

Designing Websites

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- Wireframing
- Page Linking
- Softwares for Design

What is Design?

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noun

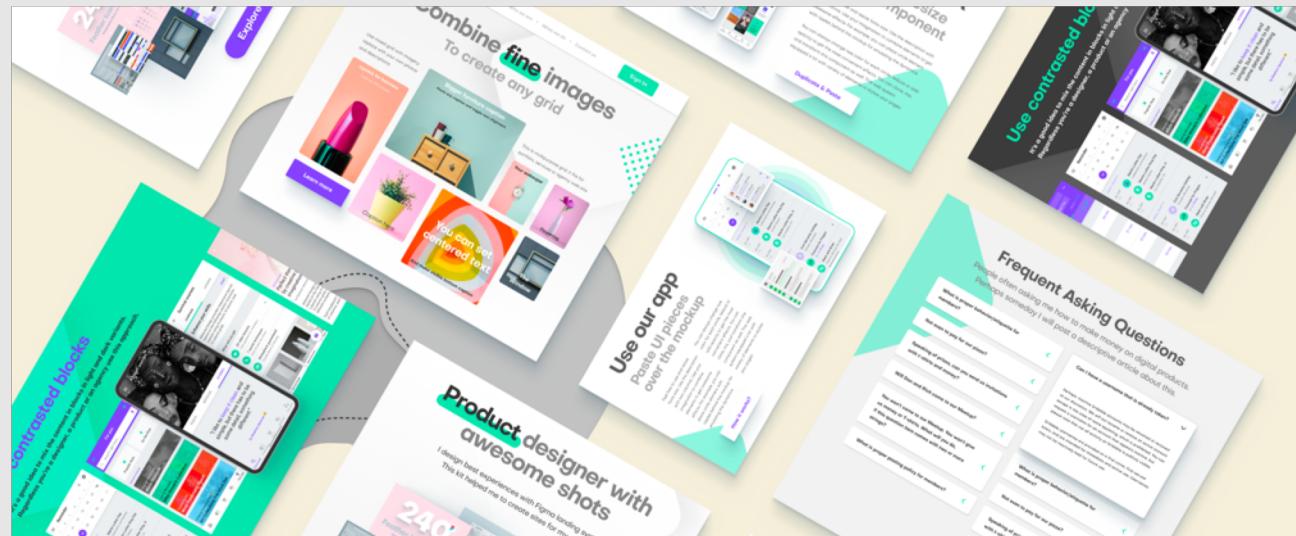
a plan or drawing produced to show the look and function or workings of a building, garment, or other object before it is built or made.

Okay, great. But what is Design for Websites?

web de·sign

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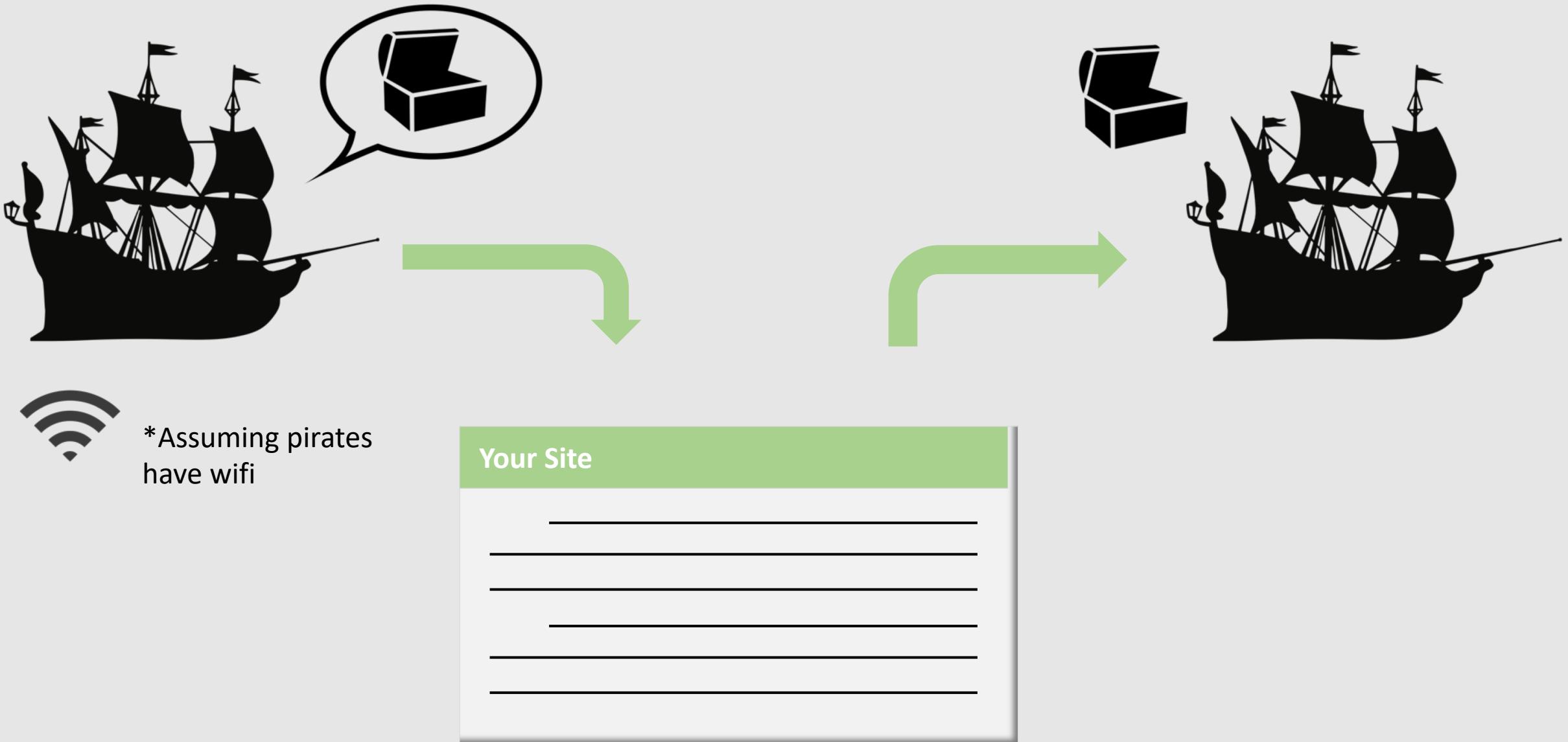


Look

- Is it appealing?
- Are images and text clean and readable?
- Does it grab the eye?
- Does it make good use of form and color?
- Is there a level of consistency between pages and objects?

Function

- Does it have the right information?
- Is nothing being obstructed?
- **Can a user find their way around the site?**



Clients enter the site having something they want to learn or see in mind.
Your site needs to supply that in a quick and visually-impressive matter.



*Assuming pirates
have wifi



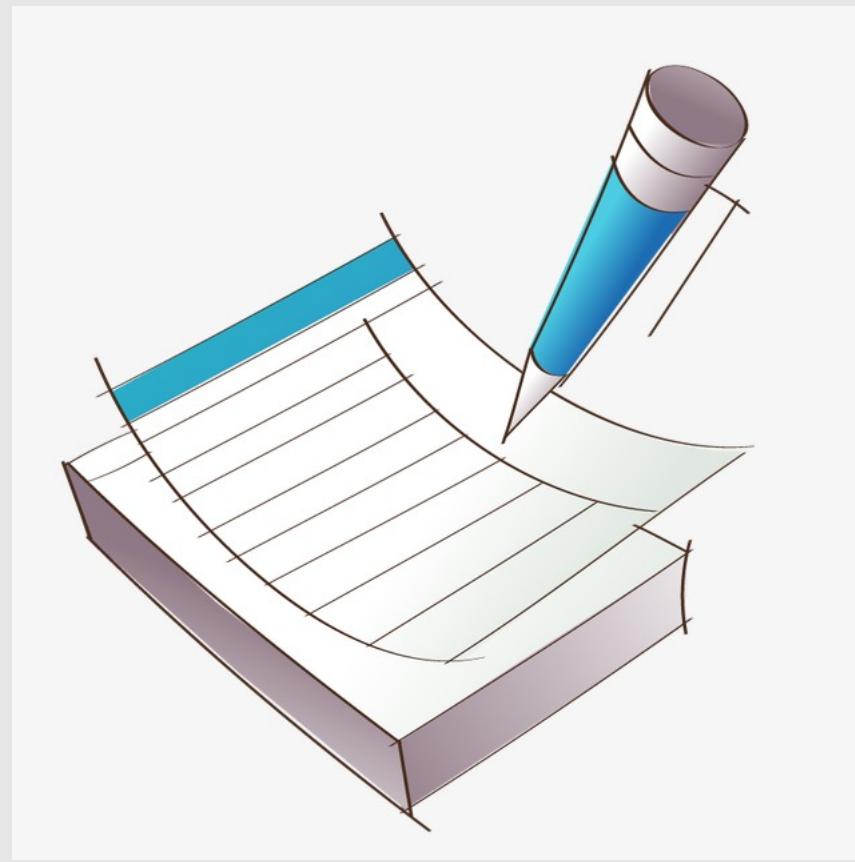
Websites are like treasure maps!
Helps clients get their gold.



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What You Need To Design A Website



I4F - Directory Profile Page

Profile Name

245 Blackfriars Road
Ludgate House
London, SE1 9UY

Email: firstname@surname.com
Telephone: 0207 955 3705

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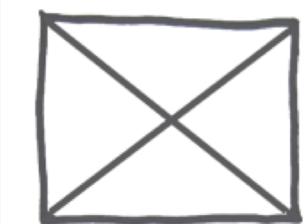
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- This is known as a Website Wireframe.
- Constructs frames for the content without including any of the actual content.

Benefits

- Fast and easy to sketch.
- Reusable for multiple sources.
- Makes web development 100000x easier



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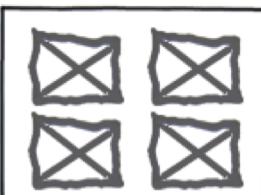
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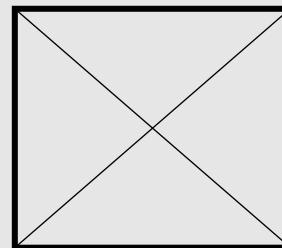
How to tell if a Wireframe is successful:

- Can you identify what each frame represents?
- Do no frames overlap?
- Is there ample space between all frames?
- Is no frame too small to be visible?

If you answered yes to all of these, chances are it's a successful wireframe.

The goal of a wireframe is to identify transformation properties of the content **relative to** one another.

Common References



Images



Text (body)

Important text fields (titles, labels) will be explicitly written and in larger fonts



Button



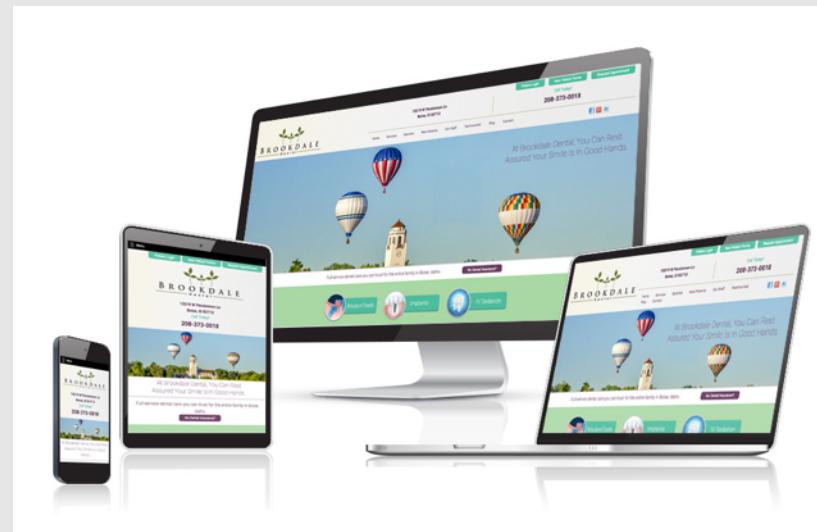
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Steps to Designing a Wireframe

Step 1: Determine what it is you are building.

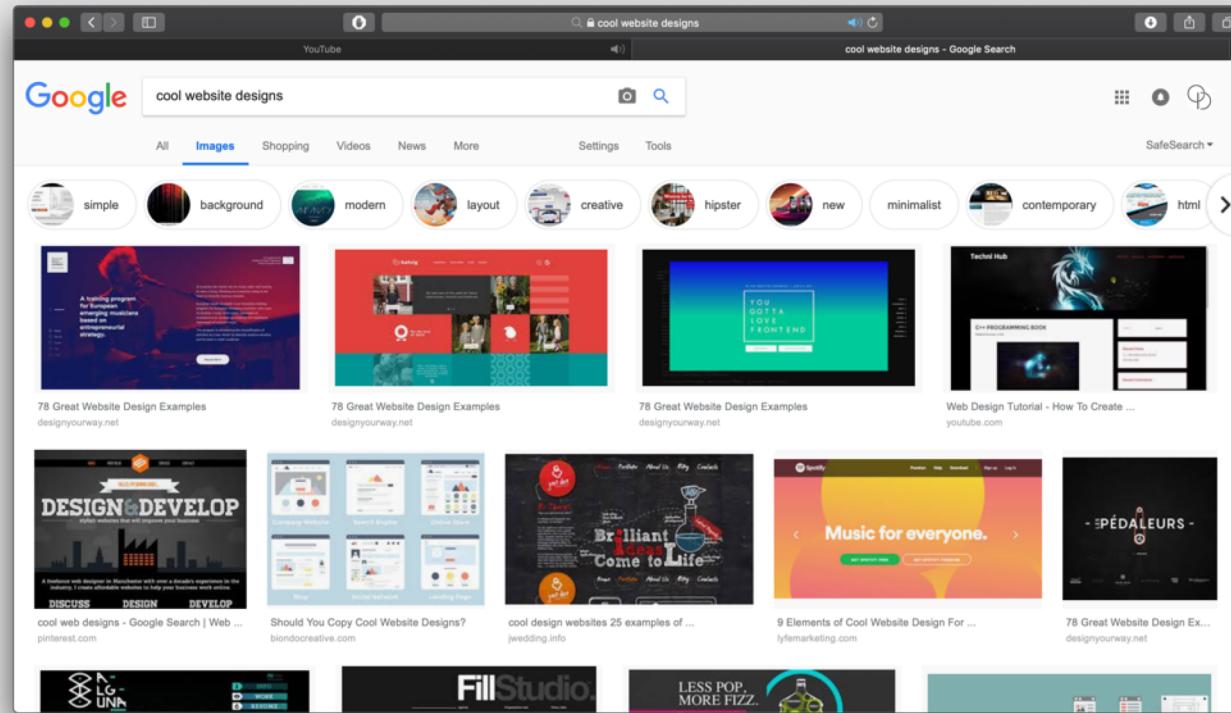
Is it a personal website? A commercial outlet? Maybe a campaigning website?

Who is your audience? Little kids? Business professionals? Students looking up past lectures and course notes?



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Step 2: Look for inspiration.

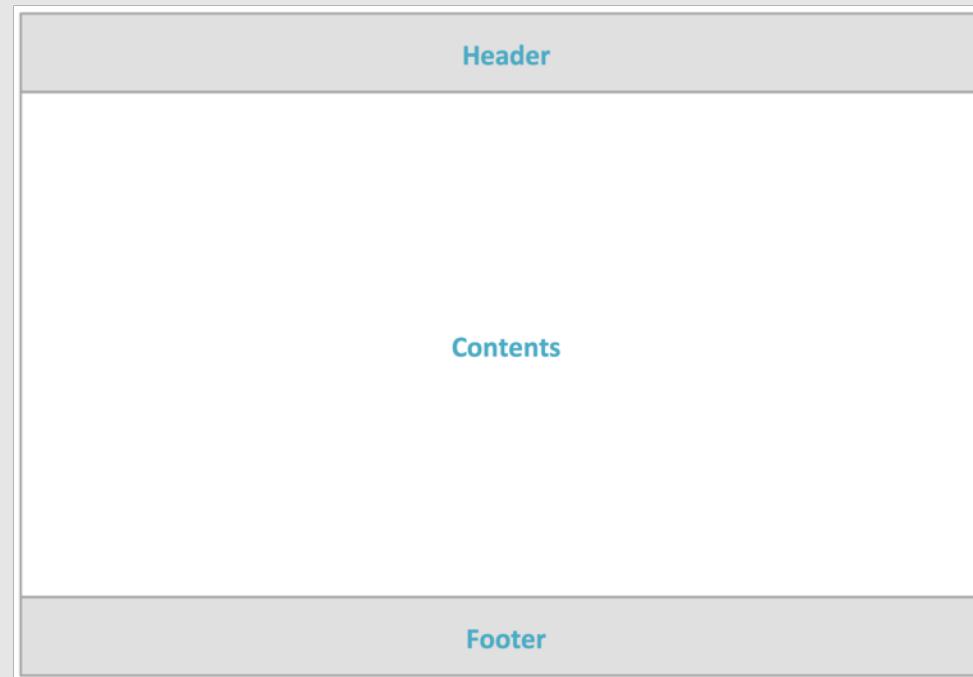


This is not cheating. Keep tabs of what you like about certain sites.

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Step 3: Rough Sketches

Using references from the previous part, start laying out a rough sketch of your website. Keep in mind that almost all websites have the following components:



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Step 4: Content Features

Break rough sketches into more discrete components. Label areas where you want to place images, text, videos, & link.

Remember that a website is a map for information. Making your information easy to find and interact with should be top priority. Consider aligning similar elements together and placing dividers and spaces between different elements.

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Websites allow for near-infinite display and storage of information.

While there is no limit on how much content you can include on your site, rarely do people choose to include all their info on one page.

Websites allow creators to separate their content by webpage in order for easier access.

If a user wants to find a list of your skills, it is easier to have a navbar with webpage links (one labeled skills) than having to scroll through the entire site.

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Business Development Manager
Professional Business Developer with more than four years of experience in the business development processes. Involved in product testing, management, and development of new business opportunities.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Business Development Manager
AirState Solutions [cf](#)
09/2014 – 01/2017 New York, USA

- Successfully managed \$2 - 3 million budget projects and successfully achieved the project's scheduled goals.
- Developed and implemented new marketing and sales plans and defined the strategy for the next 5 years.
- Reviewed constantly the customer feedback and then suggested ways to improve the processes and customer service levels which increased the satisfaction rate from 81% to 95%.
- Ensured that new clients will grow into a loyal customer base in a specialized niche market by implementing a new loyalty program.

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- Increased the customer satisfaction rate by 25% by improving the customer service.
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EDUCATION

MSc in Economics and Business Administration
The University of Chicago
09/2008 – 01/2010

LANGUAGES

English	● ● ● ● ●
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SKILLS

SEO | Public Speaking | Negotiation
Teamwork | Decision Making
Research & Strategy | Emotional Intelligence
Outbound Marketing | Email Marketing
Google Analytics | Sales & Marketing
Social Media Advertising

ORGANIZATIONS

American Management Association (2015 – Present)
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CONFERENCES & COURSES

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What subpages could we have if we were building a site for this resume?

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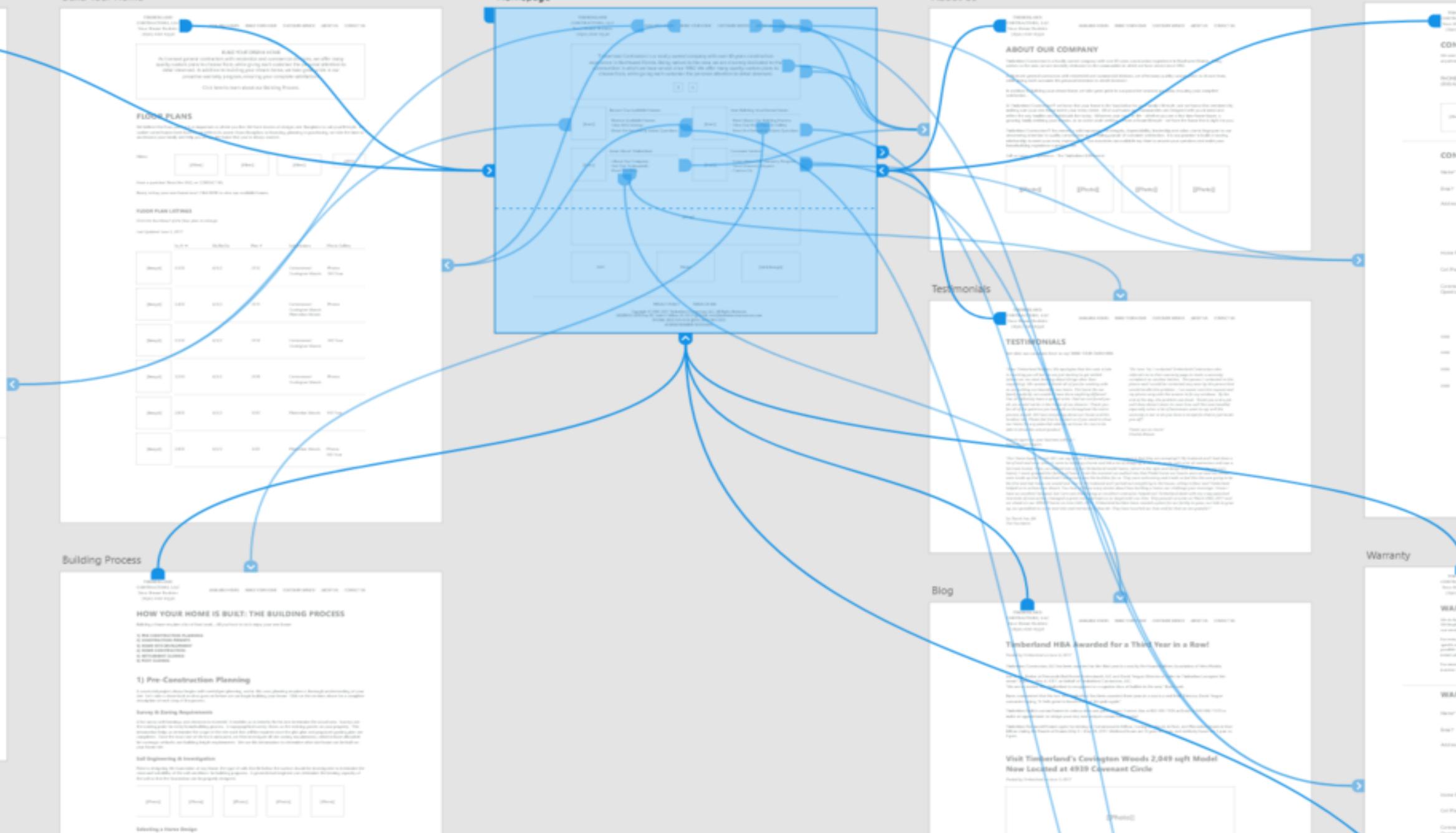
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Home | Experience | Skills | Awards | Courses

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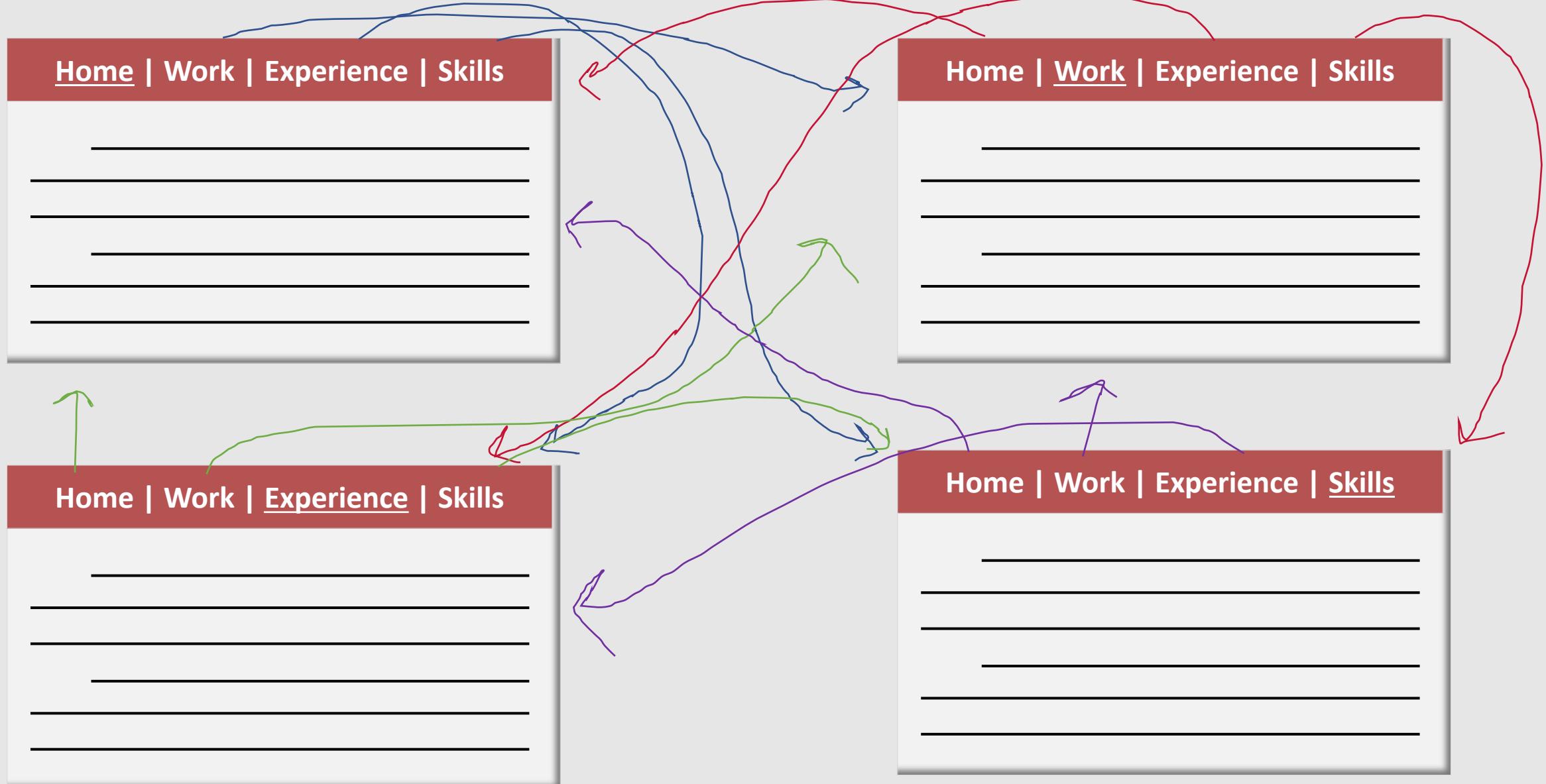


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Step 5: Rendering on a Digital Platform (Beyond Scope of Course)

Reconstructing wireframe in an illustration or design-oriented software.

Allows for more accurate placement of elements with the flexibility of moving them around later.

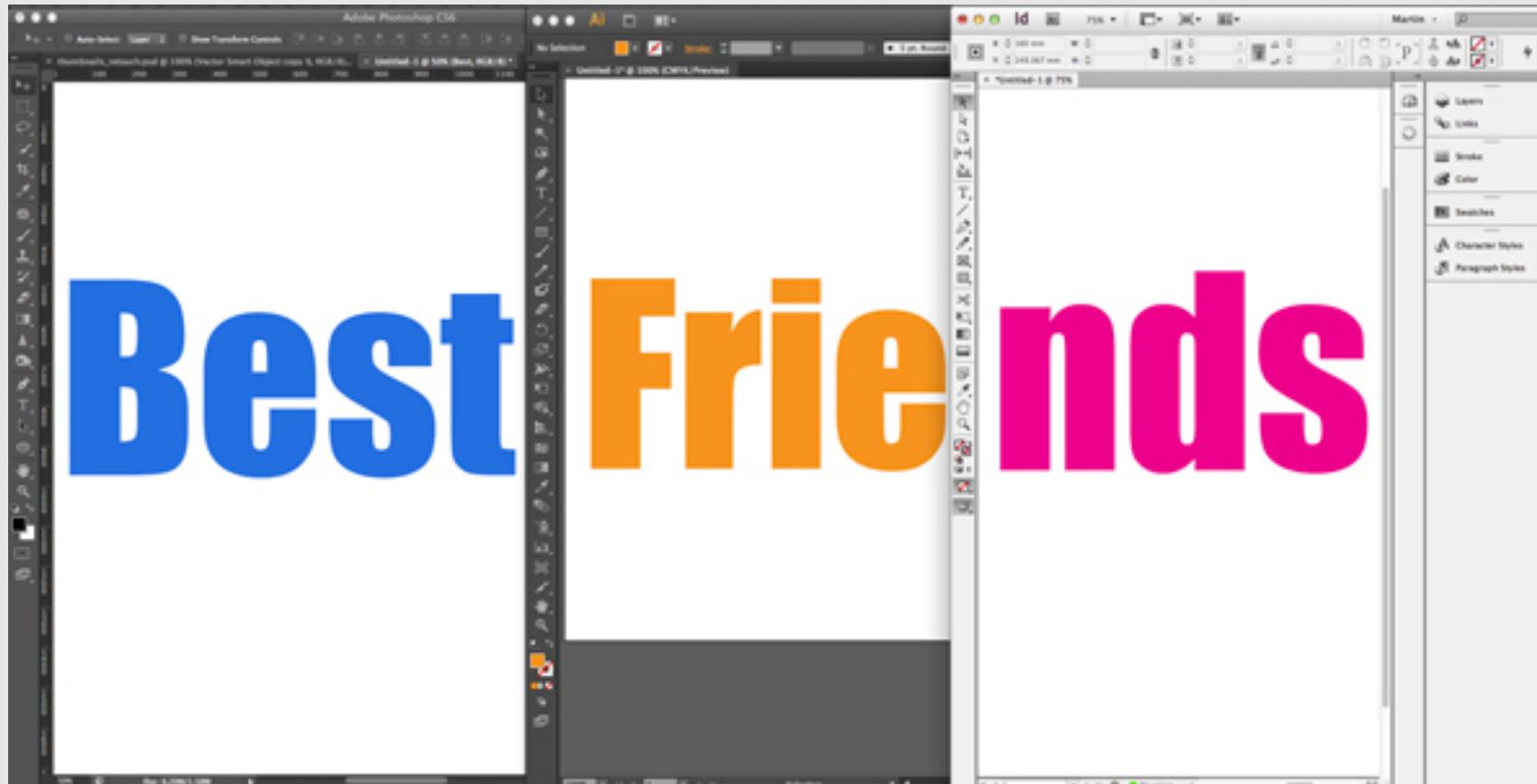
Freely experiment with color.



*Can also be done in PowerPoint!

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Homework Ideas

- Create rough sketches of site on paper.
- Separate content onto different pages.
- Link pages together using arrows.
- Specify what type of content goes where (paragraph, image, etc).

Email sketches of site to Andrew ID **odadfar**

Live Demo