

# Design System Checklist

This exercise helps you decide what is relevant to add to your Design System. You use the outcome of this tool as input for your backlog. Use this technique when you create a new Design System.

*This tool is based on Picking Parts, Products & People  
by Nathan Curtis.*

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 3 - 10 people

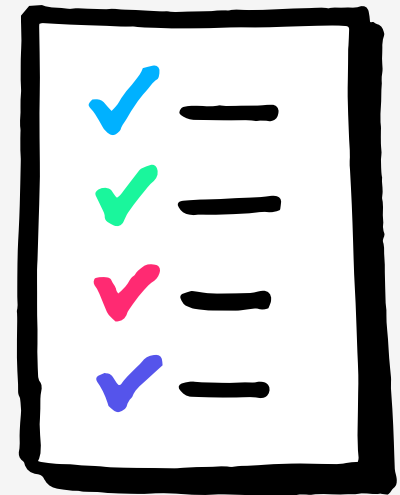
 45 minutes

# What do you need?

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- ☐ The Checklist printed on A4 (one per person)
- ☐ The Checklist printed on large paper (A3 or A2)
- ☐ Pens and markers
- ☐ Time Timer

Assign one of your team the Facilitator-role. This person facilitates the exercise, keeps track of time and documents the findings.



# Step by step

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## 1. Unimportant categories

🕒 2 min

Every participant crosses off the non-relevant categories.  
There's no minimum or maximum amount they need to cross.

*Categories are the bold headings without checkbox*

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## 2. Most important categories

🕒 2 min

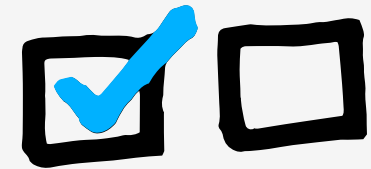
Let every participant circle at most 5 categories.

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## 3. Important items

🕒 5 min

Every participant checks at most 25 items.



## 4. The most important items

🕒 2 min

Of the 25 checked items, underline the 10 most important items.

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## 5. Count

🕒 15 min

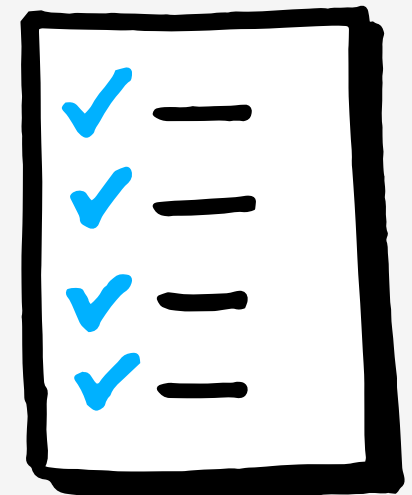
One by one every participant says out loud which 10 items they underlined. The facilitator counts the outcome on the big Checklist.

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## 6. Final choice

🕒 5 min

Decide together which items are crucial for your Design System. Add checkmarks for your final choice.



# Design System Checklist

We gonna focus on Components (headers, navigation, etc.) and elements (buttons, inputfields, labels, etc.) in another exercise.

Color	Type	Icons	Motion	Layout
<input type="checkbox"/> Swatches	<input type="checkbox"/> Scale	<input type="checkbox"/> Pictograms	<input type="checkbox"/> Principles	<input type="checkbox"/> Grid
<input type="checkbox"/> Contrast	<input type="checkbox"/> Weight	<input type="checkbox"/> Illustrations	<input type="checkbox"/> Timing	<input type="checkbox"/> Sidebars
	<input type="checkbox"/> Line height	<input type="checkbox"/> Icon fonts	<input type="checkbox"/> Transitions	<input type="checkbox"/> Breakpoints
	<input type="checkbox"/> Line length		<input type="checkbox"/> Easing	<input type="checkbox"/> Spacing

Flows	Templates	Data viz.
<input type="checkbox"/> Authentication	<input type="checkbox"/> Home	<input type="checkbox"/> Search results
<input type="checkbox"/> Forms	<input type="checkbox"/> Category	<input type="checkbox"/> Contact
<input type="checkbox"/> Onboarding	<input type="checkbox"/> Product	<input type="checkbox"/> Blog
<input type="checkbox"/> Wizards	<input type="checkbox"/> Dashboard	<input type="checkbox"/> Login
<input type="checkbox"/> Feedback	<input type="checkbox"/> Article	<input type="checkbox"/> Pricing

Branding	Copy	Research	Guidelines	Development
<input type="checkbox"/> Logo	<input type="checkbox"/> Voice & tone	<input type="checkbox"/> Personas	<input type="checkbox"/> Accessibility	<input type="checkbox"/> Testing
<input type="checkbox"/> Theme's	<input type="checkbox"/> Word list	<input type="checkbox"/> User-journeys	<input type="checkbox"/> Performance	<input type="checkbox"/> Version control
<input type="checkbox"/> Photography	<input type="checkbox"/> Language level	<input type="checkbox"/> A/B testing	<input type="checkbox"/> SEO	<input type="checkbox"/> DTAP
<input type="checkbox"/> Brand values	<input type="checkbox"/> Capitalization	<input type="checkbox"/> Usability tests	<input type="checkbox"/> AVG (privacy)	<input type="checkbox"/> Workflow
<input type="checkbox"/> Mission		<input type="checkbox"/> Surveys / interviews	<input type="checkbox"/> Design Principles	<input type="checkbox"/> Coding standards
				<input type="checkbox"/> APIs

Downloads	Process	About	Team
<input type="checkbox"/> UI-kit	<input type="checkbox"/> Contribution	<input type="checkbox"/> Roadmap	<input type="checkbox"/> Team
<input type="checkbox"/> Fonts	<input type="checkbox"/> Feedback	<input type="checkbox"/> Changelog	<input type="checkbox"/> Vacancies
<input type="checkbox"/> Icons	<input type="checkbox"/> Audit / Review	<input type="checkbox"/> FAQ	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Getting started	<input type="checkbox"/> Component status	

Other
<input type="checkbox"/>

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