**Student: Dennis T Sherpa**

**5-3 Journal: Developer**

* **What requests would you make of the Product Owner or Tester?**
  + **Answer:**
    - As a Developer, I would make the following kinds of requests to the Product Owner (SAFe studio. (2024, January 23)):
      * Clarification on Requirements
        + Sometimes, user stories or requirements may need to be clarified or might need further details.
        + Therefore, I would ask the Product Owner for more detailed acceptance criteria or examples to ensure the development aligns with SNHU Travel’s vision.
      * Priority of Tasks
        + If two or more tasks are of the highest priority, I would ask the product owner to confirm which should be completed first.
        + So, the most valuable work is delivered first.
    - As a Developer, I would make the following kinds of requests to the Tester (Cobb, C. G. (2023)):
      * Test Cases and Test Data
        + I would ask for detailed test cases and any specific test data expected to validate the development.
        + So, I can understand the expected output to ensure the developed features meet SNHU Travel’s standards.
      * Feedback on Completed Work
        + Post-development, I would request timely feedback on completed developmental tasks.
        + So, I can make necessary adjustments quickly and keep the sprint on track.
* **How do you ensure you will get the response you need to move forward?**
  + **Answer:**
    - To ensure I get the responses needed to move forward, I would:
      * Schedule regular check-ins to ensure continuous communication where these questions can be addressed directly.
      * Clarify any misunderstandings or confusion by answering all questions of the Product Owner and Tester.
      * Set clear deadlines for responses to avoid any delays in the development process.
      * Politely follow up on any pending requests to keep them on the radar of the Product Owner and Tester.
* **How does the Agile methodology allow you to be more flexible in your approach to development?**
  + **Answer:**
    - The Agile methodology allows me to be flexible in my approach to development in the following ways (Laoyan, S. (2024, February 2)):
      * Agile promotes iterative development, which allows me (the Developer) to adjust my approach according to feedback and changing requirements.
        + Reducing the risk of going off-track and ensuring continuous improvement.
      * Agile emphasizes prioritizing tasks and adapting to new priorities, which allows me (the Developer) to focus and work on delivering the most valuable features first continuously.
      * No matter the hurdle, the regular communication and collaboration encouraged by Agile ensures that everyone in the team is aligned and any issue is promptly addressed, fostering a responsive and adaptive development process.

**Email to Product Owner and Tester**

**Subject**: Clarification and Feedback Needed for Development Progress

**To**: Christy (Product Owner), Brian (Tester)

Dear Christy and Brian,

I hope this email finds you well. As we progress through our new plan, there are a few areas where I need your assistance to ensure we move forward efficiently.

* Christy:
  + What are the top 5 detox/wellness travel destinations that SNHU Travel wants in the slideshow?
    - Please provide the destinations’:
      * Name
      * Description
      * Ranking
      * Photo
  + The current blue color for the description box makes reading a destination’s description hard. Therefore, can we change it to a calmer background color?
    - If so, do you have a color recommendation?
    - I think Baker-Miller Pink will be a great choice.
  + Can we increase the size of the description box by one-fifth of its current length?
    - I believe some characters like “g” get cut off at the bottom line due to the small space.
    - It would also look cleaner and more spacious, providing customers ease while reading.
* Brian:
  + Could you provide the test cases for the slide show of the top 5 detox/wellness travel destinations?
  + Assuming the tester has received the “slide show” program
    - How did the tests go?
      * Where did it meet the acceptance criteria?
      * Where did it not meet the acceptance criteria?
        + How did it not?

What were the errors?

What was lacking?

* + - * + What are your suggestions to fix the program to meet all of the acceptance criteria?
  + Assuming the tester has not:
    - Could you provide test cases for the next highest-priority user story in the product backlog?
      * Reason: In my off time, I would like to get familiar with what needs to be accomplished in the near future.

Your prompt response will be instrumental in helping us maintain our momentum and ensure the quality of our deliverables. Please let me know if we can schedule a quick meeting to discuss these points further, or feel free to respond directly to this email with the requested information.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Best Regards,

Dennis T Sherpa (Developer)

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