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Assignment 6 Reflection

This assignment was extraordinarily challenging for me but was also very educational. After trying to implement JavaScript into a webpage that was first designed through a paper prototype, it made me realize that this is a difficult way to construct webpages, especially if you are adding functionality. My original design had different pages for each product detail. This would have required some complex local storage coding in JavaScript, which ultimately forced me to condense these separate pages into one page. I also would have made use of more drop-down and radio buttons than I had in my original design. JavaScript itself is a highly complex and particular language, often failing without providing any reason why.

This will have a big impact on what and how I design in the future; I will be sure to verify with engineers or developers whether or not the artifact I am designing will be easy to make or even possible. Ultimately, I realized that I either need to spend a significant amount of time learning how to code more effectively or become better friends with web developers.