

# Introduction to Cypress.io Testing Library



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# If you want to follow along...



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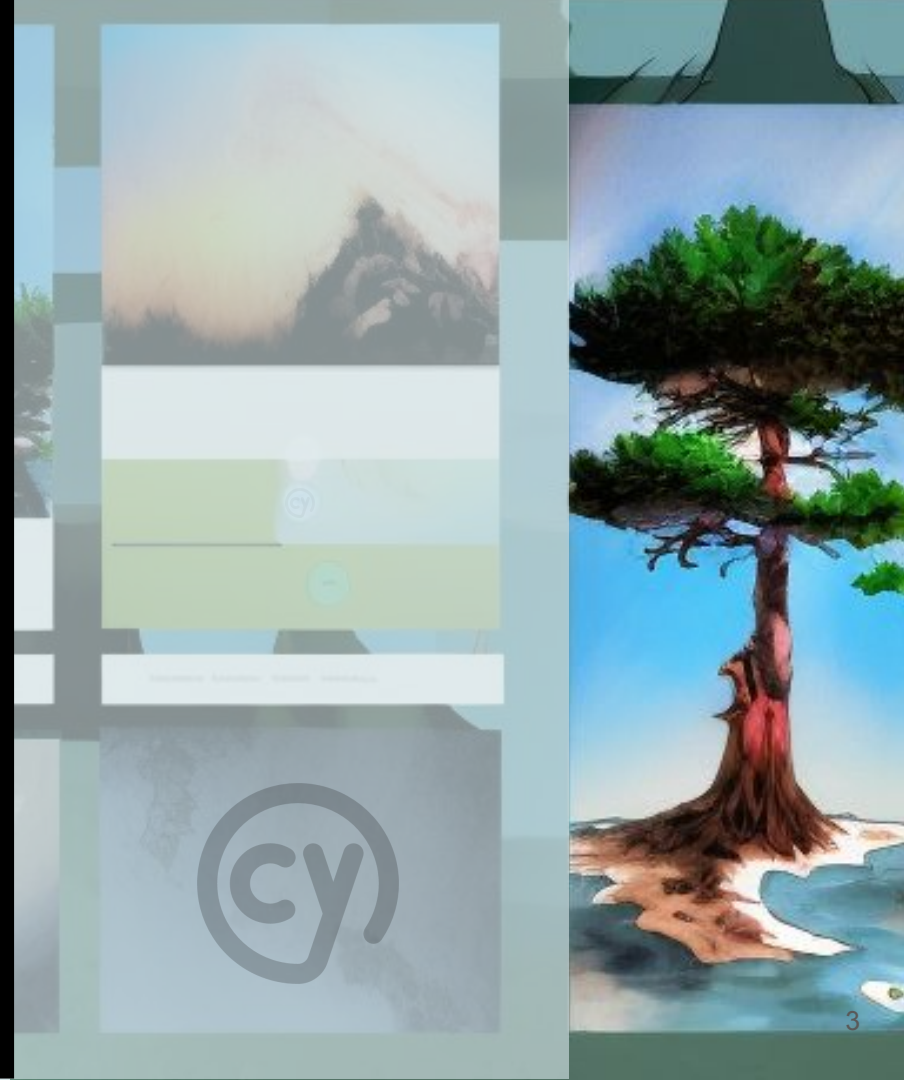


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# Familiarization Demo



# Installation and Setup

Cypress is a JavaScript project so you'll need node and npm installed, first.

Go to a new project directory and run the following:

```
$ npm install cypress
```

Now, run the following command to initialize your new Cypress project:

```
$ npx cypress open
```

# Example Test

```
describe('Post Resource', () => {  
  
  it('Creating a New Post', () => {  
    cy.visit('https://www.example.com/posts/new') // 1.  
  
    cy.get("input.post-title") // 2.  
      .type("My First Post"); // 3.  
  
    cy.get("input.post-body") // 4.  
      .type("Hello, world!"); // 5.  
  
    cy.contains("Submit") // 6.  
      .click(); // 7.  
  
    cy.get("h1") // 8.  
      .should("contain", "My First Post");  
  });  
});
```

# Running Tests

```
cypress
|-- downloads
|-- e2e
    |-- sampleTest.cy.js
|-- fixtures
|-- support
|-- utils
|-- videos
```

```
$ npm cypress open
```

or

```
$ npx cypress run -spec "cypress/e2e/sampleTest.cy.js"
```

# Chaining and Accessing Subjects

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        if(post_text.includes("content:")) {
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```
# cypress.config.js

env: {
  mongodb: {
    uri: "mongodb+srv://..."
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```
# cypress/support/e2e.js

const mongo = require("cypress-mongo");
mongo.addCommands();
```

# Executing Code in Node with cy.task()

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setupNodeEvents(on, config) {
  on("task", {
    runVenProxy({ file, token, environment_name, controller }) {
      venProxy = spawn(
        `./VenProxy --token=${token} --controller=${controller} > cypress/fixtures/${file} 2>&1`,
        [],
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# Testing Network Requests

```
it('cy.request() - make an XHR request', () => {  
  // https://on.cypress.io/request  
  cy.request('https://jsonplaceholder.cypress.io/comments')  
    .should((response) => {  
      expect(response.status).to.eq(200)  
  
      // the server sometimes gets an extra comment posted from another machine  
      // which gets returned as 1 extra object  
      expect(response.body).to.have.property('length').and.be.oneOf([500, 501])  
      expect(response).to.have.property('headers')  
      expect(response).to.have.property('duration')  
    })  
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```
it('cy.intercept() - route responses to matching requests', () => {  
  // Listen to POST to comments  
  cy.intercept('POST', '**/comments').as('postComment')  
  
  // the button is clicked in scripts.js  
  cy.get('.network-post').click()  
  cy.wait('@postComment').should(({ request, response }) => {  
    expect(request.body).to.include('email')  
  })  
})
```