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Over the course of the semester, I feel that my understanding of front-end web development has been expanded greatly. As primarily a back-end web developer, the only front-end work I've done is mess with Bootstrap and basic CSS to make professional-looking web pages. However, I never understood the complex CSS behind why Bootstrap works. Now, I have a better understanding of the more complex aspects of CSS and javascript, which is extremely valuable in debugging and building with bootstrap.

My methods and processes were pretty late to develop. There was no staging in my process, I simply built from the ground up using trial and error until I had my finished product. Though my processes have changed, that haven't changed much, as I am pretty stubborn with how I code and create, as I imagine most programmers are. Now, I like to have an extra step where I do some basic planning and designing, both on the front and back ends. It helps accelerate the process in the future by building a more structured code to the project. If I were to change one thing about my methods, it would be how well I can make it work with other people. My methods are largely dependent on me and how I work, so working with other developers is difficult. When a problem arises, I get flustered when I have to switch focuses to help fix the problem.

Honestly, I was less than impressed by my final project. This is not because of the design or how to design looked in the browser—those were perfect. But, I found out that my design wasn't compatible with how Tumblr works too late to start over. If my design is possible, I was not able to think of a way to accomplish it. Aside from the incompatibility, I believe that my design is perfect. I switched tabs between my design and Imgur to get every detail right down to the pixel. The interactive controls like the search bar and drop menu are exactly the same as they appear on Imgur. My only regret is that I could not think of a way to translate that Imgur does with posts to Tumblr. I believe that the working idea would be widely popular with both Imgur users and Tumblr users who want to quickly flip through interesting posts.