Day 5 Report - Testing, Error Handling, and Backend Integration Refinement

Project Overview

1. Introduction

Day 5 focused on ensuring that the marketplace is fully functional, optimized, and secure for real-world deployment. The primary objectives were:

- Testing functionality
- Implementing error handling
- Optimizing performance
- Refining backend integrations

2. Key Areas of Focus

2.1 Functional Testing

Objective: Ensure all core features of the marketplace are working as expected.

- Components Tested:
 - o Product Listing: Ensured products are displayed correctly.
 - o Filters and Search: Validated accurate search results.
 - o Cart Operations: Tested adding/removing items and updating quantities.
 - o User Profiles: Verified login and profile update functionality.

Tools Used:

- Postman: For API testing.
- React Testing Library: For unit testing.
- Cypress: For end-to-end testing.

2.2 Error Handling

Objective: Implement robust error handling for a smooth user experience.

- Error Types Handled:
 - o Network Failures: Display user-friendly error messages when API calls fail.

- Missing or Invalid Data: Show fallback UI when no data is available (e.g., "No products found").
- Server Errors: Display appropriate messages for server-related issues.

Example Code:

```
javascript
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try {
  const data = await fetchProducts();
  setProducts(data);
} catch (error) {
  console.error("Failed to fetch products:", error);
  setError("Unable to load products. Please try again later.");
}
```

2.3 Performance Optimization

Objective: Improve the marketplace's speed and user experience.

- Optimizations Applied:
 - o Image Compression: Reduced image sizes using TinyPNG and ImageOptim.
 - Lazy Loading: Implemented lazy loading for large images.
 - Code Splitting: Minimized JavaScript and CSS files.
 - o **Caching**: Applied browser caching for faster repeated visits.

Performance Tools Used:

- **Lighthouse**: For performance audits.
- **GTmetrix**: For page load analysis.
- **WebPageTest**: For detailed performance metrics.

2.4 Cross-Browser and Device Testing

Objective: Ensure the marketplace functions across all popular browsers and devices.

- **Browsers Tested**: Chrome, Firefox, Safari, Edge.
- **Devices Tested**: Desktop, Tablet, Mobile.
- Tools Used: BrowserStack, LambdaTest, physical device testing.

2.5 Security Testing

Objective: Ensure the marketplace is secure from potential vulnerabilities.

- Security Measures Implemented:
 - o **Input Validation**: Prevent SQL injection and XSS attacks.
 - o **HTTPS**: Ensured all API calls use HTTPS for secure communication.
 - o **API Key Management**: Sensitive keys stored securely in environment variables.

Security Tools Used:

OWASP ZAP: For vulnerability scanning.Burp Suite: For penetration testing.

2.6 User Acceptance Testing (UAT)

Objective: Simulate real-world usage and ensure usability.

Tasks Tested:

o Browsing: Ensured product browsing is intuitive.

o Search: Verified search results.

o Checkout: Tested the checkout process.

Feedback: Collected feedback from peers and mentors to make usability improvements.

3. Test Report

Test Case Report

Test Case ID	Description	Test Steps	Expected Result	Actual Result	Status	Severity	Assigned To	Remarks
TC- 001	Product Listing Display	Check if products are displayed	Products should appear correctly	Products loaded successfully	Passed	High	Ameen Alam	N/A
TC- 002	Product Search Functionality	Search for a product by name	Correct products should appear	Products matched correctly	Passed	High	Ameen Alam	N/A
	Cart Functionality	Add product to cart	Product should be added to cart	Product added to cart successfully	Passed	High	Ameen Alam	N/A
	API Error Handling	Simulate network failure	Display error message	Error message displayed correctly	Passed	High	Ameen Alam	N/A

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	Performance	Lighthouse	Performance score above 90	Performance score: 92	Passed	Mediuml		Optimization complete

4. Performance and Optimization Details

Initial Load Time: 3.5 seconds
 Optimized Load Time: 1.8 seconds

Tools Used:

Lighthouse, GTmetrix, WebPageTest

Optimizations:

- Compressed images
- Implemented lazy loading for large assets
- Minimized JavaScript and CSS files

Issues Found:

- Unoptimized images slowed down the load time.
- Large JavaScript bundles delayed page rendering.

Fixes Applied:

- Reduced image sizes and applied lazy loading.
- Split code into smaller chunks for faster load times.

5. Documentation Updates

- **Test Case Details**: See the test report above for individual test case results.
- Performance Optimization Steps: Image compression, lazy loading, code splitting, and caching.
- Security Measures: HTTPS communication, input validation, and secure API key storage.
- Challenges Faced:
 - o Performance bottlenecks due to unoptimized assets.
 - o Cross-browser rendering issues, especially with older Safari versions.

6. Conclusion

The marketplace is now:

- Fully tested with functional components.
- Optimized for performance, resulting in faster load times.
- Secure with implemented best practices.
- Ready for deployment after thorough testing.

All testing results and fixes have been documented and are included in the report.

7. Submission Requirements

- Functional Deliverables:
 - Screenshots or recordings of functional components.
 - o Logs or reports from testing tools (e.g., Lighthouse, Postman).
- **Testing Report**: Detailed test case results.
- **Documentation**: Summary of testing, optimizations, and fixes.
- Repository Submission: Ensure all updated files, including the testing report, are uploaded to GitHub.

8. Final Checklist

9. Next Steps (Optional)

- Advanced Features: Wishlist, checkout flow, user profile management.
- Further Optimization: Continuous performance monitoring and improvements.
- Backend Enhancements: Integrate advanced API functionalities and optimize database queries.