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Happy Food

Scenario: Vikki drills down into a product's description and ingredients

Context: Vikki has just finished a book on nutrition and wants to put what she has learned into action. The book primarily advocates, "Eat closer to the vine." Vikki, however, knows she can only eat so much fruit and often craves a sweet chocolate snack between meals. So, she wants to find a relatively healthy snack that is not going to harm her or her husband. A snack that is short in ingredients and the ingredients are all natural, not chemicals. She is running through her regular shopping list at Happy Foods and spots a promotion for "Balance Bar" energy bar. From her book she knows not all foods, which are marketed as "healthy" are in fact good for you and not all energy bars are the same. She wants to know more about these Balance Bars before she decides to buy any.

Defining user actions and site responses

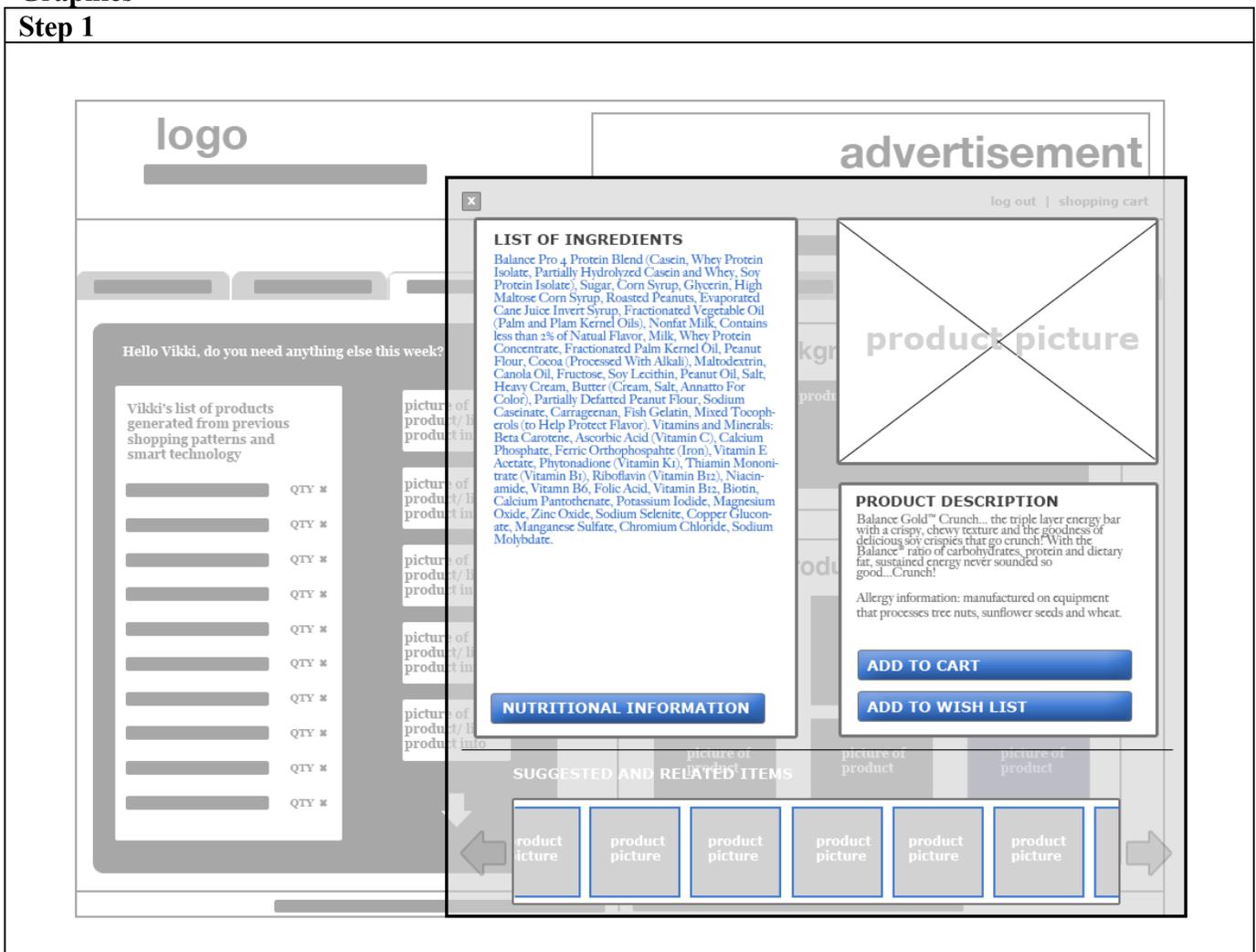
Step 1	User Action	Site Response
Vikki is doing her regular weekly shopping and spots a store sponsored promotion for the energy bar "Balance Bar"	Vikki clicks on the promotion (which is a picture of the Balance Bar)	A semi-transparent "Product" window expands to cover one-half of the browser window – The window contains: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A close window button• A "List of Ingredients" window, where each ingredient is "clickable" so Vikki can find out more about any single ingredient• A "Nutritional Information" button, which links Vikki to a pop-up window of Nutritional Facts• A picture of the product• A "Product Description" window• A "Add to Cart" button• A "Add to Wish List" button• A "Suggested and Related Items" section, which is a horizontally scrolling list of "clickable" product pictures linking to a "Product" window of its own

Step 2	User Action	Site Response
Vikki is shocked to see such a long list of ingredients and knows this product is not for her family. However, she has recently read about the ubiquitous and harmful ingredient High Fructose Corn Syrup and wants to take this chance to find out more. She does not see it on the ingredient list but she does spot Corn Syrup. She figures this ingredient is similar enough. She is curious and wants to know more.	Vikki clicks on the word, “Corn Syrup”	A semi-transparent “Ingredient” window expands to cover one-third of the browser window – The window contains: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A close window button • A detailed analysis of the processing, history, health concerns and other related information about the ingredient • Many of the complex/scientific words are also “clickable” so if Vikki needs additional definitions, she can get it
Step 3	User Action	Site Response
Vikki is impressed with all the information but is starting to run short on time. She browses the Ingredient window and decides to close it. She looks for a “Close Window” button but does not see it; she does spot in the top left-hand corner an X inside a square. She guesses this is the close window button.	Vikki clicks on the X box	The site closes the Ingredient window
Step 4	User Action	Site Response
Vikki is back at the “Product” window and is about to close it when she spots another energy bar listed in the “Suggested and Related Items” scrolling window. She knows she is short on time but is willing to take a look at one more product	Vikki clicks on the product picture (which is a picture of a Nectar Bar)	The site replaces the current semi-transparent “Product” window with a new Product window of the new energy bar – The new window is identical in appearance and size to the previous Product window but of course has the new product information
Step 5	User Action	Site Response
Vikki is once again shocked but this time in a good way. She sees only 5 ingredients listed and they are all organic. She is pleased but still skeptical. She wants to find out more about the bar’s nutritional values. She spots a “Nutritional Information” button at the bottom of the Ingredients List window.	Vikki clicks on the Nutritional Information button	The site opens another semi-transparent window, which includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A close window button • A detailed list of the nutritional facts, such as: Calories, Total Fat, Cholesterol, Sodium, Potassium, Total Carbohydrate, Protein and Vitamins

Step 6	User Action	Site Response
Vikki is impressed by the nutritional facts and low calories. She decides she wants to try this product. She remembers the “Add to Cart” button on the previous Product window. She first closes the Nutritional Information window.	Vikki clicks on the X box	The site closes the window
Step 7	User Action	Site Response
Vikki forgot about the “Add to Wish List” button and gives it a quick thought. She decides to try the product, not just think about it.	Vikki clicks on the “Add to Cart” button	The site adds the Nectar Bar to her weekly grocery list
Step 8	User Action	Site Response
Vikki has run out of time and decides she needs to check out of Happy Food and set up her delivery date. She wants to close the Product window and return to the main Happy Food screen.	Vikki clicks on the X box	The site closes the Product window and returns Vikki to the Happy Food’s page she started at

Graphics

Step 1



Step 2

logo

advertisement

log out | shopping cart

LIST OF INGREDIENTS
Balance Pro 4 Protein Blend (Casein, Whey Protein Isolate, Partially Hydrolyzed Casein and Whey, Soy Protein Isolate), Sugar, Corn Syrup, Glycerin, High

Hello Vikki, do you need anything else th

Vikki's list of products generated from previous shopping patterns and smart technology

QTY *
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Corn syrup

Corn syrup is a **syrup**, made using corn starch as a feedstock, and composed mainly of **glucose**. A series of two **enzymatic** reactions are used to convert the **corn starch** to corn syrup. Its major use is in commercially prepared foods as a thickener and for its moisture-retaining (**humectant**) properties which keep foods moist and help to maintain freshness. Because of its mild sweetness, corn syrup may be used in conjunction with highly-intense sweeteners.

Corn syrup is used to soften texture, add volume, prohibit crystallization and enhance flavor. ^[1]

The more general term *glucose syrup* is often used *synonymously* with **corn syrup**, since the former is most commonly made from **corn starch**.^[2] Technically, though, glucose syrup is any liquid starch **hydrolysate** of mono, di, and higher **saccharides**^[3] and can be made from from any sources of **starch**; **wheat**, **rice** and **potatoes** are the most common sources.

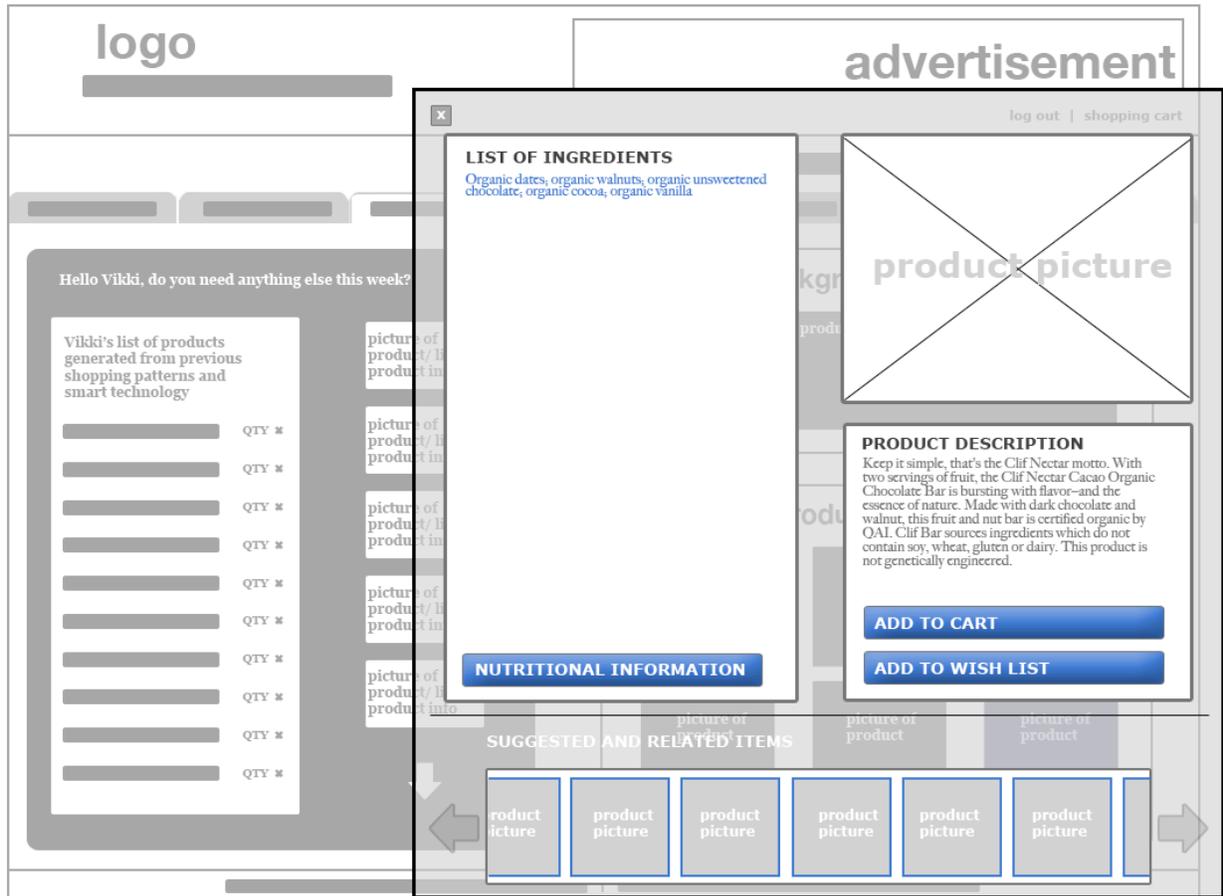
High-fructose corn syrup (HFCS) is a variant in which other enzymes are used to convert some of the glucose into **fructose**. The resulting syrup is sweeter and more soluble.

Until recently, a corn syrup variant used to be sold in the retail market, say in supermarkets, had a high glucose content. HFCS is also appearing in retail products. The largest and most popular market in the United States for corn syrup is Karo Syrup, a fructose/glucose syrup.^[4]

It is in trend for corn syrup to be flavored with **vanilla extract**.^[citation needed]

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Step 4



Step 5

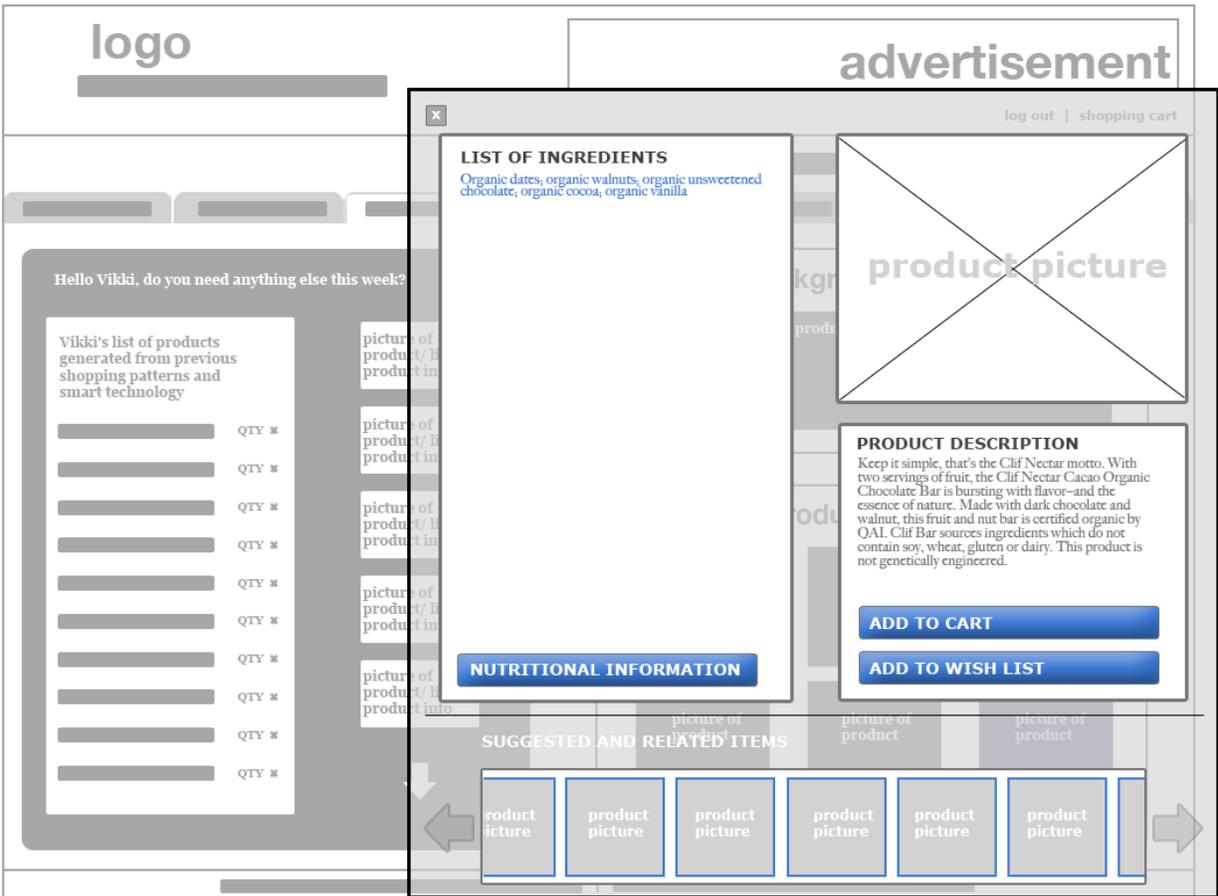
The screenshot shows a web application interface. At the top left is a 'logo' and at the top right is an 'advertisement'. Below the logo is a navigation bar with 'log out | shopping cart'. A 'LIST OF INGREDIENTS' window is open, showing 'Organic dates, organic walnuts, organic unsweetened'. The main content area features a personalized greeting: 'Hello Vikki, do you need anything else?' and a list of products with 'QTY' indicators. A large nutrition label is overlaid on the right side of the page.

Serving size: 1 bar

	Amount Per Serving
Calories	160
Calories from Fat	50
	Amount Per Serving and/or % Daily Value*
Total Fat	6g (9%)
Saturated Fat	1.5g (8%)
Polyunsaturated Fat	3g
Monounsaturated Fat	1.5g
Trans Fat	0g
Cholesterol	0mg (0%)
Sodium	0mg (0%)
Potassium	370g (11%)
Total Carbohydrate	27g (9%)
Dietary Fiber	6g (24%)
Insoluble Fiber	5g
Sugars	18g
Protein	3g
	Amount Per Serving and/or % Daily Value*
Vitamin A	0%
Vitamin C	0%
Calcium	2%
Iron	10%
Vitamin E	2%
Selenium	8%

*Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower based on your calorie needs.

Step 6



Step 7

