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Understand the purpose
and benefits of React

Why React?

What is it about React that makes it worth learning?

Why React?

React is an open-source, front-end JavaScript library.

Why React?

React uses modular components to increase code reuse.

Why React?

React applications are
written in JavaScript.

Why React?

React has been around long enough to be stable and has an active ecosystem.

React has recently undergone
some important changes.



1.2

Create and run a React app

React Boilerplate Generators

Setting up a React app from scratch takes time, so we generally run a script that sets it all up for us.

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Getting Started

Create React App is an officially supported way to create single-page React applications. It offers a modern build setup with no configuration.

Quick Start

```
npx create-react-app my-app
cd my-app
npm start
```

If you've previously installed `create-react-app` globally via `npm install -g create-react-app`, we recommend you uninstall the package using `npm uninstall -g create-react-app` to ensure that `npx` always uses the latest version.

(`npx` comes with `npm 5.2+` and higher, see [instructions for older npm versions](#))

Then open <http://localhost:3000/> to see your app.

Quick Start

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Creating an App

[npx](#)[npm](#)[Yarn](#)[Selecting a template](#)[Selecting a package manager](#)

Output

Scripts

[npm start](#) or [yarn start](#)[npm test](#) or [yarn test](#)[npm run build](#) or [yarn build](#)

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Create React components

React Components

Components are React's main units of organization.

Item 1

Item 2

Item 3

New todo...

Submit

Item 1

Item 2

Item 3

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3.2

Use URL parameters and query parameters

URL and Query Parameters

URL and query parameters are extra information about the page, contained in the URL.

URL Parameters

URL parameters are found as segments of the URL path.

URL Parameters

`https://www.linkedin.com/in/shaun-wassell/`

Query Parameters

Query parameters are like URL parameters, but in a different part of the URL.

Query Parameters

`www.google.com/search?q=tallest+building+in+the+world`

Query Parameters

`www.amazon.com/search?q=hats&price_max=20&color=green`



4.1

Create and manage forms in React

Forms are an integral part of many React applications.

Two Main Form Methodologies

Controlled vs. Uncontrolled

Controlled Forms

The state of our form
is explicitly tracked.

Uncontrolled Forms

We let the DOM handle all the form's functionality.



4.3 Load data and make requests in React

Loading Data & Making Requests

You can choose whichever request library you're most comfortable with.

“Fetch” API

```
const response = await fetch('...');
```


“Fetch” API

```
const response = await fetch('...');  
const data = await response.json();
```



5.1 Differentiate between functional and class-based components

Class-Based Components

React components used to
look a lot different.

Class-based components are
no longer recommended,
they have been replaced
by functional components.

Disclaimer

Do not use class-based components.



5.3 Use Lifecycle Events in class-based components

Lifecycle Methods

Unlike functional components, class-based components provide several lifecycle methods.

Remember, don't use
class-based components!



6.1 Understand the difference between inheritance and composition

Use composition instead of
inheritance

Inheritance is where we have a more general class, and create “subclasses” with more specific behavior

Inheritance

```
class Vehicle
```

Inheritance

```
class Vehicle  
    ↓  
class Car extends Vehicle
```

Inheritance

```
class Vehicle
    ↓
class Car extends Vehicle
    ↓
class SUV extends Car
```

Inheritance

```
class Vehicle
    ↓
class Car extends Vehicle
    ↓
class SUV extends Car
    ↓
ElectricSUV  HybridSUV  DieselSUV...
```

Don't use inheritance with
React components

Inheritance

At Facebook, we use React in thousands of components, and we haven't found any use cases where we would recommend creating component inheritance hierarchies.

Composition

Instead of a component hierarchy,
composition involves combining a
number of smaller pieces in different
ways



7.4 Learn About Other Boilerplate and Framework Options

Other Boilerplate and Frameworks

Create-React-App is the most common option, but there are many others