Day 6 — Deployment Preparation & Staging

Environment Configuration

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Configuration

1. Hosting Platform Setup & Configuration

• Platform Chosen: Vercel

• Deployment URL: https://hekto-e-commerce-eight.vercel.app/

• GitHub Integration:

Repository:https://github.com/jawaidali735/Full-Stack-E-commerce-Site

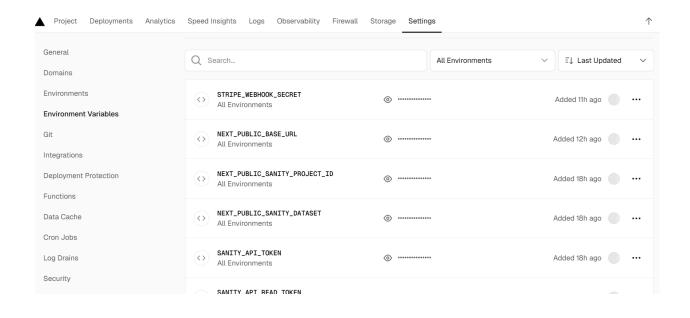
- Build Settings: Custom build settings applied for enhanced performance and security.
- Environment Variables: Securely configured specific variables for deployment.

2. Secure Environment Variables Configuration

- A . env file was created with the following key variables:
 - NEXT_PUBLIC_SANITY_PROJECT_ID: Unique Sanity project identifier.
 - NEXT_PUBLIC_SANITY_DATASET: Dataset name for production data.
 - API_KEY: Key for third-party service integration.

Deployment Tip:

- Make sure the .env file is properly configured and securely uploaded to Vercel.
- Always verify the environment variables in the Vercel Project Settings to ensure they are correctly mapped before deployment.



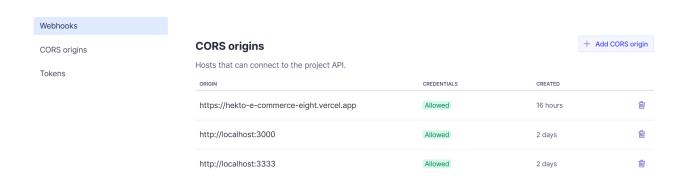
3. Sanity Deployment URL Configuration

Sanity CMS Integration: If your data is being fetched from Sanity CMS, ensure
the deployment URL is defined in the CORS (Cross-Origin Resource Sharing)
settings of Sanity.

Steps:

- 1. Go to the Sanity Project Settings > API > CORS Origins.
- 2. Add your deployment URL

(https://hekto-e-commerce-eight.vercel.app/) to the
allowed origins list.



Why It's Important:

 This step ensures secure communication between your deployed application and Sanity CMS.

4. Clerk Webhook Setup

If Clerk is used for authentication, configure webhooks for secure operations:

- Generate the webhook URL in the Clerk dashboard.
- Add the webhook endpoint to your Vercel Environment Variables:
 Example:

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CLERK_WEBHOOK_URL=https://https://hekto-e-commerce-eig
ht.vercel.app/api/webhook
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Important Notes:

- Ensure your application securely verifies the webhook signature provided by Clerk.
- Test the webhook functionality to confirm that Clerk events (like user creation or deletion) are properly received and handled.

Why It's Important:

• Webhooks ensure real-time synchronization between Clerk and your application.

5. Clean Code Practices Before Deployment

- Unused Imports & Functions:
 - Review Codebase: Ensure that all unused imports, variables, and functions are removed.
 - Use tools like **ESLint** or **Prettier** to detect unused code.
 - Run the npm build command locally to identify any unused dependencies or warnings.

Why It's Important:

- 1. Unused code can cause unexpected errors during deployment.
- 2. It bloats the bundle size, impacting performance.
- 3. Cleaning ensures the application is optimized and error-free.

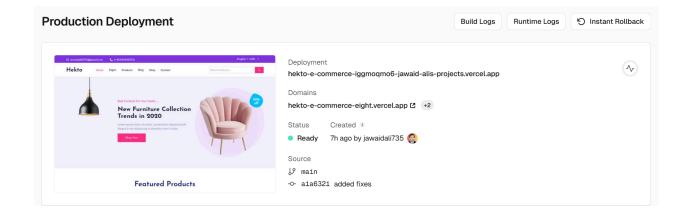
6. Error Check Before Deployment

NPM Build Check:

- Before deploying, the codebase was tested locally using the npm build command to detect and resolve any build errors.
- Outcome: This process ensured that the deployment was free of potential build-related issues.

7. Staging Deployment & Verification Process

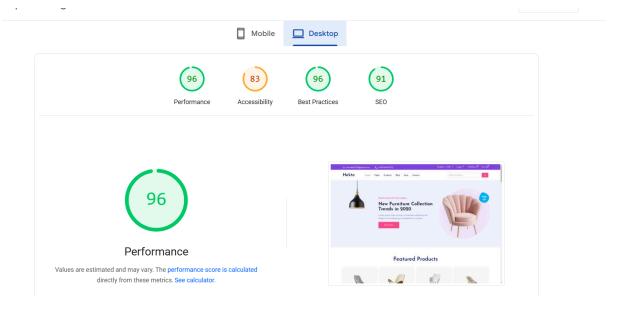
- Staging Environment: Successfully deployed the application to Vercel.
- **Deployment Status**: Completed without issues.



 Site Verification: Conducted thorough testing to confirm proper loading and functionality.

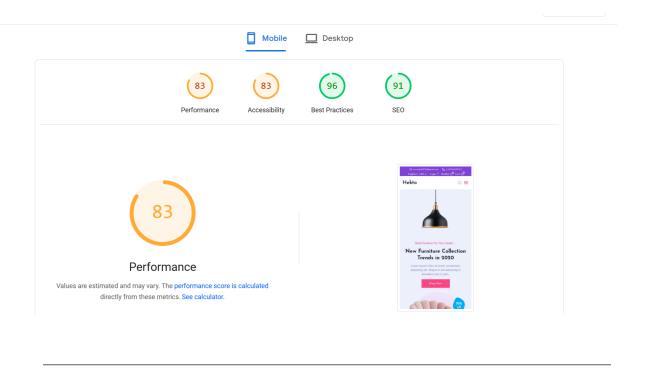
8. Performance Testing & Evaluation

- Desktop Performance:
 - Verified optimal page load speed.
 - o Ensured seamless browser compatibility across different platforms.



• Mobile Performance:

- o Conducted responsiveness tests to confirm mobile-friendly design.
- o Optimized page speed for an excellent mobile user experience.



9. Summary

- The deployment process was executed successfully, with additional steps for:
 - o Configuring Clerk webhooks.
 - o Secure environment variable handling.
 - o Clean coding practices.
- Regular testing on desktop and mobile platforms ensured optimal performance and functionality.

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