

SUCCESS CRITERION 3.2.1 · LEVEL A

On Focus



“Whoa, what just happened? I only tabbed in!”

Who this helps: Visual Impairments, Cognitive Impairments

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When any component receives focus, it does not initiate a change of context.

Principle 3: Understandable

Guideline 3.2: Predictable

What each role can do

Product manager

Avoid actions that would disorient the user when they focus on elements.

Designer

Design interfaces that don't change context when a user simply focuses on a component.

Developer

Make sure no scripts change the context when elements receive focus.

Tester

Test navigation through keyboard focus to ensure it doesn't disrupt the user experience.

Once it is fixed



> “Thanks for not throwing curveballs at me. Now, navigating your site is a breeze!”

WCAG Quotes

Every WCAG 2.2 success criterion, told by the person it helps.

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