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**Module Two Journal**

How would you plan to execute the various Scrum events, such as the Sprint planning, Daily Scrum, Backlog Refinement, Sprint Review, and Sprint Retrospective?

Answer:

1. Sprint Planning (Talreja, A. (2023, July 26)):
   1. Set the Sprint Goal: The Product Owner presents the sprint's objective, detailing what is to be accomplished.
   2. Select Backlog Items: The Scrum Team selects items from the product backlog that they aim to complete during the sprint.
   3. Plan the Work: The Development Team breaks down the selected backlog items into tasks, estimates the effort required for each task, and sets completion dates.
   4. Create the Sprint Backlog: Document the tasks, along with their estimated dates, in the sprint backlog.
2. Daily Scrum (Talreja, A. (2023, July 25)):
   1. Ask three questions that each team member must answer:
      1. What did I do yesterday to help achieve the sprint goal?
      2. What will I do today to help achieve the sprint goal?
      3. Are there any impediments blocking my progress?
   2. Timebox: The meeting is time-boxed to 15 minutes.
3. Sprint Review (Talreja, A. (2023c, August 2)):
   1. Showcase increment: The Development Team showcases the work completed.
   2. Gather Feedback: Stakeholders provide feedback on the increment.
   3. Update Product Backlog: The Product Owner updates the product backlog based on the feedback received.
4. Sprint Retrospective (Talreja, A. (2023d, September 14)):
   1. Review Past Sprint: Discuss what went well, what didn’t, and how processes can be improved.
   2. Identify improvements: Create actionable plans for improvements that will be implemented in the next sprint.
5. Backlog Refinement (Rehkopf, M. (n.d.)):
   1. Review Backlog Items: Discuss and clarify backlog items to ensure the team understands and is ready for sprint planning.
   2. Estimate Items: Update estimated completion dates on backlog items as needed.
   3. Prioritize Items: Ensure the most valuable items are prioritized correctly.

What is one benefit for each of the five events listed above?

Answer:

Each Scrum event plays a vital role in the software development lifecycle that is extremely beneficial, and they are as follows:

1. Sprint Planning
   1. Defines what can be delivered in the upcoming sprint and how the work will be achieved.
2. Daily Scrum
   1. Inspect progress towards the sprint goal and adapt the sprint backlog as necessary.
3. Sprint Review
   1. Inspect the increment and adapt the product backlog if needed. This event ensures that the product increment is reviewed and necessary feedback is collected.
4. Sprint Retrospective
   1. Reflect on the past sprint and identify improvements for future sprints.
5. Backlog Refinement
   1. Keeps the product backlog updated and ensures that backlog items are ready for future sprints.

What is the overall benefit of this process for the team?

Answer:

The Scrum process helps the team deliver value incrementally and collaboratively, which drives the team to successfully deliver high-quality products that meet user needs and market expectations.

What steps can you take to ensure the team meets the goals of each of these events?

Answer:

Emphasizing preparation, active participation, and continuous improvement is essential to ensure the team meets the goals of each Scrum event. The following are steps to ensure the team meets the goals of each of these events (Scrum.org. (n.d.)):

1. During Sprint Planning, the Product Owner should have a well-prioritized backlog, and the team must collaboratively set a clear Sprint Goal and plan tasks realistically based on capacity.
2. Daily Scrums should be consistent, focused on progress, and identify any impediments promptly.
3. In Sprint Reviews, the Scrum team must demonstrate the increment to stakeholders and incorporate their feedback to adapt the product backlog effectively.
4. Sprint Retrospectives must foster a safe environment for honest reflection, with actionable improvement items identified and tracked.
5. Regular backlog refinement must be conducted to ensure items are prioritized, clarified, and ready for future sprints., involving both the Product Owner and Development Team.

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