The Adventure of My Priest Lake Website

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Introduction

My Websites Purpose

Hi! My name is Tim Smith and let me tell you why your next summer vacation should be spent at Priest Lake. Priest Lake is in the beautiful northern mountains of Idaho. With a huge 19-mile-long lake and little towns with ma and pa shops and sunsets you wouldn’t believe until you’ve seen. If you are looking for lodging, we’ve got you covered. There are several cabins available to rent. Or if you like the ruggedness of camping, we’ve got you covered there as well. There are several camp spots right on the water, or if you want to be in the backwoods, there are campsites there as well. If you are looking to play on the water. The lake is yours. Plus, there is hiking all around. Once you’ve seen and done these things firsthand, you won’t want to leave, and you will want to come back year after year. Doesn’t that sound great? So, let’s get out of the city with all the hustle and bustle and come join me on Priest Lake!

My Intended Audience

The audience in which I am seeking are city folks who need time to decompress from the ever-evolving fast paste life that the city gives them. These are people who want to enjoy some peace and quiet time in nature. I am seeking for families to come and take time to spend together and make forever memories. Everyone who needs a break, and time to disconnect with the world. People who want to get out and enjoy nature and listen to the rolling waves hitting the shore or the breeze hitting their faces as they hike in the mountains. People who want to relax next to the water and read a book or teach their children how to swim. Families who want to be out on the water. Also, site seekers who want to go and explore the vast sights that the Priest Lake and the surrounding mountains have to offer.

Website URL

[Visitors Guide Portfolio (wazzzuuu.glitch.me)](https://wazzzuuu.glitch.me/index.html)

My Final Report

At first, my main goal was to be able to create a website and make it work. That’s how I initially began this journey. I didn’t know anything about web design or web development. As the semester went on, my goal changed. With this website, I wanted the customers who visit the website to first, see the natural beauty of Priest Lake and the surrounding area. I then wanted to show other activities to do besides being on the lake. I wanted the users to be able to see the simpleness that the lake life has to offer. Also, I wanted the users to be drawn to Priest Lake and be able to get a little glimpse of Priest Lake that would draw them to the area.

Originally, I had no idea what I wanted my website to look like. Not even mentioning the child pages. I had no idea of a design or anything. I knew I wanted the design to be simple, bold, but fun also. At first, I made my design up in my head. Then when I was challenged to do the rough draft of the design for each of the pages. I was able to put it down on paper. But one thing that I didn’t realize during the entire process. Was blank space. What blank space looks and feels while looking at the website. I didn’t know the effect that blank space has on a webpage.

When I was doing my rough draft on a word document. I knew there would be a little bit of blank space on my webpages. But it didn’t look to bad. That is until I made my webpages and designed them. Then I saw how much blank space there actually was. So, when I was doing the final design on my webpages. I knew I needed to add affects to the webpages to draw the users away from the blank spaces and make them look where I want them to. I added borders around the pictures, headers, and paragraphs. I also added background color to the paragraphs to have them stick out more. This helped in my opinion to draw my eyes to the points of interest instead of the blank spaces.

I learned that if I were to do another website like this again. I found that I would on my home page, have two wide images instead of a rectangle and a square image. This would allow the home page to flow better and come together better. With my exploring page, I think that one turned out better than the rest of them did. I wouldn’t really change anything about that page. The rental forms page, I would change the layout of the page to make it not have so much blank space. I would do this by either making the images be more of the rectangle instead of squares. I would also add more context in word. I think that I would add more little sayings to the page as well.

All in all, for my first ever website. I think that it turned out cool. The biggest thing that I learned is that web design isn’t as hard as I made it seem. I also learned how the grid system is an amazing tool to use and makes like a lot easier. I think another big thing that I learned was how much I really enjoyed creating a website. First seeing, then learning, then understanding while doing it. Really made me enjoy creating a website. I didn’t know how much I was going to enjoy creating my own website. For my future, I believe the skills that I have learned in this class will lead to opportunities in my future. Whether its with work, or just being able to help others on their journey. Having these skills will help me to grow in other aspects of my life.