React Assignment Documentation

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Project Overview

This React project is designed to demonstrate best practices and advanced web development concepts. It focuses on creating a scalable, user-friendly application with robust authentication, dynamic data handling, and simple testing. The application allows users to log in, view a list of products, and interact with detailed product information, including commenting and rating functionalities.

Technologies Used

- React: For building the user interface using functional components and hooks.
- **TypeScript**: Provides static typing to enhance code quality and maintainability.
- Material-UI (MUI): Offers a set of React components for faster and easier web development with a consistent design.
- Formik & Yup: Manage form state and validation seamlessly.
- **Axios**: Handles HTTP requests with interceptors for authentication and error handling.
- JWT (JSON Web Tokens): Implements secure authentication mechanisms.
- **React Router DOM**: Manages client-side routing for navigation between pages.
- **React Context API**: Manages global state for authentication, theming, and currency preferences.
- Jest & React Testing Library: Facilitates unit and integration testing
- Axios Mock Adapter: Mocks API requests for testing without a real backend.

Architecture and Design Decisions

1. Component-Based Structure:

• Separation of Concerns: Different functionalities are broken down into reusable components (e.g., CommentCard, ProductCard, CustomAppBar), promoting maintainability and scalability.

2. State Management with Context API:

• **Global State**: Utilized React Context for managing authentication (AuthContext), theming (ColorModeContext), and currency preferences (CurrencyContext), allowing state to be accessible across the application without prop drilling.

3. Routing with React Router:

- **Protected Routes**: Implemented PrivateRoute to guard sensitive pages, ensuring only authenticated users can access the product list and detail pages.
- **Dynamic Routing**: Used dynamic parameters in routes (e.g., /products/:id) to navigate to specific product details.

4. Authentication with JWT:

- **Secure Sessions**: Employed JWT tokens for authenticating users, stored in localStorage to persist sessions across page refreshes. Although it'd be more secure to store it in a httponly, same-site cookie, I've decided localStorage is sufficient for the scope of this project.
- **Mock Backend**: Used axios-mock-adapter to simulate backend responses, facilitating development and testing without a real server.

5. Form Handling and Validation:

• **Formik & Yup**: Chose Formik for efficient form state management and Yup for schema-based validation.

6. HTTP Request Management with Axios:

• **Interceptors**: Configured Axios interceptors to automatically attach JWT tokens to requests and handle unauthorized responses globally.

7. UI/UX Considerations with Material-UI:

- **Consistent Design**: Leveraged MUI components to maintain a cohesive and responsive design across the application.
- **User Feedback**: Incorporated components like LoadingIndicator, ErrorAlert, and NotificationSnackbar to provide real-time feedback to users.

8. **Testing Strategy**:

- **Testing**: Employed Jest and React Testing Library to write simple unit and integration tests, ensuring components behave as expected under various scenarios.
- **Mocking API Calls**: Used axios-mock-adapter to mock API responses, allowing tests to run in isolation without external dependencies.

Features Implemented

Authentication and Session Handling:

- **Login Functionality**: Users can log in with predefined credentials (username: user, password: user123).
- **Session Persistence**: Maintains user sessions across page refreshes using JWT tokens stored in localStorage.
- **Logout Functionality**: Users can log out, which clears the session and redirects them to the login page.

2. **Product List Page**:

- **Product Display**: Shows a list of products with name, price, rating (stars), and an image.
- Navigation: Clicking on a product redirects users to the product detail page.

3. **Product Detail Page**:

- **Detailed Information**: Displays a larger image, detailed description, formatted price with currency symbol, arrival date, total comments, and average rating.
- Tabs for Details and Comments:
 - **Details Tab**: Provides comprehensive information about the product.
 - **Comments Tab**: Shows existing comments and allows users to add new comments and ratings.
- **Image Slider**: Features a custom-built image slider to navigate through product images without external libraries.

4. Form Validation:

- **Comment Form**: Uses Formik and Yup for managing and validating user comments and ratings.
- **Login Form**: Integrates Formik and Yup to validate user input for login credentials.

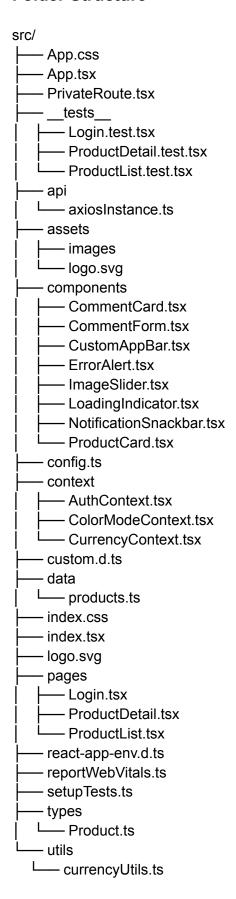
5. Global State Management:

- **Theme Management**: Allows toggling between light and dark modes using ColorModeContext.
- **Currency Selection**: Manages currency preferences through CurrencyContext.

6. **Error Handling and Notifications**:

- Error Alerts: Displays error messages for failed API requests.
- Snackbar Notifications: Provides feedback for successful actions like adding comments.

Folder Structure



Key Directories and Files

- components/: Contains reusable UI components like CommentCard, ProductCard, and CustomAppBar.
- pages/: Houses page-level components such as Login, ProductList, and ProductDetail.
- context/: Implements React Contexts for authentication, theming, and currency management.
- api/axiosInstance.ts: Configures Axios with interceptors and mock adapters for handling HTTP requests.
- tests /: Contains test files for page components.
- utils/: Includes utility functions like currencyUtils.ts for currency conversions.
- data/products.ts: Provides mock data for products used throughout the application.
- setupTests.ts: Configures the testing environment, including mocking console methods to suppress unwanted logs during tests.

Testing

Testing Tools Used

- **Jest**: A JavaScript testing framework used for running tests.
- **React Testing Library**: Facilitates testing React components by focusing on user interactions and component behavior.
- **Axios Mock Adapter**: Mocks API requests to test components in isolation without relying on a real backend.

Implemented Tests

- Login Page (Login.test.tsx):
 - Render Check: Confirms username, password fields, and sign-in button render.
 - Input Functionality: Verifies user can type into username and password fields.
 - Form Submission: Ensures login function is called with correct input on submit.
- Product List Page (ProductList.test.tsx):
 - **Loading Indicator**: Verifies a loading indicator appears during product fetch.
 - **Error Handling**: Checks that an error message is shown on fetch failure.
 - **Product Rendering**: Ensures product names and prices display on successful fetch.

- **Navigation to Detail**: Confirms navigation to product detail page on product click.
- Product Detail Page (ProductDetail.test.tsx):
 - Loading Indicator: Verifies a loading indicator appears during product fetch.
 - Error Handling: Checks that an error message is shown on fetch failure.
 - **Detail Rendering**: Ensures product details (name, price, description) display on successful fetch.
 - **Navigation**: Checks navigation behavior when no product is selected, showing products list.

Setup and Running

Prerequisites

- **Node.js** (version 14 or higher recommended)
- **npm** (comes with Node.js)

Installation Steps

- 1. Clone the Repository
- git clone https://github.com/yagizcolak/crea-store.git
- cd crea-store
 - 2. Install Dependencies
- npm install
 - 3. Run the Application
- npm start
- The application will start in development mode at http://localhost:3000
 - 4. Run Tests
- npm test

Authentication Credentials

• Username: user

• Password: user123