## Books4U

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## Project overview



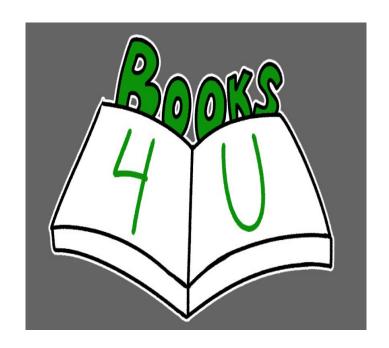
### The product:

Introducing Books4U, a customizable library that allows users to follow specific book genres to their liking and learn about more!



### **Project duration:**

Nov 2022 - Nov 2023





### Project overview



### The problem:

When trying to shop online, customers are swarmed with advertisements, distracting or frustrating them from looking up what they'd like.



### The goal:

Create a customizable menu that allows users what they want to see on their homepage, letting them shop with ease and no pressure.



## Project overview



### My role:

Lead UX designer, project leader



### Responsibilities:

- Prototyping
- Wireframing
- Surveying



# Understanding the user

- User research
- Personas
- Problem statements
- User journey maps

## User research: summary

Conducting research, we had a group of people look through a website and see how easy it was to navigate to what they were looking for, with Adblocks off.



## User research: pain points

1

### Pain point

Consumers were confused on where to navigate.

2

### Pain point

Consumers were annoyed with the amount of advertisements presented.

3

### Pain point

Consumers were distracted with other features of application instead of shopping.



### Pain point

Consumers are confused on what the product is with no visual imagery.



### Persona: Name

#### **Problem statement:**

Jane is an elementary school teacher who needs books for her students.



### "Jane"

Age: 55

Education: Masters Hometown: San Carlos Family: Husband, 2 Kids Occupation: Teacher

#### Goals:

- Finding the best educational subjects for her students

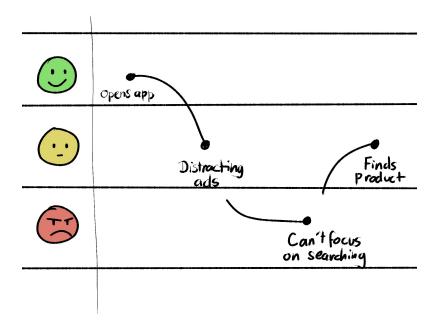
#### Frustrations:

- Figuring out where to find the best source material.
- Waiting constantly.



## User journey map

People will get cluttered or distracted when trying to find their own products, leaving frustration and or confusion.



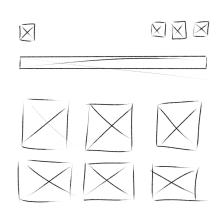


# Starting the design

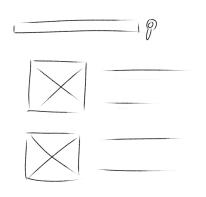
- Paper wireframes
- Digital wireframes
- Low-fidelity prototype
- Usability studies

## Paper wireframes

 User is greeted with categories at the homepage, with a search bar, log in, settings, and cart icon.







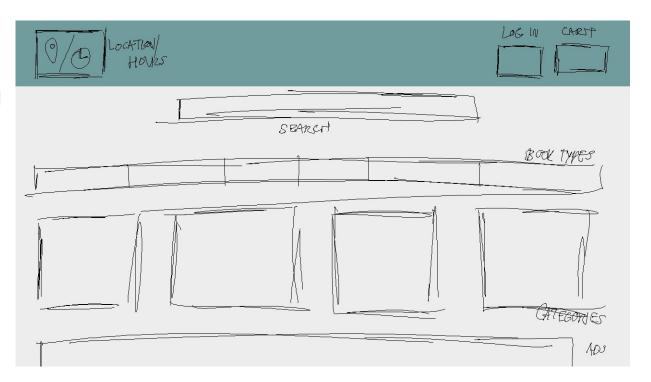
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## Digital wireframes

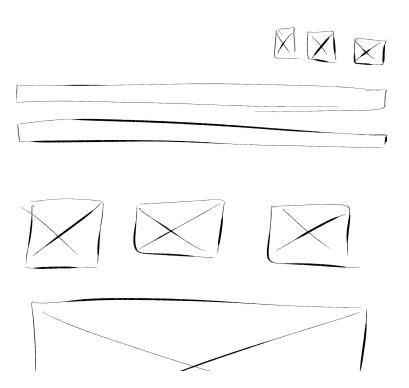
[User can see a variety of categories and themes, and even a location/hours tab.





## Digital wireframes

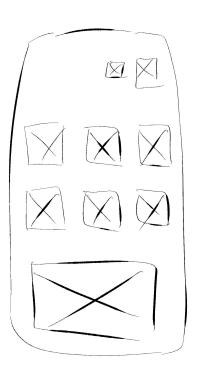
A second wireframe of the homepage showing two tabs on the top for promoting joining the Books4U rewards program, and a tab for looking up locations and hours.





## Low-fidelity prototype

User would be greeted to a homepage menu on the app showing a log in/settings, categories for books, then ads below.





## Usability study: findings

Write a short introduction to the usability studies you conducted and your findings.

### **Round 1 findings**

- 1 Visual appeal
- 2 Organized boxes
- 3 Need to add a cart button

### **Round 2 findings**

- 1 Text needs to be more clear
- 2 Add shading to text/icons
- 3 Have multiple colors to tell difference between icons



# Refining the design

- Mockups
- High-fidelity prototype
- Accessibility

## Mockups

Before usability study

After usability study

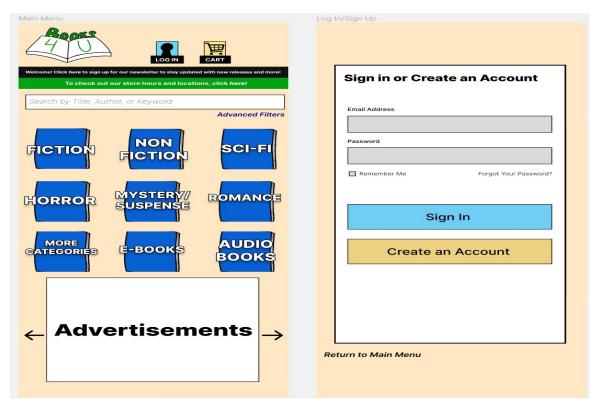
More icons with more categories, more color, add a logo.







## Mockups





# High-fidelity prototype





## Accessibility considerations

1

A sound design to implement where exactly the user is navigating to.

2

Touch controls or voice options to allow the user to navigate how they please.

3

Have visual icons to help a user navigate if they're having trouble figuring out where to go.



## Going forward

- Takeaways
- Next steps

## Takeaways



### Impact:

We hope our visually appealing and straightforward designs/icons can help the user feel greeted professionally and warmly, so they can use the website/app at ease.



#### What I learned:

The simplest things can get people frustrated and turn away.



## Next steps

1

Taking surveys to see what kind of issues/things users did not like with the app/website.

2

Add more iconography!

3

See in what other ways we could make the app/website more accessible to others.



### Let's connect!



For anyone looking for a UX/UI designer, I love to draw and create iconography to make websites and apps look more appealing!

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