

Meeting Notes for 11/6/2015

- we can deviate from the agenda if we want to!
- purpose:
 - looks good for the most part; Evan understands what we're trying to do
- preliminary data model:
 - password doesn't need to be on the data model because it's not really a relation
 - isPublic should be replaced by a subset of public lists
 - gift:
 - not obvious how gift works
 - do they have links like on Amazon?
 - what makes gifts unique? we said names were fine, and additional details could be provided optionally, so we don't constrain users to certain types of gifts
 - users cannot claim their own gifts (should be reflected in the data model or written as a rule)
- Minimum Viable Product:
 - we should add that there will be no email notifications
 - how are we identifying users? just email addresses
- general info:
 - does not have to be a single-page app; much more freedom than previous projects
 - we could potentially have an app that fulfills our purposes be pretty simple and not of sufficient scope for the length of the final project, so we should be careful
 - whether we use different technologies than on previous projects or build a single page app will depend on what you can do in the app
 - wishlist interactions could be a single-page app, to update nicely
 - we are planning on using MongoDB, and see no reason to deviate from what we've been doing for class in terms of other technologies
- teamwork plan for next milestone:
 - resources - generally what does this mean?:
 - how are we budgeting our time?
 - often will be building things in parallel that depend on each other, so we will need to either communicate really well or work together
 - computer resources: TA thinks it means computational power, like for running some algorithm that takes a more powerful computational platform
 - our app seems pretty standard in terms of needs, so we could run it on our computers just fine
 - stakeholders:
 - ours seem to just be the "users" - people who would find our app useful
- concerns about having enough scope:

- initially, purposes are to provide a lot of the functionality of things like amazon.com, which has like 95% of what people want to buy, even though it is specific to Amazon
- from a technical perspective, there needs to be motivation for why a user would use this site; why would a user actually use it over Amazon or something else?
- add some feature that would give a user a technical reason to do this
 - idea: gift splitting between users
 - also, the public charity wishlist thing
 - idea: Secret Santa feature, better than a spreadsheet or email
- MVP needs to be useable and have core feature set, so doesn't have to be unique