Marketplace Project Progress Report

Day 1: Marketplace Business Documentation

Marketplace Type:

• General e-commerce platform catering to various product categories.

Business Goals:

- Address common pain points in e-commerce, such as lack of product interaction, insufficient details, and non-intuitive platforms.
- The solution includes clear product descriptions, high-quality images, and a user-friendly interface.

Target Audience:

• Homeowners, interior designers, office managers, tech enthusiasts, fashion-conscious consumers, and beauty aficionados.

Products & Services:

- Featured categories include:
 - o Furniture
 - Clothing
 - Electronics
 - Beauty products
 - Sports & fitness

Unique Selling Points (USPs):

Focus on ease of use, comprehensive product pages, seamless checkout, and efficient delivery.

Market Research Insights:

- Competitor analysis shows that many e-commerce platforms lack clear product interaction features and struggle with slow load times.
- Consumer feedback indicates a demand for platforms with high-quality product images and intuitive navigation.
- Target audience research indicates a strong preference for fast and secure checkout processes and mobile-friendly designs.

• Defined key entities (Products, Orders, Customers) with relationships between them.

Diagram:

Additional Sections:

- **Technical Architecture:** Outlined a high-level system design and flow.
- **Security Measures:** Discussed the implementation of secure authentication and payment processing.
- **Performance Optimization:** Proposed methods for faster loading times and smooth user interactions.
- **Testing Strategy:** Identified testing methods such as unit testing, integration testing, and user acceptance testing (UAT).
- UI Design Guidelines: Established principles for a clean, user-friendly design.

Day 2: Marketplace Technical Documentation

Frontend Requirements:

- User-Friendly Interface: Key features include:
 - Search bar, filters, product pages with images, reviews, and a streamlined cart and checkout process.
- Responsive Design: Fluid layout across devices, with mobile-friendly touch interactions.
- Essential Pages:
 - Home, product listing, product details, cart, checkout, and order confirmation pages.

Backend: Sanity CMS:

- **Product Data:** Stored in Sanity CMS, including details such as name, description, price, category, and images.
- Customer & Order Data: Stored in Sanity CMS with references to orders and customer details.

Unlimited Pages and Expanded Features

d schemas for products, orders, and customers.

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- Shipment Tracking API: Integration with ShipEngine for real-time tracking.
- Payment Gateway API: Stripe or PayPal for secure payments.
- Authentication: NextAuth.js for user management.
- Shipping Rates API: Real-time shipping rates integration.

System Architecture:

- High-Level System Architecture:
 - Decoupled frontend (Next.js), backend (Sanity CMS), and third-party services (payment and shipment tracking APIs).
- Key Workflows:
 - o User registration, product browsing, order placement, and shipment tracking.

Workflow Block Diagram:

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API Requirements:

- Key Endpoints:
 - o Defined endpoints for fetching product details, creating orders, and tracking shipments.
- Example Request/Response:
 - Provided example API calls for:
 - Product fetching
 - Order creation
 - Shipment tracking

Technical Documentation:

- **System Architecture Document:** Detailed explanation of the architecture, components, and integrations.
- API Specification Document: Thorough API documentation for endpoints, request/response formats.
- **Technical Roadmap:** A phased development plan, including setting up Sanity CMS, frontend pages, API integrations, and deployment.
- Collaboration & Refinement: Peer reviews and version control using GitHub.

Key Outcomes:

- **Technical Plan:** Aligned with business goals.
- System Architecture & Workflow: Clear diagrams explaining the system flow.
- API & Sanity Schemas: Drafted for product, order, and customer data management.
- **Collaboration:** Incorporating feedback from peers and mentors.

Industry Best Practices:

• Planning, using the right tools, focusing on user experience, and collaboration.

Submission Guidelines:

Organized documentation with clear formatting.

mat, ensuring all diagrams and tables are labeled and

System Architecture Diagram:

Next Steps:

- Continue developing the system architecture and start implementing the frontend and backend based on the specifications.
- Proceed with API integrations (payment, shipment tracking) in the upcoming phases.
- Begin testing and refine the user experience as you move towards deployment.