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Mood board:

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We tried going with a New Library style since our design is tailored towards teachers or any other information seekers. It also has a bookkeeping vibe, which is exactly what Internet Archive stands for. We went with a grey, black and red aesthetic in the end. While this may not be traditional, we liked the feel of the color schemes.

In terms of the blog page and the article interact, I tried to base it on Instagram, Facebook, or any other social media website. I did this since people are used to these formats and designs, so it will be easy for most users. The like, comment, share and save button are so that people can interact with the article and each other. By discussing the post, a deeper meaning can be unveiled.

In terms of the advanced search, the original on browser is extremely cluttered and confusing. There are multiple searches for many different functions and other seemingly meaningless options. Our change makes the advanced search a dropdown menu that is easily interactable. It features less but more meaningful search terms and a way to turn them off. It allows for a time efficient searching process.

The home page was kept relatively the same, with popular options in the scroll menu and a search bar for more specific requests. It’s basic, with the search bar and the menu dropdown being the more important places for searching. It doesn’t confuse people and gives them many options of where to go.

Reflection:

This project was very difficult to get a hang of at first. When redesigning an app for phone use, there are many options and buttons that need to go onto another screen to avoid clutter. On browser, there can be 20 buttons on a page but with a phone it needs to be tuned down. With this in mind, we had to decide what to keep on one page and what to put on another. We ended up having to splice some attributes into multiple screens.

During the design process it was interesting seeing all the different possible functionalities that we could add. Even if it was a small change, it could potentially make our app better. Some additions we forgot to add and some we decided would be better off left out. The process of decision making probably took the most amount of time in my opinion.

Figma wasn’t very difficult to understand and use, but the constant flow of ideas and knowledge of what needed to be added was difficult. I felt like most of the time I would put a small project aside to add something else I thought of. When I eventually thought of another addition, I would then leave that other project aside. This was a repetitive process, but I’m still satisfied of what we came up with.

Overall, it was fun being able to easily interact and build an app. There were many options and functions that allow for an app to really come to life.