

TEAM NEXGEN

TASK-02

ANALYTICAL THINKING DRIVEN BY DESIGN THINKING

SMART PLANT CARE SYSTEM

Product Overview:

A smart device that monitors the health of houseplants, providing care recommendations based on real-time data. It integrates with a mobile app to notify users about watering schedules, light exposure, and even potential pest problems.

User Research Need:

Understanding the diverse needs and preferences of plant owners to ensure the product meets their expectations and provides real value.

User Persona:

Name: Emily Chen
Age: 29
Occupation: Graphic Designer
Location: Urban apartment in a busy city

Background:

- Lives alone in a small apartment with limited natural light.
- Has a passion for plants but has struggled to keep them alive due to a busy work schedule and lack of gardening knowledge.

Goals:

- To maintain healthy plants that enhance her living space.
- To learn more about plant care without feeling overwhelmed.
- To automate plant care as much as possible to fit her lifestyle.

Frustrations:

- Often forgets to water her plants or over-waters them.
- Confused about which plants thrive in low-light conditions.
- Wants a simple solution that doesn't require constant attention or deep knowledge of botany.

Technology Usage:

- Frequently uses her smartphone for various apps (social media, design tools, reminders).
- Comfortable with technology but prefers user-friendly interfaces.
- Engages with plant care communities online for tips and advice.

Product Expectations:

- Easy-to-use mobile app with clear, actionable recommendations.
- Notifications that fit her schedule (e.g., reminders to water plants based on her calendar).
- Integration with smart home devices (like voice assistants) for seamless interaction.
- Educational content that makes learning about plant care enjoyable rather than daunting.

User Research Activities:

1. **Surveys and Questionnaires:** To gather data on plant ownership, care habits, and preferences.
2. **Interviews:** Conduct in-depth interviews with potential users like Emily to explore their needs and pain points.
3. **Observation:** Shadowing plant owners during their care routines to identify common challenges.
4. **Usability Testing:** Prototyping the app and device to get feedback on design and functionality.

JOURNEY MAPPING:

