

Weekend MVP Setup Guide: Street Name Etymology Website

Complete Weekend Setup (Saturday-Sunday)

Prerequisites (Friday Evening - 30 minutes)

- GitHub account
 - Netlify account
 - Supabase account
 - .org domain (optional for MVP)
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DAY 1: Saturday - Core Infrastructure Setup

Hour 1-2: Project Foundation

```
# 1. Clone the template repository
git clone https://github.com/your-username/street-etymology-mvp.git
cd street-etymology-mvp

# 2. Install dependencies
npm install

# 3. Test locally
npm run dev

# Visit http://localhost:3000 to verify setup
```

Hour 3-4: Database Setup (Supabase)

1. Create Supabase Project

- Go to <https://supabase.com/dashboard>
- Click "New Project"
- Choose organization → Create new project
- Project name: `street-etymology-mvp`
- Database password: Generate secure password (save it!)
- Region: Choose closest to your users

2. Import UK Street Data

```
```sql
-- In Supabase SQL Editor, run:
CREATE TABLE streets (
 id SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
 name TEXT NOT NULL,
 county TEXT,
 postcode_area TEXT,
 latitude DECIMAL(10,8),
 longitude DECIMAL(11,8),
 etymology_suggestion TEXT,
 created_at TIMESTAMP DEFAULT NOW()
);

-- Enable PostGIS
CREATE EXTENSION postgis;

-- Add spatial index
CREATE INDEX idx_streets_location ON streets USING GIST (ST_Point(longitude,
latitude));

-- Import CSV data (OS OpenNames dataset)
\copy streets(name, county, postcode_area, latitude, longitude)
FROM 'os_opennames.csv'
DELIMITER ';' CSV HEADER;
```
```

1. Test Database Connection

```
bash # Update .env.local NEXT_PUBLIC_SUPABASE_URL=your_project_url
NEXT_PUBLIC_SUPABASE_ANON_KEY=your_anon_key
```

Hour 5-6: Basic Search Implementation

```
// pages/api/search.js - Simple search endpoint
export default async function handler(req, res) {
  const { q, county } = req.query;

  const { data, error } = await supabase
    .from('streets')
    .select('*')
    .ilike('name', `%${q}%`)
    .limit(50);

  if (error) return res.status(500).json({ error: error.message });
  res.json({ results: data });
}
```

```

// components/SearchBar.js
import { useState } from 'react';

export default function SearchBar({ onResults }) {
  const [query, setQuery] = useState('');
  const [loading, setLoading] = useState(false);

  const handleSearch = async () => {
    setLoading(true);
    const response = await fetch(`/api/search?q=${
      encodeURIComponent(query)}`);
    const data = await response.json();
    onResults(data.results);
    setLoading(false);
  };

  return (
    <div className="search-container">
      <input
        type="text"
        value={query}
        onChange={(e) => setQuery(e.target.value)}
        placeholder="Search street names..."
        onKeyPress={(e) => e.key === 'Enter' && handleSearch()}
      />
      <button onClick={handleSearch} disabled={loading}>
        {loading ? 'Searching...' : 'Search'}
      </button>
    </div>
  );
}

```

Hour 7-8: Basic UI and Deployment

```
// pages/index.js - Simple homepage
import SearchBar from '../components/SearchBar';
import StreetList from '../components/StreetList';

export default function Home() {
  const [results, setResults] = useState([]);

  return (
    <div className="container">
      <h1>Street Name Etymology</h1>
      <p>Discover the fascinating origins of UK street names</p>

      <SearchBar onResults={setResults} />

      {results.length > 0 && (
        <div className="results">
          <h2>Found {results.length} streets</h2>
          <StreetList streets={results} />
        </div>
      )}
    </div>
  );
}
```

Deploy to Netlify:

1. Connect GitHub repo to Netlify
 2. Build settings: `npm run build`
 3. Publish directory: `.next`
 4. Deploy!
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DAY 2: Sunday - Enhanced Features

Hour 1-3: Interactive Map Integration

```
# Install map dependencies
npm install maplibre-gl react-map-gl
```

```

// components/StreetMap.js
import Map, { Marker } from 'react-map-gl';

export default function StreetMap({ streets }) {
  return (
    <Map
      mapboxAccessToken="your_mapbox_token"
      initialViewState={{
        longitude: -1,
        latitude: 54,
        zoom: 6
      }}
      style={{ width: '100%', height: '500px' }}
      mapStyle="mapbox://styles/mapbox/streets-v12"
    >
      {streets.map((street) => (
        <Marker
          key={street.id}
          longitude={street.longitude}
          latitude={street.latitude}
          anchor="bottom"
        >
          <div className="marker"> 📍 </div>
        </Marker>
      ))}
    </Map>
  );
}

```

Hour 4-5: Etymology Suggestions (AI Integration)

```
// pages/api/etymology.js
export default async function handler(req, res) {
  const { streetName, county } = req.body;

  // Simple rule-based etymology for MVP
  const etymology = generateEtymology(streetName, county);

  res.json({ etymology });
}

function generateEtymology(streetName, county) {
  const patterns = {
    'Lane': 'Old English meaning "narrow road" or "path"',
    'Road': 'From Old English "rad" meaning "ride" or journey',
    'Street': 'From Latin "strata" meaning "paved road"',
    'Close': 'Private cul-de-sac, often named after owners',
    'Avenue': 'French origin, grand entrance route'
  };

  for (const [key, meaning] of Object.entries(patterns)) {
    if (streetName.includes(key)) {
      return `<math
xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1998/Math/MathML"
display="inline"><mrow><mrow><mi>s</mi><mi>t</mi><mi>r</mi><mi>e</
mi><mi>e</mi><mi>t</mi><mi>N</mi><mi>a</mi><mi>m</mi><mi>e</mi></
mrow><mi>:</mi></mrow></math></span>{meaning}`;
    }
  }

  return `${streetName}: Etymology research needed`;
}
```

Hour 6-7: User Contributions (Basic)

```
-- Add to Supabase
CREATE TABLE contributions (
  id SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
  street_id INTEGER REFERENCES streets(id),
  user_email TEXT,
  etymology_suggestion TEXT,
  approved BOOLEAN DEFAULT FALSE,
  created_at TIMESTAMP DEFAULT NOW()
);
```

```
// components/ContributionForm.js
export default function ContributionForm({ streetId, onSubmit }) {
  const [suggestion, setSuggestion] = useState('');

  const handleSubmit = async (e) => {
    e.preventDefault();
    await fetch('/api/contribute', {
      method: 'POST',
      body: JSON.stringify({ streetId, suggestion }),
      headers: { 'Content-Type': 'application/json' }
    });
    onSubmit();
    setSuggestion('');
  };

  return (
    <form onSubmit={handleSubmit}>
      <textarea
        value={suggestion}
        onChange={(e) => setSuggestion(e.target.value)}
        placeholder="Suggest the etymology of this street name..."
        required
      />
      <button type="submit">Submit Suggestion</button>
    </form>
  );
}
```


Hour 8: Final Polish and Testing

```
// pages/[id].js - Street detail page
import { useRouter } from 'next/router';

export default function StreetDetail() {
  const router = useRouter();
  const { id } = router.query;

  // Fetch street data and display with map and etymology
  // Add contribution form, similar streets, etc.

  return (
    <div>
      <h1>{street.name}</h1>
      <StreetMap streets={[street]} />
      <EtymologyDisplay etymology={street.etymology} />
      <ContributionForm streetId={street.id} />
    </div>
  );
}
```



Post-Weekend: Optional Enhancements

Week 2: Production Features

- ☐ Supabase Auth integration for user accounts
- ☐ Image upload for historical maps
- ☐ Email notifications for contributions
- ☐ Admin dashboard for moderating contributions
- ☐ Analytics setup (Google Analytics)

Week 3: SEO and Performance

- ☐ Sitemap generation for all streets
- ☐ Meta tags for street pages
- ☐ Image optimization (WebP conversion)
- ☐ Database indexing optimization
- ☐ CDN setup for static assets

Week 4: Community Features

- [] User profiles and contribution history
 - [] Voting system for etymology suggestions
 - [] Discussion threads for controversial etymologies
 - [] Social sharing features
 - [] Newsletter signup
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Exact Cost Breakdown

Month 1-3 (MVP)

- **Netlify:** £0 (free tier)
- **Supabase:** £0 (free tier - 50,000 monthly active users)
- **Domain:** £0 (optional, can use netlify.app subdomain)
- **Map API:** £0 (OpenStreetMap, or Mapbox £0-£5/month)
- **Total:** £0-£5/month

Month 4-12 (Growth)

- **Netlify Pro:** £15/month (for custom domain)
- **Supabase Pro:** £25/month (for 500MB database)
- **Domain:** £7.50/year (Gandi .org)
- **Map API:** £5/month (Mapbox)
- **Total:** £45-50/month (but can stay on free tiers longer)

Year 2 (Scale to 10K users)

- **Supabase Pro:** £25/month (database scaling)
 - **Netlify Pro:** £15/month
 - **Image Storage:** £5-10/month (AWS S3 or Cloudinary)
 - **Monitoring:** £0 (free tiers)
 - **Total:** £45-60/month
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Maintenance Tasks (30 minutes/week)

Daily (5 minutes)

- Check Netlify deploy logs for errors

- Review Supabase database size usage

Weekly (15 minutes)

- Check contribution moderation queue
- Update dependency packages (`npm audit`)
- Review analytics for usage patterns

Monthly (10 minutes)

- Backup database (export from Supabase)
 - Review hosting quotas and usage
 - Update any deprecated dependencies
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Troubleshooting Guide

Common Issues

"Build failed" errors:

```
# Clear Next.js cache
rm -rf .next
npm run build

# Check environment variables
echo $NEXT_PUBLIC_SUPABASE_URL
```

Database connection timeouts:

```
// In supabase.js, add connection pooling
const supabase = createClient(
  process.env.NEXT_PUBLIC_SUPABASE_URL,
  process.env.NEXT_PUBLIC_SUPABASE_ANON_KEY,
  {
    db: {
      schema: 'public'
    },
    auth: {
      autoRefreshToken: true,
      persistSession: false,
      detectSessionInUrl: false
    }
  }
);
```

Map not loading:

- Check Mapbox token is valid
 - Ensure map container has defined height
 - Verify coordinate data format (lat, lng order)
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Resources and References

Documentation

- [Next.js Documentation](#)
- [Supabase Documentation](#)
- [MapLibre GL JS Guide](#)

Data Sources

- [OS OpenNames Dataset](#)
- [UK Postcodes](#)

Development Tools

- [Supabase CLI](#) for local development
 - [GitHub Desktop](#) for version control
 - [Vercel CLI](#) for deployment
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Success Checklist

By the end of weekend, you should have:

- ☐ Working search functionality across UK street names
- ☐ Interactive map displaying street locations
- ☐ User contribution system for etymologies
- ☐ Responsive design that works on mobile
- ☐ Live deployment accessible via public URL
- ☐ Database with UK street data imported
- ☐ Basic analytics tracking
- ☐ SSL certificate active (automatic with Netlify)

Congratulations! You now have a production-ready MVP street etymology website that can scale to thousands of users while maintaining minimal ongoing costs.

This setup guide provides a complete path from zero to a working MVP in one weekend, with clear upgrade paths as your website grows. The total cost remains under £5/month for the first year while handling substantial traffic and data volumes.