Project Documentation

Project Title - CookBook: Your Virtual Kitchen Assistant

1. Introduction

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2. Project Overview

• Purpose:

CookBook is a cutting-edge web application designed to provide a user-friendly platform for recipe discovery, organization, and creation. It caters to cooking enthusiasts as well as professional chefs, offering a space to explore, share, and manage recipes.

Features:

- Hero section with introduction and CTA button.
- Popular Categories fetched from TheMealDB API

- Trending Dishes section on Home Page
- Newsletter subscription
- Category Page to display dishes within a category
- o Recipe Page showing ingredients, instructions, and demo video
- Responsive design using React and Tailwind/Bootstrap

3. Architecture

- Frontend: React.js, React Router DOM, Axios, Bootstrap/Tailwind CSS, React Icons
- **Backend:** Not required (data fetched via TheMealDB API)
- **Database:** Not applicable (uses external API for recipes and categories)

4. Setup Instructions

Prerequisites:

- Node.js & npm
- React.js
- Git (for version control)
- Code editor (VS Code recommended)

Installation Steps:

```
# Clone or download the project
git clone <repository-link>
# Navigate to project folder
```

```
cd cookbook-app

# Install dependencies
npm install

# Start development server
npm start
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Access the application at: http://localhost:3000

5. Folder Structure

6. Running the Application

• Frontend:

cd cookbook-app
npm start

Access:

Visit http://localhost:3000

7. API Documentation

TheMeaIDB API Endpoints used:

• Categories:

https://www.themealdb.com/api/json/v1/1/categories.php

• Meals by Category:

https://www.themealdb.com/api/json/v1/1/filter.php?c=CategoryName

• Recipe by ID:

https://www.themealdb.com/api/json/v1/1/lookup.php?i=RecipeID

8. Authentication

No authentication required (public API access).

9. User Interface

- Landing Page (Hero + Trending + Categories)
- Category Page (lists meals under a chosen category)
- Recipe Details Page (ingredients, instructions, and demo video)
- Newsletter Component (email subscription)

10. Testing

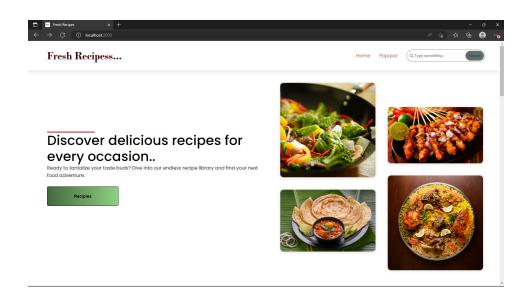
- Manual Testing:
 - \circ Verified routing works correctly (Home \rightarrow Category \rightarrow Recipe).
 - o Tested API calls for fetching categories, meals, and recipes.
 - o Ensured responsiveness across devices.
- Tools Used: Chrome Dev Tools, Postman (for API testing).

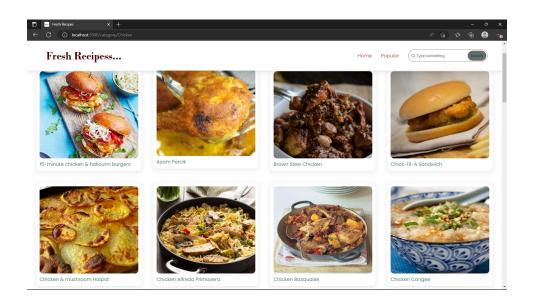
11. Screenshots or Demo

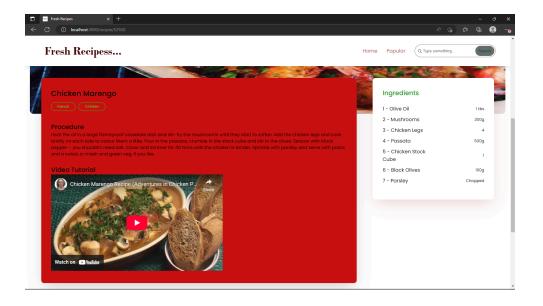
Demo Link: <u>Click to View Demo</u>

• Source Code: Access Source Code

Screenshot







12. Known Issues

- Limited to TheMealDB API dataset.
- No backend or user login system implemented.

13. Future Enhancements

- Add user authentication and personalized dashboards.
- Allow users to upload and share their own recipes.
- Implement a backend with database support for saved recipes.
- Enable advanced filters (diet type, preparation time, etc.).
- Mobile app version of CookBook.