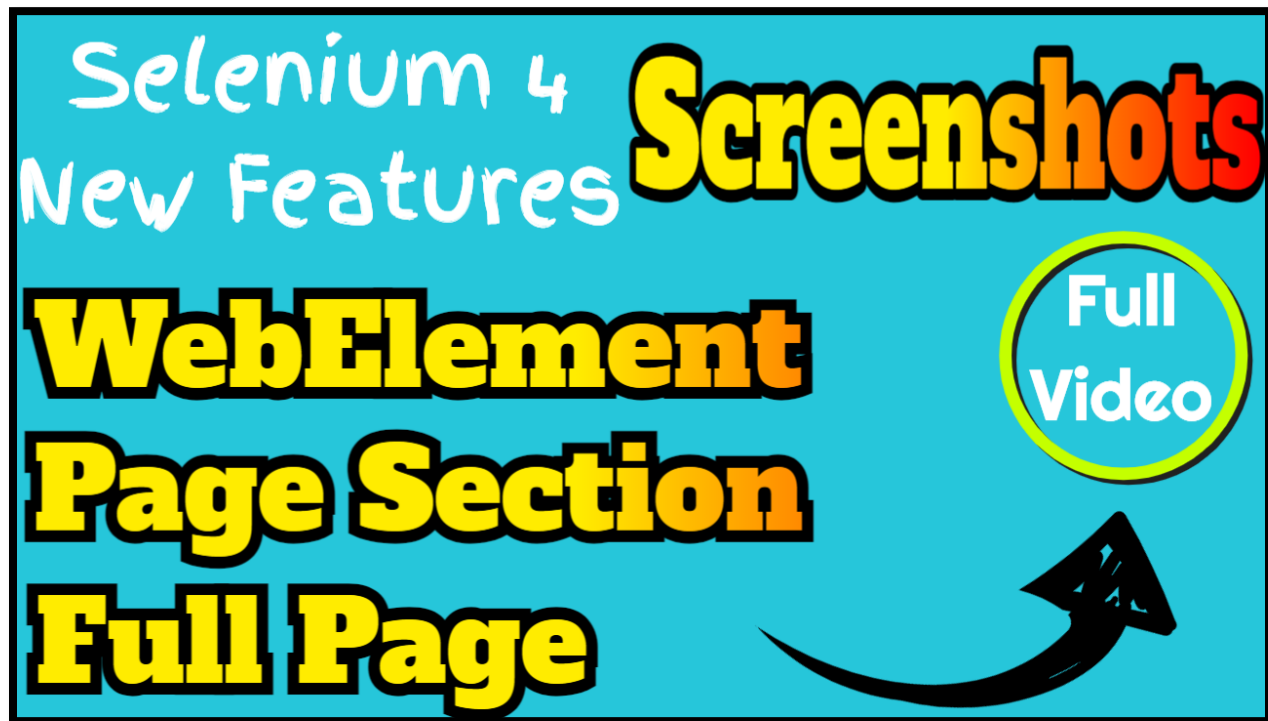


# Selenium 4 How To Take WebElement & Full Page Screenshot



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## Video Link

<https://youtu.be/mIXhrlMmBs8>

## WebElement Screenshot

In this session, we are going to take a screenshot of a WebElement. Until now, Selenium already had a feature to take a screenshot of a page but not to take a screenshot of a WebElement. Before Selenium 4, we had to use an API called Ashot to take a screenshot of a WebElement. However, in this session I am going to demo how to take a screenshot of 1 WebElement and page section that includes more than 1 WebElement.

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We are going to use this Orange HRM site. I will take a screenshot of this logo for 1 WebElement. Do you see how this part of the page has more than 1 WebElement? We see Username, Password, Login Button, and the Forgot Password link plus this Orange image? I'm going to take screenshot of this entire section using Selenium 4. Let's start with the logo and Inspect then find the value by writing #divLogo. This is the id value for the parent > img is the tag name for the logo. Let's start by taking a screenshot of the WebElement logo.

## One WebElement Screenshot

We have our test setup to load Chrome and the AUT.

```
@BeforeClass
public void setUp () {
    WebDriverManager.chromedriver().setup();
    driver = new ChromeDriver();
    driver.manage().window().maximize();
    driver.get("https://opensource-demo.orangehrmlive.com/");
}

@AfterClass
public void tearDown () {
    driver.quit();
}
```

Now, let's take a screenshot of the logo by writing @Test / public void takeWebElementScreenshot () {}  
Let's find the WebElement by writing WebElement logoOrangeHRM =

driver.findElement(By.cssSelector("#divLogo > img")); Import the WebElement and @Test annotation from TestNG. Now that we have the logo for OrangeHRM logoOrangeHRM., we get the screenshotAs(OutputType.FILE). The getScreenshotAs method Capture the screenshot and store it in the specified location. Notice the return type is File. Let's hover the OutputType and it defines the output type for a screenshot. FILE is used to obtain the screenshot into a temporary file. Therefore, we assign the screenshot to a File and name it source =.

Now we need a File for our destination = new File called ("Orange HRM Logo.png"); We have our source file and destination file. A class called FileUtils. has a method to copyFile. The description shows it copies a file to a new location. So, for the source file we are going to have source and the destination file we are going to have our destination. Depending on how your Selenium 4 is setup. You may have to download the Apache Commons IO jar from Maven's Repository to get this FileUtils class then import the jar. It's also a dependency hierarchy for WebDriverManager. Last step is to add the throws declaration for IOException.

```
@Test
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public void takeWebElementScreenshot () throws IOException {
    WebElement logoOrangeHRM = driver.findElement(By.cssSelector("#divLogo > img"));
    File source = logoOrangeHRM.getScreenshotAs(OutputType.FILE);
    File destination = new File ("Orange HRM Logo.png");
    FileUtils.copyFile(source, destination);
}
```

That's it. Let's Run. We see the screenshot in our project. I setup Eclipse to auto refresh so I did not have to manually right click the project and select F5. [Video 72](#) will show you how to Auto Refresh your project automatically. Right click, select Open, and here's the logo WebElement screenshot.



Next is to take a screenshot of a page section.

## Page Section Screenshot

In a section, there are multiple WebElements so we need to find the parent tag of those WebElements. Inspect this section and we see the parent tag has an id value of divLoginImage. On this page, another section is the Social Media icons that can also be used to take a screenshot of multiple WebElements. All we need to find is the parent tag and Selenium will take a screenshot of all 4 Social Media icons.



In this example, social-icons is the parent tag. Go back to our IDE and write our test for the page section. So, I'm going to write `@Test / public void takePageSectionScreenshot () { }` The page section is a `WebElement` so we write `WebElement pageSectionOrangeHRM = driver.findElement(By.id("divLoginImage"));` Next is to store the screenshot in a file. Therefore, we write `File source = What is the source? The source pageSectionOrangeHRM.getScreenshotAs(OutputType.FILE);`

This statement is an abstract representation of the `File` class and will save the screenshot in memory. We need a physical file since this is an abstract representation. Therefore, we copy the source file to the destination. I'm going to use these 2 statements and combine them into 1 line. So, I'm going to write `FileUtils.copyFile(source, ).` The destination file will contain the name of the new File("Orange HRM Page Section.png"). You can also use .jpg file but I like to use png. This statement will convert the abstract source file into a physical .png file so we can view the screenshot. Add the throws declaration and Run. We see the Page Section screenshot. Let's open and all of the `WebElements` are located in this screenshot.



That's it and Thanks for watching.

In this session, I am going to take a full-page screenshot using Selenium 4. Right now, it's only available for Firefox. There's a difference between the full-page screenshot and the existing screenshot feature. The existing screenshot feature takes a screenshot of the page we can see in our web page. However, the full-page screenshot takes a screenshot of the entire page whether we can see it or not.

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Our AUT is going to be Amazon. On this page, we see it's very long and has a lot of products. Scroll and scroll and we see more and more. Now, let's go to our code.

## Full Page Screenshot

We have a setup method for Amazon using FirefoxDriver and a tear down method to quit the driver.

```
@BeforeTest
public void setUp () {
    WebDriverManager.firefoxdriver().setup();
    driver = new FirefoxDriver ();
    driver.manage().window().maximize();
    driver.get("https://www.amazon.com/");
}

@AfterTest
public void tearDown () {
    driver.quit();
}
```

## TakesScreenshot Interface

Start by writing @Test / public void takeFullPageScreenshot () { }. The 1<sup>st</sup> step is to capture the screenshot using ((FirefoxDriver)driver). We are casting FirefoxDriver so this statement is a downcast. The plan is to use driver which is a variable of type WebDriver. We are going to use driver to call a method that's only available to FirefoxDriver and that method is getFullPageScreenshotAs(OutputType.FILE); Let's save the FILE and name it source =. Import the @Test Annotation from TestNG and File.

If you want, feel free to separate this same statement into 2 statements. However, I'm going continue getting straight to the point. Also, with the next statement we can separate into 2 separate statements but I will write 1 line. Let's handle the file with FileHandler.copy(source, ). The destination is a new File() named ("Amazon Full Page Screenshot.png"); That's all we write to capture the full page. Add a throws declaration and select IOException.

```
@Test
Run | Debug
public void takeFullPageScreenshot () throws IOException {
    File source = ((FirefoxDriver)driver).getFullPageScreenshotAs(OutputType.FILE);
    FileHandler.copy(source, new File("Amazon Full Page Screenshot.png"));
}
```

Let me also capture a screenshot but not the full page. It won't take long. I want to show you the difference between full page screenshot and the existing screenshot feature.

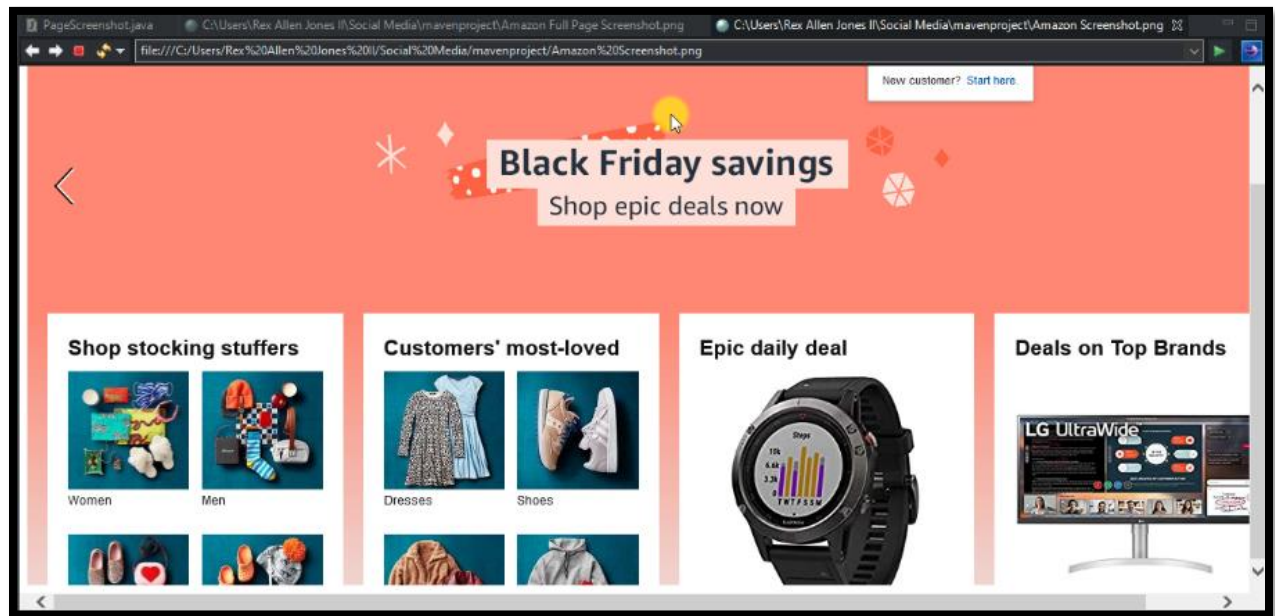
@Test / public void takePageScreenshot () { } It's very similar to the full page screenshot but I will write TakesScreenshot and not FirefixDriver. Alright, File source = then we cast ((TakesScreenhot)driver). Import TakesScreenshot from Selenium package and .screenshot notice we only see getScreenshotAs but we do not see getFullPageScreenshotAs. That's how we know getFullPageScreenshotAs is only available for the FirefoxDriver. Select getScreenshotAs(OutputType.FILE). Next, is File CTRL + SPACE. We have the option of using FileHandler or FileUtils. FileHandler is a class from Selenium and FileUtils is a class from apache.commons. I'm going to use FileUtils this time since I used FileHandler in the previous Test Script and select copyFile(source, new File("Amazon Screenshot.png")); Import throws declaration and we are going to select IOException.

```
@Test
Run | Debug
public void takePageScreenshot () throws IOException {
    File source = ((TakesScreenshot)driver).getScreenshotAs(OutputType.FILE);
    FileUtils.copyFile(source, new File("Amazon Screenshot.png"));
}
```

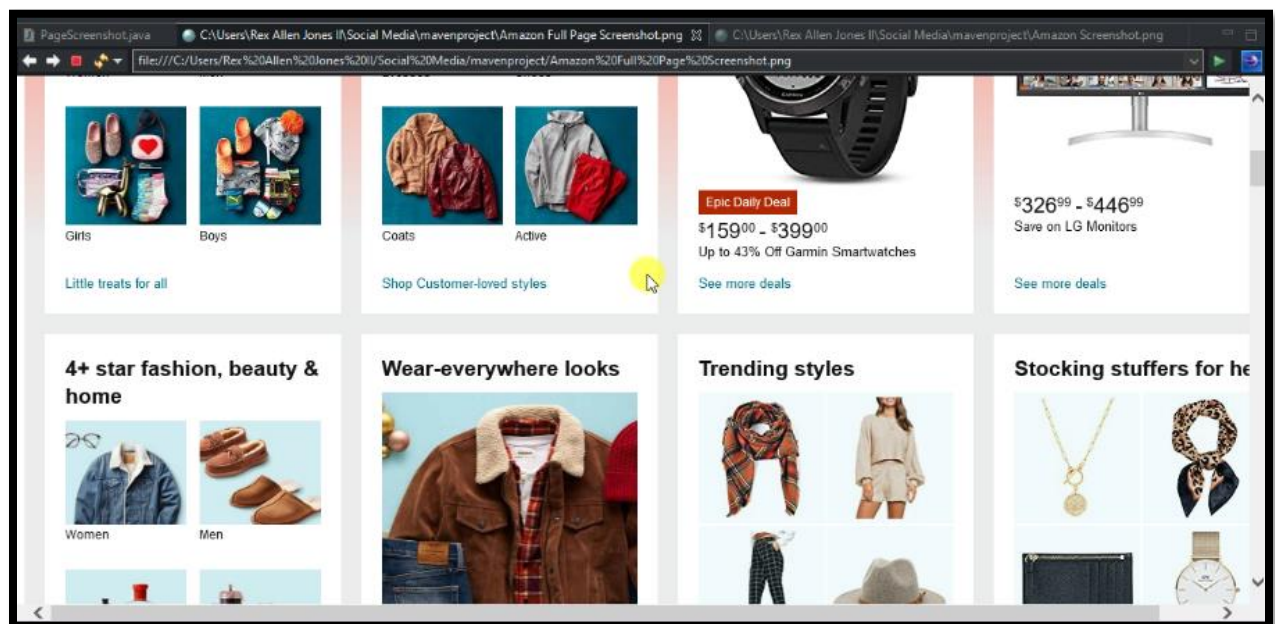
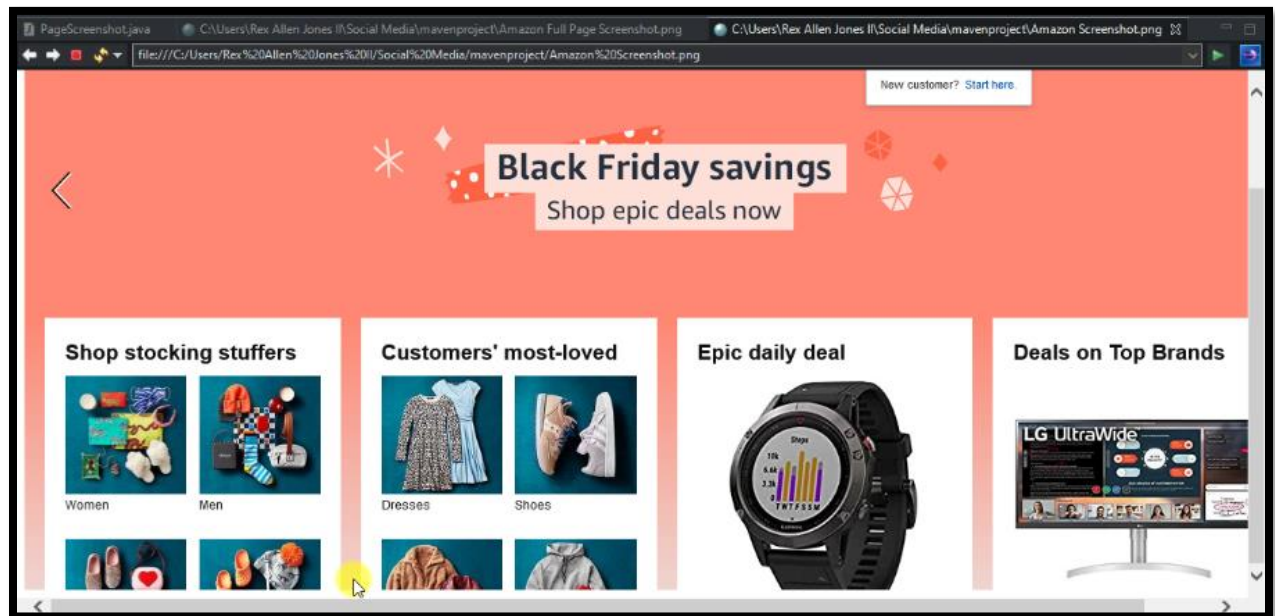
I'm going to save it and this time Run All and not an individual Test Script. We see both screenshots: Amazon Full Page Screenshot and Amazon Screenshot. Like I mentioned in the previous video, I set it up where it refreshes automatically.

This here is the screenshot which shows what we only saw in the webpage and it stops around this point.

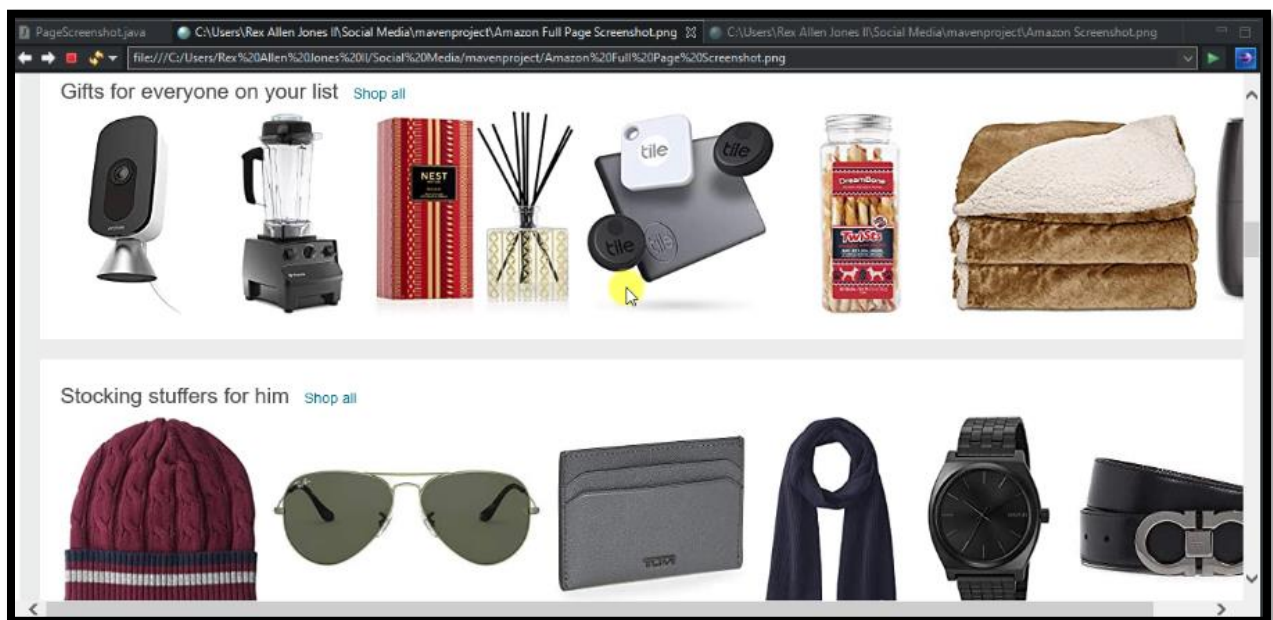
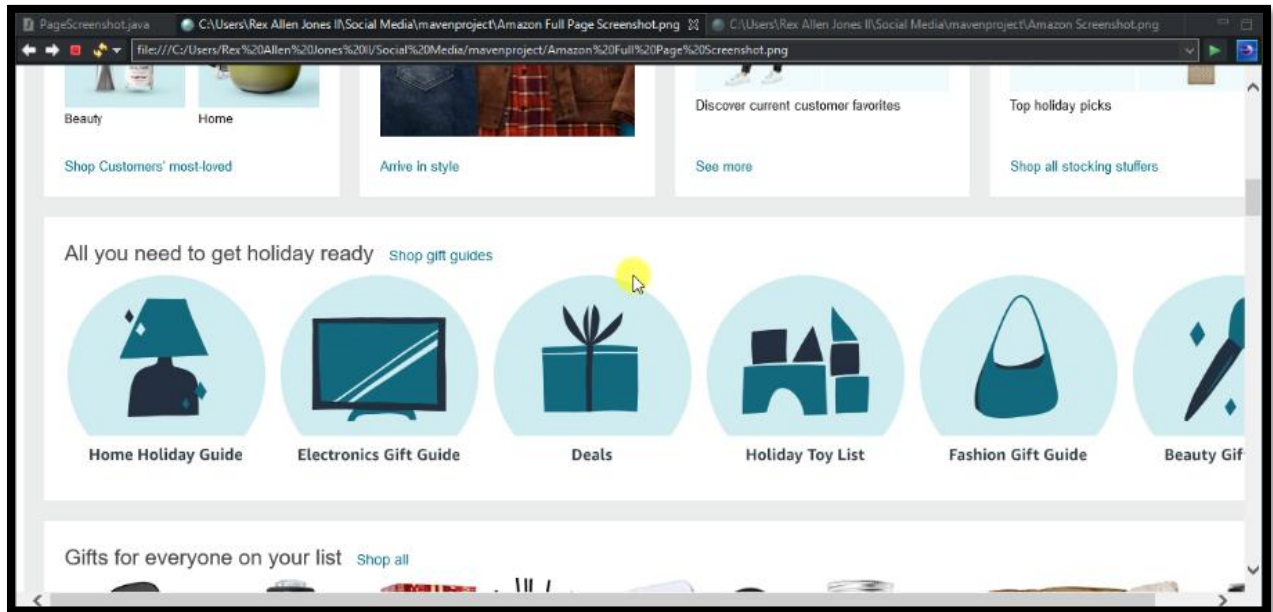


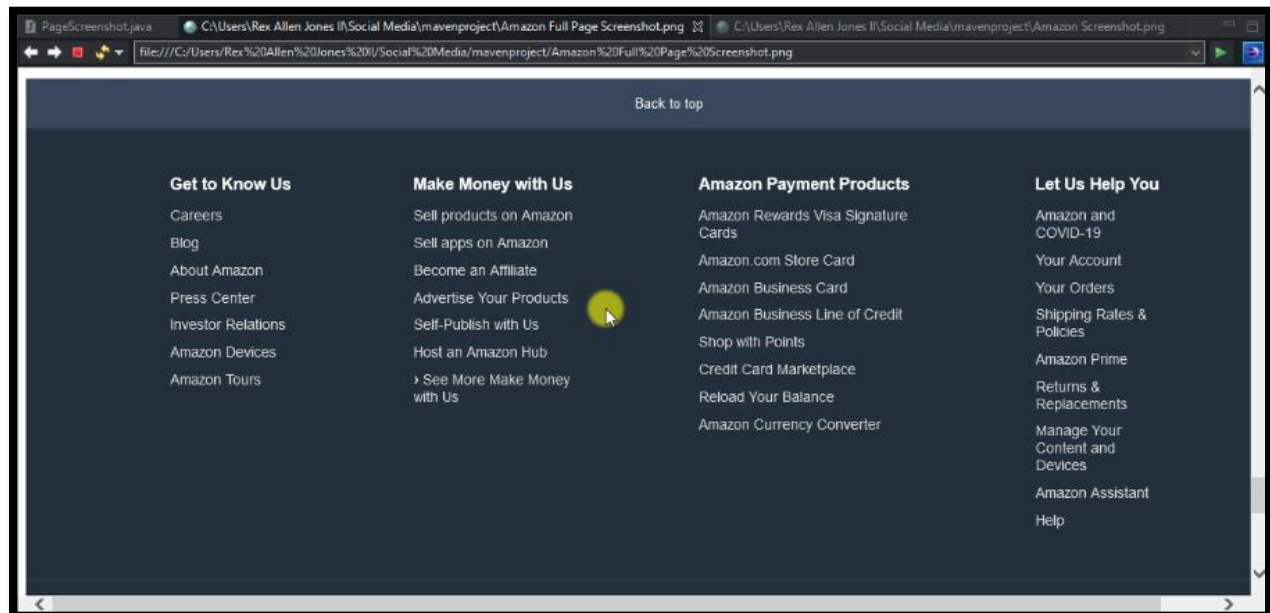
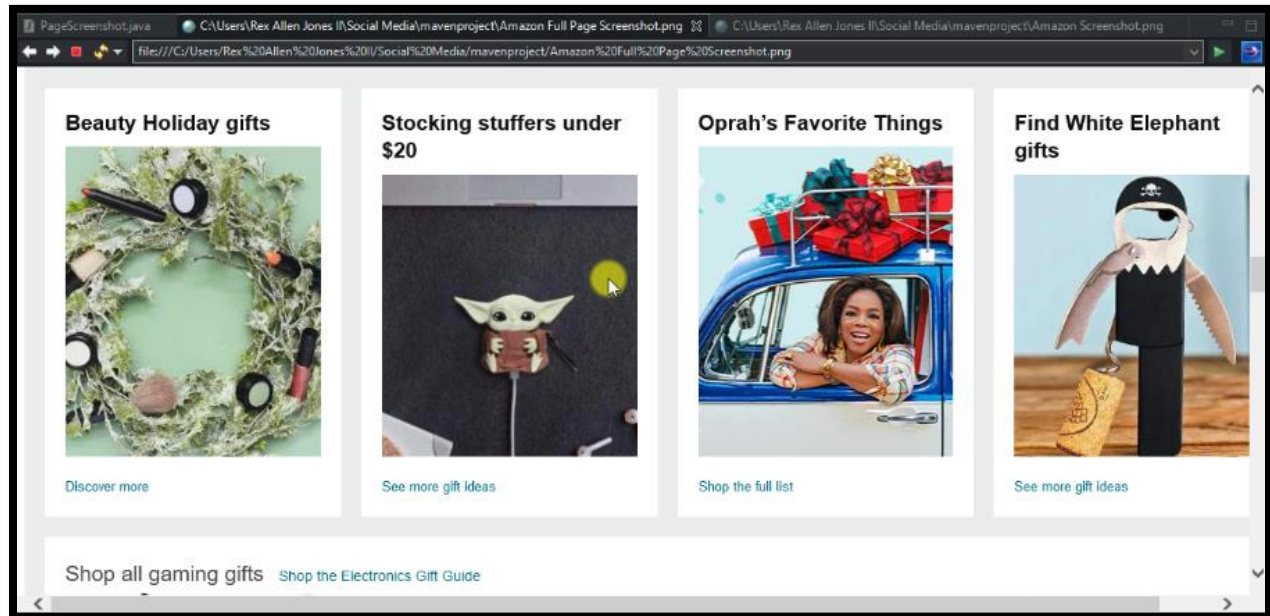


Select the other screenshot and we keep on scrolling and the full-page screenshot took a screenshot of the complete page from top to bottom but not including the tab and address bar. Taking a normal screenshot only captured what we see in the browser page. That's it and thank you for watching and I'll see you in the next session.









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