

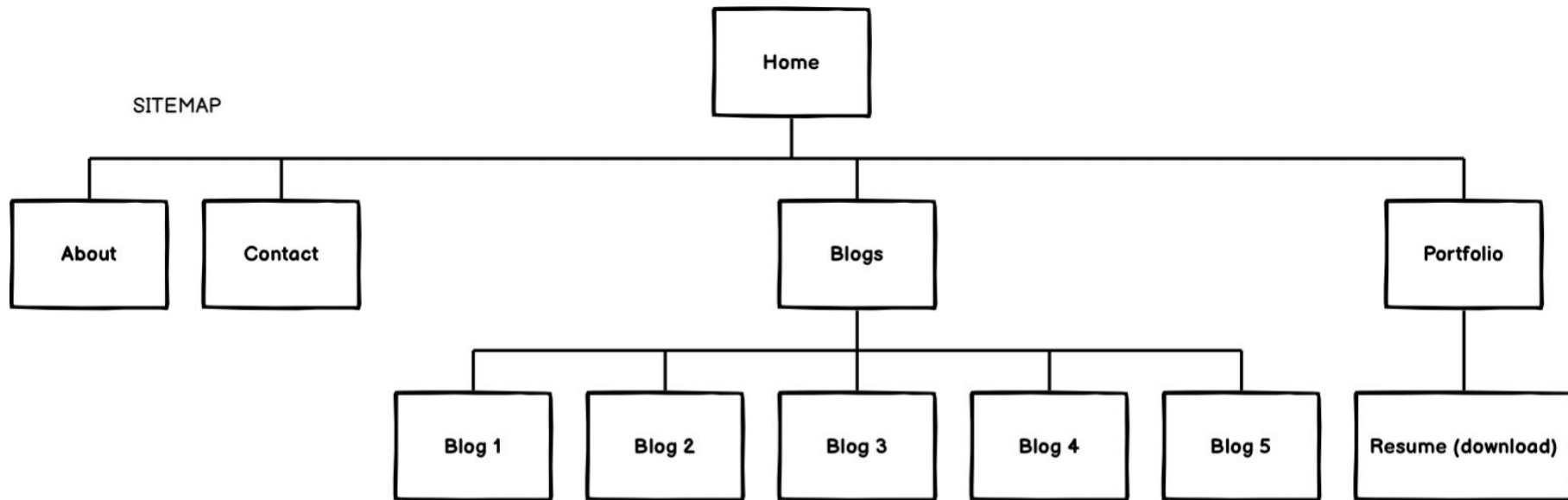
# T1A2 *'PORTFOLIO'*

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Gini Thomas

# SITEMAP

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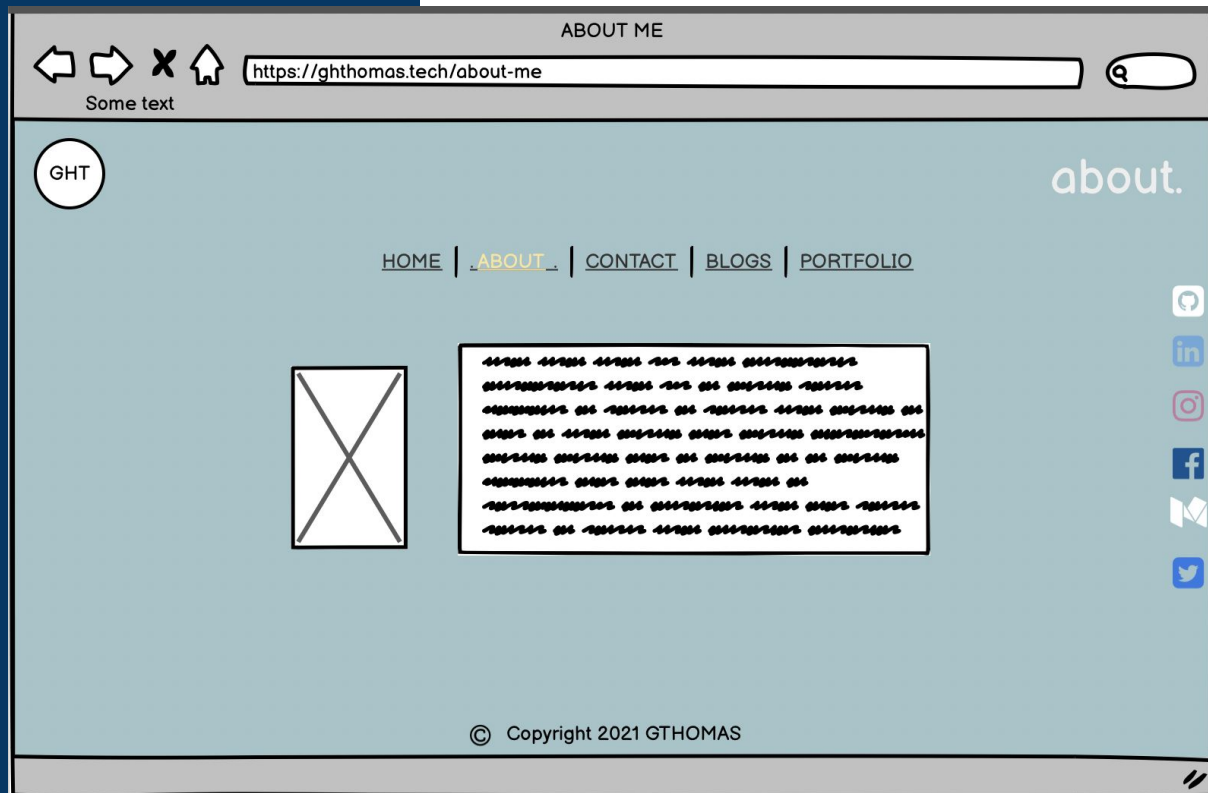
# Landing Page: HOME

- Initial page of an introduction into the website.
- Fairly simple design and layout with basic information (very short introduction of myself) with a typewriter effect.
- Navigation Bar (located under banner) with navigate the viewer into various locations within portfolio project.
- Social link icons located on the right-hand side.
- Logo and page title: Branding is ghtmlomas (Gini Harrison Thomas, both located in the header).
- Background is a gradient colour effect from a dark to lighter hue.



# ABOUT

- 'About' will provide the viewer a much more detail insight into myself, delving into study, career and interests
- Simple layout
- A profile photo
- Continues to carry the themes of the 'Home' page.
- As with the initial landing page, the header contains the page title which will switch as each page is opened.



# CONTACT

- Simple layout - to match with other pages on the website and keep in theme.
- Contact form provided with basic calls to action to ensure the audience provide sufficient information.
- 'Submit' button will be interactive - possibly a short distance moving target (hand to be 'high-fived') to engage the audience when submitting a message.
- Contact details for myself are also provided on the left-hand side.

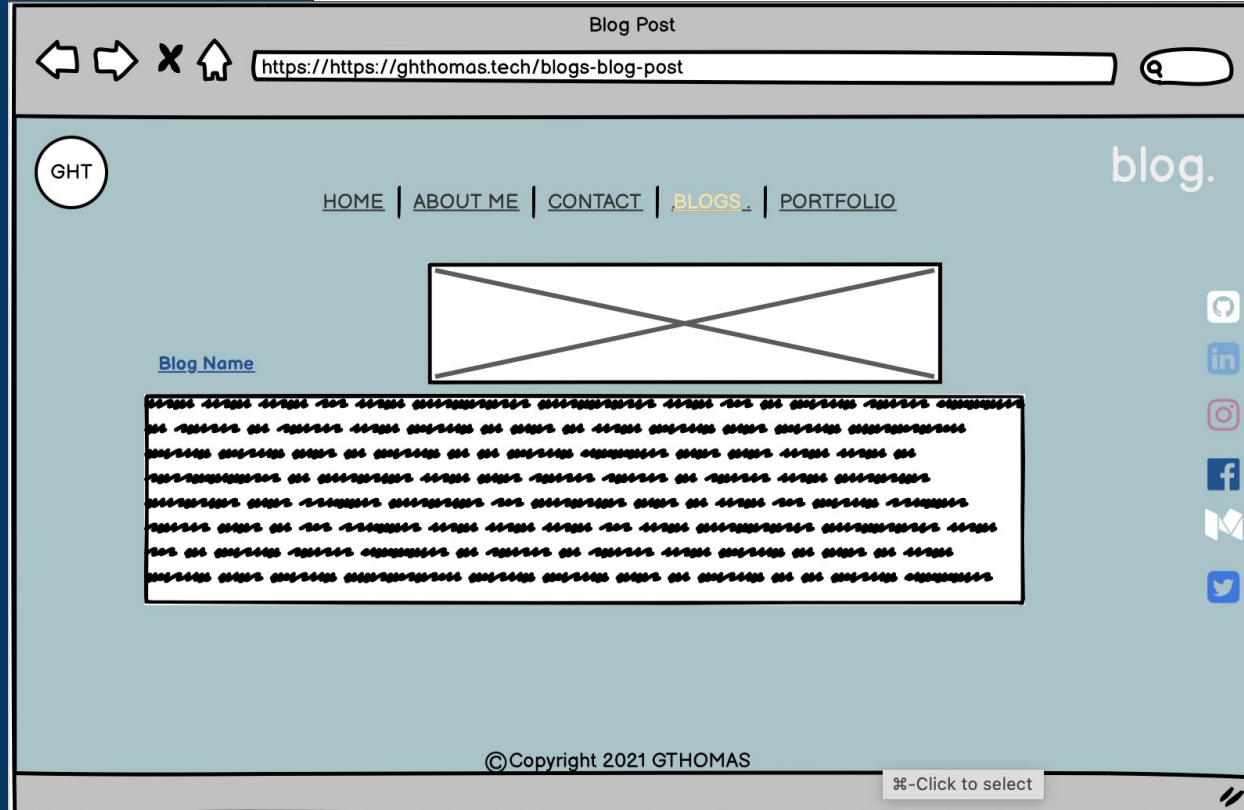
# BLOGS

- The 'Blogs' page will provide 5 blogs that will be linked to an internal blog post page.
- Structure will be a brief look (blurb) into the posts and a link in the headings of each to take the viewer to my blogs on the website.



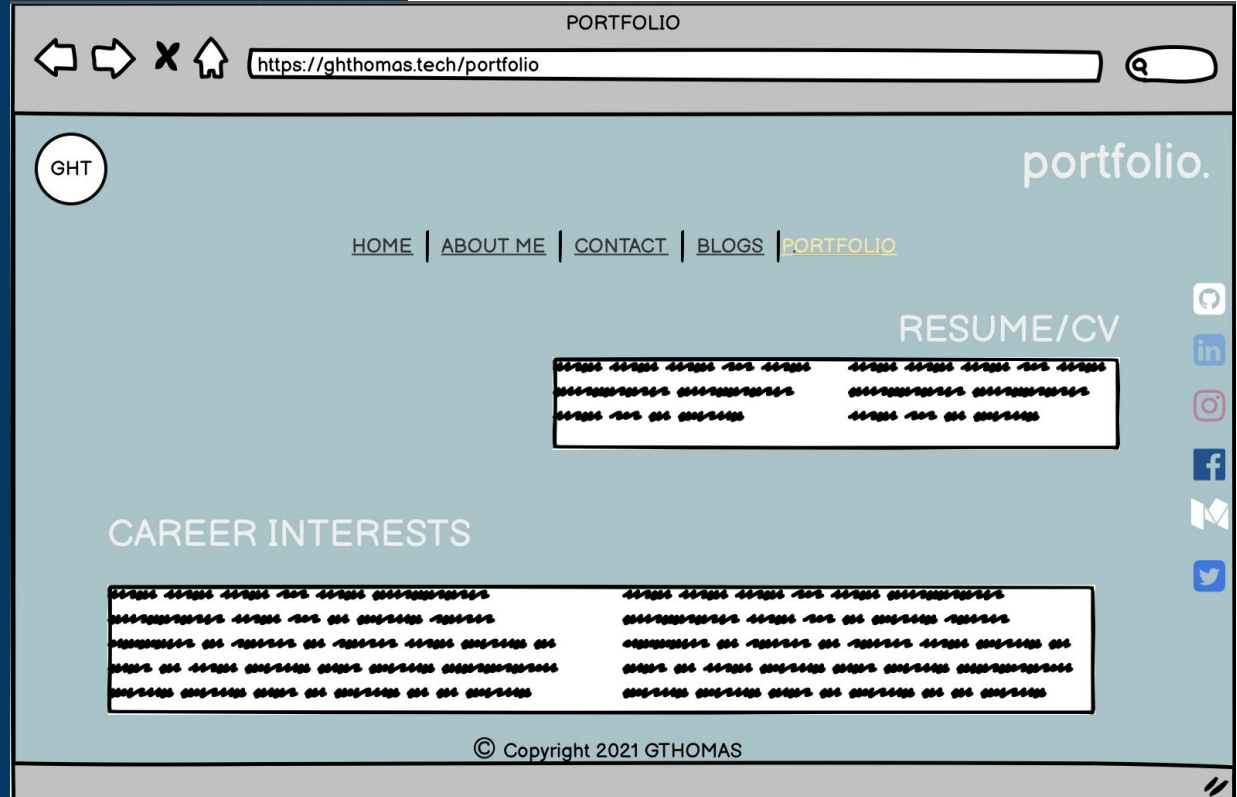
# BLOG POSTS

- The 'Blog Posts' page, once accessed through the 'Blog' page, will provide articles relating to the stated blog headings.
- Structure will be a contain a heading, article paragraphs and an image relating to each subject (pexels.com free use images).
- Navigation to other blogs will be through clicking the 'Blogs' link in the navigation bar, which will take you back to the initial 'Blogs' page. From there you would select another blog post through their headings.



# PORTFOLIO

- This page will allow the viewer to download my cv.
- I have added 'Career Interests' as to give the employer an insight into what interests I have within the IT Industry (Cyber - various avenues, Game and App Development and also Software development).
- I may also link other blogs of interest to me in regards to that.





# Aesthetic / Decision Making Process

- Predominantly a calming themed overall with a range of blues, greens, whites and black, to avoid eye strain.
- I decided to go with a 'murky' theme with the gradient background from dark to a calming light in each page adding in fonts that I found to be easy to read and not stimulating as to keep the theme calm.
- Also with my interests of going into Cyber (security or crime unit) the 'murky' background is symbolic for the crimes and unfortunately the devious activity with the intent to be unseen within the internet age (darker gradient) and the slowly transitioning up into the bringing those issues to light and resolving those (lighter gradient). I purposely places that them into each page of the website.
- The Nav bar positioning to be central to the page was thought up to provide a quick and easy access to the rest of the content within the website.
- Engaging the audience on the 'Contact' page with the 'Submit' button, to be a moving avatar or hand to 'high-five' is simply to feel a little more connected within the contacting process. 'High-fives are a gesture done in person - but I thought it would be cool to add in as if they're 'high-fiving me).
- Placing the 'socials' bar to the right-hand side was a decision for high visibility, while also providing easy access to the linked accounts within each icon, when clicked upon.
- Placing my logo within the websites pages were paramount to myself as it links with branding for the future. I had this logo commissioned by a designer I like, where in they incorporated my name (ghthomas) into a logo.

# COMPONENTS

- Navigation Bar
- Main introduction on Home (index.html) page
- Contact form (contact.html)
- Submit (Contact) - Interaction with audience (“hand emoji” to simulate a ‘high five’)
- Plugs to Socials

## DESIGN FONTS & COLOURS

- Fonts: Spartan | Oswald | Roboto Condensed
- Colour: #00243e (logo & headings mainly)  
#bbd2c5 (used for lighter features)  
#536976 (used for the darker features)
- The combination of #536976 and #bbd2c5 provides the gradient background.

# CHALLENGES / FAVOURITE PARTS

- I found that I just seemed to have too many ideas and had to restructure my ideas a few times, until I finally came to a design that I am happy with. I also need to keep in mind that this website will evolve as I learn more.
- I seem to struggle with the responsive aspect of the project (continuing to be a work in progress) as I cannot get the result to be correct.
- Ensuring the coding will completely match the design process I have in mind. – Not to get too ahead of myself at this stage.
- My favourite parts have been the design/planning process and also researching into ways to code to make my features come to the extent of what I am hoping.

**THANK YOU!**