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# CHAPTER 1

## Render large list with FlatList

### 1.1. Video: Rendering large lists using FlatList component

#### 1.1.1. Why FlatList?

- While ScrollView provides a very useful functionality, it does also introduce the issue of slow rendering times for large lists.
- FlatList is another approach that can enable faster performance.
- Rendering time with FlatList is not affected by large lists.
- For example, using ScrollView with text and images can take a lot of time waiting for rendering because users have to wait for all these images to load before they can experience the app.

#### 1.1.2. FlatList - Lazy rendering

- Instead of rendering the items all at once, FlatList renders as the items appear.
- Items are only rendered when they are about to appear on the screen and are removed when the user scrolls away from them.
- Result in faster rendering and superior performance.
- **Practice Question:** The FlatList component uses lazy rendering of component items. Which of the following are characteristics of lazy rendering? Choose all that apply. → Items are rendered as the user encounters them in the app, Rendered items are removed when the user scrolls away from them.

### 1.1.3. Syntax for FlatList

- Basic use:

```
<FlatList
  data={items}
  renderItem={renderItem}
/>
```

- Props:

```
renderItem({ item, index, separators })
```

- item: single from array.
- index: unique index from the data array.
- separators: optional, highlight or unhighlight items.

## 1.2. Video: Using the FlatList component

- How to use:

```
<FlatList
  data={menuItemsToDisplay}
  renderItem={renderItem}
/>
```

- Props:

```
// Array of item
menuItemsToDisplay;

// Return a HTML tag, custom tag in this case
const renderItem = ({ item }) => {
  return <Item name={item.name} />
}
```

- **Practice Question:** Which properties are required when using the `FlatList` component?  
Select all that apply. → `RenderItem`, `Data`

### 1.3. Reading: Explore the `FlatList` Component

This part is to practice using `FlatList` as the same above part's work.

### 1.4. Reading: Exercise: Render a large list using `FlatList`

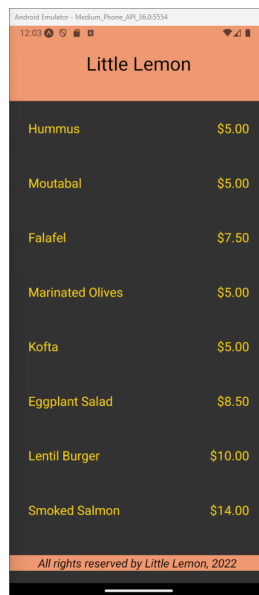


Figure 1.1: Exercise: Render a large list using `FlatList`



## 1.5. Self review: Render a large list using FlatList

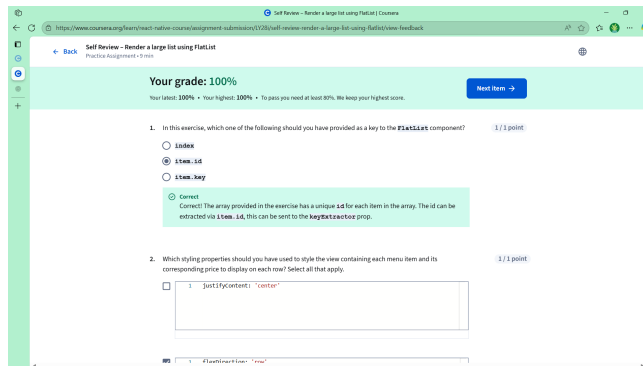


Figure 1.2: Self review: Render a large list using FlatList

## 1.6. Video: FlatList Methods

### 1.6.1. keyExtractor

- Using `keyExtractor` for caching and as the react key to track item recording.
- Using at the same as using `map()` in react, we need to pass a key props.

### 1.6.2. ItemSeparatorComponent

- Using:

```
const Separator = () => <View
  style={menuItemsStyle.separator} />

<FlatList
  data={menuItemsToDisplay}
  keyExtractor={(item) => item.id}
  renderItem={renderItem}
  ItemSeparatorComponent={Separator}
/>
```

### 1.6.3. ListHeaderComponent

- Using:

```
const Header = () => <Text
  style={menuItemsStyle.headerText}>View Menu</Text>

<FlatList
  data={menuItemsToDisplay}
  keyExtractor={(item) => item.id}
  renderItem={renderItem}
  ItemSeparatorComponent={Seperator}
  ListHeaderComponent={Header}
/>
```

- **Practice Question:** In your app, you have written a header component, and then rendered that component inside of `FlatList` and passed it to the `ListHeaderComponent` prop. When the user scrolls through the list in the app, this header will remain fixed in place. True or false? → False

### 1.6.4. ListFooterComponent

- Using:

```
const Footer = () => <Text
  style={menuItemsStyle.footerText}>Footer</Text>

<FlatList
  data={menuItemsToDisplay}
  keyExtractor={(item) => item.id}
  renderItem={renderItem}
  ItemSeparatorComponent={Seperator}
  ListHeaderComponent={Header}
  ListFooterComponent={Footer}
/>
```

## 1.7. Practice Assignment: Knowledge Check: Render large lists with FlatList

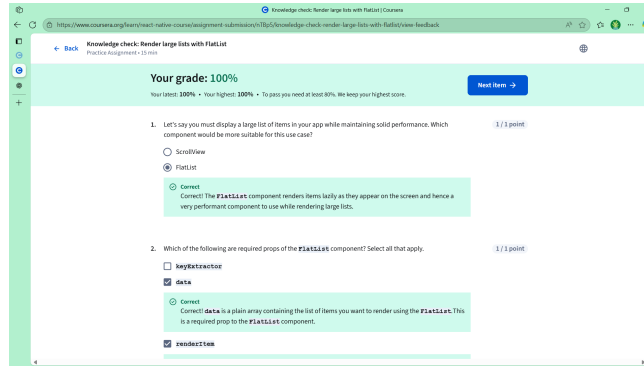


Figure 1.3: Knowledge Check: Render large lists with FlatList

## CHAPTER 2

### Render Large Lists with `SectionList`

#### 2.1. Video: Render large lists by sections using `SectionList`

##### 2.1.1. Why `SectionList`?

- The entire menu rendered with `FlatList` is presented as one long uninterrupted list.
- To make things tidy, divide the list into sections.
- `SectionList` has the same features found in `FlatList` component, but it also supports the separation of items in the lists.

##### 2.1.2. Comparison between `FlatList` and `SectionList` components

- `FlatList` and `SectionList` use the same lazy rendering and inherits the props of the `ScrollView`.
- `SectionList` support break the layout into smaller chunks and add appropriate child-headers.
- **Practice Question:** Which of the following are characteristics of the `SectionList` component? Select all that apply. → It uses lazy rendering, It supports section headers and separators, It inherits props of the `ScrollView` component.

→ `SectionList` improves performance and enables to present the menu items in a more pleasant and easy to read.

##### 2.1.3. Syntax

###### `SectionList` component syntax

```
<SectionList
  sections={items} // Array of list sections
```

```
renderItem={renderItem} // Default renderer
/>
```

- The sections must follow this structure:

```
[
  {
    title: '',
    data: []
  },
  ...
]
```

- Then `renderItem` uses the below props, which the item is each item of `data` array.
- The `renderSectionHeader` need to pass the single section, then extract the title from those section.

#### **renderItem syntax**

```
renderItem({ item, index, section, separators });

/*
  item: section data key
  index: item position in section
  section: section object
  separators: contains special functions
*/
```

#### **2.1.4. Some props could be passed into SectionList**

- Header
- Footer
- Separators
- ...

## 2.2. Video: Using the SectionList component

- **Practice Question:** You are creating a ‘Contact’ page for your React Native app that separates contact details into sections such as email, phone, and social media. In your `SectionList` component, which property would you use to extract the data from the array to render these section headers? → `renderSectionHeader`
- The iOS’s Header of each section sticks to the top of the `SectionList`.
- Its not applied for Android.

## 2.3. Reading: Explore the SectionList component

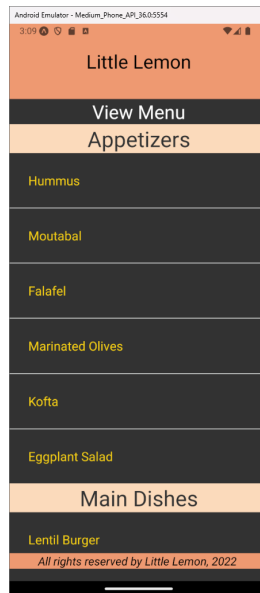


Figure 2.1: Exercise: Explore the SectionList component

## 2.4. Reading: Exercise: Render a large list using SectionList

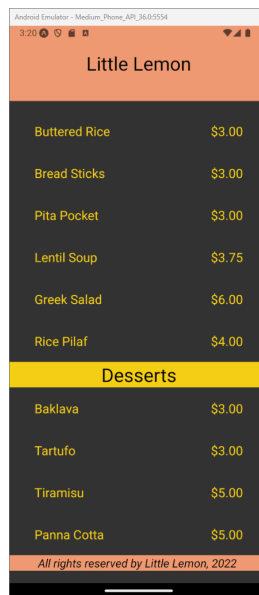


Figure 2.2: Exercise: Render a large list using SectionList

## 2.5. Practice Assignment: Self review: Render a large list using SectionList

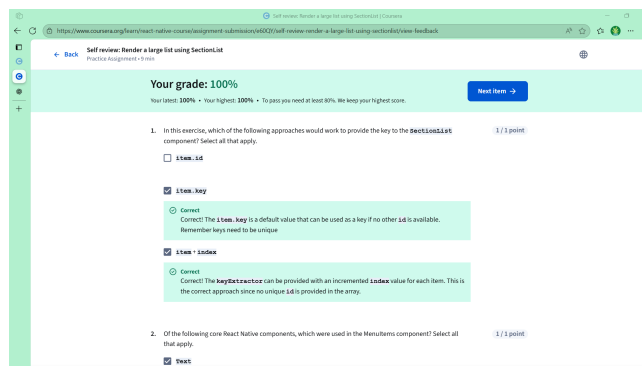


Figure 2.3: Self review: Render a large list using SectionList

## 2.6. Practice Assignment: Knowledge checking: Render a large list using `SectionList`

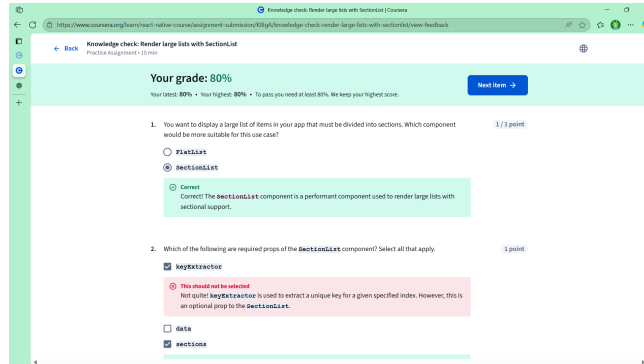


Figure 2.4: Knowledge Check: Render a large list using `SectionList`



## CHAPTER 3

### Accept user input

#### 3.1. Video: What is the TextInput component?

##### 3.1.1. Use case in this project

- Little Lemon App want to get the feedback from the customer.
- They allow users to type in their name, contact details and custom messages.

##### 3.1.2. TextInput

- A native component that will open up the native iOS or Android keyboard depending on the device you are using.
- The same code, users have different experiences across platform.
- Benefits:
  - Auto correction
  - Placeholder text
  - Support for different keyboard types
  - Auto capitalization

##### 3.1.3. Syntax

- TextInput syntax

```
<TextInput
  // Styles
  style={styles.input}
```

```
      onChangeText={onChangeFirstName}
      // Default text in input box
      placeholder='First name'
      // Value displayed in the input box
      value={firstName}
    />
```

- **onChangeText**

- Its a callback.
- Use with `useState()`

```
const [firstName, onChangeFirstName] = useState('')
```

- **Practice Question:** In the Little Lemon mobile app, you'd like a to add a text input box that displays the text “Email address” before the user types anything inside of it. Which prop would you pass in to accomplish this? → `placeholder`

- **More props:**

- `keyboardType`: "default", "number pad", "decimal pad", "numeric", "email address", "phone pad", ...

### 3.2. Video: Configure the `TextInput` Component

- **Practice Question:** You are adding a text input box to your app for the user to enter their email address. You will need to configure at least two separate `TextInput` components to do this – one for iOS devices, and another for Android devices. True or false? → False

### 3.3. Reading: TextInput Component and its Feature

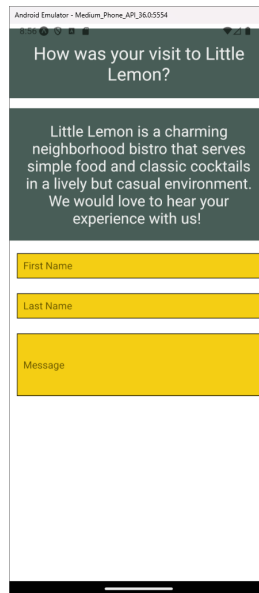


Figure 3.1: TextInput Component

### 3.4. Reading: Exercise: Create a TextInput Component

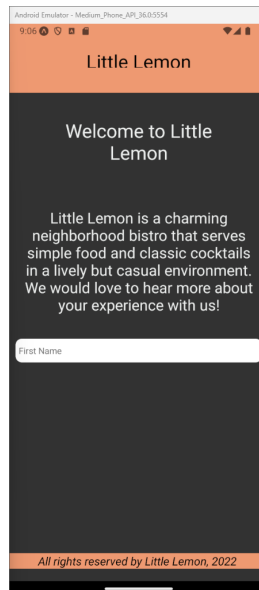


Figure 3.2: Exercise: Create a TextInput Component

### 3.5. Practice Assignment: Self review: Create a TextInput Component

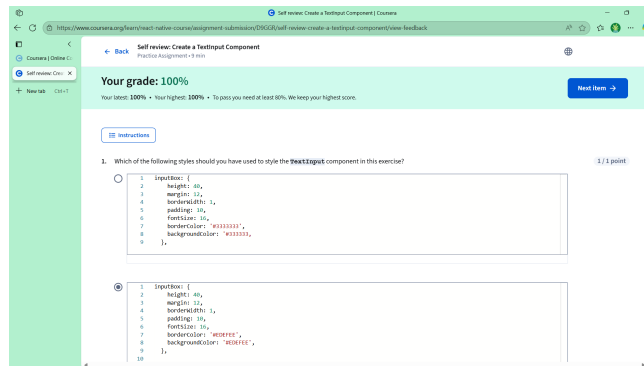


Figure 3.3: Self review: Create a TextInput Component

### 3.6. Video: Virtual Keyboard on Mobiles App

#### 3.6.1. Problem about keyboard

- Open the virtual keyboard in an emulator:
- Ctrl/Cmd + Shift + K
- When the keyboard opens, it may cover important parts of your app.

#### 3.6.2. React Native Props

- `keyboardDismissMode` property
  - The keyboard will be dismissed when user scrolls the view.
 

```
<ScrollView keyboardDismissMode='on-drag' />
```
  - Set to `none` if you want the keyboard to stay open even when the user scrolls the view.
- `KeyboardAvoidingView` component
  - Automatically adjust its height, position, or padding to avoid conflict with other views.
  - Push the view on the top of the keyboard when it appears.
  - This component inherit all the props of the `View` component.

```
<KeyboardAvoidingView
  behavior={Platform.OS === 'ios' ? 'padding' :
    'position'}
>
  <TextInput
    style={styles.input}
    onChangeText={onChangeFirstName}
    placeholder='First name'
    value={firstName}
  />
</KeyboardAvoidingView>
```

- **Practice Question:** Your app has text input boxes that open the virtual keyboard when tapped. For the `keyboardDismissMode` property of the `ScrollView`, you've set the value to `on-drag`. What does this do? → The virtual keyboard will be dismissed when the user scrolls.

### 3.7. Reading: Tips and Tricks to handle virtual keyboard

This part is the same as in the previous section about virtual keyboard.

### 3.8. Video: Handling the Virtual Keyboard

- **Practice Question:** In your mobile app, you want to set the virtual keyboard to be dismissed as soon as the user scrolls. Which value of `keyboardDismissMode` would you assign to set this behavior? → `on-drag`

### 3.9. Practice Assignment: Knowledge Check: Accept user input

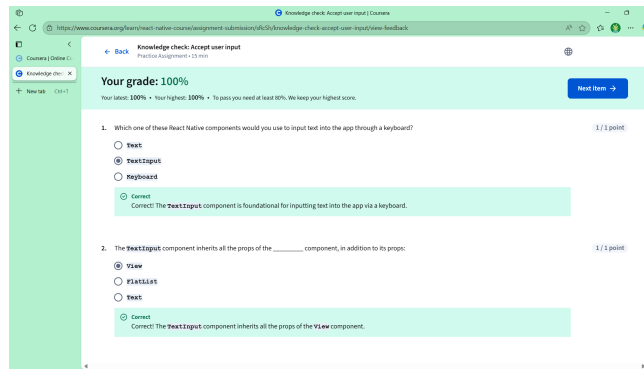


Figure 3.4: Knowledge Check: Accept user input

## CHAPTER 4

### Working with TextInput components

#### 4.1. Reading: Common props of TextInput component

##### 4.1.1. placeholder

- The placeholder string displayed before the user enters anything into the text input box.
- Syntax:

```
<TextInput
  style={styles.input}
  value={firstName}
  onChangeText={onChangeFirstName}
  placeholder={'First Name'}
/>
```

##### 4.1.2. multiline

- Boolean. When set to true, the text input can be multiple lines.
- By default, it is set to false, all the text that cannot fit within a single line is truncated and not visible to user.
- Syntax:

```
<TextInput
  style={styles.messageInput}
  value={message}
  onChangeText={onChangeMessage}
  placeholder={'Please leave feedback'}
```

```
      multiline={true}  
    />
```

#### 4.1.3. maxLength

- This props limits the maximum number of characters that can be entered.
- This props accepts a number as the value.
- Syntax:

```
<TextInput  
  style={styles.messageInput}  
  value={message}  
  onChangeText={onChangeMessage}  
  placeholder={'Please leave feedback'}  
  multiline={true}  
  maxLength={250}  
/>
```

#### 4.1.4. keyboardType

- React Native's support keyboard.
- number-pad, decimal-pad, numeric, email-address, phone-pad, url, ...
- Syntax:

```
<TextInput  
  style={styles.input}  
  value={phoneNumber}  
  onChangeText={onChangePhoneNumber}  
  placeholder={'Phone Number'}  
  keyboardType={'phone-pad'}  
/>
```



## 4.2. Video: Passing props to TextInput Component

- Use `secureTextEntry=true` to hide the input text from user (Use for password).
- **Practice Question:** You would like to create a text input box in your app for users to enter their password. To make this more secure, you would like for the characters entered in the box to be hidden and for the box to have a limit of 14 characters. Which `TextInput` props would you pass in to accomplish this? Choose all that apply. → `secureTextEntry`, `maxLength`

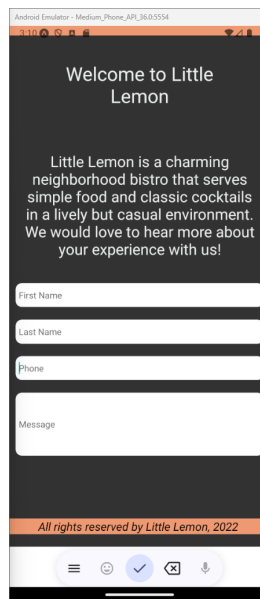


Figure 4.1: Passing props to TextInput Component

### 4.3. Reading: Exercise: Create a login page

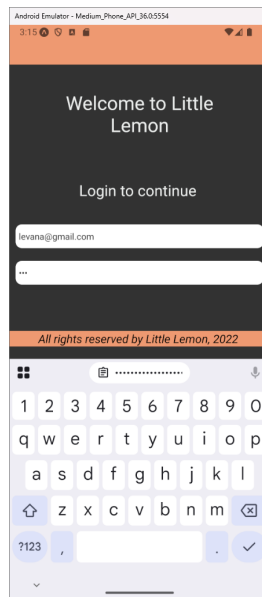


Figure 4.2: Exercise: Create a login page

### 4.4. Practice Assignment: Self review: Create a login page

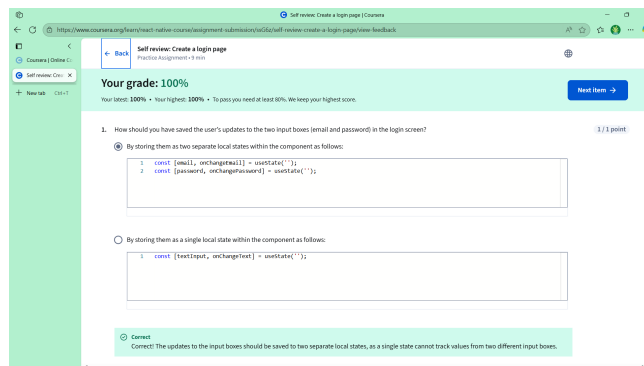


Figure 4.3: Self review: Create a login page

### 4.5. Video: Using TextInput Methods

#### 4.5.1. onFocus

- This is a callback method that is called when the text input is focused.

- `onFocus()` => {}

#### 4.5.2. `onBlur`

- This is also a callback method, called when the text input is removed from being focused.
- `onBlur()` => {}

#### 4.6. `clearButtonMode`

- A clear button will appear on the right side of the text box.
- This button allows to clear all the input text.
- Only supported for iOS.
- Does not work if we have `multiline` props.
- `clearButtonMode='always'`. The default is 'never'
- **Practice Question:** You are creating a form for your app and would like it to display an alert whenever a user exits a certain text input box. Which prop of the `TextInput` component would you use to achieve this? → `onBlur`

#### 4.7. Reading: `TextInput` Methods

This part is the same content with above part which I have taken note clearly.

## 4.8. Practice Assignment: Knowledge Check: Props and methods in TextInput

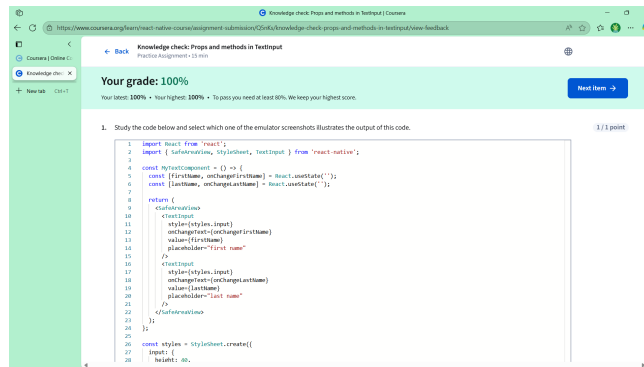


Figure 4.4: Knowledge Check: Props and methods in TextInput

## 4.9. Video: Module summary: Lists and Text Input in React Native

- FlatList component
  - Lazy rendering
  - FlatList syntax
  - Render large lists
- FlatList methods
  - keyExtractor
  - ItemSeparatorComponent
  - ListHeaderComponent
  - ListFooterComponent
- SectionList component
  - Differences from FlatList
  - SectionList syntax

- Render large list with sections
- TextInput component
  - Create text input boxes
  - Configure TextInput
  - Create TextInput components in ScrollView
- Keyboard Handling
  - keyboardDismissMode
  - KeyboardAvoidingView
- TextInput props
  - Enable additional TextInput functionalities
  - Set responses to actions in text box

## 4.10. Graded Assignment: Module quiz: Lists and Text Input in React Native

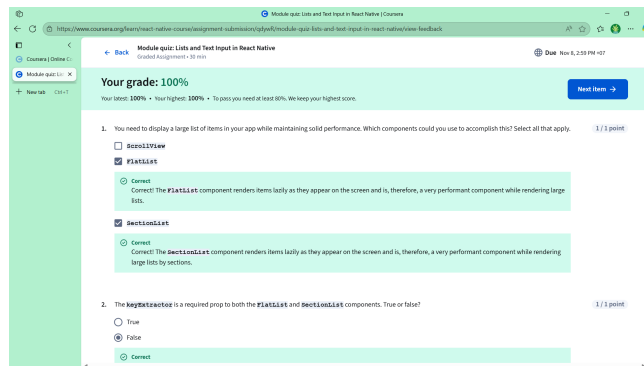


Figure 4.5: Module quiz: Lists and Text Input in React Native