

**Name of Student:** Chloe Hellberg

**Name of Project:** "Books Not Suggested For You.." (Real name still in progress)

**Project's Purpose or Goal (What will it do for users?):**

When I was in college I registered for an English class expecting to read the classics but instead got an entire course devoted to utopian/dystopian science fiction. I expected to hate it and drop since I had never read any sci-fi in my life - no one had ever suggested this particular genre to me before. Of course what ended up happening was an awakening and science fiction is now counted as one of my favorite genres and thus the catalyst for this project.

What I love most about reading is that I can dive into perspectives of all different kinds of people and types of places and hopefully gain better understanding of others who aren't me. It's not helpful though when the only books suggested to me keep me in the same lane and don't allow me to expand my horizons. I'm also tired of having my Google footprint follow me around wherever I go and determine who I am before I even have. I'm setting out to build the opposite of a "Books Suggested For You" - more of a, "Books Not Suggested For You" website. Perhaps there is a book or genre out there that you've never considered and no one else has thought to suggest it to you either - until now!

**List the absolute minimum features the project requires to meet this purpose or goal.**

- Users go to a suggestion form, choose a few genres they typically like (ex. Historical Fiction, Adventure, Mystery) and product will spit out three book suggestions that don't fall within those categories
- Or, Users go to a suggestion form, choose a genre they would like to explore (ex. Historical Fiction, Adventure, Mystery) and how many books they would like suggested. On submit, form pulls the genre keyword and then spits out say Mystery novels that are all vastly different based on keywords.
- Suggestion Form may work as a guided flow that splits off paths and goes one way or another depending on what was previously chosen. Rather than just having a one page entry form.

**What tools, frameworks, libraries, APIs, modules and/or other resources (whatever is specific to your track and your language) will you use to create this MVP? List them all here. Be specific.**

- Framework/Language: JS/React/Redux
- Google API for information on books
- Firebase

**If you finish developing the minimum viable product (MVP) with time to spare, what will you work on next? Describe these features here. Be specific.**

- Authorization/Authentication Abilities
  - User will be able to keep track of books they've previously read (a bookshelf)
  - User will be able to continuously base their suggestions off of what they've previously read
- More Than One Suggestion at a Time

- User can choose how many book suggestions they want
- Users can enter books they've previously read on the form and will take those into consideration when suggesting books to read.
- Add an option to choose book size/length as a parameter to search.

**What additional tools, frameworks, libraries, APIs, or other resources will these additional features require?**

- Goodreads API to create bookshelf of previously read books

**Is there anything else you'd like your instructor to know?**