

Here is a simple and clear explanation of `useState` basics, perfect for beginners:

□ What is `useState` ?

`useState` is a React Hook that lets you add **state** (changing data) to a functional component.

It helps components **remember values** between re-renders.

□ How to import it

```
import { useState } from "react";
```

□ Basic Syntax

```
const [state, setState] = useState(initialValue);
```

□ Explanation:

- **state** → the current value
- **setState** → function used to change the value
- **initialValue** → the starting value (like 0, "", false, {}, [])

Example 1: Using Arrow Function inside onClick

Code NameExample.js :-

```
import { useState } from "react";

function NameExample() {
  const [name, setName] = useState("");

  return (
    <div>
      <p>Name: {name}</p>

      <button onClick={() => setName("John Doe")}>
        Set Name
      </button>
    </div>
  );
}

export default NameExample;
```

Step-by-step Explanation

1. Import useState

```
import { useState } from "react";
```

This lets us use state inside a React component.

2. Create the component

```
function NameExample() {
```

3. Declare state

```
const [name, setName] = useState("");
```

- name → current value
- setName → function that updates the value
- initial value = empty string ""

4. Render name on screen

```
<p>Name: {name}</p>
```

5. Use arrow function inside button

```
<button onClick={() => setName("John Doe")}>
```

When the button is clicked, this arrow function runs → and calls `setName("John Doe")`.

6. Export the component

```
export default NameExample;
```

Example 2: Using a Separate Function

Code NameE.js :

```
function NameE() {
  const [name, setName] = useState("");

  function updateName() {
    setName("John Doe");
  }

  return (
    <div>
      <p>Name: {name}</p>

      <button onClick={updateName}>Set Name</button>
    </div>
  );
}

export default NameE;
```

□ Step-by-step Explanation

1. Create the component

```
function NameE() {
```

2. Declare state

Same as before:

```
const [name, setName] = useState("");
```

3. Create a separate function

```
function updateName() {  
  setName("John Doe");  
}
```

- This function will run when button is clicked
 - It updates the name using `setName`
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4. Render name

```
<p>Name: {name}</p>
```

5. Pass the function directly to `onClick`

```
<button onClick={updateName}>Set Name</button>
```

- ✓ No arrow function
 - ✓ React will call `updateName` only when button is clicked.
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□ Difference Between Both Approaches:-

| Feature | Arrow Function in JSX | Separate Function |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Code Style | Short, inline | Cleaner, organized |
| When used? | Small updates | More complex logic |
| onClick syntax | onClick={() => ...} | onClick={updateName} |

Here is the **simplest form-handling example using useState**, perfect for beginners :-

□ Simple Form Handling with useState

□ Example: Form with just Name input

```
import { useState } from "react";

function SimpleForm() {
  const [name, setName] = useState("");

  function handleSubmit(e) {
    e.preventDefault(); // stops page reload
    alert("Name submitted: " + name);
  }

  return (
    <form onSubmit={handleSubmit}>
      <label>Name: </label>

      <input
        type="text"
        value={name}
        onChange={(e) => setName(e.target.value)} // updates state
      />

      <button type="submit">Submit</button>

      <p>You typed: {name}</p>
    </form>
  );
}
```

```
export default SimpleForm;
```

□ How it works (simple explanation)

1 □ Create a state

```
const [name, setName] = useState("");
```

Stores the form input value.

2 □ Update state when typing

```
onChange={(e) => setName(e.target.value)}
```

Every keystroke updates name.

3 □ Handle form submit

```
function handleSubmit(e) {  
  e.preventDefault(); // stops refresh  
  alert(name);  
}
```

4 □ Show the value on screen

```
<p>You typed: {name}</p>
```

□ Want a form with multiple inputs (name, email, password)?

I can give you that too—just tell me!

You said:
and more inputs

Here's a **simple example of a form with multiple inputs** using `useState` in React. This is a common pattern for beginners.

□ Form with Name, Email, and Age

```
import { useState } from "react";

function MultiInputForm() {
  const [formData, setFormData] = useState({
    name: "",
    email: "",
    age: ""
  });

  function handleChange(e) {
    const { name, value } = e.target;

    setFormData(prevData => ({
      ...prevData,
      [name]: value
    }));
  }

  function handleSubmit(e) {
    e.preventDefault(); // prevent page reload
    alert(`Submitted Data:\nName: ${formData.name}\nEmail:
${formData.email}\nAge: ${formData.age}`);
  }

  return (
    <form onSubmit={handleSubmit}>
      <div>
        <label>Name: </label>
        <input
          type="text"
          name="name"
          value={formData.name}
          onChange={handleChange}
        />
      </div>

      <div>
        <label>Email: </label>
        <input
          type="email"
          name="email"
          value={formData.email}
          onChange={handleChange}
        />
      </div>
    </form>
  );
}
```

```
    </div>

    <div>
      <label>Age: </label>
      <input
        type="number"
        name="age"
        value={formData.age}
        onChange={handleChange}
      />
    </div>

    <button type="submit">Submit</button>

    <div>
      <h3>Preview:</h3>
      <p>Name: {formData.name}</p>
      <p>Email: {formData.email}</p>
      <p>Age: {formData.age}</p>
    </div>
  </form>
);
}

export default MultiInputForm;
```

□ Step-by-step Explanation

1 □ Create a single state object

```
const [formData, setFormData] = useState({
  name: "",
  email: "",
  age: ""
});
```

All inputs are stored in **one object**.

2 Handle input changes dynamically

```
function handleChange(e) {
  const { name, value } = e.target;

  setFormData(prevData => ({
    ...prevData,
    [name]: value
  }));
}
```

- name is the key of the field (name, email, age)
 - [name]: value updates only the changed field
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3 Handle form submission

```
function handleSubmit(e) {
  e.preventDefault();
  alert(`Submitted Data: ${formData.name}, ${formData.email},
${formData.age}`);
}
```

- e.preventDefault() prevents page reload
 - We can access all form data from the formData object
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4 Show live preview

```
<p>Name: {formData.name}</p>
<p>Email: {formData.email}</p>
<p>Age: {formData.age}</p>
```

This is optional but helps see the input immediately.