Individual statement

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Personal view of the team performance

The project began with our ideation process each presenting on paper putting our ideas forward before it became clear fashion and specifically student fashion would win. Progressing from this we then moved onto organising a sprint for the eight weeks of SP1, 2, 3 and 4 with a review post each sprint on a Friday to review our marks, feedback received and how we feel each task went (Sprints were two weeks in length). This process for the first three points went extremely well with contributions from each team member and regular discussions on design of the website and useability we felt it was needed gathered from research we had collected. SP5 and the website were slightly delayed as we had other assignments and although we had our sprints it was hard to stick to time and achieve the website we felt we could output, therefore we took a week extension to make sure the work was of the best quality in the time available. I feel personally I could have advanced my learning into advanced web development such as responsivity of the site and advanced my knowledge outside the syllabus furthermore, we could have produced more of our own media content as a team but due to the time constraints and other work being due at the same time we couldn't achieve this and something if in future we would collect from the start which is something that in our sprint retrospective we highlighted. As a team we worked well but didn't have clear roles as we should have nominated a scrum master if completely following agile methodologies instead, we followed agile without this and came together in more of a team manor assigning tasks on how comfortable we felt doing the work or a desire to do a set task. All the deadlines were met up until the website design where we could have could have submitted this at that point, but we felt we could do better so took the extension something which we all agreed on.

Critique of the web site

I believe we hit the brief to deliver a fashion website for students of Manchester and achieving our objectives. It is accessible for international students with language changes being documented on the site well although the logo doesn't change, I believe this to be a brand so therefore it can be known such as coca cola is worldwide. Furthermore, the site is accessible with regular tags to be read aloud by a site reader. We may have changed the site plan as we progressed as when we showcased our work to some members of the class, they felt some links were confusing or didn't flow well with the site and would be better encompassed by other pages and therefore reflected these changes.

PHP and the database presented a few issues as the we had the code for the DB and had this DB live however the connectivity from the website to DB connectivity wouldn't work however the instructions on Git hub couldn't be followed as SP is now a paid service and couldn't be used. In future this is something we aim to do with more time as this provides easier changes to content of the website.