Practical Checklist: Building an Interactive SharePoint FAQ Page

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Block 1: Strategic Content Planning

✓ Status	Step & Action	Practical Goal
[]	Support Data Analysis: Analyze call logs, tickets, and emails to identify the 20-30 most frequent and time-consuming inquiries.	Address 80% of issues proactively, significantly reducing the support team's load.
[]	Category Creation: Group questions into logical, user-friendly themes (e.g., "Billing," "Shipping," "Account") avoiding internal business jargon.	Ensure an intuitive navigation hierarchy for all visitors.
[]	SharePoint List Preparation: Create a dedicated list with mandatory columns: Question (Title), Answer (Rich Text), and Category/Tags (Metadata).	Ensure flexibility for advanced searching, filtering, and future scaling of the content.
[]	Answer Conciseness: Ensure all answers are accurate and as brief as possible. Only link to external documents for in-depth, complex information.	Reduce cognitive load and accelerate the time it takes for a user to find a solution.

Block 2: Implementing Interactivity (Tools & Accordion)

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[]	Select Accordion Web Part: Add the Accordion Web Part (or modern Collapsible Sections) to the target page.	Compactly conceal large volumes of content, significantly improving page aesthetics.
[]	Data Binding: In the web part settings, point to your prepared SharePoint list and map the "Question" and "Answer" columns correctly.	Automate the dynamic display of content for efficient content management and updating.
[]	Configure Sorting: Set the question order based on relevance or query frequency, not alphabetically.	Prioritize the most needed answers, aligning with user urgency.
[]	Review Visual Design: Customize the web part's styles (fonts, colors) to ensure it aligns with your corporate brand standards and customer portal design.	Maintain a professional and unified user experience.

Slock 3: Enhanced Search and Navigation (Search & Filtering)

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[]	Search Visibility: Place the search field prominently near the top of the SharePoint FAQ page.	Satisfy the user's need for fast, direct information retrieval.
[]	Refiner Integration: Add the "Refiner" web part and link it to the "Category/Tags" column in your FAQ list.	Allow users to quickly narrow down search results, increasing accuracy.

[]	Indexing Verification: Confirm that both Questions and Answers (including text within collapsed sections) are fully indexed by the SharePoint search engine.	Guarantee that full-text search retrieves all relevant data for the interactive knowledge base.
[]	Search Query Testing: Run tests using synonyms, common misspellings, and long-tail queries to ensure results are accurate.	Minimize the chance of "empty" or irrelevant results, which lead to support calls.

Block 4: Mobile Accessibility (Mobile-Friendly)

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[]	Device Testing: Verify the page appearance and functionality on various actual mobile phones and tablets (iOS and Android).	Ensure universal access, as a large portion of traffic is mobile.
[]	Touch Target Size Check: Ensure interactive elements (like accordion toggles) are large enough for easy tapping (at least 48x48px).	Improve usability and accessibility for all mobile users.
[]	Load Speed Assessment: Check the page load time on a standard mobile connection. Minimize the size of any embedded images.	Prevent user abandonment caused by slow performance.
[]	Horizontal Scroll Check: Confirm that no horizontal scrollbar appears when viewing the page on the narrowest common screen width.	Adhere to modern responsive web design standards for your SharePoint FAQ page.