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<InANutshell topic="JSX">
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JavaScript XML\*

\* Not the actual acronym, I just made it up.

```
const element = (  
  <div>  
    <h1>Hello, world!</h1>  
    <h2>It is {new Date().toLocaleTimeString()}.</h2>  
  </div>  
)
```

TL;DR

# Extension to ECMAScript



JSX → Virtual DOM → DOM

# Syntactic Sugar

```
const element = (  
  <h1 className="greeting">  
    Hello, world!  
  </h1>  
);
```

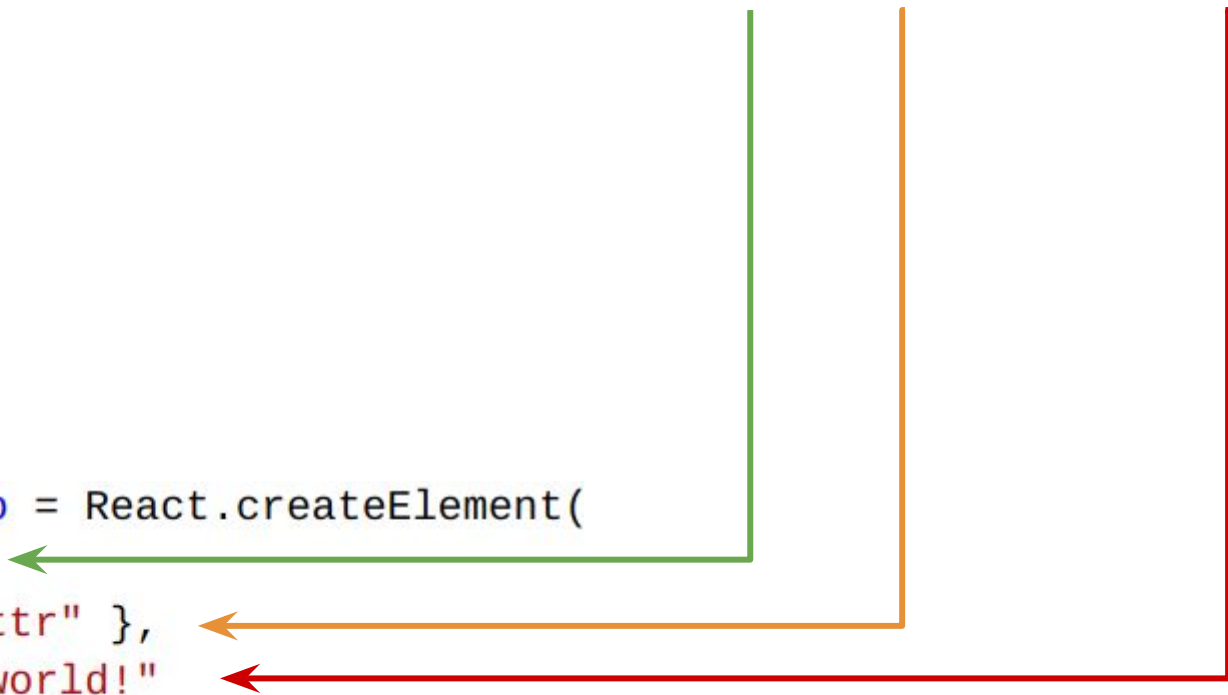
```
const element = someFunction(  
  "h1",  
  { className: "greeting" },  
  "Hello, World!"  
);
```

# Virtual DOM

JSX → Virtual DOM™ → DOM

```
const hello = <h1 id="attr">Hello, world!</h1>;
```

```
const hello = React.createElement(  
  "h1",  
  { id: "attr" },  
  "Hello, world!"  
);
```



# pragma

`string`, defaults to `React.createElement`.

Replace the function used when compiling JSX expressions.

Note that the `@jsx React.DOM` pragma has been deprecated as of React v0.12

```
/** @jsx fln */

const hello = (
  <h1 id="attr">
    Hello, world!
    <p>Hi!</p>
    What's up?
  </h1>
);
```

```
/** @jsx fln */

const hello = fln(
  "h1",
  { id: "attr" },
  "Hello, world!",
  fln(
    "p",
    null,
    "Hi!"
  ),
  "What's up?"
);
```



```
/** @jsx fln */

const hello = (
  <h1 id="attr">
    Hello, world!
    <p>Hi!</p>
    What's up?
  </h1>
);

function fln(node, attributes, ...rest) {
  const children = rest.length ? rest : null
  return {
    node,
    attributes,
    children
  };
}
```

```
/** @jsx fln */

const hello = (
  <h1 id="attr">
    Hello, world!
    <p>Hi!</p>
    What's up?
  </h1>
);
```

```
{
  "node": "h1",
  "attributes": {
    "id": "attr"
  },
  "children": [
    "Hello, world!",
    {
      "node": "p",
      "attributes": null,
      "children": [
        "Hi!"
      ]
    },
    "What's up?"
  ]
}
```

```
{
  "type": "h1",
  "key": null,
  "ref": null,
  "props": {
    "id": "attr",
    "children": [
      "Hello, world!",
      {
        "type": "p",
        "key": null,
        "ref": null,
        "props": {
          "children": "Hi!"
        }
      },
      "_owner": null,
      "_store": {}
    ],
    "What's up?"
  ]
},
"_owner": null,
"_store": {}
}
```

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```
{
  "node": "h1",
  "attributes": {
    "id": "attr"
  },
  "children": [
    "Hello, world!",
    {
      "node": "p",
      "attributes": null,
      "children": [
        "Hi!"
      ]
    },
    "what's up?"
  ]
}
```

```
function render(virtualNode) {
  if (typeof virtualNode === 'string') {
    return document.createTextNode(virtualNode);
  }

  const element = document.createElement(virtualNode.node);

  Object.keys(virtualNode.attributes || {}).forEach(
    (attr) => element.setAttribute(attr, virtualNode.attributes[attr])
  );

  (virtualNode.children || []).forEach(
    (child) => element.appendChild(render(child))
  );

  return element;
}
```

```
const dom = render(hello);  
document.body.appendChild(dom);
```

Babel + JSX    Result

Edit in JSFiddle



```
/** @jsx toVDOM */
```

```
const hello = (  
  <h1 id="attr">  
    Hello, world!  
    <p>Hi!</p>  
    What's up?  
  </h1>  
);
```

```
function toVDOM(node, attributes, ...rest) {
```



JSX in the wild

	<b>To Virtual DOM</b>	<b>To DOM</b>
React	createElement	ReactDOM.render
Inferno	createVNode	render
Mithril	m	
Vue	h	
Preact		

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