BOOK HAVEN

User documentation

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Introduction

Welcome to Book Haven

Book Haven is a user-friendly platform designed for book enthusiasts to explore a diverse collection of literature. Our platform allow users to browse an extensive catalog of books across various genres and categories, making it easier than ever to discover new favorites and revisit beloved titles.

Purpose of the platform

The primary purpose of Book Haven is to enhance your reading experience by providing the following features :

Browse books

Effortlessly explore our comprehensive library, which includes detailed informations on each book, including titles, authors, genres and summaries.

Manage Favorites

Keep track of your preferred books by adding them to your favorites list. This feature allows you to easily revisit the titles you love or want to read in the future.

View Book Details

Access in-depth information about each book, including cover images, pricing (if applicable), and summaries, helping you make informed choices about your reading selections.

Getting Started

Creating your Account

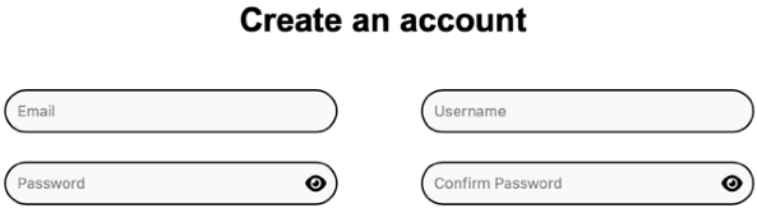
To start using Book Haven, you need to create an account.

Follow these steps to register :

Step 1 : Open the Book Haven Homepage, and click to the Sign Up button on the bottom of the page.

Step 2 : Fill out the registration form.

- Enter your email address, username, and password in the respective fields.
- Make sure to choose a strong password for security.



Step 3 : Submit your registration.

- Click the **Sign Up** button to submit your registration.
- You may receive an alert if you have not filled out the form correctly.

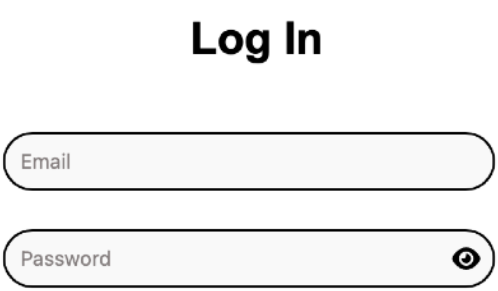
Logging In to Your Account

Once you have created your account, you can log in to access your favorite books.

Here's how to do it :

Step 1 : Enter Your Credentials.

- Input your registered email address and password in the provided fields.



Step 2 : Click on the Log In Button.

- After entering your credentials, click the **Log In** button to access your account.

Now, you're able to enjoy Book Haven !

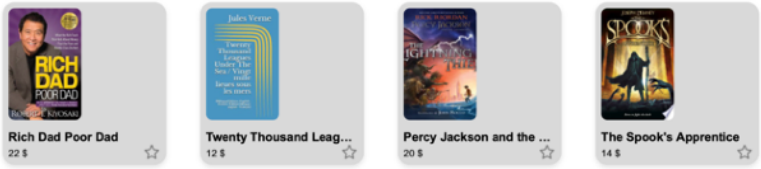
Navigating the Platform

Homepage Overview

Upon logging into Book Haven, you will be greeted by the homepage, which serves as the central hub for exploring our extensive collection of books. The homepage is designed for easy navigation and includes several key sections :

Book List

The main area of the homepage displays a curated list of available books. Each book entry includes essential information such as the title, author, cover image.



Categories

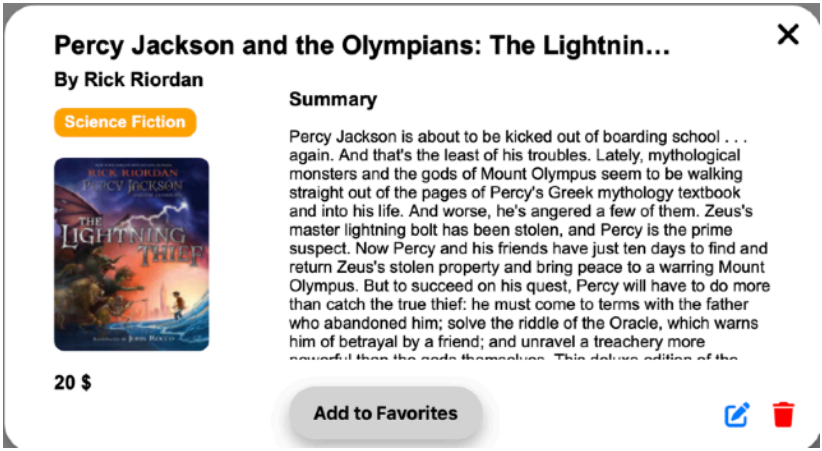
Below the book list, you will find a list of categories. These categories will help you filter and browse books based on genres such as Science Fiction, Educational or Historical.

Clicking on a category will take you to a filtered view of books within that specific genre.

Accessing Book Details and Category Overlays

Viewing Book Details

- To view more information about a specific book, simply click on the book entry in the list. This action will open a detailed overlay that includes :
  - A larger cover image
  - Detailed informations such as the book's summary, price, and options to add to your favorites.



Accessing Category Overlays

When you click on a category from the category list, a new overlay will appear, displaying all the books within that category.

Search and Filter

Finding Your Next Read

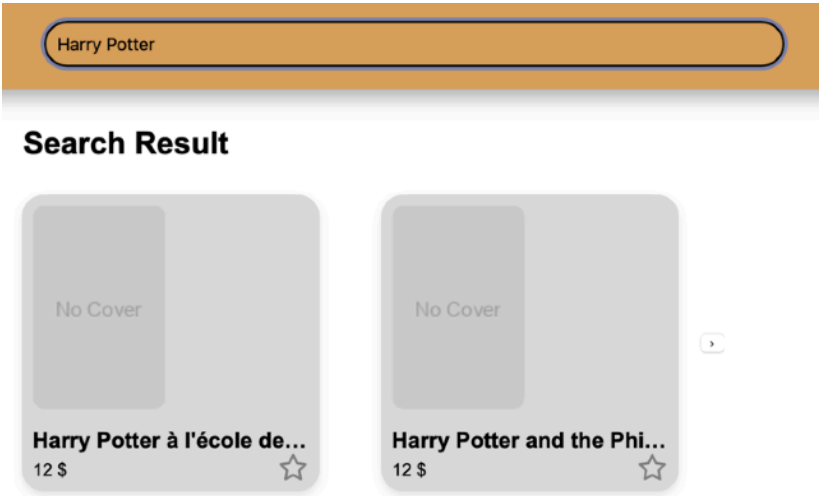
Book Haven offers intuitive search and filtering features to help you quickly locate specific books or explore new titles based on your preferences. Here's how to make the most of these features :

Using the search Bar

The search bar is prominently displayed at the top of the homepage. It allows you to search for books by title.

Click on the search bar and type in the title of the book.

For example, you might type "Harry Potter" to find all Harry Potter books.



Favorites

Keeping Track of Your Favorite Books

The Favorites feature allows you to easily manage and revisit the books you love. Here's how to add books to your favorites, access the favorites page, and what you can expect to find there.

Adding Adding Books to Your Favorites

Step 1 : Locate a Book

- Browse the book list on the home page or search for a specific book using the search bar.

Step 2 : Add to Favorites

- When you find a book you want to add to your favorites, click on the heart icon on the book list or the "Add to Favorites" button in the book details.

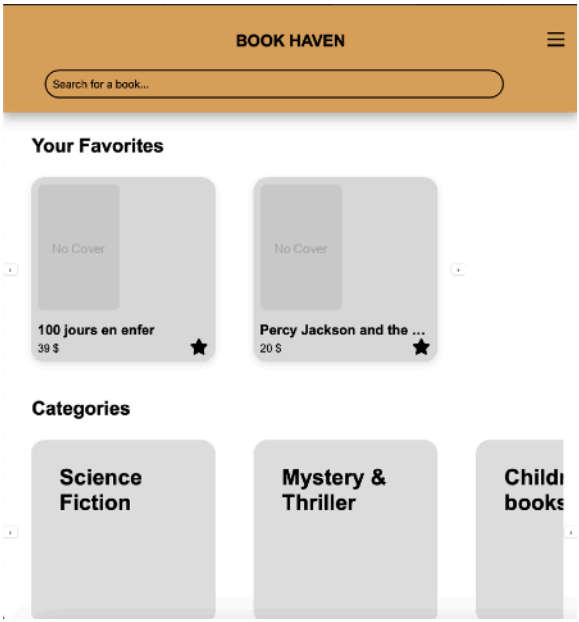
- Once added, the icon will typically change color to indicate that the book has been successfully added to your favorites.

Accessing the Favorites Page

To view your favorite books, click on the Favorites link located in the navigation menu, at the top of the homepage.

Favorites page Overview

- The Favorites page will display a list of all the books you have added to your favorites.
- Here, you can easily browse through your selected titles and decide which ones you may want to read next.



What's on the Favorite page ?

- **Book List**
  - Each entry on the Favorites page will include the book's title, author, and cover image.
- **Remove from Favorites**
  - If you decide that you no longer want a book in your favorites, you can remove it by clicking on the heart icon or "Remove from Favorites" button next to the book.
  - The book will be removed from your favorites list and the icon will revert to its original state.
- **Direct Links to Book Details**
  - Clicking on a book entry will take you to the detailed view of that book, allowing you to access more information or reconsider your choice.

Admin Functions

Managing the Book Inventory

As an administrator on Book Haven, you have access to special functionalities that allows you to manage the book inventory effectively. Below are the primary functions available to you :

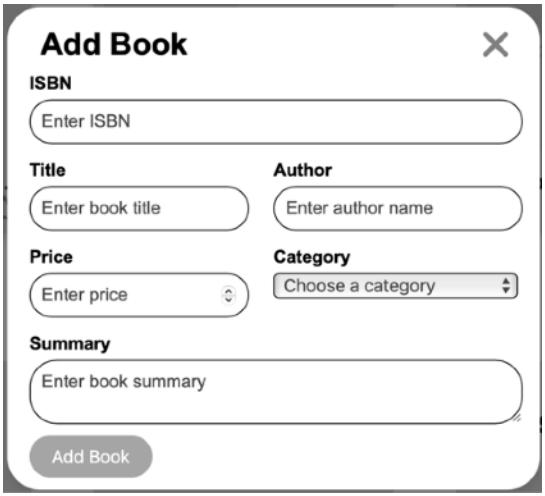
Adding a book

Administrators can easily add new books to the platform. Follow these steps :

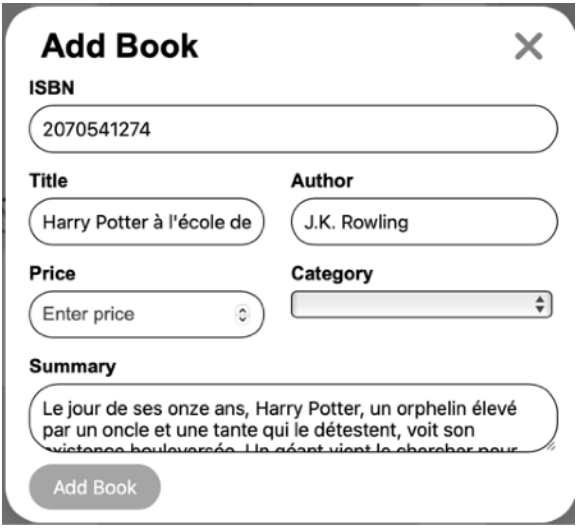
Step 1 : Navigate to the Add Book Form

- Click on the **Add Book** button in the navigation menu.

Step 2 : Fill the form

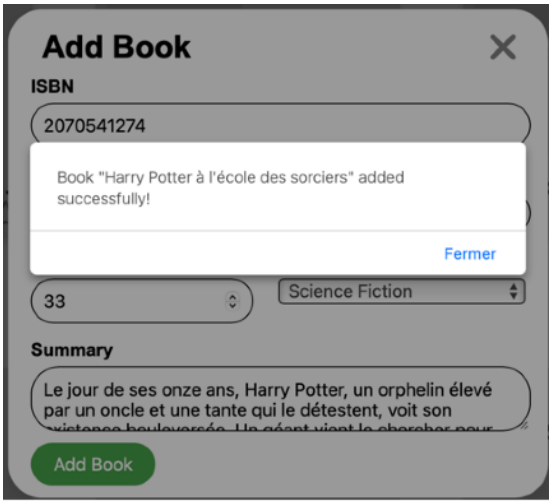


- **Enter the ISBN**
  - Begin by entering the book's ISBN number in the designated field.
- **Automatic Field Filling**
  - Once the ISBN is entered, Book Haven will automatically populate the other field, including the title, author, and summary, if the book is known in the database.
  - If the book is not recognized, you will have the option to fill in the remaining fields manually.



- **Filling Price and Category**
  - Since the price and category are not auto-filled, please enter these details manually.

- **Submit the Form**
  - After ensuring all required fiels are filled, click the Add Book button to save the new entry.
  - A confirmation message will appear once the book has been successfully added.



Updating a book

To keep the inventory current, administrators can update the details of existing books :

Step 1 : Locate the Book

- Use the search function or navigate through the book list to find the book you wish to update.

Step 2 : Open the Update Book Form

- Click on the **Edit** button associated with the book entry.

Step 3 : Modify the information :

- Update any fields as necessary including the title, author, category, summary, and price.
- Ensure all changes are accurate and complete.

Step 4 : Submit the Form

- Click the **Update Book** button to save your changes.

Deleting a book

Step 1 : Locate the Book

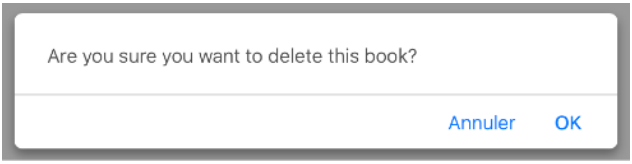
- Navigate to the book list or use the search function to find the book you want to delete.

Step 2 : Open the Delete Option

- Click on the Delete button in the book details

Step 3 : Confirm Deletion

- A confirmation prompt will appear asking if you are sure you cant to delete the book. Confirm the action to proceed.
- Once deleted, the book will be permanently removed from the inventory.



Frequently Asked Questions

Account Creation

I can’t create an account. What should I do ?

Ensure that all required fields are filled out correctly including valid email address and a password with more than 6 characters. If you’re still having trouble, try refreshing the page and attempting again. If the issue persists, contact support.

Log In

I forgot my password. How can I reset it ?

Please, contact our support.

I’m receiving an « Invalid credentials » error when trying to log in.

Double-check that you are entering the correct email and password. If you’ve forgotten your password, contact us.

Managing Favorites

I can’t find my favorite books. Where can I access them ?

Click on the **Favorites** link in the navigation menu to view all the books you’ve added to your favorites list.