

1. `app/__init__.py`

1. `create_app()` - Initialises the Flask application
2. `db = firestore.Client()` - Sets up configurations and database connections
3. `app.register_blueprint` - Registers blueprints for routes and authentication

Key functions:

- Creates Flask app instance
- Configures environment variables
- Initialises Firestore database
- Sets up CORS and authentication

2. `app/routes.py`

1. Handles all main application routes
2. Processes weather API requests
3. Manages review submissions and retrievals

Features:

- `WEATHER_ICONS` - Defines weather icons to display for varying weather conditions
- `/` - Home page with search
- `/search` - City weather and reviews
- `/api/weather/<city>` - Weather data
- `/api/reviews/<city>` - Review management
- `login / register` - Handles user access

3. `app/auth.py`

1. Manages user authentication
2. Handles JSON web tokens (JWTs)
3. Processes user registration and login

Features:

- `def register()` - Registration endpoint
 - Processes new user registrations, validates email and password inputs, checks for existing users to prevent duplicates, hashes passwords before storage, creates new user records in Firestore, and returns a JWT upon successful registration.
- `def login()` - Login endpoint
 - Authenticates existing users, verifies email and password combos, checks password hashes for security, and generates and returns JWTs for authenticated sessions.
- `token = jwt.encode` - Token generation

3. `app/utils.py`

Contains a validation function that just checks that user ratings are between the accepted bounds (1-5).

4. `templates/`

- `base.html` - Base template with navigation and styling
- `index.html` - Search interface
- `city.html` - Weather and reviews display
- `login.html` - User login form
- `register.html` - Registration form

These are just html files and can be very tedious to write and easy to make errors, so for these I tend to make use of AI tools to help in putting these together (as this is a simple task but easy to make errors on).

Key Features

1. Weather Information

OpenWeatherMap API integration
Displays current weather conditions
Shows temperature, humidity, wind speed, etc.

2. User Reviews

CRUD operations for reviews
Stored in Firestore
Includes ratings and comments

3. Authentication System

Secure user registration
JWT token-based authentication
Protected routes for authenticated users

Data Flow

1. Weather Data:

User Search → OpenWeatherMap API → Process Data → Display Results

2. Reviews:

User Input → Authentication Check → Firestore Storage → Display Reviews

3. User Authentication:

Other Files

`.env` contains keys for APIs and for my google cloud firestore access (secret key is just random):

```
WEATHER_API_KEY=aeb5c042704145fdc46fe60254d12fb8
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```
SECRET_KEY=hello
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```
GOOGLE_APPLICATION_CREDENTIALS=instance1-438012-68c10ad17369.json
```

These should all be left as they are.

`.gitignore` is a common file used to exclude chosen directories or files from being sent in a git push.

`generate_reviews.py` was just a python file I made to fill the database with reviews for the more common cities, so when we give a demo it is already populated with user reviews.

`requirements.txt` is obviously just the environment requirements in terms of python packages etc.

`instance1-438012-68c10ad17369.json` is my Google credentials file, which is used to access the Firestore database.

`run.py` is the function to start up the application. This will output a couple of URLs in the terminal that you can open in the browser to view and use the app website.

Database Structure

- `users`: User information and credentials
- `reviews`: City reviews and ratings

Marking Criteria

BASE (out of 10)

- **3 MARKS**: The application provides a dynamically generated REST API. **(KIND OF DONE - the sufficient services part is contentious, so adding more functionality through additional APIs would make this better)**
- **3 MARKS**: The application makes use of an external REST service to complement its functionality. **(DONE - hopefully more to be added)**
- **3 MARKS**: The application uses a cloud database for accessing persistent information. **(DONE)**
- **1 MARK**: The application code is well documented. **(KIND OF DONE - can be done once all code is complete)**

OPTIONAL (out of 5)

- **5 MARKS:** Option 1 - Load balancing. **(NOT DONE - opted to do Option 2)**
- **or 5 MARKS:** Option 3 - Anything else (ask Sukhpal). **(NOT DONE - opted to do Option 2)**
- **or 5 MARKS:** Option 2 - any 3 implementations as mentioned below.
 - Serving the application over https.
 - Implementing hash-based authentication. **(DONE)**
 - Implementing user accounts and access management. **(DONE)**
 - Securing the database with role-based policies. **(Unsure)**

Main points to work on

- HTTPS implementation
- Additional APIs:
 - Tourist Attractions (TripAdvisor API)
 - Restaurants (Yelp API)
 - Local Events (Ticketmaster API)
 - Transport (Transport API)
- Video (can be done later)
- Code documentation (can be done later)

To implement HTTPS I am not too sure how this is done specifically, but I'm sure there are plenty of resources online to help with this.

To add a new API, you will need to add the key to .env. Then in routes.py you would need to create a new function to fetch the API data (similar to the weather function) and add it to the search_city route. Also you would need to create a new card section in city.html using the same styling as the weather card but obviously using the new APIs data, whatever that may be (events, restaurants etc).

Try and make sure all functionality is working as intended before pushing anything to GitHub (i.e. you can search for a city, register/login, leave a review etc)