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Requirements for Search Functionality

The search functionality must allow users to search for blog posts by title or content. It should be intuitive, responsive, and accessible across devices. Below are the detailed requirements:

- **Search Bar:**
 - A search bar must be prominently displayed, typically in the navigation bar or header.
 - Users should be able to enter search terms into the input field.
 - The search can be triggered by pressing the "Enter" key or clicking a search icon/button.
- **Search Logic:**
 - Filter blog posts based on the entered terms, matching either the title or content.
 - Searches should be case-insensitive.
 - Optional but recommended: Update results dynamically as the user types for a better experience.
 - Display a "No posts found" message if no results match the query.
- **Display of Results:**
 - Show search results in a list, similar to the blog post listing.
 - Each result should include:
 - The post's title.
 - A snippet of the content (ideally with the search term highlighted).
 - The publication date.
 - Clicking a result should navigate to the full blog post.
- **Responsiveness:**

- **Desktop (width > 768px):**
 - Search bar is always visible in the navigation bar.
 - Results are displayed in a grid or list layout.
- **Mobile (width ≤ 768px):**
 - Search bar may start as a search icon; clicking it expands the input field.
 - Results are shown in a single-column list for readability.
- **Accessibility:**
 - Include a label for the search input (visible or screen-reader-only).
 - Provide clear focus states for the input and button.
 - Use ARIA live regions to announce dynamic updates (e.g., number of results) to screen readers.

Component Structure

The search functionality will be implemented using the following React component:

- **SearchBar Component:**
 - **Purpose:** Renders the search input and handles search queries.
 - **Props:**
 - `onSearch(query)`: A function that handles the search logic when the user submits a query.
 - **State:**
 - `query`: A string representing the current search term entered by the user.
 - **Behavior:**
 - Displays an input field where users can type search terms.
 - Optionally includes a search icon or button to trigger the search.
 - Calls `onSearch` with the current query when the search is submitted (via "Enter" or button click).
 - For dynamic search, `onSearch` can be called on each keystroke (debounced to avoid excessive updates).

UI/UX Designs for Desktop and Mobile

The UI/UX designs ensure a consistent and user-friendly search experience across devices.

Desktop View (width > 768px)

- **Search Bar:**
 - Positioned in the navigation bar, to the right of main links.
 - Features an input field with a placeholder "Search posts..." and a search icon (inside or next to the field).
 - Input field width: 200-300px to accommodate typical search terms.

- **Search Results:**

- Appear below the search bar or in the main content area.
- Each result is a card or list item showing the post's title, content snippet, and publication date.
- Arranged in a grid (e.g., 2-3 columns) or a vertical list.

Mobile View (width ≤ 768px)

- **Search Bar:**

- Starts as a search icon in the navigation bar.
- Clicking the icon expands the input field to full screen width.
- A "Cancel" button appears next to the input to collapse it.

- **Search Results:**

- Displayed in a single-column list below the search bar.
- Each result includes the post's title, content snippet, and publication date.
- Results are stacked vertically with ample spacing for touch interactions.

Visual Notes

- **Font:** Use a sans-serif font (e.g., Arial or Roboto) for consistency.
- **Focus States:** Apply a blue outline to the search input when focused.
- **Highlighting:** Optionally highlight the search term in snippets with a light background (e.g., yellow).

Desktop view:



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This content equips you with the requirements, component structure, and UI/UX designs needed to implement the search functionality for the blogging platform. You can now develop the `SearchBar` component and integrate it, ensuring it's responsive, accessible, and aligned with the provided designs. Let me know if you need help with the implementation!