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## **Hackathon Day 2:**

### **Planning the Technical Foundation for a Car Rental E-commerce Platform**

#### **Business Objectives Recap (Day 1)**

On the first day, I focused on establishing the foundational elements of my car rental platform. Here's a summary of key achievements:

##### **1. Defining the Mission**

- Addressed challenges like high car ownership costs and complicated rental processes.
- Presented the platform as an affordable, flexible, and user-friendly solution for hassle-free car rentals.

##### **2. Identifying the Target Audience**

- Primary users include:
  - Busy professionals needing quick rentals.
  - Tourists seeking reliable travel options.
  - Families and individuals requiring vehicles for special occasions.
  - Businesses needing short-term rentals for events or employees.

##### **3. Highlighting Unique Features**

- Transparent pricing without hidden charges.
- Seamless online booking with minimal paperwork.
- A diverse fleet, including eco-friendly options.
- 24/7 customer support for a worry-free experience.

##### **4. Establishing a Data Framework**

- Designed a clear and concise data model for managing Cars, Customers, and Bookings efficiently.

## **Day 2: Transitioning to Technical Planning**

### **Step 1: Defining Technical Requirements**

Technical requirements are critical for developing a scalable, secure, and user-friendly platform. The primary focus areas include frontend design, backend logic, and database management.

## Frontend Requirements

- A visually appealing and intuitive interface for car exploration and booking.
- Fully responsive design optimized for both mobile and desktop devices.
- Core pages include:
  - Homepage
  - Car Listings
  - Car Details
  - Reservation Form
  - Payment Gateway
  - Booking Confirmation

## Backend with Sanity CMS

**Purpose:** Sanity CMS will manage key data such as car details, customer information, and booking records.

### Schemas:

#### 1. Car Details Schema

**Functionality:** Stores car-related information.

#### Example Schema:

```
export default {
  name: 'car',
  type: 'document',
  fields: [
    { name: 'name', type: 'string', title: 'Car Name' },
    { name: 'type', type: 'string', title: 'Car Type' },
    { name: 'price', type: 'number', title: 'Price per Day' },
    { name: 'availability', type: 'boolean', title: 'Availability' },
  ],
  { name: 'image', type: 'image', title: 'Car Image' },
],
};
```

#### Example Data:

```
{
  "name": "Toyota Corolla",
  "type": "Sedan",
  "price": 50,
  "availability": true,
  "image": "https://example.com/car1.jpg"
}
```

## 2. Customer Information Schema

**Functionality:** Stores user details for renting cars.

### Example Schema:

```
export default {
  name: 'customer',
  type: 'document',
  fields: [
    { name: 'name', type: 'string', title: 'Full Name' },
    { name: 'email', type: 'string', title: 'Email' },
    { name: 'phone', type: 'string', title: 'Phone Number' },
    { name: 'address', type: 'string', title: 'Address' },
    { name: 'license', type: 'string', title: 'Driving License' },
  ],
};
```

### Example Data:

```
{
  "name": "John Doe",
  "email": "john@example.com",
  "phone": "+123456789",
  "address": "123 Main St, City",
  "license": "DL123456789"
}
```

## 3. Booking Records Schema

**Functionality:** Tracks rental transactions.

### Example Schema:

```
export default {
  name: 'booking',
  type: 'document',
  fields: [
    { name: 'car', type: 'reference', to: [{ type: 'car' }], title: 'Car' },
    { name: 'customer', type: 'reference', to: [{ type: 'customer' }], title: 'Customer' },
    { name: 'startDate', type: 'date', title: 'Start Date' },
    { name: 'endDate', type: 'date', title: 'End Date' },
    { name: 'status', type: 'string', title: 'Booking Status' },
  ],
};
```

### Example Data:

```
{
  "car": { "name": "Toyota Corolla" },
}
```

```
"customer": { "name": "John Doe" },
"startDate": "2025-01-20",
"endDate": "2025-01-25",
"status": "Confirmed"
}
```

## Why Use Sanity CMS?

- **Customization:** Build schemas tailored to platform needs.
- **Real-Time Updates:** Any changes in car or booking details reflect instantly.
- **Scalability:** Easily handles increased data volume.

## Third-Party APIs

To enhance functionality, integrate third-party APIs for cars, bookings, payments, and delivery tracking.

### API Workflow Examples:

1. **User Registration**
  - New users create accounts, and their details are securely stored in Sanity CMS.
  - A confirmation message is sent for verification.
2. **Car Browsing**
  - Fetch available car data from the CMS.
  - Display cars with filters for easy navigation.
3. **Car Booking**
  - Booking details are submitted to Sanity CMS.
  - Users receive confirmation notifications.
4. **Payment Processing**
  - Payment details are sent to a secure gateway (e.g., Stripe).
  - Users are notified upon successful payment.
5. **Delivery Tracking**
  - Shipment status is fetched from a tracking API (e.g., ShipEngine).
  - Users can monitor the car's delivery status in real-time.

## Step 2: System Architecture

### Key Processes:

1. **User Registration:** Account creation with data stored in Sanity CMS.
2. **Car Exploration:** Real-time car data fetching and display with advanced filters.
3. **Booking Management:** User data and car details are securely linked and recorded.

- 4. **Payment Handling:** Secure transactions with instant confirmations.
- 5. **Delivery Tracking:** Seamless shipment monitoring.

Step 3: API Endpoints

API Name	Method	Purpose Example	Request/Response
/cars	GET	Fetch all available cars.	<b>Request:</b> GET /cars <b>Response:</b> [{ "id": 1, "name": "Toyota Corolla", ... }]
/bookings	POST	Create a new booking.	<b>Request:</b> POST /bookings <b>Response:</b> { "bookingId": 123, "status": "Confirmed" }
/payments	POST	Process payment for a booking.	<b>Request:</b> POST /payments <b>Response:</b> { "paymentId": 789, "status": "Paid" }
/shipment-tracking	GET	Track the status of a booking.	<b>Request:</b> GET /shipment-tracking?bookingId=123 <b>Response:</b> { "status": "In Transit", "ETA": "30 mins" }