

IT Elec 1: WEB DEVELOPMENT

POPULATING PAGES

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CONTROLLER: [app/Http/Controllers/LandingPageController.php](#)

```
app > Http > Controllers > LandingPageController.php
1  <?php
2
3  namespace App\Http\Controllers;
4
5  use Illuminate\Http\Request;
6
7  class LandingPageController extends Controller
8  {
9      public function index()
10     {
11         // Simulated featured books data
12         $featuredBooks = [];
13
14         // Generate 12 books dynamically
15         for ($i = 1; $i <= 12; $i++) {
16             $featuredBooks[] = [
17                 'id' => $i, // Unique ID for the book
18                 'title' => "Book Title $i",
19                 'image' => "assets/img/cover$i.jpg", // Assuming different images for each book
20                 'rating' => 0, // Default to 0 for unrated books
21                 'description' => "Description for Book $i. Nullam id dolor id nibh ultricies vehicula ut id elit. Cras just
22             ];
23         }
24
25         return view('LandingPage', compact('featuredBooks'));
26     }
27 }
28
```

This code defines the LandingPageController, which handles requests to the landing page. The index method generates an array of 12 featured books with unique IDs, titles, images, default ratings, and descriptions. The featuredBooks array can be easily updated, and the data is passed to the view using the compact function for rendering.

ROUTES: [routes/web.php](#)

```
Route::get('/', [LandingPageController::class, 'index'])->name('landing');
```

This route maps the root URL (/) to the index method of LandingPageController, which generates an array of featured books and passes them to the LandingPage view. The route is named landing, making it easy to reference elsewhere in the application.

VIEWS: [resources/views/LandingPage.blade.php](#)

```
resources > views > LandingPage.blade.php
2  <html data-bs-theme="light" lang="en">
180 <div class="container">
181     <div class="row" style="padding-bottom: 18px">
182     </div>
183 </div><div class="carousel slide" data-bs-ride="carousel" id="carousel-2">
184     <div class="carousel-inner">
185         @foreach (array_chunk($featuredBooks, 6) as $index => $books)
186             <div class="carousel-item {{ $index == 0 ? 'active' : '' }}">
187                 <div class="row">
188                     @foreach ($books as $book)
189                         <div class="col">
190                             <div class="card">
191                                 <div class="card-body">
192                                     <div class="d-lg-flex d-xxl-flex justify-content-lg-center justify-content-xxl-center">
193                                         
194                                     </div>
195                                     <h4 class="card-title">{{ $book['title'] }}</h4>
196                                     <div class="rating" data-book-id="{{ $book['id'] }}">
197                                         @for ($i = 1; $i <= 6; $i++)
198                                             <i class="fas fa-star" style="color: rgb(174, 174, 174)"></i>
199                                         @endfor
200                                     </div>
201                                 </div>
202                                 <p class="card-text">{{ $book['description'] }}</p>
203                             </div>
204                         </div>
205                     @endforeach
206                 </div>
207             </div>
208         @endforeach
209     </div>
210 </div>
211
```

This view displays the featured books passed from the controller by iterating through the \$featuredBooks array. It uses a carousel to show the books in chunks of 6 per slide. Each book displays the image, title, placeholder rating with stars, and description. The data from the controller populates the carousel, creating an interactive display of the featured books.

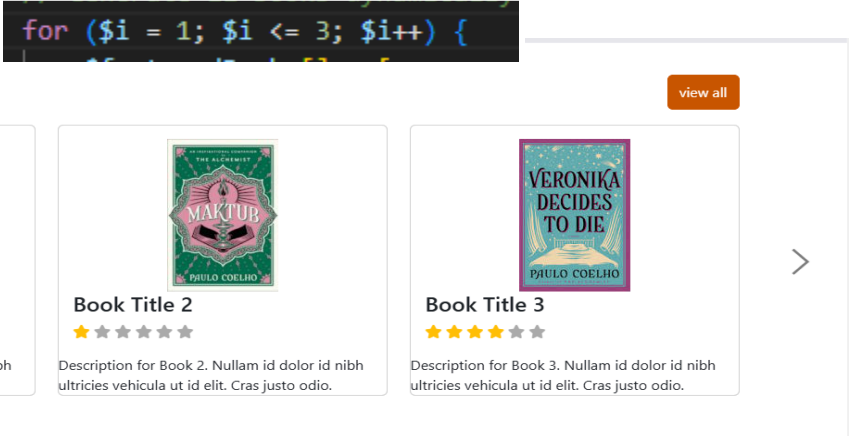
STAR RATINGS: [public/assets/bootstrap/js/star-rating.js](#)

```
public > assets > bootstrap > js > JS star-rating.js > document.addEventListener("DOMContentLoaded") callback > ratingContainers.forEach() callb
1  document.addEventListener("DOMContentLoaded", function () {
2      // Get all rating containers
3      const ratingContainers = document.querySelectorAll(".rating");
4
5      // Load saved ratings from localStorage
6      const savedRatings = JSON.parse(localStorage.getItem("bookRatings")) || {};
7
8      // Initialize each rating container
9      ratingContainers.forEach((container) => {
10         const bookId = container.getAttribute("data-book-id");
11         const stars = container.querySelectorAll(".fa-star");
12
13         // Set initial state based on saved ratings
14         const initialRating = savedRatings[bookId] || 0;
15         for (let i = 0; i < initialRating; i++) {
16             stars[i].style.color = "var(--bs-yellow)"; // Yellow for active stars
17         }
18
19         // Add click event listeners to stars
20         stars.forEach((star, index) => {
21             star.addEventListener("click", () => {
22                 // Set the rating
23                 const rating = index + 1;
24
25                 // Update the stars visually
26                 stars.forEach((s, i) => {
27                     if (i < rating) {
28                         s.style.color = "var(--bs-yellow)"; // Highlight active stars in yellow
29                     } else {
30                         s.style.color = "rgb(174, 174, 174)"; // Set unselected stars to gray
31                     }
32                 });
33             });
34         });
35     });
36 }
```

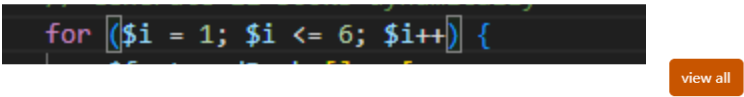
This script enables users to rate the featured books displayed in the view. Each book’s rating is stored in localStorage, allowing the ratings to persist across page reloads. When a user clicks on the stars in the rating section, the rating for the respective book is visually updated and saved, ensuring the ratings reflect on the landing page every time the user visits.

RENDERED PAGES: [Featured Books](#)

Displaying 3 Featured Books:

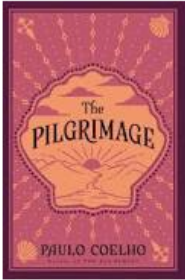


Displaying 6 Featured Books:



Note: We can display as many featured books as we want.

RENDERED PAGES: [Star Rating](#)




Book Title 1

★★★★★☆☆

Description for Book 1.
Nullam id dolor id nibh
ultrices vehicula ut id
elit. Cras justo odio.

localhost:8000 says
You rated 4 stars

OK



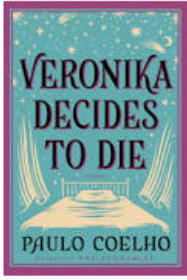
Book Title 2

★★★★★★★☆☆

Description for Book 2.
Nullam id dolor id nibh
ultrices vehicula ut id
elit. Cras justo odio.

localhost:8000 says
You rated 6 stars

OK



Book Title 3

★★★★★☆☆

Description for Book 3.
Nullam id dolor id nibh
ultrices vehicula ut id
elit. Cras justo odio.

localhost:8000 says
You rated 1 star

OK

SUMMARY OF WHAT I LEARNED:

In this project, I learned how to create a dynamic landing page by using Blade templates for the views and controllers to manage the data. We passed featured book details (title, image, rating, description) from the controller to the view. Users can rate books, with ratings saved in localStorage for persistence. A carousel displays the books in chunks, and we can easily add more books. To accomplish this, we created controllers to load content, registered them in routes, and used arrays to simulate database access for displaying the data.