The PHP Disaster Artist

Background story

Meet Phil "The Destroyer" Connors, a developer infamous in tech circles not for his coding prowess, but for his unrivaled ability to turn mundane tasks into digital catastrophes. If there's a button labeled "Do Not Press," Phil's instinct is to not only press it but to programmatically smash it, creating irreversible chaos. He once mistakenly deleted an entire customer database just by attempting to update a user's profile picture. It took the company months to recover. Phil's also been banned from using "sudo" commands after an incident involving a production server and a stray semicolon that wiped out years of historical data. His supervisors have long since given up trying to understand how he manages to cause such damage, and now they just avoid letting him touch anything critical.

Today, Phil has been assigned to an important yet manageable project: building a 3-part form for the webshop's checkout process. The goal is straightforward: collect a customer's name and email, shipping address, and payment method, with no actual payment processing required. Yet, even this straightforward task seems perilous in Phil's hands.

The stakes are high. The company's been forced to outsource Phil's help to a group of students, hoping that fresh minds and a good night's sleep might save this project from Phil's catastrophic tendencies. The students' mission is to help Phil implement the form using the Post-Redirect-Get (PRG) pattern and PHP sessions to prevent him from single-handedly collapsing the company's last remaining production server.

Challenge

Your challenge is to create a 3-part checkout form using PHP and sessions. The form should follow the PRG pattern to avoid accidental form resubmissions and ensure a smooth user experience.

Part 1: Collect the user's Name and Email.

Part 2: Collect the Shipping Address.

Part 3: Select the Payment Method (just a placeholder like "Credit Card" or "PayPal").

Each part should be processed using a separate PHP file, and the data should be stored in the session. After completing the form, display a summary of the user's information and a thank-you message.

Phil is counting on you to make sure his legendary track record of digital disasters doesn't continue with this straightforward task. Good luck!

Summary Page example

Thank you for providing your details, Phil Connors!

Name: Phil Connors

Email: phil.connors@example.com

Shipping Address: Code Street 123, Debugville

Payment Method: Credit Card