1 Consider your **entire** experience with Upright

What did you like about your time here?

I Like

- I enjoyed the entire process, from the struggle to the success.
- The labs were hands down the best way for me to learn throughout this course. -MR
- Kate's accents
- Conor coming in late and hitting the GAS
- Good flow in building up on topics
- *The learning how things work bit and making it happen*
- Hands on projects for each unit!
- Having a cohort full of awesome people with amazing character and tenacity!-Kate
- Instructor and TA very encouraging
- Having practice after every project // always having help from TAs
- The general positive vibe was great.

  Extra resources were helpful.

  Kate, Conor and Ben were invested in our success.
- Honestly having both Ben and TAs was FANTASTIC and such a great experience!
- I LOVED all the resources that Kate provided as... I will absolutely be referencing them in future projects!

What do you wish was different about the bootcamp?

I Wish

- Sundays were tough!
- Explain how we actually launch our applications
- Some training utilized stuff we hadn't learned yet (a holdover from prev classes for sure)
- I had an Upright sticker for my laptop
- More articles // reddit type understandings of concepts
- Clearer outlines of upcoming units. A lot of the concepts between the bigger unit changes are very different and I felt like I hadn't quite settled given quickly enough.
- I would do a longer class to get more unit exposure
- There was a better way to make study hall and office hours more accessible to everyone's schedules.

  - Kate
- **Full-time course catching students falling behind and helping them faster**
- Wish Sundays were shorter
- maybe joint study halls with other cohorts ??? to increase study hall availability?
- Built in study hall hours as part of the class schedule (e.g. students know when they sign up when it is available)
- I think an option for a longer class timeframe (> 8mo, maybe 9-12 mo?) with a lower time commitment per week would be more ideal for some people

What do you plan to do next?

I Plan

- Reading Code books!
- Hello World!
- Get on applying for jobs,

  Get my portfolio in good shape.

  Look into new projects to keep the skills fresh.
- Fixing up my portfolio

  Building some more React sites

  Applying for jobs
- Utilize normal class times for personal projects/training
- Attending Code meetups

  Building Web
- Keep applying for jobs // get out of my current career // start my portfolio // Build more react stuff
- Learn C++/C#
- Running through another M.E.R.N class to sharpen the skills.

  https://community.theuplight.org/class/become-a-software-engineer-for-free

  https://leonmoel.com/100devs/
- Look into react native
- **Finish my application, apply for jobs, replace my now recently deceased car... Not necessarily in that order**
- Continue applying to dev jobs, build the website I wanted to build but couldn't before this class, and then start building websites for my LLC until the next opportunity arises!

2 Imagine you are a time traveler...

If you went back to week 1, what advice would you give yourself?

- Jump in to every project with every ounce of effort you have to give... It will pay dividends later!
- Stop letting life get you down, put your all into something you know will help you in the end.
- Enjoy the struggle. It's well worth it. Also be sure to revisit old units. Material moves quickly.
- Believe. Come to terms with the fact that CSS is frustrating and don't try to figure it out too much.
- Be prepared to work.

  You'll get it, but it's going to be hard.
- Ask questions, but don't stop learning questions. Part of learning code is learning to suffer through some code in the beginning.
- Dedicate yourself to finding the answer before messaging a TA/Instructor for help — but make sure to leave yourself the time to work things out & do so!