Part One: Site Design

Shape

Description automatically generatedSite 1:

1: Header

2: Content

3: Navigation (Including 5 pictures with links

4: Footer

Chart, line chart

Description automatically generatedSite 2:

1: Header

2: Content

3: Content

4: Footer

Diagram

Description automatically generatedSite 3:

1: Header

2: Content

3: Content

4: Footer

Site 4:

A picture containing chart

Description automatically generated1: Header

2: Content

3: Footer

Diagram

Description automatically generated with medium confidenceSite 5:

1: Header

2: Footer

Diagram, engineering drawing

Description automatically generatedSite 6:

1: Tab

When designing my website, I wanted to make sure it stayed true to the holiday spirit, but I did not want the colours to be too bright or deep. I used colours that would still remind people of the holidays but were much calmer. I decided to used reds, whites, yellow/orange, and greens that were pastel, that way the screen would not be too harsh on the eyes. Having pastel colours meant that regardless of the colour, any text that was placed overtop was readable. This colour theme stayed cohesive throughout the pages, allowing for repetition. I was debating whether to use a solid colour background or a picture in the background, but I ended up using a photo. I was able to find a neutral background that would create a nice contrast with the blocks of colour placed on top. The background also helps draw attention to the content. I had wanted to include an animation that would bring life to the pages but not take away from the content. I placed a gentle animation of snow falling over the main page as I felt that it looked good with the theme and did not clash with any of the content. On pages that were more content heavy, I decided not to include the snow as I wanted the content to be the focus. I made sure to keep all pictures somewhat close together so that they didn’t look randomly placed. In site 1 I decided to make my navigation to other pages through photos as I wanted a scrapbook type webpage. This allowed me to repeat the photos in their specific pages so that viewers could identify the content from the main page to the topic specific page. After the main page, I choose not to have an entire navigation bar as I felt that it would be better formatted if I put navigation in the footer. Sites 2-6 all follow this format with a link back to main page being in the footer/bottom of page. Sites 2-5 are all formatted and aligned differently as I thought it would be more interesting to separate content that way. I also thought that depending on the topic being discussed, it would be more readable if presented differently. I would algin the pictures in association with the text differently, whether that was under text, in-between text or in line with text. In site 6, I decided to make some type of Easter egg page. These types of pages keep viewers engaged and excites them when they can find it. There is not much content to be found on this page. I was able to put a small explanation of the joke or gimmick in a pop-up which is signalled for when the button is clicked. Even though this is an Easter egg page, I made sure to include the link back to the main page as that makes helps tie all the pages together and makes sure that the viewer never gets ‘lost’ within the many intertwining pages.