

Session 4: JavaScript Frameworks and Libraries

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Session Structure:

1. Introduction to JavaScript Frameworks and Libraries
2. Popular Frameworks: React, Angular, and Vue.js
3. Choosing the Right Framework
4. Hands-on Introduction to React

Detailed Content:

1.0.a 1. Introduction to JavaScript Frameworks and Libraries

- **What are frameworks and libraries?**
 - Frameworks provide a complete structure and tools for building web applications.

- Libraries offer specific functionalities and can be used within different frameworks or vanilla JavaScript.

- **Benefits of using frameworks and libraries:**

- Faster development with pre-defined components and patterns.
- Maintainable code through structure and best practices.
- Access to large communities and extensive resources.

1.0.b 2. Popular Frameworks: React, Angular, and Vue.js

- **React:**

- Developed by Facebook.
- Component-based architecture.
- Strong emphasis on state management and virtual DOM.

- **Angular:**

- Developed by Google.
- Full-fledged MVC framework (Model-View-Controller).
- Offers two-way data binding for a structured development environment.

- **Vue.js:**

- Developed by Evan You.
- Progressive framework - can be used as a lightweight library or full framework.
- Known for its ease of use and flexibility.

1.0.c 3. Choosing the Right Framework**

- **Factors to consider:**

- Project size and complexity.
- Team experience and preferences.
- Desired development speed and flexibility.
- Project goals and functionalities.

- **Discussion:**

- Facilitate a group discussion on choosing the right framework based on different scenarios.
- Highlight strengths and weaknesses of each framework.

concepts for a chosen framework (React), and allows students to gain practical experience through a hands-on exercise. Feel free to adjust the session length and focus based on your student's level and course goals.

1.0.d 4. Hands-on Introduction to React

- **Basic concepts:**

- Components as the building blocks.
- Functional and Class-based components.
- State management for dynamic content.
- Props for passing data between components.

- **Hands-on exercise:**

- Setting up a React project using Create React App.
- Creating a simple component that displays a message with a name passed as a prop.
- Implementing state management to update the message dynamically.
- Working with event handling to respond to user interactions.

Additional Tips:

- Provide code examples for each framework during the introduction.
- Offer resources for further learning and framework documentation.
- Consider using online tools like CodeSandbox or codesandbox.io for in-browser React development.
- Encourage students to experiment with different frameworks after the session.

This improved plan offers a more balanced approach to introducing JavaScript frameworks. It provides context, highlights important