

Steps to Start Writing the Code from Scratch

Here's how you can systematically approach building your Social Media Post Management System with the JavaScript functionality you've outlined.

1. Understand the Core Requirements

- **Post Management:** Add, edit, like, comment, and search posts.
 - **Rendering Posts:** Dynamically update the UI to display posts and their interactions.
 - **Input Handling:** Throttle search input and handle post and comment inputs.
 - **Edit History:** Maintain a history of edits for each post.
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2. Plan the Code Structure

Divide your functionality into these core modules:

- **Post Management:** Handle adding, editing, liking, commenting, and searching posts.
 - **Rendering Functions:** Update the DOM to display posts dynamically.
 - **Utility Functions:** Implement throttling to optimize user input handling.
 - **Event Handlers:** Connect UI events (button clicks, input changes) to post management logic.
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3. Start with Initialization

- Create the skeleton structure of your JavaScript file.
 - Define the `createPostManager` function to manage post operations.
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4. Implement Post Management

- Use closures in `createPostManager` to encapsulate the posts array.
- Write methods to:
 - **Add Posts:** Create posts with unique IDs, likes, comments, and edit history.
 - **Edit Posts:** Update post content and save previous content to the edit history.
 - **Like Posts:** Increment the likes count for a post.
 - **Add Comments:** Append comments to a post.
 - **Search Posts:** Filter posts based on a keyword.

5. Render Posts

- Write the `renderPosts` function to dynamically update the DOM.
 - Display post content, likes, comments, and buttons for actions (like, edit, comment).
 - Create reusable templates for posts and comments.
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6. Handle Input Events

- Implement a `throttle` utility function to handle frequent search input events efficiently.
 - Create event listeners for:
 - Adding new posts.
 - Searching posts.
 - Liking and commenting on posts.
 - Editing posts via a prompt.
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7. Implement Throttling for Search

- Write the `throttle` function to limit the frequency of search operations.
 - Attach it to the search input field to handle `input` events efficiently.
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8. Test and Debug

- Test each feature individually:
 - Add, edit, like, and comment on posts.
 - Search posts and ensure results are updated correctly.
 - Check the functionality of edit history.
 - Debug any issues using `console.log` and browser dev tools.
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9. Optimize Code

- Ensure your code is:
 - Modular: Separate logic into functions.
 - Maintainable: Add comments and meaningful variable names.
 - Performant: Optimize DOM updates and event handling.

Suggested Order to Write the Code

1. Post Manager Initialization (**createPostManager**)
2. Rendering Functions (**renderPosts**)
3. Utility Functions (**throttle**)
4. Event Listeners (e.g., for adding posts, search)
5. Testing and Debugging

Tools to Assist

- **Console Logs:** Debug outputs at critical points.
- **Browser DevTools:** Inspect DOM updates and debug JavaScript logic.

With this structured approach, you'll have a clean, modular, and maintainable JavaScript codebase for your Post Management System. Let me know if you need help with any specific part!