

Next.js - Dynamic Routing

In Next.js, we can create routes dynamically. In this example, we'll create pages on the fly and their routing.

- **Step 1. Define [id].js file** – [id].js represents the dynamic page where id will be relative path. Define this file in pages/post directory.
- **Step 2. Define lib/posts.js** – posts.js represents the ids and contents. lib directory is to be created in root directory.

[id].js

Update [id].js file with `getStaticPaths()` method which sets the paths and `getStaticProps()` method to get the contents based on id.

```
import Link from 'next/link'
import Head from 'next/head'
import Container from '../components/container'

import { getAllPostIds, getPostData } from '../lib/posts'

export default function Post({ postData }) {
  return (
    <Container>
      {postData.id}
      <br />
      {postData.title}
      <br />
      {postData.date}
    </Container>
  )
}

export async function getStaticPaths() {
  const paths = getAllPostIds()
  return {
    paths,
    fallback: false
  }
}

export async function getStaticProps({ params }) {
  const postData = getPostData(params.id)
```

```
..... return {  
.....   props: {  
.....     postData  
.....   }  
..... }  
..... }  
..... }
```

posts.js

posts.js contains getAllPostIds() to get the ids and getPostData() to get corresponding contents.

```
export function getPostData(id) {  
  .. const postOne = {  
  ..   title: 'One',  
  ..   id: 1,  
  ..   date: '7/12/2020'  
  .. }  
  
  .. const postTwo = {  
  ..   title: 'Two',  
  ..   id: 2,  
  ..   date: '7/12/2020'  
  .. }  
  .. if(id == 'one'){  
  ..   return postOne;  
  .. }else if(id == 'two'){  
  ..   return postTwo;  
  .. }  
  .. }  
  .. }  
  
export function getAllPostIds() {  
  .. return [{  
  ..   params: {  
  ..     id: 'one'  
  ..   }  
  .. },  
  .. {  
  ..   params: {  
  ..     id: 'two'  
  ..   }  
  .. }  
  .. ];  
  .. }
```

Start Next.js Server

Run the following command to start the server –.

```
npm run dev
> nextjs@1.0.0 dev \Node\nextjs
> next

ready - started server on http://localhost:3000
event - compiled successfully
event - build page: /
wait   - compiling...
event - compiled successfully
event - build page: /next/dist/pages/_error
wait   - compiling...
event - compiled successfully
```

Verify Output

Open localhost:3000/posts/one in a browser and you will see the following output.



Open localhost:3000/posts/two in a browser and you will see the following output.

