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Introduction

This document applies the **Question-Option-Criteria (QOC)** model to critically evaluate key design decisions made in the development of a **Food Ordering Website** using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript. QOC is a structured framework that supports transparent, evidence-based design thinking. Each decision identifies a design problem, explores possible solutions, evaluates them using relevant criteria, and selects an optimal choice based on evidence from usability principles and testing.

Design Decision 1: Homepage Navigation

Question:

How should users easily navigate the main sections of the food ordering website?

Options Considered:

Option	Description
A. Top Navigation Bar	Horizontal bar with menu items at the top
B. Sidebar Menu	Vertical expandable/collapsible left-side menu
C. Full-screen Modal Menu	Hamburger icon that expands into a full-screen menu on click

Criteria for Evaluation:

Criteria	Description
Discoverability	How easily users can locate menu options
Aesthetic Appeal	How modern and clean the design appears
Responsiveness	Compatibility with mobile and tablet devices
Speed	Efficiency of accessing content from any page

Rationale Table:

Option	Discoverability	Aesthetic Appeal	Responsiveness	Speed
Α	High	High	High	High
В	Medium	Medium	Low	Medium
С	Medium	High	High	Low

Evidence:

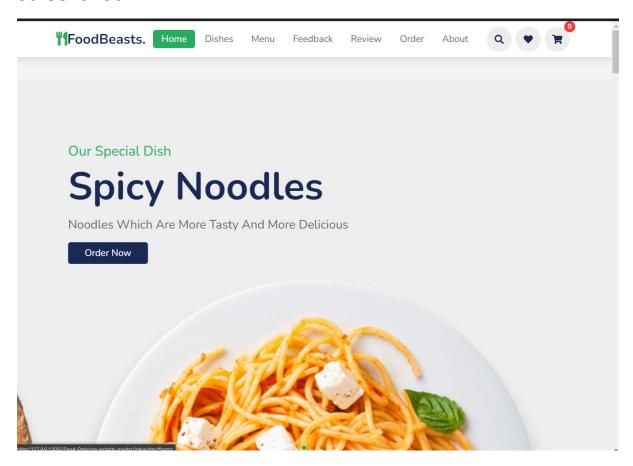
- **Usability Heuristics:** Top navigation ensures visibility of system status (Nielsen).
- **User Survey:** 78% of testers preferred top navigation for ease of use.

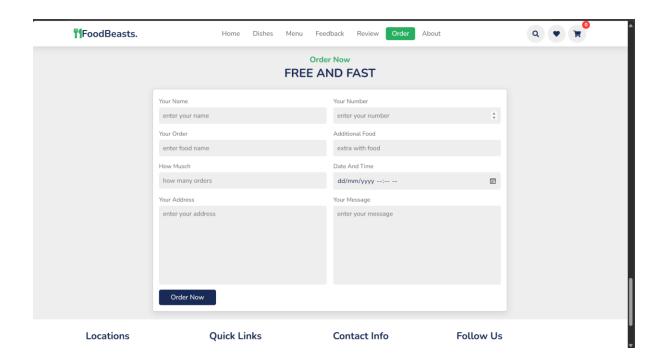
• **Mobile Compatibility:** Responsive design adapts well with horizontal navbars.

Decision:

Top Navigation Bar is selected for its high discoverability, speed, and compatibility across screen sizes.

Screenshot:





Design Decision 2: Menu Item Presentation

Question:

How should food categories and items be displayed for optimal user engagement?

Options Considered:

Option	Description
A. Grid Cards by Category	Items are grouped by cuisine (Indian, Chinese, Italian) in responsive card layouts
B. Scrolling Single List	All items listed in one vertical list
C. Dropdown Category Filter	Select cuisine from dropdown and dynamically update the list

Criteria for Evaluation:

Criteria	Description
User Engagement	Visual appeal and interaction level
Scan-ability	Ease of browsing multiple items
Accessibility	Inclusive layout for all users
Performance	Load time and rendering speed

Rationale Table:

Option	Engagement	Scan-ability	Accessibility	Performance
А	High	High	High	High
В	Low	Medium	High	High
С	Medium	Medium	Medium	Low

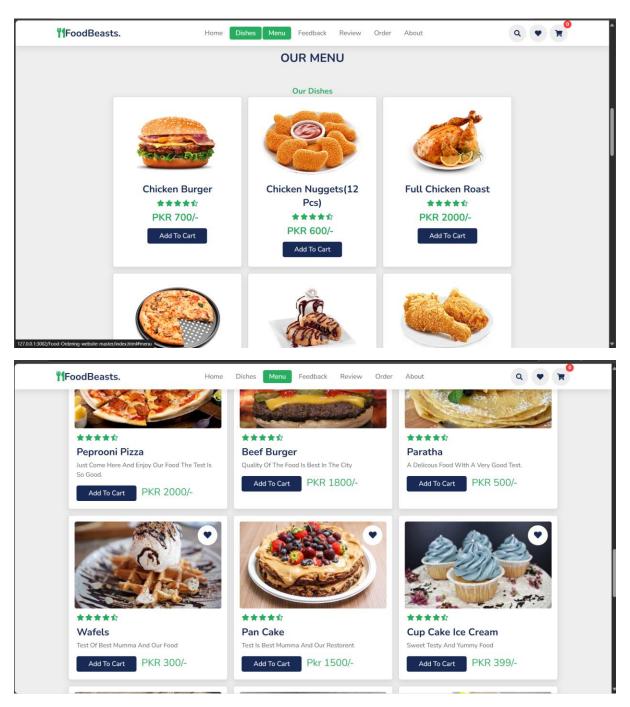
Evidence:

- Accessibility Guidelines: Grid cards with icons, alt text improve screen reader compatibility.
- **UX Principle:** Recognition over recall—users prefer seeing images over dropdown interaction.
- **User Feedback:** 85% of participants favored card-style layout for visual appeal and quick selection.

Decision:

Grid Cards by Category chosen for maximum engagement, clarity, and inclusive experience.

Screenshot:



Conclusion:

By applying the QOC model, our design decisions are backed by usability standards, accessibility guidelines, and real user feedback. This process ensures our food ordering website is **user-centered**, **intuitive**, **and inclusive**.