

Project Overview

The frontend will serve as the player-facing interface for the "Love & Dice" RPG experience. It will facilitate character creation, in-game dialogue and interactions, dice rolls, and AI-generated imagery. This is a single-page application designed for immersion, interactivity, and responsiveness.

Recommended Technologies

Primary Framework:

- **SvelteKit**
- Lightweight and fast
- Built-in reactivity
- Good choice for a game-like SPA
- SEO-friendly and SSR-capable

Alternative: - **React with ShadCN/UI + TailwindCSS** - Mature ecosystem - Great styling with Tailwind and modern UI kit - Rich component library

Recommendation: Start with **React + ShadCN/UI + TailwindCSS** for prototyping and possible future expansion with Next.js.

UI/UX Design Goals

Visual Tone

- A modern blend of romance and fantasy RPG aesthetics
- Use soft color palettes (rose, lilac, teal, ivory)
- Rounded corners, shadowed cards, chat bubbles

Layout

- **Left Pane:** Character sheet & stats
- **Main Panel:** Chat-based interface
- **Modal Popups:** Character creation, dice rolls, image previews

Components

- **ChatWindow:** Displays roleplay dialogue between player & NPC
- **DiceRollVisualizer:** Shows animated d100 rolls

- CharacterSheetPanel: Toggleable sidebar showing stats
 - ImagePreviewModal: Displays AI-generated images
 - ActionSelector: Lets players choose tone (flirty, serious, etc.)
 - NotificationToaster: Shows AP gain/loss, success/failure
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✂ Functional Requirements

Core Features

- Character creation form
- Chat interface with AI responses
- Dice rolling mechanic with animation
- Image generation trigger + display
- Persistent session state (localStorage or backend cache)

Optional Extras

- Theme switcher (dark/light mode)
 - Role selector (Player/GM mode toggle)
 - Session log/export
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Component-State Diagram

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App
├── Header
├── Sidebar
│   └── CharacterSheetPanel
├── MainChatView
│   ├── ChatWindow
│   │   └── MessageBubble
│   ├── ActionSelector
│   ├── DiceRollVisualizer
│   └── ImagePreviewModal
└── NotificationToaster
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📝 Dev Notes

- Modular folder structure for scalability
- Use Tailwind utility classes for speed
- Central `context` for session/player state
- Fetch API abstraction layer for backend integration

Next Steps

1. Scaffold the frontend structure with stub components
2. Build chat + dice UI
3. Connect to backend API
4. Iterate on polish with AI outputs and user testing