

HANDLING EVENTS IN REACT

Event handlers in React are functions you write to respond to user interactions. From form submissions to mouse movements, event handlers help you manage how your application responds to user input.

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- This provides consistency and ensures that the event handlers work the same way across browsers.

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3   return (
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5       <input type="email" placeholder="Enter your email" />
6       <input type="password" placeholder="Enter your password"/>
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5   const [email, setEmail] = useState('');
6   const [password, setPassword] = useState('');
7   const submitForm = (ev: SyntheticEvent) => {
8     ev.preventDefault();
9     const target = ev.target as HTMLFormElement;
10    console.log(target, {
11      email,
12      password
13    });
14  }
15  return (
16    <form className="flex flex-col gap-4" onSubmit={submitForm}>
17      <input onChange={(ev) => {
18        setEmail(ev.target.value);
19      }} value={email} type="email" placeholder="Enter your email" />
20      <input onChange={(ev) => {
21        setPassword(ev.target.value);
22      }} value={password} type="password" placeholder="Enter your password"/>
23      <button>Submit</button>
24    </form>
25  )
26 }
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ONE SMALL PITFALL WHEN BINDING EVENTS

When we want to use **this** inside our event handlers, for example, in case of Class components, we have to bind the event in a different way

EVENT BINDING IN CLASS COMPONENTS

```
1 import React, { SyntheticEvent } from "react";
2
3 class LoginClassForm extends React.Component {
4   submitForm(ev: SyntheticEvent) {
5     ev.preventDefault();
6     const target = ev.target as HTMLFormElement;
7     console.log(target, this.state);
8   }
9
10  render(): React.ReactNode {
11    return <form className="flex flex-col gap-4" onSubmit={this.submitForm}>
12      <input on type="email" placeholder="Enter your email" />
13      <input type="password" placeholder="Enter your password"/>
14      <button>Submit</button>
15    </form>
16  }
17 }
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4   state = {
5     email: '',
6     password: ''
7   }
8   submitForm(ev: SyntheticEvent) {
9     ev.preventDefault();
10    const target = ev.target as HTMLFormElement;
11    console.log(target, this.state);
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14          email: ev.target.value,
15        })
16      }} type="email" placeholder="Enter your email" />
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Sometimes we want to also pass parameters to our handler functions, how do we do that?

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2  const deleteItem = () => {
3    // which item should we delete? How to know that?
4    setTodos(todos);
5  }
6  return (
7    <ul>
8      {todos.map((todoItem) => {
9        return <li onClick={deleteItem} key={todoItem.id}>
10         {todoItem.text}
11       </li>
12     })}
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1  ...
2  const deleteItem = (itemId: number) => {
3    // which item should we delete? How to know that?
4    setTodos(todos.filter(itemEl => {
5      return itemEl.id !== itemId
6    }));
7  }
8  return (
9    <ul>
10      {todos.map((todoItem) => {
11        return <li onClick={() => {
12          deleteItem(todoItem.id)
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