# Quiz Game Documentation

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## Overview

Quiz Game is a web-based application built with Django that allows users to test their knowledge by answering multiple-choice questions across various categories. The application provides immediate feedback, tracks user performance, and generates visualizations of quiz results.

## Introduction

Welcome to the Quiz Game documentation! This guide provides comprehensive information about the Quiz Game web application, including its features, architecture, and usage.

### What is Quiz Game?

Quiz Game is an interactive web-based application built with Django that allows users to test their knowledge across various topics. Users can select quiz categories, answer multiple-choice questions, receive immediate feedback, and track their performance over time through intuitive visualizations and statistics.

### Purpose and Goals

The primary goals of Quiz Game are:

1. **Educational**: Provide an engaging platform for learning and knowledge testing
2. **Interactive**: Create an intuitive and responsive user experience
3. **Insightful**: Offer meaningful feedback and performance analytics
4. **Extensible**: Support easy addition of new quiz content and features

### Target Audience

Quiz Game is designed for:

- **Students** seeking to reinforce learning and test knowledge
- **Educators** looking for an interactive assessment tool
- **Knowledge enthusiasts** wanting to challenge themselves
- **Organizations** requiring training or assessment platforms

### Key Features

| Feature | Description |
| --- | --- |
| **Multiple Categories** | Quizzes organized by subject matter |
| **Adaptive Difficulty** | Questions categorized as easy, medium, or hard |
| **Immediate Feedback** | Instant results after answering questions |
| **Detailed Explanations** | Educational context for correct answers |
| **Performance Analytics** | Visual representations of quiz performance |
| **User Accounts** | Optional authentication for tracking progress |
| **Responsive Design** | Works on desktop, tablet, and mobile devices |

## Technology Overview

Quiz Game is built using modern web technologies:

- **Backend**: Django (Python web framework)
- **Database**: SQLite (default), with support for other databases
- **Frontend**: HTML, CSS, JavaScript with Bootstrap
- **Data Processing**: pandas for data manipulation
- **Visualization**: matplotlib and seaborn for charts

## System Requirements

**For Users**: * Modern web browser (Chrome, Firefox, Safari, Edge) * Internet connection * No installation required

**For Administrators/Developers**: * Python 3.8+ * Django 5.0+ * Required Python packages (see requirements.txt)

## Project History

Quiz Game was developed as an educational project to demonstrate:

- Django application development
- Database modeling and relationships
- Data processing and visualization
- User experience design
- Comprehensive documentation practices

## Getting Started

To begin using Quiz Game, see the Installation Guide and User Guide sections.

For developers interested in understanding the application architecture or contributing to the project, see the System Architecture and `development` sections.

# Installation Guide

This guide provides step-by-step instructions for setting up the Quiz Game application in your local environment.

## Prerequisites

Before installing the Quiz Game application, ensure you have the following installed:

- Python 3.8 or higher
- pip (Python package manager)
- Git (for cloning the repository)
- Virtual environment (recommended)

## System Requirements

- **Operating System**: Windows, macOS, or Linux
- **RAM**: 2GB minimum, 4GB recommended
- **Disk Space**: 100MB for application and dependencies

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## Step-by-Step Installation

### 1. Clone the Repository

```
git clone https://github.com/yourusername/quiz-game.git
cd quiz-game
```

### 2. Create and Activate Virtual Environment

Windows:

```
python -m venv venv
venv\Scripts\activate
```

macOS/Linux:

```
python -m venv venv
source venv/bin/activate
```

### 3. Install Dependencies

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

### 4. Database Setup

Run migrations to create the database schema:

```
python manage.py migrate
```

### 5. Create Superuser (Optional)

Create an admin user to manage the application:

```
python manage.py createsuperuser
```

Follow the prompts to set username, email, and password.

### 6. Load Sample Data (Optional)

Load sample quizzes and questions:

```
python manage.py loaddata sample_quizzes
```

### 7. Run Development Server

Start the Django development server:

```
python manage.py runserver
```

### 8. Access the Application

Open your web browser and navigate to:

- Main application: http://127.0.0.1:8000/
- Admin interface: http://127.0.0.1:8000/admin/

## Configuration Options

### Environment Variables

The following environment variables can be set to customize the application:

- `DEBUG`: Set to `False` in production (default: `True`)

- `SECRET_KEY`: Django secret key for cryptographic signing
- `DATABASE_URL`: Database connection string (default: SQLite)

## Custom Settings

To override default settings, create a `local_settings.py` file in the `quiz_project` directory.

Example:

```python
# quiz_project/local_settings.py
DEBUG = False
ALLOWED_HOSTS = ['quizgame.example.com']

# Database configuration
DATABASES = {
    'default': {
        'ENGINE': 'django.db.backends.postgresql',
        'NAME': 'quiz_db',
        'USER': 'quiz_user',
        'PASSWORD': 'secure_password',
        'HOST': 'localhost',
        'PORT': '5432',
    }
}
```

## Documentation Tools

The project includes a comprehensive documentation automation system. To use these tools, install the following additional dependencies:

```
pip install docxbuilder pypandoc
```

For PDF generation, you'll also need LaTeX:

- Windows: Install MiKTeX (https://miktex.org/)
- Linux: `apt-get install texlive-full`
- macOS: Install MacTeX (https://www.tug.org/mactex/)

The documentation tools can be used through Django management commands:

```
python manage.py manage_docs create --file new_doc --title "New Document"
python manage.py manage_docs validate
python manage.py manage_docs generate --app quiz_app
```

Additionally, a workflow automation script is available:

```
python docs/docs_workflow.py
```

For more details on the documentation tools, see the Documentation Automation Tools section.

## Troubleshooting

## Common Issues

1. **Migration Errors**

   If you encounter migration errors:

   ```
   python manage.py migrate --fake-initial
   ```

2. **Static Files Not Loading**

   Collect static files:

   ```
   python manage.py collectstatic
   ```

3. **Package Dependencies**

   If you encounter missing dependencies:

   ```
   pip install -r requirements.txt --upgrade
   ```

## Getting Help

If you encounter any issues during installation:

- Check the project's GitHub issues
- Consult the Django documentation
- Reach out to the maintainers

# User Guide

This guide provides detailed instructions on how to use the Quiz Game application, from taking quizzes to viewing statistics and managing your account.

## Getting Started

## Accessing the Application

Open your web browser and navigate to the Quiz Game URL:

- If running locally: http://127.0.0.1:8000/
- If deployed: https://your-quiz-game-domain.com/

The homepage displays a welcome message and available quiz categories.



Quiz Game Homepage

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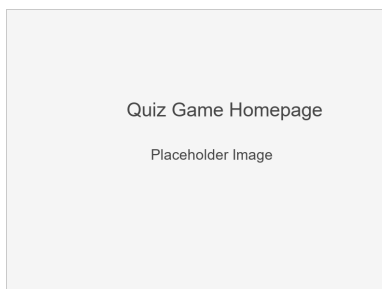
## Navigation

The main navigation menu provides access to these key areas:

- **Home**: Return to the welcome page
- **Categories**: Browse all quiz categories
- **My Stats**: View your quiz statistics (authenticated users only)
- **Login/Logout**: Manage your session

## Taking a Quiz

## Starting a Quiz

1. On the homepage, you'll see a "Start a New Quiz" card
2. Select a category from the dropdown menu
3. Choose the number of questions (5-20)
4. Click the "Start Quiz" button

Quiz Selection

Placeholder Image

## Answering Questions

For each question:

1. Read the question carefully
2. Select your answer by clicking one of the options
3. Click "Next Question" to proceed

## Note

You cannot go back to previous questions once submitted.

Quiz Question

Placeholder Image

**Navigation Keys**:

- You can use number keys (1-4) to select answers
- Press Enter to submit and go to the next question

## Progress Tracking

While taking a quiz:

- The progress bar at the top shows your advancement
- The question number indicator shows your current position (e.g., "Question 3 of 10")
- The category name is displayed for reference

## Viewing Results

## Score Summary

After completing a quiz, you'll see your results:

1. **Score**: Number of correct answers and percentage
2. **Progress Bar**: Visual representation of your score
3. **Feedback Message**: Encouragement based on your performance

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Quiz Results

Placeholder Image

## Performance Analysis

The results page includes:

- **Performance by Difficulty Chart**: Bar chart showing how well you did on easy, medium, and hard questions
- **Question Review**: List of all questions with your answers, correct answers, and explanations

## Actions from Results Page

From the results page, you can:

- **Try Again**: Take another quiz in the same category
- **Back to Home**: Return to the homepage to select a different category

## User Statistics

## Note

The statistics features are only available to registered and authenticated users.

## Accessing Statistics

Click "My Stats" in the navigation menu to view your quiz history and performance analytics.

## Available Statistics

The statistics dashboard includes:

1. **Performance Over Time**:

    - Line chart showing scores across multiple quiz attempts
    - Color-coded by category
    - Tracks your learning progress

2. **Performance by Category**:

    - Bar chart comparing your average scores across different categories
    - Helps identify your strengths and areas for improvement

3. **Summary Statistics**:

    - Total quizzes completed
    - Average score percentage
    - Number of categories attempted
    - Your best-performing category

User Statistics

Placeholder Image

## Account Management

### Registration

To create an account:

1. Click "Login" in the navigation menu
2. Click "Register" on the login page
3. Fill in the required information: * Username * Email address * Password (entered twice for confirmation)
4. Click "Register" to create your account

### Login

To log into your account:

1. Click "Login" in the navigation menu
2. Enter your username and password
3. Click "Login"

> **Tip**
>
> Check "Remember me" to stay logged in on your device.

### Logout

To log out:

1. Click "Logout" in the navigation menu
2. You will be redirected to the homepage

### Password Reset

If you forget your password:

1. Click "Login" in the navigation menu
2. Click "Forgot Password?"
3. Enter your email address
4. Check your email for a password reset link
5. Follow the link to set a new password

## Tips for Success

### Quiz Strategies

- **Read carefully**: Take your time to understand each question
- **Process of elimination**: If unsure, try to eliminate obviously wrong answers
- **Look for clues**: Sometimes parts of the question hint at the answer
- **Don't overthink**: Often your first instinct is correct

## Learning from Results

- **Review explanations**: Read the explanations for both correct and incorrect answers
- **Focus on weak areas**: Pay attention to categories or difficulty levels where you scored lower
- **Retake quizzes**: Try the same category again to reinforce learning
- **Track progress**: Watch your performance improve over time in the statistics

## Mobile Usage

The Quiz Game application is fully responsive and can be used on:

- Desktop computers
- Tablets
- Smartphones

The interface automatically adapts to your screen size for optimal experience.

# Troubleshooting

## Common Issues

**Problem**: Quiz doesn't start after selecting a category **Solution**: Make sure the category has questions available. Try a different category.

**Problem**: Session expired during a quiz **Solution**: Log in again and start a new quiz.

**Problem**: Charts not displaying in statistics **Solution**: Make sure your browser supports HTML5 and has JavaScript enabled.

## Getting Help

If you encounter any issues:

- Check the FAQ section
- Contact support via email: support@quizgame.example
- Visit the help forum

# System Architecture

This document provides an overview of the Quiz Game application's architecture, including the design patterns, component organization, and data flow.

## Architectural Overview

Quiz Game follows the Model-View-Template (MVT) architectural pattern, which is Django's interpretation of the Model-View-Controller (MVC) pattern:

- **Models** define the data structure
- **Views** handle business logic and user requests
- **Templates** render the data for presentation

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Application Architecture
Placeholder Image

## Component Structure

The application is organized into the following main components:

1. **Core Framework** (Django)

   - URL routing

   - Request/response handling

   - ORM (Object-Relational Mapping)

   - Authentication and security

2. **Quiz Application**

   - Models (Category, Question, Choice, QuizAttempt, QuizResponse)

   - Views (IndexView, QuizStartView, QuestionView, ResultsView, UserStatsView)

   - Forms (QuizSelectionForm)

   - Templates (HTML rendering)

3. **Data Layer**

   - SQLite database (default)

   - Django ORM for database interactions

   - Data validation and integrity enforcement

4. **Analytics Component**

   - Data processing with pandas

   - Visualization generation with matplotlib/seaborn

   - Statistics calculations

5. **Presentation Layer**

   - HTML templates with Django template language

   - CSS styling (Bootstrap framework)

   - JavaScript for interactivity

   - Chart rendering

## Directory Structure

The project follows Django's recommended directory structure:

```
quiz_project/
■■■ docs/                  # Documentation files
■■■ quiz_project/          # Main project settings
■    ■■■ __init__.py
■    ■■■ asgi.py
■    ■■■ settings.py       # Project configuration
■    ■■■ urls.py           # Main URL routing
■    ■■■ wsgi.py
■■■ quiz_app/              # Quiz application
■    ■■■ migrations/       # Database migrations
■    ■■■ static/           # Static files (CSS, JS)
```

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```
■    ■■■ templates/          # HTML templates
■    ■■■ __init__.py
■    ■■■ admin.py            # Admin interface configuration
■    ■■■ apps.py             # App configuration
■    ■■■ forms.py            # Form definitions
■    ■■■ models.py           # Data models
■    ■■■ tests.py            # Test cases
■    ■■■ urls.py             # App-specific URLs
■    ■■■ views.py            # View functions and classes
■■■ templates/               # Project-wide templates
■■■ static/                  # Project-wide static files
■■■ media/                   # User-uploaded content
■■■ manage.py                # Django command-line utility
■■■ requirements.txt         # Python dependencies
```

## Data Flow

The typical data flow through the application:

1. **Request Phase**

   - User makes a request (e.g., starts a quiz)

   - Django routes the request to the appropriate view

   - View processes the request and interacts with models

2. **Processing Phase**

   - Models retrieve or store data in the database

   - Business logic is applied (e.g., quiz question selection)

   - Data is prepared for presentation

3. **Response Phase**

   - View selects the appropriate template

   - Template renders the data as HTML

   - Response is sent back to the user's browser

For quiz results and statistics, an additional analytics phase occurs:

4. **Analytics Phase**

   - Quiz responses are aggregated

   - Pandas processes the data

   - Matplotlib/Seaborn generates visualizations

   - Results are encoded and passed to templates

## Design Patterns

The application implements several design patterns:

- **Repository Pattern**: Models encapsulate data access logic

- **Factory Method**: Creating quiz attempts and questions

- **Template Method**: View inheritance hierarchy

- **Observer Pattern**: Signal handling for model events

- **Strategy Pattern**: Different visualization approaches

## Technologies and Libraries

- **Django**: Web framework
- **SQLite**: Database (default)
- **Pandas**: Data manipulation and analysis
- **Matplotlib/Seaborn**: Data visualization
- **Bootstrap**: Frontend framework
- **jQuery**: JavaScript library for DOM manipulation
- **Font Awesome**: Icon library

## Extensibility

The architecture is designed to be extensible in several ways:

1. **New Quiz Categories**: Simply add new Category records
2. **Question Types**: The model can be extended for different question formats
3. **Authentication Methods**: Django's auth system can be customized
4. **Database Backends**: Can switch to PostgreSQL, MySQL, etc.
5. **Visualization Options**: Additional chart types can be added

## Security Considerations

- Django's built-in protection against: * CSRF (Cross-Site Request Forgery) * XSS (Cross-Site Scripting) * SQL Injection * Clickjacking
- Additional measures: * Form validation * Secure session handling * Proper authentication checks * Input sanitization

# Data Models

This section documents the database models used in the Quiz Game application. These models define the structure of the data stored in the database and the relationships between different entities.

## Entity Relationship Diagram

The following diagram illustrates the relationships between the different models in the Quiz Game application:

Quiz Game Entity Relationship Diagram
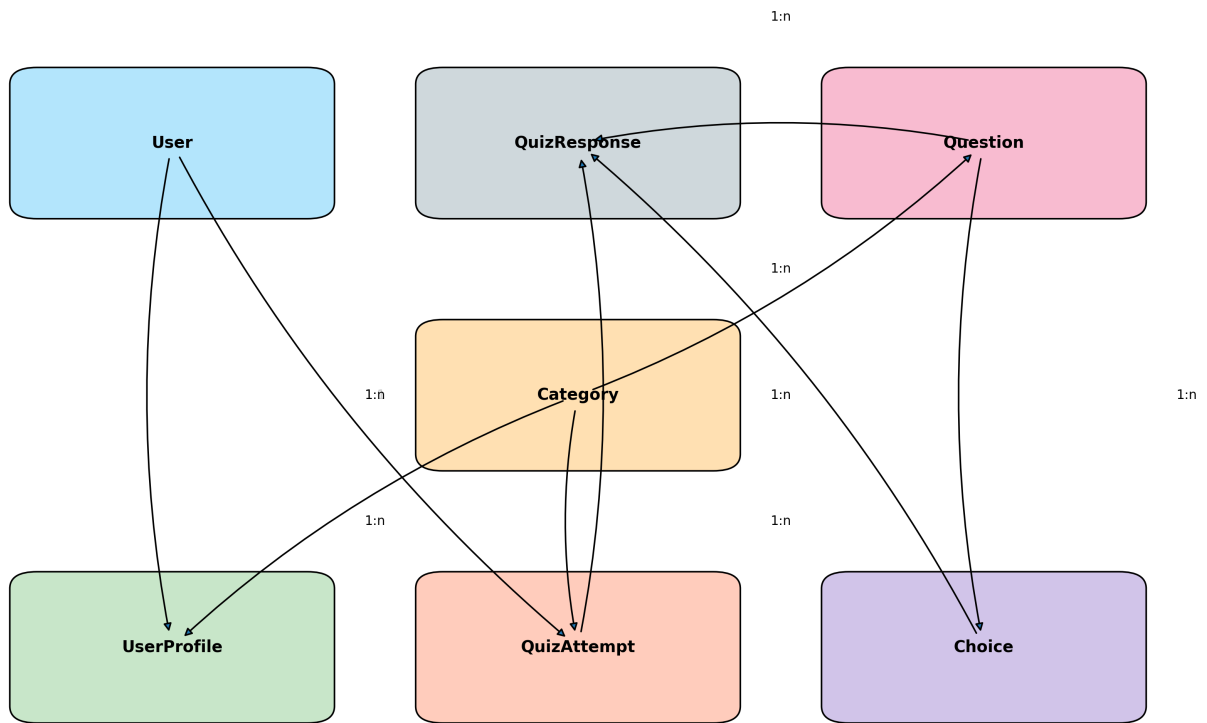


## Entity Relationship Description

- **User to UserProfile**: One-to-one relationship. Each User has exactly one UserProfile.
- **User to QuizAttempt**: One-to-many relationship. A User can have multiple QuizAttempts.
- **Category to Question**: One-to-many relationship. A Category contains multiple Questions.
- **Category to QuizAttempt**: One-to-many relationship. A Category can have multiple QuizAttempts.
- **Category to UserProfile**: One-to-many relationship. A Category can be the favorite of multiple UserProfiles.
- **Question to Choice**: One-to-many relationship. A Question has multiple Choices.
- **Question to QuizResponse**: One-to-many relationship. A Question can have multiple QuizResponses.
- **QuizAttempt to QuizResponse**: One-to-many relationship. A QuizAttempt contains multiple QuizResponses.
- **Choice to QuizResponse**: One-to-many relationship. A Choice can be selected in multiple QuizResponses.

For a detailed description of each model and its fields, see the model documentation above. For a full database schema, see below.

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## Database Schema

```sql
-- Category Table
CREATE TABLE "quiz_app_category" (
    "id" integer NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTOINCREMENT,
    "name" varchar(100) NOT NULL UNIQUE,
    "description" text NOT NULL,
    "icon" varchar(50) NOT NULL,
    "created_at" datetime NOT NULL
);

-- Question Table
CREATE TABLE "quiz_app_question" (
    "id" integer NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTOINCREMENT,
    "text" text NOT NULL,
    "explanation" text NOT NULL,
    "difficulty" varchar(10) NOT NULL,
    "created_at" datetime NOT NULL,
    "updated_at" datetime NOT NULL,
    "category_id" integer NOT NULL REFERENCES "quiz_app_category" ("id") DEFERRABLE INITIALLY DEFERRED
);

-- Choice Table
CREATE TABLE "quiz_app_choice" (
    "id" integer NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTOINCREMENT,
    "text" varchar(255) NOT NULL,
    "is_correct" bool NOT NULL,
    "question_id" integer NOT NULL REFERENCES "quiz_app_question" ("id") DEFERRABLE INITIALLY DEFERRED
);

-- QuizAttempt Table
CREATE TABLE "quiz_app_quizattempt" (
    "id" integer NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTOINCREMENT,
    "started_at" datetime NOT NULL,
    "completed_at" datetime NULL,
    "score" integer NOT NULL,
    "total_questions" integer NOT NULL,
    "category_id" integer NOT NULL REFERENCES "quiz_app_category" ("id") DEFERRABLE INITIALLY DEFERRED,
    "user_id" integer NULL REFERENCES "auth_user" ("id") DEFERRABLE INITIALLY DEFERRED
);

-- QuizResponse Table
CREATE TABLE "quiz_app_quizresponse" (
    "id" integer NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTOINCREMENT,
    "is_correct" bool NOT NULL,
    "response_time" datetime NOT NULL,
    "question_id" integer NOT NULL REFERENCES "quiz_app_question" ("id") DEFERRABLE INITIALLY DEFERRED,
    "quiz_attempt_id" integer NOT NULL REFERENCES "quiz_app_quizattempt" ("id") DEFERRABLE INITIALLY DEFERRED,
    "selected_choice_id" integer NOT NULL REFERENCES "quiz_app_choice" ("id") DEFERRABLE INITIALLY DEFERRED
);
```

## Model Relationships

- **One-to-Many**:
    - Category → Questions (one category has many questions)
    - Question → Choices (one question has multiple choices)
    - QuizAttempt → QuizResponses (one attempt has multiple responses)
    - User → QuizAttempts (one user can have multiple quiz attempts)
- **Many-to-One**:
    - Question → Category (many questions belong to one category)
    - Choice → Question (many choices belong to one question)
    - QuizResponse → QuizAttempt (many responses belong to one attempt)

## Data Integrity Constraints

- Each Choice must belong to exactly one Question

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- Each Question must belong to exactly one Category

- Only one Choice per Question can be marked as correct

- Each QuizResponse must have exactly one selected Choice

- Each QuizAttempt-Question pair can have at most one QuizResponse

## Views

This section documents the view functions and classes in the Quiz Game application. Views handle the HTTP requests, perform business logic, and return appropriate responses.

### View Flow Diagram



View Flow Diagram
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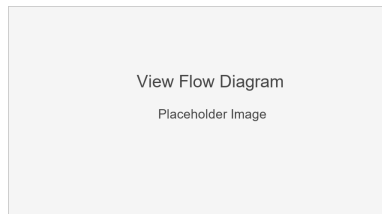
The diagram above illustrates the flow between different views in the application.

### Index View

*class* **IndexView**
    View for the home page of the quiz application.
    This class-based view displays a welcome message and available quiz categories. It inherits from Django's TemplateView.

    **template_name:** *str*
        Path to the template used for rendering: 'quiz_app/index.html'

### Category List View

*class* **CategoryListView**
    View to display all available quiz categories.
    This class-based view inherits from Django's ListView and displays a list of all categories that have at least one question.

    **model:** *Model*
        The model to list: Category

    **template_name:** *str*
        Path to the template: 'quiz_app/category_list.html'

    **context_object_name:** *str*
        Name of the context variable: 'categories'

### Quiz Start View

*class* **QuizStartView**
    View to handle the start of a new quiz.
    This class-based view creates a new QuizAttempt and redirects to the first question. It handles the form submission from the quiz selection page.

## Question View

*class* `QuestionView`
    View to display a quiz question and process the answer.
    This class-based view handles both displaying questions and processing answers.

    `template_name`: *str*
        Path to the template: 'quiz_app/question.html'

## Results View

*class* `ResultsView`
    View to display the results of a completed quiz.
    This class-based view inherits from Django's DetailView and shows the score, performance charts, and answer review for a completed quiz.

    `model`: *Model*
        The model to display: QuizAttempt

    `template_name`: *str*
        Path to the template: 'quiz_app/results.html'

    `context_object_name`: *str*
        Name of the context variable: 'quiz_attempt'

    `pk_url_kwarg`: *str*
        Name of the URL keyword argument: 'quiz_id'

## User Stats View

*class* `UserStatsView`
    View to display statistics and analytics for a user's quiz history.
    This class-based view requires authentication and shows visualizations of the user's performance across different categories and over time.

    `template_name`: *str*
        Path to the template: 'quiz_app/user_stats.html'

## URL Patterns

The application defines the following URL patterns:

```python
app_name = 'quiz'   # Application namespace

urlpatterns = [
    # Home page / index view
    path('', views.IndexView.as_view(), name='index'),

    # List of quiz categories
    path('categories/', views.CategoryListView.as_view(), name='categories'),

    # Start a new quiz
    path('start/', views.QuizStartView.as_view(), name='start'),

    # Answer quiz questions
    path('question/', views.QuestionView.as_view(), name='question'),

    # View quiz results
```

```
    path('results/<int:quiz_id>/', views.ResultsView.as_view(), name='results'),

    # User statistics dashboard
    path('stats/', views.UserStatsView.as_view(), name='user_stats'),
]
```

## Session Management

The application uses Django's session framework to maintain quiz state:

- **quiz_questions**: List of question IDs for the current quiz
- **current_question_index**: Index of the current question (0-based)
- **quiz_attempt_id**: ID of the current QuizAttempt

These session keys are set when a quiz starts and cleared when it completes.

## Data Visualization

The views utilize pandas, matplotlib, and seaborn for data analysis and visualization:

1. Data is retrieved from the database and converted to pandas DataFrames
2. Analysis is performed (grouping, aggregation, statistics)
3. Visualizations are created with matplotlib/seaborn
4. Images are converted to base64-encoded strings for embedding in HTML

This approach allows for rich data visualization without requiring JavaScript charting libraries on the frontend.

# Forms

This document details the form classes used in the Quiz Application, explaining their structure, validation logic, and usage.

## QuizSelectionForm

The `QuizSelectionForm` is used to start a new quiz. It allows users to select a category and specify how many questions they want to answer.

```python
class QuizSelectionForm(forms.Form):
    """
    Form for selecting a quiz category and number of questions.

    This form allows users to choose which category of questions they want
    to be quizzed on and how many questions they want in their quiz.
    """
    category = forms.ModelChoiceField(
        queryset=Category.objects.all(),
        empty_label="Select a category",
        widget=forms.Select(attrs={'class': 'form-control'}),
        help_text="Choose the topic you want to be quizzed on"
    )

    num_questions = forms.IntegerField(
        min_value=5,
        max_value=20,
        initial=10,
        widget=forms.NumberInput(attrs={
            'class': 'form-control',
            'min': '5',
            'max': '20',
            'step': '1'
```

```
        }),
        help_text="Choose how many questions you want (5-20)"
    )
```

## Field Specifications

**category**

A dropdown field that allows users to select a quiz category.

- **Type**: `ModelChoiceField`
- **Queryset**: All `Category` objects
- **Widget**: Select with Bootstrap styling
- **Help Text**: "Choose the topic you want to be quizzed on"

**num_questions**

A number input field that allows users to specify how many questions they want in their quiz.

- **Type**: `IntegerField`
- **Constraints**: Minimum 5, Maximum 20
- **Default Value**: 10
- **Widget**: NumberInput with Bootstrap styling and HTML5 attributes
- **Help Text**: "Choose how many questions you want (5-20)"

## Initialization

The form's `__init__` method customizes the category queryset to only include categories that have questions:

```python
def __init__(self, *args, **kwargs):
    """Initialize the form with only categories that have questions."""
    super().__init__(*args, **kwargs)
    # Get categories that have at least one question
    self.fields['category'].queryset = Category.objects.filter(
        question__isnull=False
    ).distinct()
```

This ensures that users can only select categories that have at least one question, preventing them from starting quizzes with empty categories.

## Validation Logic

The form implements comprehensive validation logic to ensure that user input is valid:

1. **Basic Form Validation**

   The `clean` method validates the overall form data:

```python
def clean(self):
    """Validate the form data."""
    cleaned_data = super().clean()
    category = cleaned_data.get('category')
    num_questions = cleaned_data.get('num_questions')

    if not category:
        self.add_error('category', 'Please select a category')

    if num_questions is None:
        self.add_error('num_questions', 'Please specify the number of questions')
    elif num_questions < 5:
        self.add_error('num_questions', 'Number of questions must be at least 5')
    elif num_questions > 20:
```

```python
        self.add_error('num_questions', 'Number of questions must not exceed 20')

    return cleaned_data
```

2. **Field-Specific Validation**

The `clean_num_questions` method implements additional validation for the number of questions field:

```python
def clean_num_questions(self):
    """
    Validate that the number of questions doesn't exceed available questions.
    """
    category = self.cleaned_data.get('category')
    num_questions = self.cleaned_data.get('num_questions')

    if category and num_questions:
        available_questions = Question.objects.filter(category=category).count()
        if num_questions > available_questions:
            raise forms.ValidationError(
                f"Only {available_questions} questions available in this category. "
                f"Please select a lower number."
            )

    return num_questions
```

This method ensures that users cannot select more questions than are available in the chosen category.

## Usage in Templates

The form is typically used in the `index.html` template:

```html
<form method="post" action="{% url 'quiz:start' %}" id="quiz-form">
    {% csrf_token %}
    <div class="form-group mb-3">
        <label for="{{ form.category.id_for_label }}">
            <i class="fas fa-folder me-2"></i>{{ form.category.label|default:"Category" }}
        </label>
        {{ form.category }}
        {% if form.category.errors %}
            <div class="text-danger mt-1">
                {{ form.category.errors }}
            </div>
        {% endif %}
        <small class="form-text text-muted">{{ form.category.help_text }}</small>
    </div>
    <div class="form-group mb-3">
        <label for="{{ form.num_questions.id_for_label }}">
            <i class="fas fa-question-circle me-2"></i>{{ form.num_questions.label|default:"Number of Questions" }}
        </label>
        {{ form.num_questions }}
        {% if form.num_questions.errors %}
            <div class="text-danger mt-1">
                {{ form.num_questions.errors }}
            </div>
        {% endif %}
        <small class="form-text text-muted">{{ form.num_questions.help_text }}</small>
    </div>
    <div class="d-grid">
        <button type="submit" class="btn btn-primary btn-lg">
            <i class="fas fa-play me-2"></i>Start Quiz
        </button>
    </div>
    {% if form.non_field_errors %}
        <div class="alert alert-danger mt-3">
            {{ form.non_field_errors }}
        </div>
    {% endif %}
</form>
```

## JavaScript Validation

In addition to server-side validation, client-side validation is implemented using JavaScript:

```javascript
$("#quiz-form").on('submit', function(e) {
    var category = $("#{{ form.category.id_for_label }}").val();
    var numQuestions = $("#{{ form.num_questions.id_for_label }}").val();
    var isValid = true;

    // Reset error messages
    $(".text-danger").remove();

    // Validate category
    if (!category) {
        $("#{{ form.category.id_for_label }}").after('<div class="text-danger mt-1">Please select a category</div>');
        isValid = false;
    }

    // Validate number of questions
    if (!numQuestions) {
        $("#{{ form.num_questions.id_for_label }}").after('<div class="text-danger mt-1">Please enter the number of questions</div>');
        isValid = false;
    } else {
        var num = parseInt(numQuestions);
        if (isNaN(num) || num < 5 || num > 20) {
            $("#{{ form.num_questions.id_for_label }}").after('<div class="text-danger mt-1">Number must be between 5 and 20</div>');
            isValid = false;
        }
    }

    return isValid;
});
```

This JavaScript validation provides immediate feedback to users, enhancing the overall user experience.

## Integration with Views

The form is processed in the `QuizStartView`:

```python
class QuizStartView(View):
    """
    View to handle the start of a new quiz.

    Creates a new QuizAttempt and redirects to the first question.
    """
    def post(self, request):
        """Handle POST request with category selection."""
        form = QuizSelectionForm(request.POST)
        if form.is_valid():
            category = form.cleaned_data['category']
            num_questions = form.cleaned_data['num_questions']

            # Create a new quiz attempt
            quiz_attempt = QuizAttempt(
                user=request.user if request.user.is_authenticated else None,
                category=category,
                total_questions=num_questions
            )
            quiz_attempt.save()

            # Select random questions from the category
            questions = list(Question.objects.filter(category=category))
            if len(questions) > num_questions:
                questions = random.sample(questions, num_questions)

            # Store the question IDs in the session
            request.session['quiz_questions'] = [q.id for q in questions]
            request.session['current_question_index'] = 0
            request.session['quiz_attempt_id'] = quiz_attempt.id

            # Redirect to the first question
            return redirect('quiz:question')
        else:
            # If form is invalid, add error messages and render index page with the form errors
            categories = Category.objects.annotate(

                num_questions=Count('question')
            ).filter(num_questions__gt=0)
```

```
        return render(request, 'quiz_app/index.html', {
            'form': form,
            'categories': categories,
            'form_errors': True
        })
```

When the form is valid, the view creates a new quiz attempt, selects random questions, and redirects to the question page. When the form is invalid, it renders the index page with error messages.

## Testing

The form's validation logic is thoroughly tested in the test suite:

```python
def test_quiz_selection_form_valid_data(self):
    """Test the form with valid data across the allowed range (5-20 questions)."""
    # Test minimum number of questions (5)
    form_data = {
        'category': self.category.id,
        'num_questions': 5
    }
    form = QuizSelectionForm(data=form_data)
    self.assertTrue(form.is_valid(), f"Form errors for 5 questions: {form.errors}")

    # Test middle range (10 questions)
    form_data['num_questions'] = 10
    form = QuizSelectionForm(data=form_data)
    self.assertTrue(form.is_valid(), f"Form errors for 10 questions: {form.errors}")

    # Test maximum number of questions (20)
    form_data['num_questions'] = 20
    form = QuizSelectionForm(data=form_data)
    self.assertTrue(form.is_valid(), f"Form errors for 20 questions: {form.errors}")
```

Tests are implemented for valid inputs, invalid inputs, edge cases, and error handling.

## Conclusion

The `QuizSelectionForm` plays a vital role in the Quiz Application, providing a user-friendly interface for starting new quizzes. Its comprehensive validation logic ensures that users can only select valid options, enhancing the overall user experience and preventing errors during quiz creation.

# Analytics and Data Visualization

This section documents the analytics and data visualization capabilities of the Quiz Game application, including the data processing pipeline, visualization techniques, and the insights provided to users.

## Analytics Pipeline

The Quiz Game application implements a data analytics pipeline that transforms raw quiz data into meaningful visualizations and statistics:

1. **Data Collection**

   - User interactions and responses are recorded in the database

   - Each question answer is stored with metadata (time, correctness)

   - Quiz attempts track overall performance

2. **Data Processing**

   - Raw data is retrieved from the database

   - Pandas DataFrames are created for efficient manipulation

- Aggregation, grouping, and statistical calculations are performed

3. **Visualization Generation**

  - Charts and graphs are created using matplotlib and seaborn

  - Visualizations are encoded as base64 strings for embedding

  - Results are presented in the user interface

4. **Insight Delivery**

  - Visualizations are displayed to users

  - Summary statistics provide quick performance assessment

  - Recommendations may be offered based on results

## Data Processing with Pandas

The application leverages pandas for efficient data manipulation:

```python
# Example: Creating a DataFrame from quiz responses
data = {
    'question': [r.question.text for r in responses],
    'is_correct': [r.is_correct for r in responses],
    'difficulty': [r.question.difficulty for r in responses]
}
df = pd.DataFrame(data)

# Aggregating performance by difficulty
difficulty_performance = df.groupby('difficulty')['is_correct'].mean() * 100
```

Key pandas operations used:

- **DataFrame creation** from dictionaries or QuerySets

- **Groupby operations** for aggregating by category or difficulty

- **Time-series analysis** for performance trends

- **Statistical functions** (mean, median, count, etc.)

- **Data transformation** for visualization preparation

## Visualization Techniques

The application employs several types of visualizations:

| Visualization Type | Purpose | Implementation |
|---|---|---|
| Bar Charts | Compare performance across categories or difficulty levels | `sns.barplot(x=category, y=performance)` |
| Line Charts | Show performance trends over time | `sns.lineplot(data=df, x='date', y='score', hue='category')` |
| Pie Charts | Display proportion of correct/incorrect answers | `plt.pie([correct, incorrect], labels=['Correct', 'Incorrect'])` |
| Heatmaps | Visualize performance across multiple dimensions | `sns.heatmap(performance_matrix)` |

**Example: Performance by Difficulty Chart**

```python
# Generate performance by difficulty chart
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 4))
sns.barplot(x=difficulty_performance.index, y=difficulty_performance.values)
plt.title('Performance by Question Difficulty')
plt.xlabel('Difficulty Level')
plt.ylabel('Correct Answers (%)')
plt.ylim(0, 100)

# Save chart as base64 string for embedding
buffer = BytesIO()
plt.savefig(buffer, format='png', bbox_inches='tight')
buffer.seek(0)
chart = base64.b64encode(buffer.getvalue()).decode('utf-8')
```

## Results Visualizations

After completing a quiz, users see the following visualizations:

1. **Score Summary**

   - Visual representation of correct vs. incorrect answers

   - Progress bar showing percentage score

   - Color-coded feedback based on performance

2. **Performance by Difficulty**

   - Bar chart showing percentage of correct answers by difficulty level

   - Helps users identify strengths and weaknesses

3. **Answer Review**

   - Color-coded list of questions and responses

   - Correct answers highlighted

   - Explanations provided for educational value

## User Statistics Visualizations

Authenticated users can access additional visualizations in their stats dashboard:

1. **Performance Over Time**

   - Line chart tracking score percentages across multiple quizzes

   - Color-coded by category

   - Shows learning progress and improvement

2. **Performance by Category**

   - Bar chart comparing average scores across different categories

   - Sorted from highest to lowest performance

   - Identifies strengths and areas for improvement

3. **Summary Statistics**

   - Total quizzes completed

   - Average score percentage

   - Number of categories attempted

   - Best performing category

## Visualization Best Practices

The application follows these data visualization best practices:

1. **Color Usage**

   - Consistent color schemes across the application

   - Color-blind friendly palettes

   - Semantic colors (green for correct, red for incorrect)

2. **Chart Composition**

   - Clear titles and axis labels

   - Appropriate scales and ranges

   - Legend when multiple data series are present

3. **Responsiveness**

   - Charts adapt to different screen sizes

   - Mobile-friendly visualization formats

   - Fallback for browsers without JavaScript

4. **Performance Optimization**

   - Server-side rendering for complex visualizations

   - Efficient data transformation with pandas

   - Appropriate image compression for base64 encoding

## Extending the Analytics

The analytics system can be extended in several ways:

1. **Additional Visualizations**

   - Box plots for score distributions

   - Radar charts for multi-dimensional performance

   - Network graphs for related categories

2. **Advanced Analytics**

   - Predictive modeling for question difficulty

   - Personalized recommendations

   - Learning path optimization

3. **Real-time Analytics**

   - Live updating dashboards

   - Performance comparisons with other users

   - Trending categories and questions

4. **Export Capabilities**

   - PDF reports of performance

   - CSV data export for external analysis

   - Integration with learning management systems

## Improvements and Fixes

This document details the improvements and fixes that have been made to the Quiz Application, highlighting the recent enhancements to form validation and user experience.

## Form Validation Improvements

One of the key challenges in web applications is ensuring that user input is properly validated, both at the client-side and server-side. We have made several improvements to the form validation process in our Quiz Application.

## Quiz Selection Form

The quiz selection form allows users to choose a quiz category and specify the number of questions they want in their quiz. Recent improvements include:

1. **Enhanced Server-Side Validation**

   - Added comprehensive validation in the `clean()` method of the `QuizSelectionForm`
   - Implemented specific error messages for different validation scenarios
   - Added validation to ensure the number of questions doesn't exceed available questions in the selected category

```python
def clean(self):
    """Validate the form data."""
    cleaned_data = super().clean()
    category = cleaned_data.get('category')
    num_questions = cleaned_data.get('num_questions')

    if not category:
        self.add_error('category', 'Please select a category')

    if num_questions is None:
        self.add_error('num_questions', 'Please specify the number of questions')
    elif num_questions < 5:
        self.add_error('num_questions', 'Number of questions must be at least 5')
    elif num_questions > 20:
        self.add_error('num_questions', 'Number of questions must not exceed 20')

    return cleaned_data
```

2. **Improved HTML Attributes for Number Input**

   - Added specific attributes to the number input field to ensure browser validation
   - Set `min`, `max`, and `step` attributes for better user experience

```python
num_questions = forms.IntegerField(
    min_value=5,
    max_value=20,
    initial=10,
    widget=forms.NumberInput(attrs={
        'class': 'form-control',
        'min': '5',
        'max': '20',
        'step': '1'
    }),
    help_text="Choose how many questions you want (5-20)"
)
```

3. **Client-Side Validation with JavaScript**

   - Implemented JavaScript validation to provide immediate feedback to users
   - Added specific error messages for different validation scenarios
   - Enhanced user experience by validating the form before submission

```javascript
$("#quiz-form").on('submit', function(e) {
    var category = $("#{{ form.category.id_for_label }}").val();
    var numQuestions = $("#{{ form.num_questions.id_for_label }}").val();
```

```
    var isValid = true;

    // Reset error messages
    $(".text-danger").remove();

    // Validate category
    if (!category) {
        $("#{{ form.category.id_for_label }}").after('<div class="text-danger mt-1">Please select a category</div>');
        isValid = false;
    }

    // Validate number of questions
    if (!numQuestions) {
        $("#{{ form.num_questions.id_for_label }}").after('<div class="text-danger mt-1">Please enter the number of questions</div>');
        isValid = false;
    } else {
        var num = parseInt(numQuestions);
        if (isNaN(num) || num < 5 || num > 20) {
            $("#{{ form.num_questions.id_for_label }}").after('<div class="text-danger mt-1">Number must be between 5 and 20</div>');
            isValid = false;
        }
    }

    return isValid;
});
```

4. **Better Error Handling in Views**

- Enhanced the `QuizStartView` to render the form with errors when validation fails

- Added context variables to trigger error alerts in the template

- Improved user experience by showing clear error messages

```python
def post(self, request):
    """Handle POST request with category selection."""
    form = QuizSelectionForm(request.POST)
    if form.is_valid():
        # Process valid form
        # ...
    else:
        # If form is invalid, add error messages and render index page with the form errors
        categories = Category.objects.annotate(
            num_questions=Count('question')
        ).filter(num_questions__gt=0)

        return render(request, 'quiz_app/index.html', {
            'form': form,
            'categories': categories,
            'form_errors': True
        })
```

5. **Template Improvements**

- Added error alert banners to notify users of validation errors

- Improved the display of field-specific error messages

- Enhanced the overall user interface for form validation

```html
{% if form_errors %}
<div class="row mb-4">
    <div class="col-md-6 offset-md-3">
        <div class="alert alert-danger alert-dismissible fade show" role="alert">
            <strong>Form Error:</strong> Please correct the errors below to start your quiz.
            <button type="button" class="btn-close" data-bs-dismiss="alert" aria-label="Close"></button>
        </div>
    </div>
</div>
{% endif %}
```

## Test Suite Enhancements

The test suite has been enhanced to ensure that all form validation logic is properly tested:

1. **Dynamic Range Testing**

- Added tests for the minimum (5), middle range (10), and maximum (20) question counts

- Created test cases for edge cases and invalid inputs

- Improved the test coverage for the form validation logic

```python
def test_quiz_selection_form_valid_data(self):
    """Test the form with valid data across the allowed range (5-20 questions)."""
    # Test minimum number of questions (5)
    form_data = {
        'category': self.category.id,
        'num_questions': 5
    }
    form = QuizSelectionForm(data=form_data)
    self.assertTrue(form.is_valid(), f"Form errors for 5 questions: {form.errors}")

    # Test middle range (10 questions)
    form_data['num_questions'] = 10
    form = QuizSelectionForm(data=form_data)
    self.assertTrue(form.is_valid(), f"Form errors for 10 questions: {form.errors}")

    # Test maximum number of questions (20)
    form_data['num_questions'] = 20
    form = QuizSelectionForm(data=form_data)
    self.assertTrue(form.is_valid(), f"Form errors for 20 questions: {form.errors}")
```

2. **Invalid Input Testing**

   - Added tests for inputs below the minimum (4) and above the maximum (21)

   - Enhanced test error messages to provide better debugging information

   - Improved the overall test coverage for the form validation logic

## Future Improvements

While significant improvements have been made to the form validation process, there are still areas that could be enhanced in future iterations:

1. **Advanced Category Selection** - Add the ability to select multiple categories for a quiz - Implement a search functionality for categories when there are many options

2. **Quiz Difficulty Selection** - Allow users to select the difficulty level of questions - Implement a balanced question selection algorithm based on difficulty

3. **User Experience Enhancements** - Add tooltips and hints for form fields - Implement real-time validation as users type or change values - Enhance form accessibility for users with disabilities

4. **Mobile Responsiveness** - Improve form layout and validation messages on small screens - Enhance touch interactions for mobile users

## Conclusion

The improvements to form validation have significantly enhanced the user experience of the Quiz Application. By implementing both client-side and server-side validation, we have ensured that users receive immediate feedback and clear error messages when there are issues with their input.

These enhancements demonstrate our commitment to delivering a high-quality, user-friendly application that provides a seamless experience for quiz takers.

# Documentation Automation Tools

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This document describes the documentation automation tools available in this project.

## Overview

The project includes a comprehensive documentation automation system that helps maintain high-quality documentation with minimal effort. The system provides tools for:

Welcome to Quiz Game Documentation

1. Creating and managing documentation files
2. Using pre-defined templates for consistent formatting
3. Validating documentation against best practices
4. Automatically generating documentation from source code
5. Converting between different documentation formats

## Management Command

The primary interface for documentation automation is the `manage_docs` Django management command:

```
python manage.py manage_docs [action] [options]
```

Available actions:

- `create` - Create a new documentation file
- `update` - Update an existing documentation file
- `delete` - Delete a documentation file
- `generate` - Generate documentation from source code
- `validate` - Validate documentation files

## Templates

The system includes several pre-defined templates for common documentation types:

- `api` - Template for API documentation
- `model` - Template for model documentation
- `view` - Template for view documentation
- `form` - Template for form documentation

To create a file using a template:

```
python manage.py manage_docs create --file api_docs --title "API Documentation" --template api
```

Each template includes appropriate sections and placeholders for the specific type of documentation.

## Validation

The system can validate documentation files against best practices:

```
python manage.py manage_docs validate
```

This checks for:

- Proper RST formatting
- Correct section underlines
- Broken documentation links
- Missing code examples
- Invalid image paths

You can also validate a single file during creation or update:

```
python manage.py manage_docs update --file api_docs --content "New content" --validate
```

## Automatic Generation

The system can generate documentation from source code docstrings:

```
python manage.py manage_docs generate --app quiz_app
```

This analyzes Python docstrings in models, views, and forms to create comprehensive documentation files. The generator:

- Extracts class and method docstrings
- Formats them appropriately for RST
- Creates structured documentation with proper sections
- Includes field information, parameters, and return values

## Usage Examples

Creating a new documentation file:

```
python manage.py manage_docs create --file advanced_usage --title "Advanced Usage Guide" --content "Initial content"
```

Adding content to a specific section:

```
python manage.py manage_docs update --file advanced_usage --section "Configuration" --content "Configuration details here"
```

Generating model documentation:

```
python manage.py manage_docs generate --app quiz_app --validate
```

Deleting a documentation file:

```
python manage.py manage_docs delete --file outdated_doc
```

## Implementation Details

The documentation system consists of several components:

- `manage_docs.py` - Main management command
- `doc_templates.py` - Template definitions
- `doc_validator.py` - Documentation validation
- `doc_generator.py` - Automatic documentation generation

These components work together to provide a seamless documentation workflow.

# Documentation Workflow Guide

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This document provides instructions for using the automated documentation workflow script.

## Overview

The documentation workflow script automates the entire documentation process, from validation to building final documents in multiple formats. It combines several steps into a single command:

1. Validates existing documentation
2. Generates documentation from Python docstrings
3. Converts Markdown files to RST format
4. Extracts documentation from code comments
5. Builds documentation in various formats (HTML, LaTeX, PDF, Word)

## Prerequisites

To use the documentation workflow script, you need:

1. Python 3.7+
2. Django

3. Sphinx and extensions:

```
pip install sphinx sphinx-rtd-theme docxbuilder
```

4. For Markdown conversion:

```
pip install pypandoc
```

5. For PDF output:

- Windows: MiKTeX ([https://miktex.org/](https://miktex.org/))
- Linux: `apt-get install texlive-full`
- macOS: MacTeX ([https://www.tug.org/mactex/](https://www.tug.org/mactex/))

## Usage

### Basic Usage

To run the full workflow:

```
python docs/docs_workflow.py
```

This will run all steps of the workflow and generate documentation in all supported formats.

### Selective Steps

You can select which steps to run using the `--skip-*` arguments:

```
python docs/docs_workflow.py --skip-validation --skip-md-conversion
```

Available skip options:

- `--skip-validation`: Skip documentation validation
- `--skip-generation`: Skip docstring documentation generation
- `--skip-md-conversion`: Skip Markdown conversion
- `--skip-comments`: Skip code comment extraction
- `--skip-build`: Skip documentation building

### Specific Output Formats

To generate only specific output formats:

```
python docs/docs_workflow.py --output-format html
```

Available formats:

- `html`: HTML documentation
- `latex`: LaTeX source files
- `pdf`: PDF document (requires LaTeX)
- `word`: Microsoft Word document
- `all`: All formats (default)

### Specific Applications

To generate documentation for specific Django apps:

```
python docs/docs_workflow.py --apps quiz_app user_app
```

### Output Locations

The script generates documentation in these locations:

- HTML: `docs/_build/html/index.html`
- Word: `docs/_build/docx/QuizGame.docx`
- LaTeX: `docs/_build/latex/*.tex`
- PDF: `docs/_build/latex/*.pdf`

## Advanced Usage

### Automated Documentation in CI/CD

You can integrate the documentation workflow in your CI/CD pipeline:

```yaml
documentation:
  stage: build
  script:
    - pip install -r requirements.txt
    - python docs/docs_workflow.py
  artifacts:
    paths:
      - docs/_build/
```

### Custom Documentation Comments

To include code comments in documentation, use these formats:

**Python:**

Triple-quoted docstrings.

**JavaScript:**

```javascript
// @doc This will be included in documentation
```

**CSS:**

```css
/** This will be included in documentation */
```

**HTML:**

```html
<!-- @doc This will be included in documentation -->
```

## Troubleshooting

### Common Issues

1. **Missing docxbuilder**

   ```
   pip install docxbuilder
   ```

2. **pypandoc errors**

   Make sure you have pandoc installed on your system:

   - Windows: `choco install pandoc`
   - macOS: `brew install pandoc`
   - Linux: `apt-get install pandoc`

3. **PDF generation fails**

   Ensure you have a LaTeX distribution installed and the `pdflatex` command is available.

4. **Import errors**

   Ensure you run the script from the project root directory where `manage.py` is located.

## Key Features

- Multiple quiz categories
- Randomized questions
- Score tracking and performance analytics
- Data visualization
- User authentication (optional)
- Mobile-friendly responsive design

## Technology Stack

- **Backend Framework**: Django 5.0
- **Database**: SQLite (default)
- **Frontend**: HTML, CSS, JavaScript with Bootstrap 5
- **Data Processing**: pandas, matplotlib, seaborn
- **Documentation**: Sphinx

## Indices and Tables

- `genindex`
- `modindex`
- `search`

# Index