

Crap Design Principles

Crap Stands for Contrast, Repetition, alignment, and proximity these are all particularly important things to consider when coding a website. You want to ensure users get the best experience and do not feel like they are restricted in any way. Considering this, I will explain how I used every principle section by section with examples of their implementation.

- Contrast
 - Contrast comes into play a lot in my site because I used a lot of lighter shades of colour. These shades needed to be different so that the user sees the contrast and can differentiate when a new section starts or an old one ends. I used a colour scheme of blue, grey, white, and black text which made it easy to separate parts of my site into colour-coded sections. This contrast helps reduce eye strain as it is a light color palette that is out there and gives you a headache.
- Repetition
 - Repetition is to me the most important part is repetition if you don't use repetition most people will get confused when looking at your site. The site must follow a theme and stick to it which I did as I had a colour scheme that I used throughout the page. My nav kept the same colour scheme (grey bar, white links, light blue hover). The colour scheme is all consistent and does not change throughout the page.
- Alignment
 - Alignment was a big part of my process as I always wanted everything to be centered. Centering makes it easy to access all information, so the user does not have to look left and right all the time. This is why I made everything centered. Simplifying the user experience and making sure that the user has a theme in their mind, and they can subconsciously follow it as they are browsing. Images, text, lists, videos are all centered for this very purpose.
- Proximity
 - Proximity is implemented by making all pages towards a specific concept. For example, the index is about me, and the contact me is a way to get in contact with me, the skills and projects also contain relevant information about my skills and projects. More examples could be that all the coding languages are together, all my projects are in proximity, all hobbies are in proximity. The whole page is structured so that all information is within proximity of related information.

