1. Task: Understanding the Phases of SDLC

• **Objective**: Understand and identify the phases involved in the Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC).

• Steps:

- 1. Study the six phases of SDLC: Requirement Gathering, System Design, Implementation, Testing, Deployment, and Maintenance.
- 2. Choose a software project you are familiar with and map it to the SDLC phases.
- 3. Write a brief description of each phase as applied to the chosen project.

• Ouestion:

How does the Testing phase in SDLC contribute to the overall quality of the software, and what types of testing should be performed?

2. Task: Applying Agile Methodology to a Project

- **Objective**: Learn how to apply Agile methodology in real-world software development.
- Steps:
 - 1. Research Agile principles and the Scrum framework.
 - 2. Break down a sample software project (e.g., a task management tool) into smaller features or user stories.
 - 3. Organize the features into sprints and create a backlog.
 - 4. Conduct a sprint planning meeting and outline the tasks for the first sprint.

• Question:

How do Agile practices improve collaboration between developers and stakeholders during software development?

3. Task: Implementing Test-Driven Development (TDD)

- **Objective**: Learn how to write tests before writing code using Test-Driven Development (TDD).
- Steps:
 - 1. Choose a simple feature to implement (e.g., a function that calculates the total price of items in a shopping cart).
 - 2. Write a test case that checks the correct output for various inputs.
 - 3. Write the code to pass the test case.
 - 4. Refactor the code if necessary while ensuring that the test passes.

• Question:

What are the advantages of using TDD in ensuring code reliability and maintaining long-term software quality?

4. Task: Performing Unit Testing on a Function

- **Objective**: Understand and apply unit testing on a small, isolated piece of code.
- Steps:
 - 1. Choose a function to test (e.g., a function that validates user input).
 - 2. Write test cases that cover different scenarios (valid input, invalid input, edge cases).
 - 3. Run the tests and fix any failing tests by modifying the function.

• Question:

Why is it important to write unit tests for individual functions, and what is the impact of failing to test them on the software's reliability?

5. Task: Implementing Continuous Integration (CI) in Agile Projects

- **Objective**: Learn how to integrate Continuous Integration (CI) into an Agile workflow to improve code quality.
- Steps:
 - 1. Set up a CI tool (e.g., Jenkins, GitLab CI).
 - 2. Configure the tool to automatically run tests each time code is pushed to a version control system (e.g., Git).
 - 3. Push code changes and observe how the CI tool runs automated tests.

• Ouestion:

How does Continuous Integration help in maintaining a stable and high-quality codebase throughout the development lifecycle?

6. Task: Performing Integration Testing

- **Objective**: Understand how integration testing ensures the cooperation of different software components.
- Steps:
 - 1. Identify two or more components in a system (e.g., user authentication and payment system).
 - 2. Write integration test cases to ensure the components work together correctly.
 - 3. Execute the integration tests and analyze the results.

• Ouestion:

How do integration tests differ from unit tests, and why is integration testing essential for software systems with multiple interacting modules?

7. Task: Refactoring Code to Adhere to the Single Responsibility Principle (SRP)

• **Objective**: Refactor a class to ensure it follows the Single Responsibility Principle (SRP).

• Steps:

- 1. Review an existing class that performs multiple tasks (e.g., a class that handles both user authentication and logging).
- 2. Break the class into two smaller classes, each with a single responsibility (e.g., one class for user authentication, one for logging).
- 3. Test the refactored classes to ensure they function correctly and meet the desired outcomes.

• Question:

How does adhering to SRP make the code more maintainable, and what are the potential challenges of refactoring a class that violates SRP?

8. Task: Designing a System Using the SDLC Phases

- **Objective**: Practice designing a system by following the SDLC process.
- Steps:
 - 1. Choose a small project, like a to-do list app, and outline its requirements.
 - 2. Design the system architecture, including the database structure and API endpoints.
 - 3. Create a timeline for development, testing, and deployment, following the SDLC phases.

• Question:

What are the most common challenges teams face during the Design phase of SDLC, and how can they be mitigated?

9. Task: Conducting User Acceptance Testing (UAT)

- **Objective**: Perform User Acceptance Testing (UAT) to validate that the software meets the user's needs.
- Steps:
 - 1. Select a project (e.g., an inventory management system).
 - 2. Work with the end-users to define acceptance criteria for each feature.
 - 3. Run through the features and ensure they meet the criteria.
 - 4. Document any issues and work with developers to address them.

• **Ouestion**:

How does User Acceptance Testing differ from other types of testing, and why is it crucial to get feedback from end-users before releasing a product?

10. Task: Applying Agile Retrospective to Improve Team Performance

• **Objective**: Learn how to conduct an Agile retrospective to identify ways to improve team collaboration and performance.

• Steps:

- 1. After completing a sprint, gather the development team for a retrospective.
- 2. Discuss what went well during the sprint, what could be improved, and any obstacles faced.
- 3. Identify actionable items for the next sprint to improve team performance and delivery.

• Question:

How do retrospectives help Agile teams continuously improve, and what are some common challenges in conducting effective retrospectives?