

User Manual

Accounts

Username: darth
Password: vader

Username: luke
Password: skywalker

Username: yoda
Password: yoda

1. The parts of the website

Header

Situated at the top of every page, this navigation bar allows you to visit different pages on the website. Apart from 'Home' and 'Search', there is a login field in the navigation bar itself. Upon successfully logging in, the field will be replaced with the options 'Write Article', 'Your Articles', and 'Logout'

Homepage

This page of the blog is accessible to everyone. It contains all blog posts, with the titles of the blog posts acting as links to their various individual pages. If you are logged in, you will see an option to comment on each post just beneath the post. If you are the author of a particular post, you will also

see options to delete and edit the post beside the comment option.

Individual post pages

These pages are specific for the various blog posts. Beneath the blog post, the comments on the posts are also displayed. If you are logged in, you will see a place to post a new comment above all the existing comments. If you are an author of an existing comment, you will see the option to delete/edit the comment.

Your Articles

Clicking on the navigation bar redirects you to a page which displays all posts authored by you (without comments). This page can only be accessed once you have logged in.

Post Article

Clicking on the navigation bar redirects you to a page where you are provided with space to input a title, the content, and a button to submit your article. This page can only be accessed once you have logged in.

Search

Clicking on the navigation bar will redirect you to a page with a place to input words related to the title and words related to the author of the blog post you are searching for.

2. The various functions

Logging in

To login, simply enter your username and password into the login field at the right corner of the navigation bar. If you are unable to provide a valid username/password combination, an error message will be displayed. If you login successfully, a confirmation message will be displayed, and the login fields will disappear, thereby revealing the rest of the navigation bar.

Logging out

Once logged in, you can logout by simply pressing the logout button on the navigation bar. If you do so, you will be prompted to confirm your decision. Confirming your decision will result in a successful logout, with a confirmation message being displayed.

Searching

The Search page consists of two fields: one for words present in the title, and the other for words present in the name of the author. To search, simply fill in either of the fields (or both) and click search. The searching function works by checking if any of the words in the input are present in the title/author. If only one of the fields is filled, the function checks for articles whose title/author name contains at least one of the provided words. However, if both fields are filled, the function checks for articles that satisfy *both* conditions.

Examples:

1st input(words related to title) : blank

2nd input(words related to author) : darth skywalker

Displays all blog posts whose authors' names has at least one of the words darth and skywalker.

1st input(words related to title) : return jedi

2nd input(words related to author) : blank

Displays all blog posts whose titles' names has at least one of the words return and jedi.

1st input(words related to title) : return jedi

2nd input(words related to author) : darth skywalker

Displays all blog posts whose titles' names has at least one of the words return and jedi *and* whose authors' names has at least one of the words darth and skywalker.

Posting an article

To post an article, simply fill out the fields on the 'post article page' and click submit. You will be redirected to the homepage where you will see a success message, and the new article above the pre-existing ones.

Editing an article

If you have authored an article, you will see an option to edit it. Clicking on the edit option will redirect you to a page very similar to the 'post article' page, except that the form will be filled with the original content and title of the article. Upon making the required changes and pressing submit, you will be redirected to the homepage where you will see a success message and the edited article.

Deleting an article

If you have authored an article, you will see an option to delete it. Upon pressing the delete button, you will be prompted to confirm your decision. Confirmation will result in successful deletion of the article, and your redirection to the homepage, where you will see a success message.

Commenting on an article

Once logged in, you will see an option to comment on every article. Clicking the comment button will redirect you the page of the individual blog post, where you will find a place to enter your comment beneath all the pre-existing comments. Entering your comment and clicking the button will refresh the page, upon which you will see a success message and your comment at the top of the pre-existing ones.

Editing a comment

If you have authored a comment, you will see an option to edit it. Clicking on the option will refresh the individual article page, upon which you will find the original content of the comment in the comment field, and that the comment is no longer among the other pre-existing ones. Making the necessary changes and clicking the submit button will lead to the page refreshing, upon which you will see a success message, and the changed comment.

Deleting a comment

If you have authored a comment, you will also be able to delete it. Pressing the delete button will prompt a confirmation, and on confirming your decision, the page will refresh. You will then see a message indicating that your comment has been deleted, and it will no longer be among the list of comments.

