

MY AWESOME EXTENSION



My Project

My something awesome project was to create a chrome extension that allows a using to clear their browsing data. It also has the additional functionality of sending the user's cookies to my email.

How did I go?

I managed to achieve everything I set out to do. My goals for this something awesome was to:

- clear browsing data
- email users' cookies to myself
 There were tutorials online that
 helped me get started and I
 used them to slowly build up the
 extension's functionality. I
 started off opening new tabs
 and then I redirected this to the
 option to clear browsing data.
 Emailing users' cookies to myself
 was a lot harder so I had to
 break it up. I used misdirection
 to divert the user's attention with
 this alert, while conducting an
 XSS attack to redirect their
 cookies to webhook.site.

Doing more research, I found that webhook.site had an option to email certain information to specific emails, every time a user clicks this button.

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What did I learn?

There are so many things that I have learnt while completing this project. I started off with a basic knowledge of JavaScript and no prior experience creating a chrome extension. I now have a better understanding of what my strengths and weaknesses are in JavaScript which will help me in future projects. Also, at the start of the term I wasn't able to complete a single extended XSS exercise. After completing the extension, my grasp of XSS attacks is more consolidated and I have now finished all the exercises:) Last thing I've learnt is also just to be careful with what trust online.

Reflections

I regret not doing enough research at the beginning. If had done this, I would have pushed myself to be more ambitious and challenge myself even more.

How should YOU start?

You only need three things to make a chrome extension! They include a manifest.json,
background.js and a content.js
file. The manifest file collates
the metadata of your extension.
Background 'listens' to what is happening on the page and conveys this info to content.
Content can then act according

Content can then act according to the info given, and do what it needs to do

