

## Team Reflections on MVP

- **What we learned:**
  - We taught each other how to implement functions differently than from how we personally did them in Fritter (e.g. ejs vs handlebars).
  - We learned various mongoose schema methods, incorporating Bootstrap in front end styling, and nesting callbacks.
- **What went well:**
  - We split up work well: each person had a set of files to write within each part of the app (model, routes, etc).
  - We worked together in person as often as possible to ensure consistent progress
  - We set ambitious deadlines and met most of them, which helped us stay on track.
  - We debugged together, and looked at each other's code to make sure everything made sense and that we were all on the same page.
- **What could have been improved/what we would do different in the future:**
  - We would have our design more well thought out beforehand.
  - We would make variable names and coding (eg. making requests or queries) more consistent.
  - We'd want to do some more pair coding.
  - We'd want to peer review more often at every checkpoint.

## Individual Reflections

### Brandon's reflections

**Eric:** There were a few times you were hosed with other commitments, so I was able to help with some of your coding, but in the future it would be nice to keep us informed about your work so that we can delegate as necessary.

**Selina:** During the initial coding, you did a good job asking for help with regards to setting up the user routes. In the future, it would be helpful if you could let us know about any other issues you were having so we can resolve them as a group.

**Teresa:** Near the end of putting together our MVP, we ran into a bug that was due to incorrectly batched Mongoose commands in the model code, so it would help if you were able to research the documentation for some of our coding.

### **Eric's reflections**

**Brandon:** You were very on top of things in terms of getting code written by the deadlines. You also wrote very clean code in the EJS files. Maybe next time, we could discuss the relationship between our files so that no inconsistencies occur.

**Selina:** I thought we worked very well together when we did because we were bouncing ideas off of each other and could help each other with code when we needed it. I think your coding style could be made neater (e.g. spacing) to help make the debugging process faster.

**Teresa:** You did a great job staying on top of things and keeping the team together. There was one time before we had cleared up what we were going to do, that you had started writing some jQuery code which turned out to not be necessary. In the future we could discuss this beforehand so that we don't throw out code.

### **Selina's reflections**

**Brandon:** Your clean code style was great for writing models and your explanations for certain coding decisions were useful for creating more consistent code. It would be helpful for us to talk about the coding styles before we all started to write new code.

**Eric:** The insights you brought about EJS were very helpful for pulling together all of the models we had worked on separately. Perhaps next time, you can discuss your ideas for what you are working currently and what you are planning to work on more frequently.

**Teresa:** Your organization and awareness of tasks and deadlines helped us stay focused and working at a good pace. I think it would be helpful if we could establish what the urgency of certain components would be so that we can implement what we need first.

### **Teresa's reflections**

**Brandon:** You helped the team jump start the coding process by writing a backbone for the models but it might have helped if we had planned out the functions beforehand and decided on a standard way of doing things across all of the models for consistency.

**Eric:** You were very good at catching bugs where they occurred, especially when putting pieces of code together. It would be great if you updated us with your progress while coding so that we can all know what is going on with each team member.

**Selina:** You were really patient with debugging code together, which was helpful in figuring out what was going wrong. In the User model, some functions were incomplete, so when we moved onto the next steps, they weren't ready to use. Next time, we could discuss and spec out which functions go in which models so that we can make sure everyone knows what needs to be implemented.