

# Next.js Link examples

1. Link components, use of 'replace' inside key Link
  2. Give different type of example (like dynamic link, dynamic link using props, click, etc)
- For the Next.js 15 in typescripts (.tsx)

Here's a clear and practical explanation on how to use `<Link>` in **Next.js 15** with **TypeScript** ( `.tsx` ), especially around the `replace` prop, dynamic routing, and different use cases like props and click handlers.

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## ✅ 1. Basic Link with `replace` prop

In Next.js, the `replace` prop on a `<Link>` component prevents adding a new entry in the browser's history stack. Instead, it replaces the current entry.

```
tsx

// pages/index.tsx
import Link from 'next/link';

export default function Home() {
  return (
    <div>
      <h1>Home Page</h1>
      <Link href="/about" replace>
        <button>Go to About (Replace history)</button>
      </Link>
    </div>
  );
}
```

- ◆ When the user clicks this link, they will go to `/about` , but pressing the back button won't return them to `/` .
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## ✅ 2. Dynamic Link (using dynamic route)

Suppose you have a dynamic route like this:

```
bash
```

```
/pages/post/[id].tsx
```

Then you can navigate to a post dynamically like this:

```
tsx
```

```
// pages/index.tsx
```

```
import Link from 'next/link';
```

```
export default function Home() {
```

```
  return (
```

```
    <div>
```

```
      <h1>Posts</h1>
```

```
      <Link href="/post/123">Go to Post 123</Link>
```

```
    </div>
```

```
  );
```

```
}
```

And the dynamic route:

```
tsx
```

```
// pages/post/[id].tsx
```

```
import { useRouter } from 'next/router';
```

```
export default function PostPage() {
```

```
  const router = useRouter();
```

```
  const { id } = router.query;
```

```
  return <div>Post ID: {id}</div>;
```

```
}
```

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### ✓ 3. Dynamic Link Using Props

You can make a reusable component that takes a dynamic route via props:

```
tsx
```

```
// components/PostLink.tsx
```

```
import Link from 'next/link';
```

```
interface PostLinkProps {
  postId: string;
}

export const PostLink: React.FC<PostLinkProps> = ({ postId }) => {
  return <Link href={`/post/${postId}`}>View Post {postId}</Link>;
};
```

Usage:

```
tsx

// pages/index.tsx
import { PostLink } from '@components/PostLink';

export default function Home() {
  return (
    <div>
      <PostLink postId="456" />
    </div>
  );
}
```

#### ✓ 4. Link navigation via click (using `router.push`)

Sometimes, you might want to navigate programmatically on a button click.

```
tsx

// pages/index.tsx
'use client';

import { useRouter } from 'next/navigation';

export default function Home() {
  const router = useRouter();

  const handleClick = () => {
    router.push('/about');
    // Or: router.replace('/about'); // for replacing history
  };
}
```

```
};

return <button onClick={handleClick}>Go to About Page</button>;
}
```

## Summary Table

Use Case	Code Snippet
Basic link	<code>&lt;Link href="/about"&gt;About&lt;/Link&gt;</code>
With <code>replace</code>	<code>&lt;Link href="/about" replace&gt;About&lt;/Link&gt;</code>
Dynamic route	<code>&lt;Link href="/post/123"&gt;Post 123&lt;/Link&gt;</code>
Dynamic via props	<code>&lt;PostLink postId="456" /&gt;</code>
Programmatic onClick navigation	<code>router.push( '/about ' )</code>

Let me know if you want examples using `searchParams` or `query strings` too.

How does 'replace' exactly works?

Great question.

 **How `replace` works in Next.js `<Link>` or `router.replace`**

 **What is `replace` ?**

In Next.js (and also in browsers in general), navigation usually **adds a new entry** to the browser's **history stack**. This means that when users press the **Back** button, they can return to the previous page.

But when you use the `replace` prop (or `router.replace()`), it **replaces the current entry** in the history instead of adding a new one.

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## Example to Understand

tsx

```
<Link href="/about" replace>  
  Go to About  
</Link>
```

or

tsx

```
router.replace('/about');
```

## What happens:

- Current URL: `/home`
- You click the link to `/about` with `replace`
- Now you're on `/about`
- BUT: The browser **replaces** the `/home` entry with `/about`
- So if you now press the Back button, you **won't** go back to `/home`, because it's gone from the history stack

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## Browser History Analogy

Imagine browser history as a stack (like a deck of cards):

Action	History Stack
Start at <code>/home</code>	<code>/home</code>
Click Link to <code>/about</code>	<code>/home</code> → <code>/about</code>

Action	History Stack
Click Back	✓ Back to /home

Now with `replace` :

Action	History Stack
Start at /home	/home
Click Link to /about (replace)	/about (replaces /home )
Click Back	✗ Nothing happens (no /home anymore)

### 💡 When to Use `replace`

Use `replace` when:

- You **don't want** the user to go back to the previous page (e.g., after login).
- You're doing redirects and want to keep history clean.
- You're stepping through a multi-step process and want to prevent backtracking.

### ✓ Examples

tsx

```
<Link href="/dashboard" replace>
  Go to Dashboard
</Link>
```

tsx

```
const router = useRouter();
router.replace('/success');
```

Let me know if you want to see this in action or combine `replace` with `query` `params` or search filters.