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Special features of the NYT Commentator:

- Clicking on the logo will end the session and return the user to the home screen
- After the initial click of the random button, you can continue your session while still generating more random comments
- Clicking the link to the article within a comment will open the article in a new tab
- If you update a score of a user, it will erase the old score and add the new score.

I wanted to incorporate a minimalist design because there was only one option to choose from on the site, and I wanted it to be obvious and not confusing. So as not to overload the user with text from the comments, I decided to implement the jQuery UI accordion feature because it keeps the text hidden for the user unless they choose to view it, creating less cluttering and less information for the user to take in and remember. I also kept colors to a minimum, while trying to keep the Random button highlighted as blue. The buttons and commands do what a user would expect them to do, explained with the help of hover actions - like the logo turning a different color and turning the cursor into a hand pointer.