**Memory Game**

* Note: I would recommend opening the markdown form of this file for ease of readability but it contains the same content.

This javascript project undertaken as part of Assignment 1 for ELEE1159 Web Systems Engineering. Below are the instructions to run the project and the automatic testing suites that its bundled with.

I've put a lot of care and attention into the design of the website from validation to protecting the user from themselves. For example, the cards are not clickable after they've been matched so you can't match more cards than should be possible.

**Running the project**

**All Operating Systems**

Running the project is simple. The zip file should have everything you need. All you need to do is extract the project into your file explorer and go into the build folder. Now right-click on the index.html file and hover over open with. Now, all you need to do is find your preferred web browser and click on it. The website is now fully loaded and ready for you!

**Testing the project**

Below I have laid out the instructions to run the automatic tests I have bundled with the project. By the end of it, you should have an output to the console that looks like this:

A screen shot of a computer program

Description automatically generated

**Prerequisites**

**For Mac/Linux**

1. You will need nodeJS to run the tests for this project. The easiest way to install nodeJS for Mac/Linux is by first installing homebrew from the [brew website](https://brew.sh/).
2. Now you should be able to type:

**brew install node**

into your terminal to install nodeJS.

**For Windows**

You will need nodeJS to run the tests for this project. The easiest way to install nodeJS on Windows is by going to the [nodeJS website](https://nodejs.org/en/download/package-manager" \o "https://nodejs.org/en/download/package-manager) and following their instructions for Windows.

**Running the tests**

* Note: I would recommend doing the following section in [Visual Studio Code](https://code.visualstudio.com/) as it's easier to edit the javascript files and it bundles with a built-in terminal but this section assumes you don't have it.

1. Go into your terminal and navigate to where you have stored this project.
2. Open the following files (in build/src/main):

* CardAnimation.js
* CardGame.js
* DisplayImages.js
* Settings.js
* Tabs.js

1. and uncomment this last line from each file:

**// module.exports = FILE\_NAME.js;**

(it should look like this when uncommented):

**module.exports = FILE\_NAME.js;**

1. You should now be able to go into your terminal and type:

**npm test**

The tests should now all run!

* Final Note: If you want to run the index.html, all the functionality will work fine but it will produce errors in the console saying it can't find "module" (because of nodeJS). If you want to remove these errors, recomment the lines you uncommented earlier.

**Known Issues**

* As mentioned before, the project can run just fine when the module.exports = FILE\_NAME.js; line is uncommented but it produces errors in the console. Since the functionality is unaffected by the tests and it would be too time-consuming to rebuild the entire application in nodeJS I've opted to uncomment and comment the line based on the project need as it was the cleanest solution.
* There is also another issue where if the user reloads the website the name they input will stay in the name input box (under settings). But if they choose to click New Game it will remove the name from the input box. This is a small issue that doesn't affect the game. It’s a small quality of life fix that wasn't within the scope of the project.
* Lastly, the CSS and design is quite consistent but preferably I'd like for each of the tabs to be the same size. I couldn't think of a way to do this without fundamentally changing the design of the entire website to I have left this for now.

**Future Features**

In the future, I'd like to add a couple features to either extend the functionality of the game or improve the quality of life for the user.

* A timer so the user can log how quickly they are able to complete the memory game. This will allow for a more skill-based measurement of how well the user has done.
* The ability for the user to upload their own images. This is another quality-of-life feature that will make the game more fun and customisable.
* Lastly, I could make a global leaderboard using a database and APIs so that anyone could go onto the website and see where they rank globally. There is also a simpler local leaderboard I could implement where each player would play on one computer. I could do this before moving onto the more complicated version.

**Additional Manual Testing**

In addition to the automatic tests run by nodeJS (set up earlier) I also did manual testing using the console to make sure everything worked perfectly.

I did this because while the numbers in the background may be correct (according to my automatic tests) it may not be correct visually on the website which is as a result of it not being able possible to test the CSS and HTML automatically.

One example, in particular, came from the animations. It was difficult to get the animations right because there were a lot of little things that went wrong with it. For example, the card would over rotate and show more of the back of the card than it was supposed to or when the cards are supposed to shrink to zero sometimes, they would go into negative shrinkage which reverses the image but makes it bigger!

A particularly annoying issue is when I tried to rotate the card, and it would show the other side of the card in the wrong orientation for a split second. This was a surprisingly subtle issue with how I was handling changing the style of the element. When I needed to shrink the element, it overwrote the entire styling which reset the rotation that had been applied to it.