.current.focus()}>Focus</button>
```

## 4. useMemo

Memoizes the result of an expensive computation and only recomputes when dependencies change. Helps optimize performance by avoiding unnecessary recalculations.

Example:

```
const expensiveValue = useMemo(() => {  
  return computeHeavyValue(num);  
}, [num]);
```

## 5. useCallback

Returns a memoized callback function that only changes if dependencies change. Useful for passing stable

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functions to child components.

Example:

```
const handleClick = useCallback(() => {  
  console.log("Clicked");  
}, []);
```

## 6. useContext

Allows you to consume a React context directly in a functional component without needing a `<Context.Consumer>`.

Example:

```
const value = useContext(MyContext);
```

## 7. useReducer

An alternative to `useState` for managing complex state logic. It accepts a reducer function and an initial state, and returns the current state paired with a dispatch method.

Example:

```
const [state, dispatch] = useReducer(reducer, initialState);
```

```
function reducer(state, action) {  
  switch(action.type) {  
    case "increment": return { count: state.count + 1 };  
    default: return state;  
  }  
}
```

## 8. useEffect

Similar to `useEffect`, but it fires synchronously after all DOM mutations. Use it when you need to read layout from the DOM and re-render synchronously.

Example:

```
useLayoutEffect(() => {  
  console.log("DOM updated");  
}, []);
```

## 9. useImperativeHandle

Customizes the instance value exposed when using `ref`. Typically used with `forwardRef` to expose specific methods or properties.

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Example:

```
useImperativeHandle(ref, () => ({  
  focus: () => inputRef.current.focus()  
}));
```

## 10. useDebugValue

Used to display a label for custom hooks in React DevTools. It doesn't affect app behavior.

Example:

```
useDebugValue(user ? "Logged In" : "Logged Out");
```

## 11. Custom Hooks

Custom hooks are JavaScript functions whose names start with 'use'. They can call other hooks and allow you to extract component logic into reusable functions.

Example:

```
function useCounter(initialValue) {  
  const [count, setCount] = useState(initialValue);  
  const increment = () => setCount(c => c + 1);  
  return { count, increment };  
}
```