

Project Title:

Bootstrap 5 UI Exploration & Responsive Web Design

□ Objective

The objective of this project was to explore Bootstrap 5 and its components to design a set of modern, clean, and responsive web pages.

The task aimed to enhance understanding of Bootstrap's layout system, improve UI/UX design sense, and gain practical experience in building responsive web interfaces using only HTML5, CSS3, and Bootstrap 5 — without relying on full templates.

The main focus was on learning to remix Bootstrap components creatively, rather than simply copy-pasting, and to build an original, well-structured, and visually appealing project.

□ Process (Step-by-Step Implementation)

Setup:

Created a new project folder named bootstrap-ui-task with files — index.html, about.html, contact.html, and style.css.

Integrated Bootstrap 5 via CDN for easy access to components.

Component Exploration:

Explored Bootstrap's official documentation and examples.

Studied UI components such as Navbar, Cards, Carousel, Forms, and Modals.

Selected and customized suitable components to build each page.

Page Design:

Home Page: Included a navbar, hero banner, feature cards, and a call-to-action section.

About Page: Described the project vision and services using Bootstrap grids and cards.

Contact Page: Integrated a working Formspree contact form to receive messages through email.

Styling:

Applied custom CSS to enhance visual appeal, using animations, gradients, and hover effects.

Ensured uniform spacing, color consistency, and responsiveness on all screen sizes.

Hosting:

Uploaded the complete project to GitHub and deployed it using GitHub Pages for public accessibility.

📦 Resources Used

Bootstrap 5 Documentation

Formspree

for form submissions

GitHub Pages

for hosting

ChatGPT

for learning guidance and code explanation

⚙️ Challenges Faced & Solutions

Challenge Solution

Difficulty customizing Bootstrap's default components Used utility classes and custom CSS for better control

Alignment and spacing issues in responsive mode Used Bootstrap's grid system and media breakpoints

Making the contact form functional Integrated Formspree to receive form data via email

Navbar collapsing incorrectly on mobile view Added Bootstrap's responsive navbar toggler

Learning Outcome

Learned to structure and style responsive websites using Bootstrap 5.

Understood the concept of component reusability and UI composition.

Improved knowledge of web deployment and version control with Git and GitHub.

Gained confidence in using third-party services like Formspree for backend-free form handling.

Enhanced creative thinking and design sense for front-end development.

Time Taken

Total Duration: 2 Days (Approximately 8–10 Hours)

Component study and layout planning — 2 hours

Page design and customization — 4 hours

CSS enhancement and responsiveness — 1.5 hours

Hosting, testing, and reflection report — 2 hours