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Project: QuickShop — A Lightweight E-commerce Storefront
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Short Description:
QuickShop is a lightweight e-commerce storefront where customers browse products and place orders, while admins manage products and oversee orders. Built with React + Vite + Tailwind (frontend), Node.js + Express (backend), MongoDB + Mongoose (DB), JWT + bcrypt for authentication.

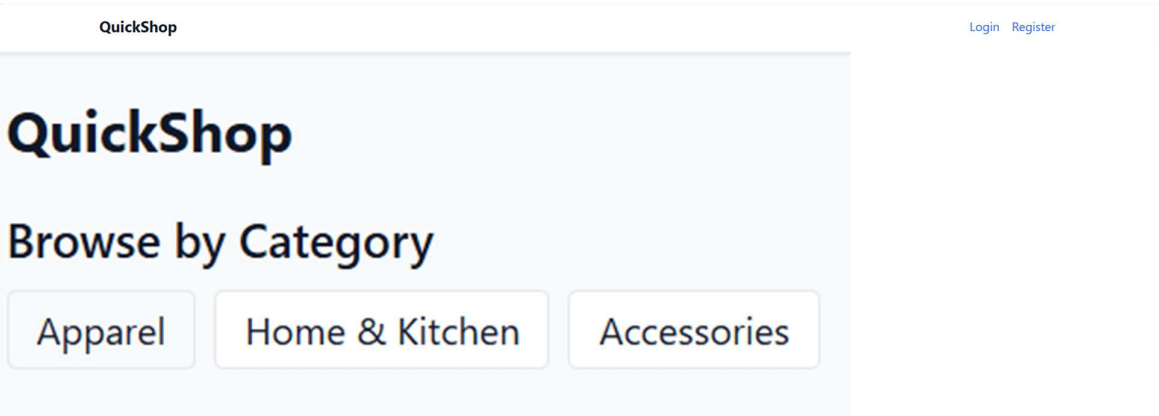
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PROJECT TITLE & SHORT DESCRIPTION

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Title: QuickShop
Summary: A full-stack e-commerce MVP with authentication, product catalog, category filtering, order placement, and admin management for products and orders. Clean architecture and production-ready scaffolding.

Screenshots:



Recently Added



Peter England Tshirt

Tshirt

₹800.00

Order

QuickShop

[Login](#) [Register](#)



Peter England Tshirt

Category: Accessories

₹800

Tshirt

Order

Login

Login

Register

Create Account

Products

Filter by Category: All ▼

[Add Product](#)**Peter England Tshirt**

₹800 • Stock: 40 • Accessories

[Edit](#)[Delete](#)

All Orders

Order #6906eeebd4f482423a664ea9

pending

By: Admin (admin@admin.com) • Items: 1 • Total: ₹800

Order #6906ef06d4f482423a664ed7

pending

By: Aryan (aryan@gmail.com) • Items: 1 • Total: ₹800

Categories

[Add](#)

Apparel

[Delete](#)

Home & Kitchen

[Delete](#)

Accessories

[Delete](#)

OVERVIEW OF PROJECT — TYPES OF USERS

Customer

- Responsibilities: Browse products, place orders, view own orders.
- Actions: Register, login, view products, create order, view my orders.
- Access: Home, Login, Register, Dashboard (My Orders).
- Restrictions: Cannot manage products; cannot view other users' orders.

Admin

- Responsibilities: Manage product catalog and view all orders.
- Actions: Add/edit/delete products, view all orders, manage categories.
- Access: Admin Dashboard, Home, Login.
- Restrictions: Must be authenticated with role: admin.

DATABASE DESIGN / STRUCTURE

Collections and fields:

- Users (users)
 _id:ObjectId (PK), name:String, email:String (unique), password:String (bcrypt), role:String(enum: customer,admin, default customer), timestamps
- Categories (categories)
 _id:ObjectId (PK), name:String(unique), slug:String(unique), timestamps
- Products (products)
 _id:ObjectId (PK), name:String, description:String, price:Number, imageUrl:String, stock:Number, category:ObjectId(ref Category), timestamps
- Orders (orders)
 _id:ObjectId (PK), user:ObjectId(ref User), items:[{ product:ObjectId(ref Product), qty:Number }], total:Number, status:String(enum: pending,paid,shipped,completed,cancelled), timestamps

Relationships:

- users (1) — (many) orders
- categories (1) — (many) products
- products (many) — (many) orders.items

FRONTEND COMPONENT STRUCTURE

App Shell

- App, Navbar, ProtectedRoute, AdminRoute, Loading

Auth

- Pages: Login, Register
- Context: AuthContext (user, token, role; login/logout)

Catalog

- Pages: Home (recent + by category), CategoryPage (/category/:slug), ProductPage (/product/:id)
- Components: ProductCard

Orders

- Pages: Dashboard (customer: my orders)
- Pages: AdminDashboard (admin: manage categories and products; view all orders)

BACKEND CONTROLLERS / FUNCTIONS

Auth

- POST /api/auth/register → create user, hash password, return JWT
- POST /api/auth/login → accepts identifier (email or username) + password; returns JWT
- GET /api/auth/me → returns profile (auth)

Products

- GET /api/products → list (supports ?category=slugOrId)
- GET /api/products/:id → details
- POST /api/products (admin) → create (name, price, stock, description, imageUrl, category)
- PUT /api/products/:id (admin) → update fields
- DELETE /api/products/:id (admin) → delete

Categories

- GET /api/categories → list
- POST /api/categories (admin) → create by name (slug auto)
- DELETE /api/categories/:id (admin) → delete

Orders

- POST /api/orders (auth) → create from items [{product, qty}] (total computed)
- GET /api/orders/my (auth) → current user orders
- GET /api/orders (admin) → all orders
- GET /api/orders/:id (owner/admin) → details

ROLES & PERMISSIONS (AUTHORIZATION SYSTEM)

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- protect middleware: verifies JWT, sets req.user.
 - adminOnly middleware: requires req.user.role === 'admin'.
 - Order ownership: allow if admin or req.user._id matches order.user.

MODULE CONNECTIVITY & FLOW

- Auth: React → /api/auth/login/register → store JWT (localStorage) → attach Authorization header via axios.
- Catalog: React → /api/categories + /api/products → Home shows recent and sections by category; CategoryPage filters; ProductPage details.
- Orders: Create via /api/orders; Dashboard fetches /api/orders/my; Admin fetches /api/orders.

BONUS SECTION: Authentication & Security

- JWT (7d expiry), bcrypt password hashing.
- CORS restricted to frontend origin; morgan for logging.
- Ideas: rate limiting, helmet, strong password policy, refresh tokens.

Scaling Ideas:

- Stateless services behind a load balancer; MongoDB Atlas; CDN for images; cache product list via HTTP caching and LRU.
- CI/CD with GitHub Actions; deploy API to Render/Fly; frontend to Netlify/Vercel.

TECHNOLOGIES USED

- Frontend: React 18, Vite 5, Tailwind CSS, React Router
- Backend: Node.js, Express (ES Modules)
- Database: MongoDB, Mongoose
- Auth: JWT, bcrypt
- Tooling: dotenv, cors, morgan, axios

HOW TO RUN LOCALLY

Backend

- 1) Copy backend/.env.example to backend/.env
- 2) Set env:
MONGO_URI=mongodb://localhost:27017/quickshop
JWT_SECRET=supersecretjwtkeychangeit
PORT=5000
CORS_ORIGIN=http://localhost:5173
- 3) Install & run:
cd backend
npm i
npm run seed (creates admin@admin.com / 12345678 and demo data)
npm run dev

Frontend

- 1) Copy frontend/.env.example to frontend/.env
- 2) Ensure: VITE_API_BASE=http://localhost:5000
- 3) Install & run:
cd frontend
npm i
npm run dev

Login

- Admin: admin@admin.com / 12345678 → auto-redirect to /admin
- Customer: register/login → redirect to /dashboard

CONCLUSION

QuickShop delivers a clean, interview-ready e-commerce MVP with a clear separation of concerns, robust JWT auth, category-driven catalog, order flow, and an admin panel capable of managing categories and products (including images). The stack and structure are production-lean and easily extensible for future features such as payments, inventory analytics, and SEO optimizations.