Object as Initial Values

In this lesson, we'll discuss the difference between setState and useState.

Is it possible to use an object with `useState` as opposed to multiple `useState` calls?

Absolutely!

If you choose to do this, you should note that unlike `setState` calls, the values passed into `useState` replace the state value.

`setState` merges object properties but `useState` replaces the entire value.

```
// 🐮 merge (setState) vs replace (useState)
// assume initial state is {name: "Ohans"}
setState({age: "unknown"})
// new state object will be
// {name: "Ohans", age: "unknown"}
useState({age: "unknown"})
// new state object will be
// {age: "unknown"} - initial object is replaced
```

In the next lesson, we'll look at another important hook, i.e., `useEffect()`.