Interview Test

Project Overview

Title: Next.js SQLite API Project with Zustand and useReducer

Objective: Candidates will design and build a small application using **Next.js**, **API routes**, and **SQLite** as the database. They must utilize **Zustand** for global state management and **useReducer** for component-level state. The project will be deployed to **Vercel**, include unit tests, and follow Git best practices.

Requirements

1. Core Features:

- Use **Next.js** for the frontend and backend.
- Implement at least one dynamic API route that interacts with a SQLite database:
 - Example: Fetch, add, update, or delete records in SQLite.
- Demonstrate CRUD functionality via API calls and render the results on the UI.

2. State Management:

- Use **Zustand** for global state (e.g., user session, app-wide settings, or shared data).
- Use **useReducer** for localized state management within a specific component (e.g., form handling, pagination).

3. Database Setup (SQLite):

- Use SQLite to store and query data (use any framework for SQLite).
- Include a script to initialize and seed the database (e.g., setupDatabase.js or seed.js).

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4. Frontend Functionality:

- Build a user interface to:
 - Display data retrieved from the SQLite database.
 - Enable users to interact with the UI (e.g., add or update data).
- Ensure responsiveness with TailwindCSS, Bootstrap, or another CSS framework.

5. Unit Testing:

- Write unit tests for:
 - Components (with Jest or React Testing Library).
 - API routes.
 - Zustand store and reducers.
- Achieve at least 80% test coverage.

6. Git Workflow:

- Follow meaningful commit practices with a minimum of **5 commits**:
 - Example: Database setup, API development, UI integration, state management, and testing.
- Encourage branching for feature-specific work.

7. Deployment:

- Deploy the application to Vercel.
- Ensure the SQLite database works seamlessly in production (use filesystem or cloud-based SQLite solutions if needed).

8. Optional Features: (Bonus)

Encourage creativity:

- Authentication for user access.
- Enhanced UI/UX with animations or transitions (e.g., Framer Motion).

Submission Deliverables

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1. GitHub Repository:

- Public link to the repository.
- Include a README.md with:
 - Project setup instructions.
 - Database setup instructions.
 - Features implemented.
 - Live URL (deployed on Vercel).

2. Unit Testing:

Include test reports and instructions for running tests.

3. Video Walkthrough:

- A 5-8 minute video explaining:
 - The UI and app functionality.
 - Code structure (Zustand, reducers, SQLite integration).
 - Testing and deployment process.

Example Scenario for Candidates

"Build a web app to manage a simple inventory system. Use **SQLite** to store inventory data and create API routes for CRUD operations. Manage the global state (e.g., user session or selected item) using **Zustand** and local state (e.g., form state) using **useReducer**. Deploy the app to **Vercel**, write unit tests, and explain your work in a video."

Video Script Outline

1. Introduction (1 min):

- Explain the idea and purpose of the project.
- Highlight the use of SQLite, Zustand, and useReducer.

2. UI Walkthrough (2-3 mins):

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- Demonstrate the app's functionality:
 - CRUD operations.
 - State management features (global and local).

3. Code Structure (3-4 mins):

- Walk through the folder structure:
 - Frontend: Pages, components, API calls.
 - Backend: API routes, SQLite integration.
 - State Management: Zustand store and reducers.
- Highlight key files and logic.

4. Testing and Deployment (1-2 mins):

- Show test coverage and key test cases.
- Explain deployment to **Vercel**.

Would You Like?

- 1. **A Sample Project** with Zustand, useReducer, and SQLite for candidates to refer to.
- 2. Video Walkthrough showcasing an example project.
- 3. **Deployment Demo** live on Vercel.

Let me know how you'd like to proceed!