

Design Elements  
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Some design elements that I used for the home page would be things such as dedicating most of the front page space to the featured slideshow. I did this because there is a high chance that the featured articles will be things that users are looking for. By placing the information on the home page that users will most likely want reduces the effort they need to put in to find what they are looking for and it prevents them from getting lost on the website as well. I also chose to put a slideshow of recent articles and the most popular articles on the homepage because these categories also have a high percentage chance that the user may want to look at these articles.

For both mobile and desktop versions of the site, no elements should be directly touching each other. White space is extremely important on a website. The white space helps to separate and categorize different sets of information on the site. Elements that have information that is related to others will have less white space in between them compared to elements that aren't related. Those will have more white space between them to indicate that the information isn't in the same category.

For the mobile version of the website, unlike the desktop version, I chose to not have the navigation bar available on the screen at all times, but instead, I chose to tuck it away into a collapsible drop down bar. In order to access this drop-down menu, the user just has to scroll to the top of the page and on the left-hand side, there will be an icon they can press to open up the navigation menu. This isn't needed for the desktop version because there's enough space on the screen to display a full navigation bar.

For the desktop version, I chose to keep the newest articles and popular articles on the screen while the user navigates through the site. It will stay there because when the user is on pages such as the about page, contact page, or just finishing up another article when they are done reading they can look to the side to see if there is anything else that is interesting to read. For the mobile version, there isn't enough space on the screen to display all of this information so these will only be displayed on the homepage.

The font that I plan to use throughout the website will be either Bookman or Trebuchet. Both fonts aren't over the top or crazy and it is easy to read. Some colours that I plan to use will be colours such as #256eff (kinda darkish blue), #47a8bd (kinda turquoise), #ff715b (orangish), #b24c63 (lighter maroon), and #5bc0eb (lightish blue). I plan to use the darker colours for backgrounds and use the lighter colours for information or titles. The background of the website won't be too brash. It will blend easily with the given colours and won't contrast and make it hard to read the text.