

Inclusive Design

Thinking beyond accessibility

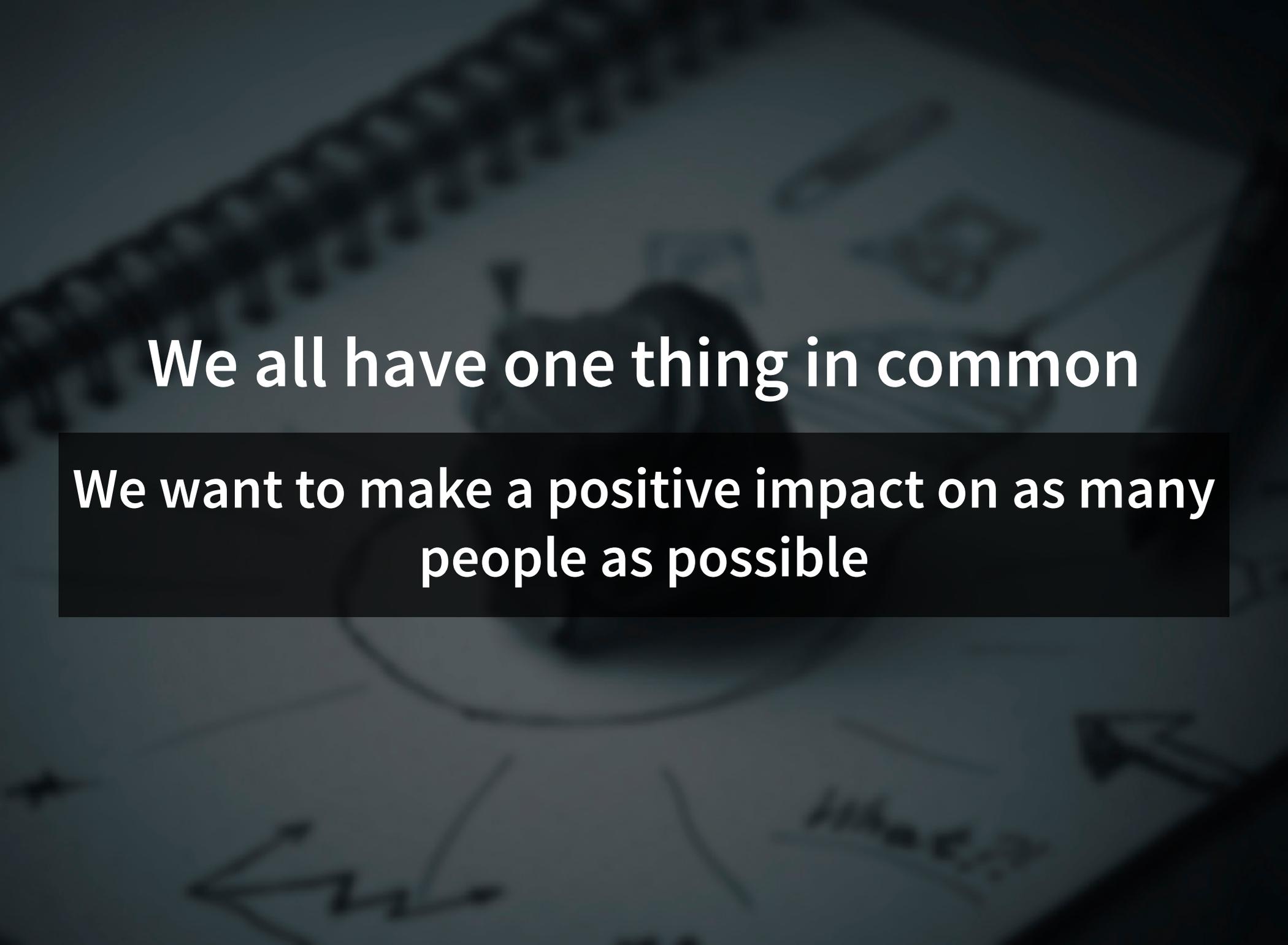
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We all have one thing in common

**We want to make a positive impact on as many
people as possible**

Inclusive Design is...

Planning considerations to ensure that a product, service and/or environment is usable by everyone to the greatest extent possible.

Based on Universal Design



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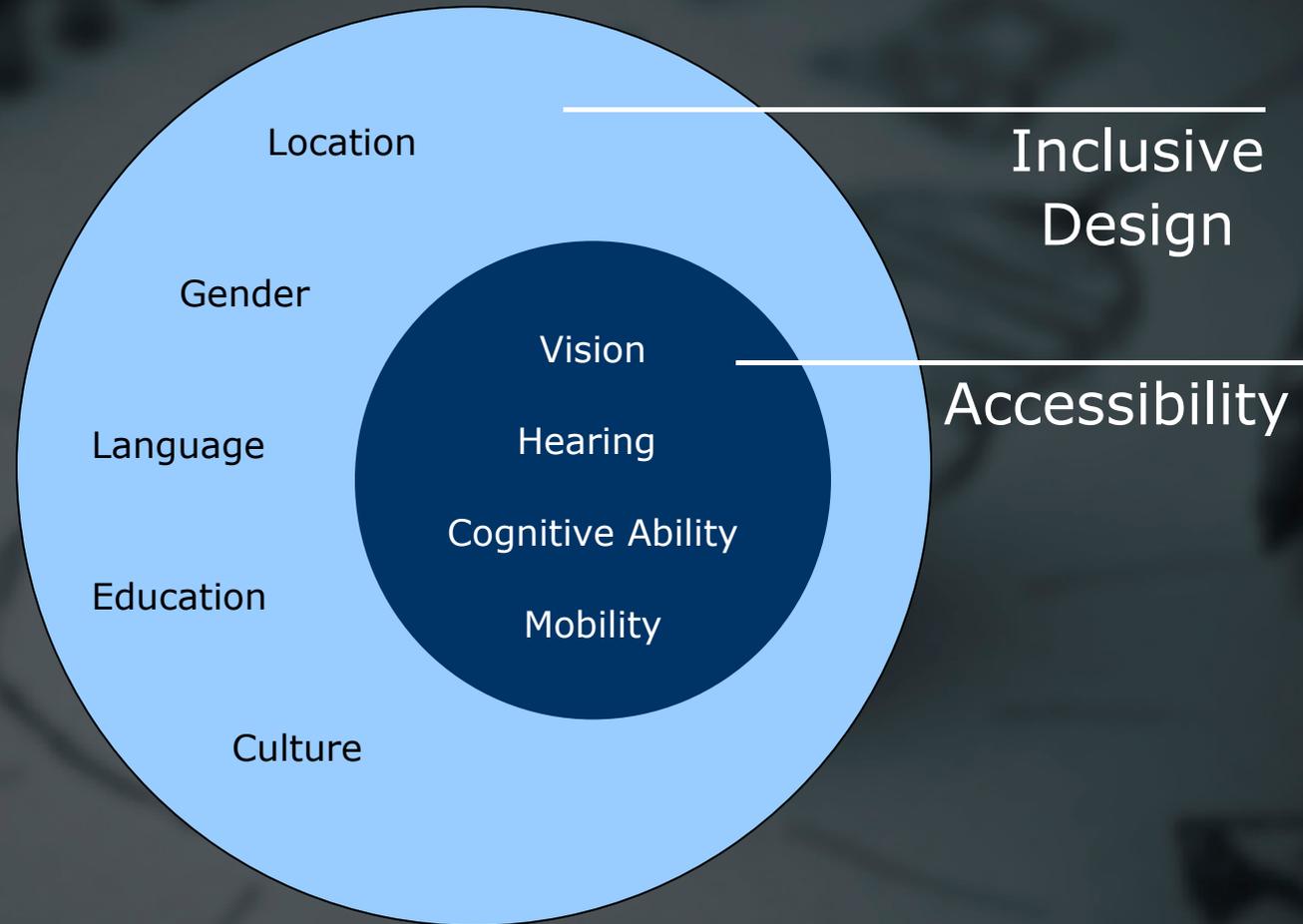
*Founded and pushed the idea of universal design in the architecture and design of public spaces.
Lowering barriers to make those spaces as usable by as many people as possible.*



The sloped curb is a result of barrier free/universal design. It helps those with accessibility issues, but also beyond. Parents with strollers, delivery people, even people distracted by a text on their cellphone.

Thinking beyond accessibility

Inclusive Design encompasses accessibility issues, as well as, the wider range of human differences.





10 Principles of Inclusive Design

1. Be Equitable
2. Be Flexible
3. Be Straightfoward
4. Be Perceptible
5. Be Informative
6. Be Preventative
7. Be Tolerant
8. Be Effortless
9. Be Accomidating
10. Be Consistent

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bit.ly/IDXPrinciples

Four Pillars of Inclusive Design

- I. No user is average
- II. Every user deserves equal access
- III. Provide understandable content for every user
- IV. Every user deserves our trust and respect

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An aerial photograph of a winter forest. The ground is covered in a thick layer of snow, with dark, shadowed areas suggesting a path or a stream. The trees are mostly evergreens, their branches heavily laden with snow. The overall scene is serene and quiet.

I. No user is average



In 1952 the Air force had a problem, their new jets were not performing well. The issue? The cockpit was designed for the "average" pilot, for someone who did not exist. It was not until they designed to accomidate the actual differences of pilots did performance improve.

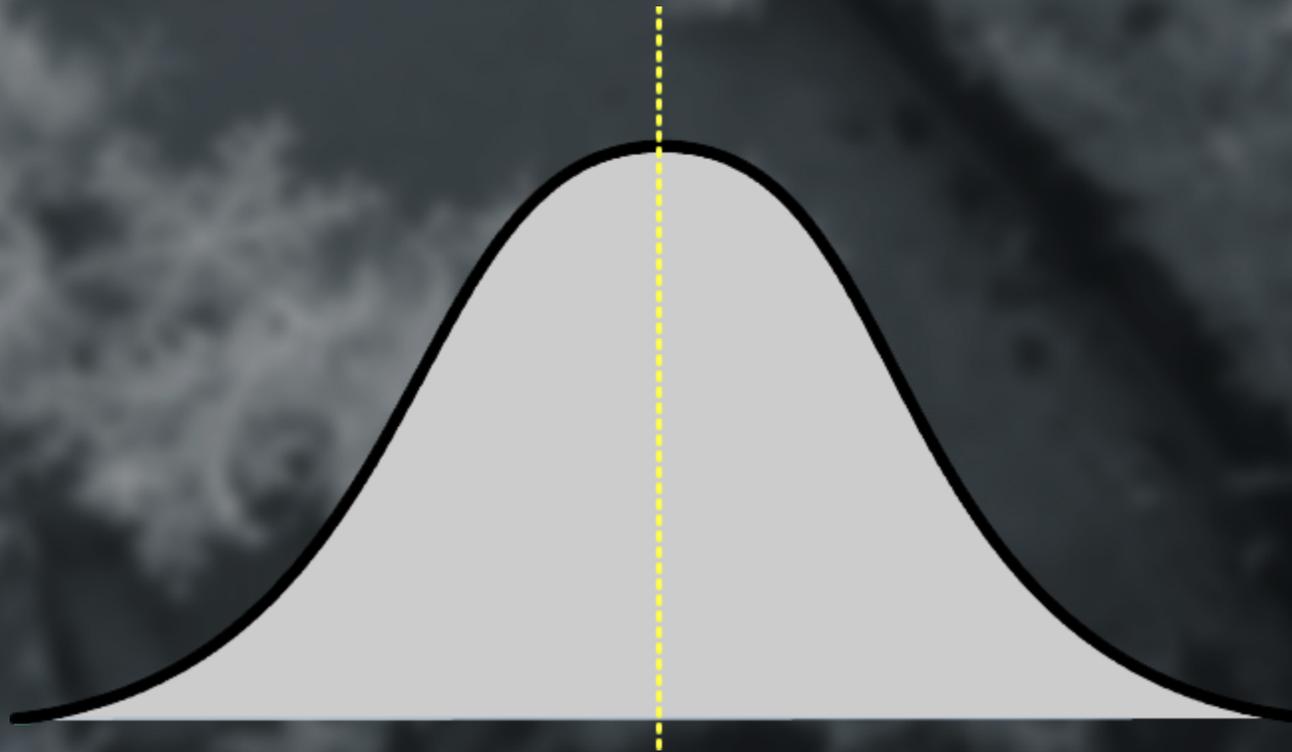
The Myth of Average

"If you design for the average, you are literally designing for nobody."

- *Todd Rose*

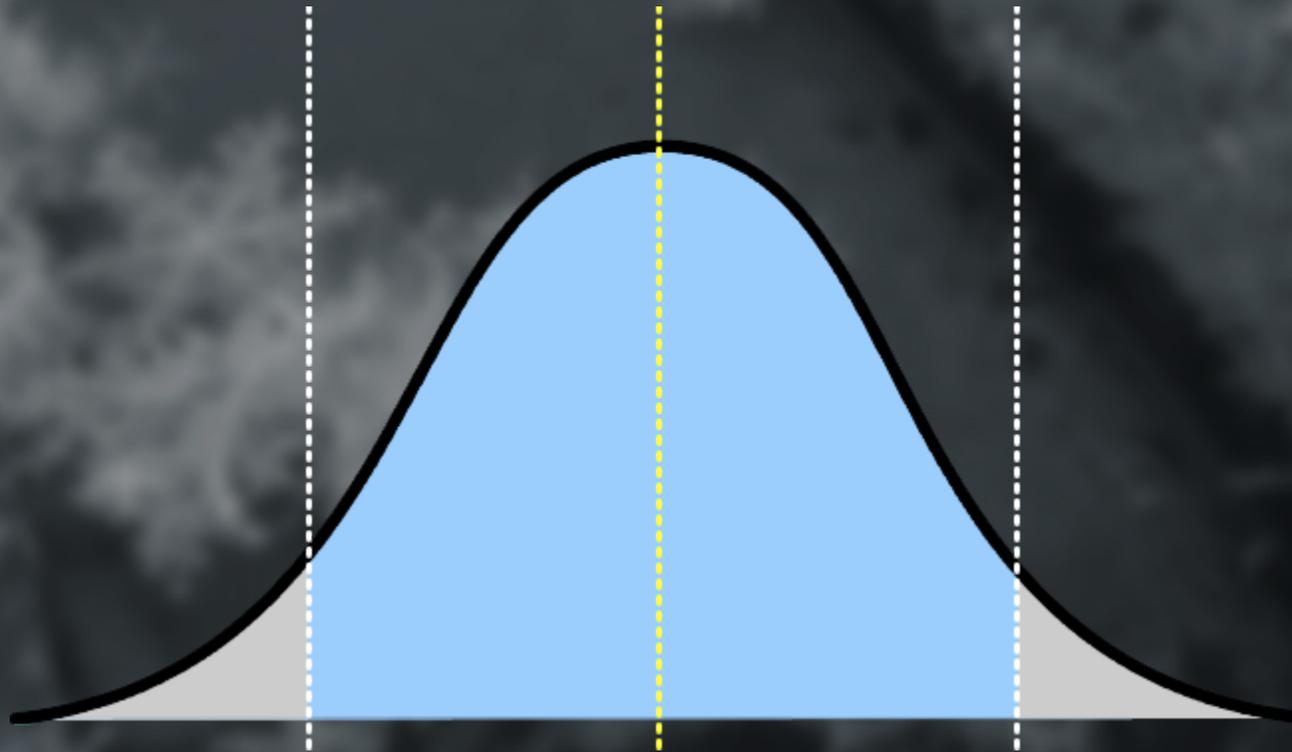
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The average user does not exist



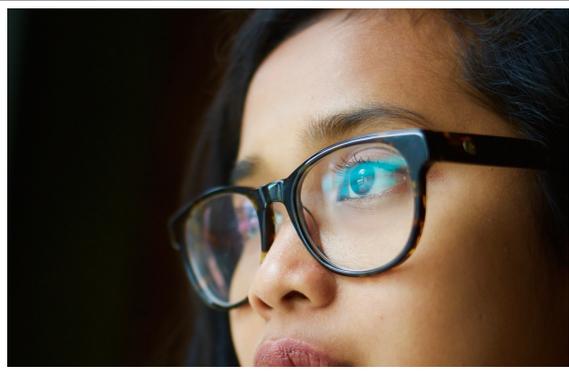
Building for the "average user" is the same as building for no user. Every user has a unique difference

Plan beyond the average user



Planning for unique users (outliers) and their differences, means capturing everyone in between.

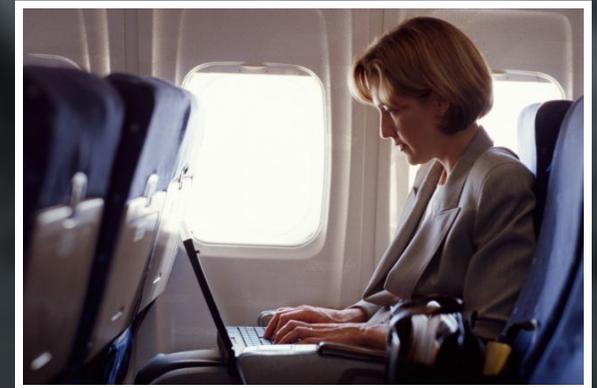
Create personas with limitations



"Suffers from red-green colorblindness"



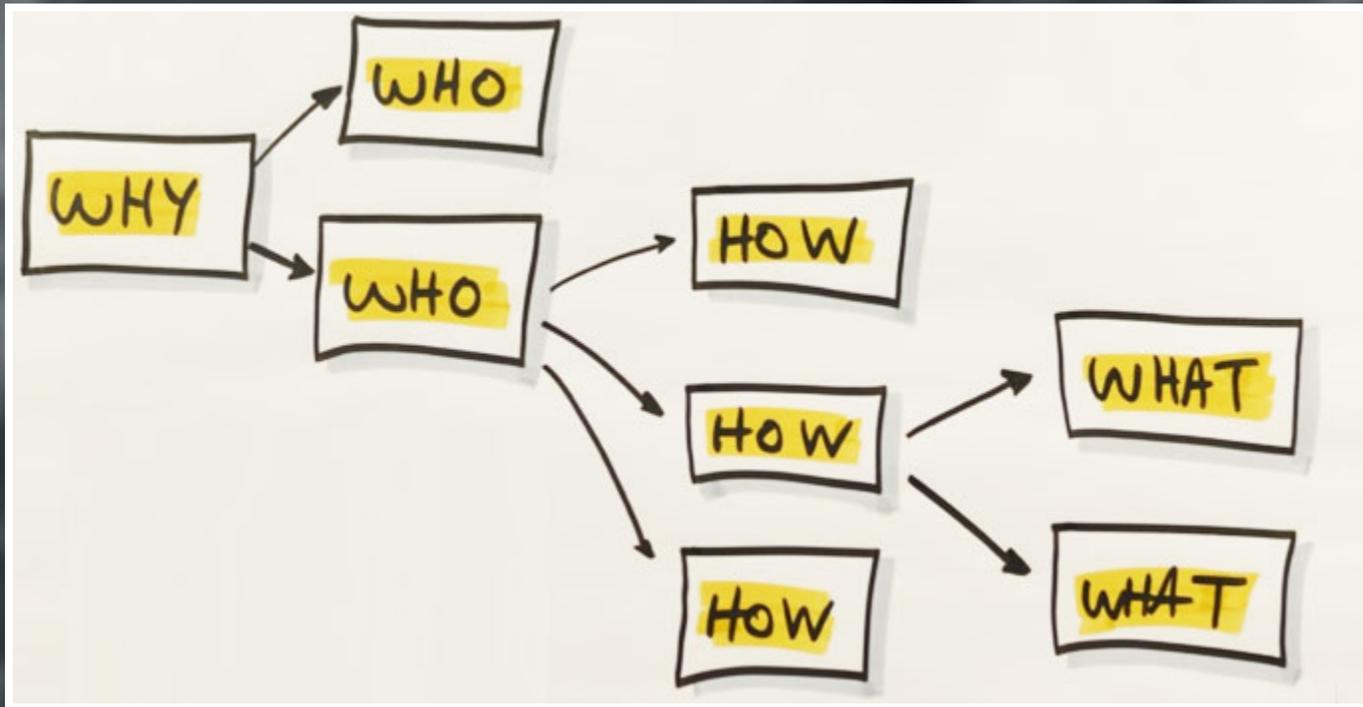
"Has a broken wrist due to a skiing accident"



"Does most work while traveling"

Map users based on behaviors

- Create an impact map of expected behaviors



© Dominic Krimmer www.dkrimmer.de

Plan out the journey you want users to have. Base it on the real behaviors they will take and how they can reach your intended endpoint.

A black and white photograph showing a person's hands holding a smartphone. The person is sitting at a dark wooden table. In front of them is a magazine titled 'UPPERCASE MAGAZINE' with a large 'U' logo and the text 'a magazine for the visual and creative'. To the right of the magazine is a white coffee cup on a saucer. The scene is lit with soft, natural light, creating a calm and focused atmosphere.

II. Every user deserves equal access

51% of US internet browsing is from mobile



Data Source: www.slideshare.net/kleinerperkins/internet-trends-v1/14-14Internet_Usage_Engagement_Growth_Solid11

Only a few years ago we were asking clients if they wanted a mobile site. Now we tell them they need a responsive site. The market changed. The same thing is happening for accessibility, we need to tell clients they have to plan this way.

Average global internet speed: 5.6Mbps



Republic of Mali

0.5 Mbps



South Korea

26.7 Mbps

Data Source: www.fastmetrics.com/internet-connection-speed-by-country.php

If you just build for South Korea, people in Mali are going to have a poor experience. However, if you plan and build for people in Mali then everyone is going to have a positive experience.

Structure in a way that makes sense

- Use semantic markup, bit.ly/IDXSemBBC
- Use progressive design to deliver experience
- Prioritize what needs to be loaded

Gmail Images



Sign in

Google



Google Search

I'm Feeling Lucky

Queen's Bohemian Rhapsody comes to VR on [Android](#) and [iOS](#)

Google does not care about how your website looks. They care about the markup and being able to readers your content in the correct order. As do people with screen readers. If you plan for them, then you plan for better SEO

Artificially limit yourself

- Use tools to throttle connection
- Disable JavaScript
- Can you navigate without a mouse?

A black and white photograph of a hand holding a pen, writing on a lined notebook. The pen is white with black dots. The notebook is open, and the handwriting is visible on the page. The background is dark and out of focus.

III. Provide understandable content to every user



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25



STREET CLEANING

No day-time street cleaning on Sundays. Overnight street cleaning is on a normal schedule.



BUILDING CLOSURES

Some community centers are open and only the Central Library is open 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. All other municipal buildings are closed.



TRASH AND RECYCLING

There is no residential trash and recycling pickup on Sundays.



PARKING METERS

Parking meters are free with no time limit on Sundays.



TOW LOTS

The tow lot is closed today. Automated kiosks are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week for vehicle releases.

COMMON TRANSACTIONS



Pay a parking ticket

**BOS
:311**

Report an issue on 311



Get a resident parking



Vote early in the

The new boston.gov website was redesigned and the content was reorganized with real users in mind.

"The website should act like a helpful human. This is one of the big differences between the old site and the new site... on the old site, it would feel like you were interacting with some sort of lawyer-robot that was speaking to you in government-speak"

Jascha Franklin-Hodge, the city's chief of information technology

Source: [The Boston Globe](#)

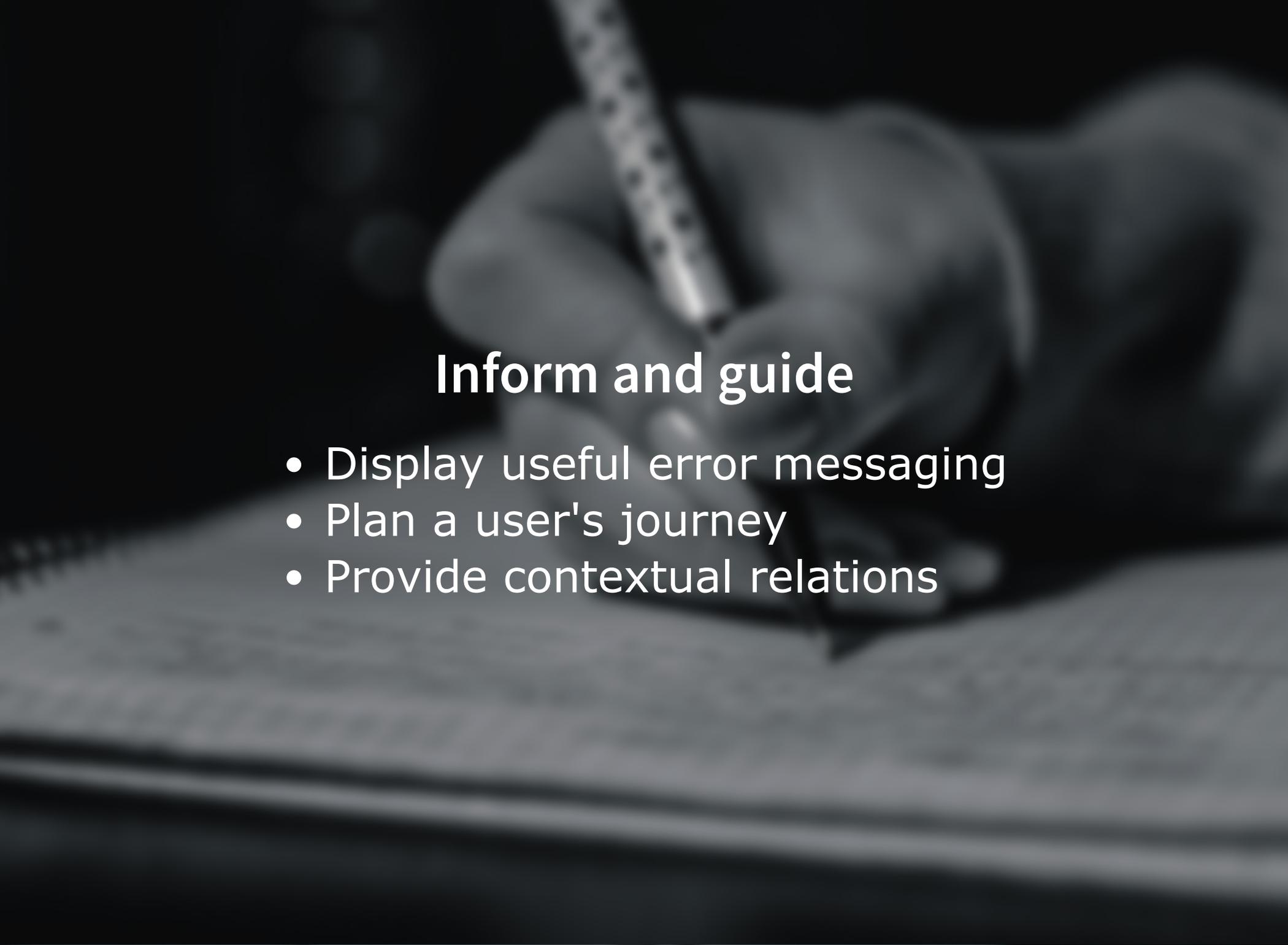
A grayscale, blurred background image showing a hand holding a pen, writing on a document. The focus is on the hand and the pen tip, with the rest of the scene being out of focus.

Be clear and direct

- Use simple phrasing and avoid jargon
- Pay attention to font, spacing, line length
- Be meaningful, tools to check readability

The screenshot shows the Hemingway Editor website. At the top, there is a browser address bar with the URL www.hemingwayapp.com. Below the address bar is a toolbar with icons for Bold (B), Italic (I), Bulleted List, Numbered List, Undo, Redo, Link, Paragraph (P), H1, H2, and H3. The main content area features a heading: **Hemingway App makes your writing bold and clear.** Below this, a paragraph of text is shown with various highlights: yellow for long/complex sentences, red for dense/complicated sentences, purple for words with hints, blue for adverbs, green for passive voice, and light blue for simpler alternatives. To the right, the Hemingway Editor logo is displayed above 'Write', 'Edit', and 'Help' buttons. A 'Readability' section shows a progress bar and a score of 'Grade 6 (Good)'. Below this, it indicates 'Words: 130' with a 'More' dropdown. A list of feedback items is shown in colored boxes: 1 of 11 sentences is hard to read (yellow), 1 of 11 sentences is very hard to read (red), 1 phrase has a simpler alternative (purple), 1 adverb. Remove it. (light blue), and 1 use of passive voice. Aim for 2 or fewer (green).

Tools like hemingwayapp.com can help you write clear, direct and meaningful content. A readability score of "Grade 6" means the content is engaging enough for advanced users, but clear and inviting enough for new users.

A grayscale, blurred background image showing a hand holding a pen and writing on a notepad. The text is centered over this image.

Inform and guide

- Display useful error messaging
- Plan a user's journey
- Provide contextual relations



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The new boston.gov website feature contextually linked sections such as street cleaning and tow lots.



IV. Provide every user with trust and respect

Inclusive Design: Excluding no gender

"The easiest way to do inclusive design? Stop asking about gender!"

- Sarah Leren

bit.ly/IDXGender

Personal information

Drupal

Work

First or given name

Michael

Last name or surname

Miles

Country

United States

Save my location

Your location will be saved and may be shared.

Languages spoken

- None -
Abkhazian
Afar
Afrikaans

Select one or more languages you speak.

Gender

- Prefer not to share
- male
- female
- transgender
- other

Bio

I am passionate about development and working with the latest open source technology experience in an agency setting. I have been working with Drupal for the past 7 years community and project. I contribute to code sprints, IRC support and give sessions at

Acquia MVP 2014. Acquia Grand Master.

Drupal.org give users multiple options on how to identify their gender, or not select an option at all.

Collect only the information you need

- Ask "Why do we need this data?"
- Ask "What options can we give users?"
- Ask "Why should users give this to us?"



Log in

He used Pinterest to redo his floors

Welcome to Pinterest, the world's catalog of ideas

mikemiles86@gmail.com

Username

Age

Male Female ⓘ

Tell us a little about you

Knowing your gender helps us show you better search results and recommendations. Choose male or female, or customize your gender:

Custom Gender

Save

Continue as a business

Pinterest not only gives users options, but also explains to the user why they collect gender information.

Be responsible with data

- Explain how the data is used
- Explain how the data is protected
- Give users control of their data

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If we agree to these four pillars when building our applications, then we have to think differently.



**We make a positive impact on as many
people as possible**

And if we follow the four pillars, then we will reach a wider audience.

Resources

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This presentation

bit.ly/IDXBad16Slides

Presentation Slides

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bit.ly/IDXAvgMyth

The Myth of Average

bit.ly/IDXSemBBC

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I have a podcast!

developingup.com

[@devuppodcast](https://twitter.com/devuppodcast)

Explores the non-technical sides of being a developer.

Thank You!



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