

CMSI 370-01

INTERACTION DESIGN

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Updates for commits up to 12/12/2014 are shown inline:

1. Character (and other) IDs are typically for internal use only and are generally not visible to the user (*no particular outcome—just a usage note*)
2. Why wasn't form-control applied to the gender select element? (3a, 4a)
3. ~~Misplaced modal footer element in the about, delete, and item spawning dialogs (3a, 4a, 4a)~~
4. Sledgehammer approach to updating the user interface upon character create, edit, or delete (3b, 4a)
5. ~~Incorrect indentation (4c)~~
6. ~~Missing title (was it really *that* hard to stick something in there?) (4a)~~
7. ~~Tabs in the source code (4c)~~
8. ~~Non-descriptive names (typically copy paste holdovers) (4c)~~
9. ~~Unjustifiable inline CSS in HTML (4b)~~
10. ~~Duplicate HTML element ID (4a, 4c)~~
11. ~~Inappropriate/excessive spacing (4c)~~
12. ~~Unbalanced HTML element tag (i.e., missing start or missing end) (4a)~~
13. ~~Naming convention: HTML IDs/classes are typically not camel case nor start with an uppercase letter (4c)~~
14. ~~Misplaced HTML element (4a)~~
15. Repeated markup that might be worth consolidating—create-vs.-edit views are virtually the same except that one creates something new while the other creates something pre-existing...might be better to use the same markup and have JavaScript set create-vs.-edit behavior (3a, 4b)
16. ~~Inadequate spacing: space before braces; space after most punctuation (commas, semicolons, colons, etc.); separate function arguments; etc. (4c)~~
17. ~~Superfluous empty string concatenation (4a, 4c)~~
18. Potential consolidation into a list + iterator function (4b)
19. Misplaced assignment of document.ready callback (3b, 4a)
20. **(new)** Top-level scope code; no function wrapper (4b)

3a — | *...good enough for a bump (+)*

3b — | *...no change*

4a — | ...Application-level functionality is OK, but many code-level technical/semantic/syntactic glitches.
...definitely an improvement, but still a couple of loose ends that hold this back

4b — | *...this might have gone OK, but then the code went all top-level scope (not caught earlier due to bad indentation)*

4c — — ...Remember, indentation and spacing must reflect the structure of your code—ALWAYS.
...much better; huge improvement (+)

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4d — | *...clearly you have looked up some stuff more* (+)
4e — | ...Messages need to be more descriptive—i.e., verb phrases like “Remove duplicated code”
4f — +