

Welcome to the wonderful, fun and powerful world of building web applications with Node and Express.

In this hands-on course, I'll walk you through the ExpressWorks solutions. Please download Node and npm (Node's package manager) using one of the following ways:

- Beginner: Go to the website <https://nodejs.org/en/download> and select an installer for your OS
- Power user: Use one of the recipes from <https://gist.github.com/isaacs/579814>
- Mac OS X: Use Homebrew `brew install node`
- Version manager: Use `n`, `nvm` or `nave` node version managers (install Node first with other methods, then install a node manager).

My recommendation: Install with installer, then install `n` to switch between versions.

I recommend Node v5.1.0 for this exercise, because it supports ES6 out-of-the-box and has other features.

Once you installed Node and npm (npm comes with the Node installer), watch the Lecture 2: Setup and install ExpressWorks by running this command in your Terminal or Command Prompt:

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$ npm install --global expressworks@latest
```

Other ways of installing ExpressWorks are listed on the GitHub readme: <https://github.com/azat-co/expressworks>.

After Lecture 2: Setup, stop and do the first adventure/task/exercise/problem Hello World by reading the description in the ExpressWorks command line output.

First read the problem, try to solve it. If it's too hard, then read the HINTS. After solving the problem and verifying it, watch the video which will walk you through the official solution.

Having three mediums (text, audio and video), doing work and looking at the official solution (which might differ from your solution, even if both are right), will **guarantee the maximum comprehension and effectiveness**.

PS: If you see any bugs, submit them to <https://github.com/azat-co/expressworks/issues> (but don't send there your questions like "OMG, this is not working, what is wrong with my code?").

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Cheers,

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