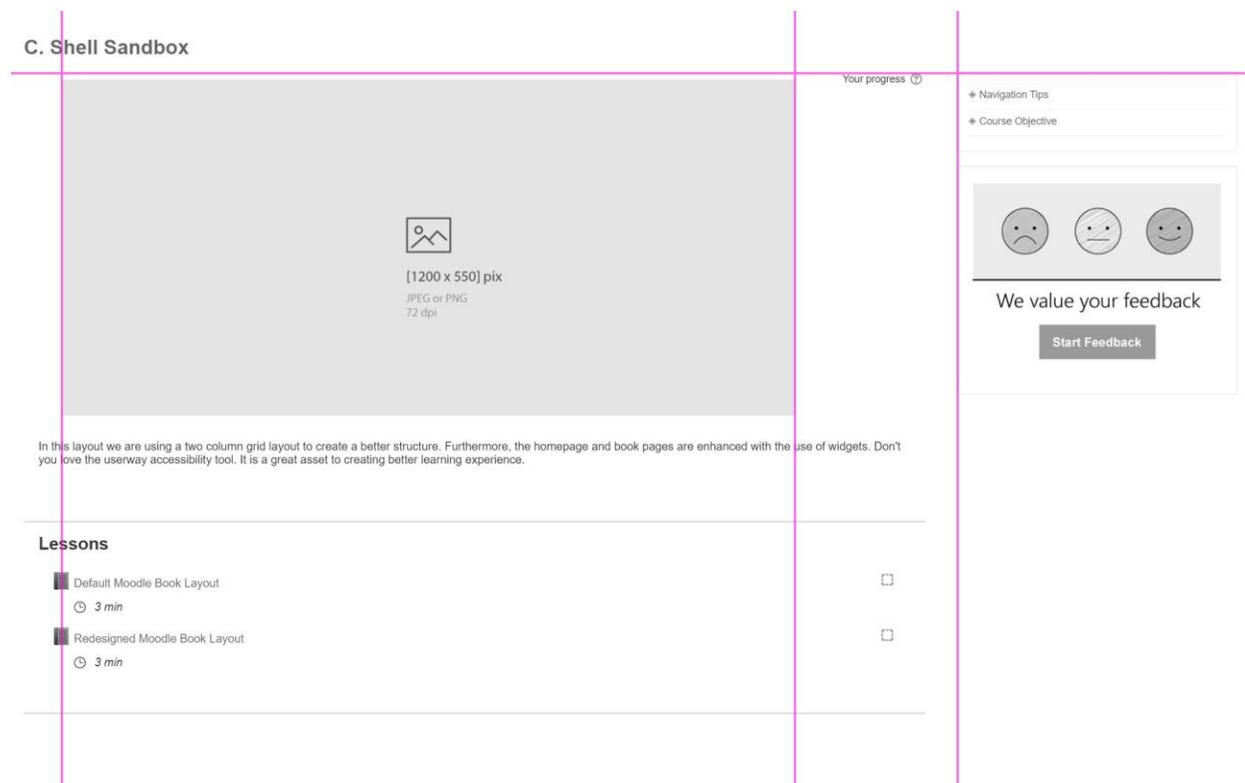UX 01

One way to evaluate the quality of a template is to check how it holds itself through different layout designs.

In this design, the landing page has a cover image. The layout of the home page is a two-column grid using Blocks (html blocks).

Problems:

1. Indentation is used here to show hierarchy and it creates lack of structure. Image and text does not aligned. When components (text, image, icons) are aligned, it helps the eye to scan easier. It also improves the aesthetics.
2. "Your progress" is too far away form the check boxes. When adding an image it distances the space and eliminates the relevancy to the checkboxes.
3. There is too much white space between the first column (left) and the second column (right). This is partially because of the "Your progress"
4. With the shift to higher resolution webpage layouts are wider in size. The space between an "activity title" and the check box is too far away. It is too hard for the eye to track and connect the two. This design error is corrects itself when viewing it in mobile view. This means that someone did not consider the impact of wider layout on the functionality of the elements.

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Proposed Solution

1. Text aligns with image with using basic CSS to modify the existing layout. This adds more structure and yields for a cleaner design.
2. "Your progress" should locate in closer proximity to the box in context. (documented in this pdf but hidden in the course). It would be ideal if it displayed for every topic or if course admin could choose to turn it off or on for each topic.
3. The gab/gutter space between the first column and second column have has been reduced.
4. Consider design of single and two-column grid within the first column for activities.

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