

Broken Link Checker Tool Checklist

Build your own free broken link checker with Cursor AI.

Based on [Build A Free Broken Link Checker Tool With Cursor Ai No Coding Experience Needed](#) by Casey Builds It

1. Understanding the Need

Recognize why a broken link checker is essential.

- Acknowledge that broken links harm SEO.
- Understand broken links negatively impact user experience.
- Identify the cost and learning curve of paid tools like Screaming Frog.
- Consider building a custom, lightweight tool as an alternative.
- Recognize the benefit of a free, custom SEO toolkit.
- Understand this tool is part of a larger free SEO toolkit series.

2. Tool Functionality

Understand what the built tool will do.

- Confirm the tool scans a website for broken links.
- Verify the tool flags both internal links.
- Verify the tool flags external links.
- Note the tool includes a simple Graphical User Interface (GUI).
- Confirm results export automatically to a CSV file.
- Check that the CSV file is named with the domain and a timestamp.
- Understand the tool catches actual broken links during a live scan.

3. Building with Cursor AI

Steps involved in using Cursor AI to create the tool.

- Follow prompts in Cursor AI to generate the Python script.
- Utilize Cursor AI to build out the GUI.
- Use Cursor AI to implement the CSV export functionality.
- Ensure the generated script is functional.
- Test the tool with a live scan on a real website.

4. Standalone Application

Steps for making the tool more accessible.

- Learn how to convert the Python script into a standalone EXE.
- Confirm the EXE can run on any Windows machine.
- Verify the EXE does not require Python installation.

- Consider the ease of use for yourself or others.
- Plan to hand off the tool to a client or teammate if needed.

5. Enhancing the Tool

Ideas for future improvements and expansions.

- Consider adding scheduling for automated scans.
- Explore using a JSON config file for multi-site checks.
- Think about integrating this tool into a larger SEO tool stack.
- Evaluate the potential for adding more advanced scanning features.
- Consider implementing error handling for more robust scans.

6. Key Takeaways Recap

Summarize the core benefits and features of the built tool.

- Confirm the tool can be built with Cursor AI in approximately 10 minutes.
- Reiterate that the tool scans both internal and external links.
- Verify that results export to a clean, organized CSV file.
- Remember the script can be converted to a standalone EXE.
- Note that this is part of a growing free SEO toolkit.

Resources & Further Reading

Use these pages while working through the checklist:

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