



Choose your own **adventure**

"I want to learn the essentials.
Nothing extra"

Want an 80/20 course?



For those of you that want to learn the subject but not suck up every drop of information (we have lives outside of this, you know). Can't promise an 80/20 solution but we can cut out the fat for you.

total time: 4~ hours



Introduction to Product Management

What is a Product Manager?



What is a Product?



Three different types of product manager roles



Product vs Project Management



Introduction to Product Development

The four major phases of the Product Lifecycle



Product lifecycle phases: Real world examples



The Product Development process



Getting deeper into the Product

Development Process



What is "Lean product development"?



What is Waterfall development?



Ideas and User Needs

Where ideas come from as a PM

Getting to the real user needs

Competitive & Market analysis

Introduction to Finding competitors

Direct / Indirect / Potential competitors

& their impact

The 5 criteria for understanding competitors

The last 3 criteria for understanding competitors

What's a feature table?

Putting together a feature table

Monitoring competitors

Customer Development

What is customer development?

Who you should talk to

How to get them to talk

How to run a customer interview correctly

Good questions, bad questions

Building user personas off your interviews

The Product Manager & the data diet

Conceptualizing the solution

Introduction to wireframing

Let's jump into sketching

Intro to Balsamiq

Iterating on your product with Metrics

Introduction to Metrics



Metrics of all kinds



Real life examples of metrics



How to pick good metrics



Tracking your metrics in practice



Building the product - Project Management for PMs

Introduction to Epics



Let's get into Epic specs



User stories and acceptance criteria



Roadmapping



Prioritization



Estimations and velocity



Working with people and stakeholders

General communication skills



Working with engineers



Working with designers



Technology for product managers

Why learn technology?



Understanding the front end, back end,
and tech stacks



Understanding APIs



Want to learn about getting a job?

Start at: Getting relevant experience



Extra time: 43 min