SOFTWARE PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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Project Plan

Project Title:

Video Game - Open-World Zombie Survival

Project Objective:

To develop a AAA-quality, open-world zombie survival game using Unreal Engine 5.6, featuring immersive survival mechanics, intelligent zombie AI, and a visually rich explorable town. The project aims to showcase advanced programming, 3D modeling, VFX, and sound design skills for academic and portfolio purposes.

1. Project Scope Statement

In Scope:

- Core survival mechanics (health, hunger, stamina)
- Basic and advanced zombie AI (navigation, sensing, combat)
- A small explorable town with enterable buildings
- Crafting, combat, and inventory systems
- AAA-grade visuals using Nanite, Lumen
- Audio effects including environmental, combat, and UI

Out of Scope (for now):

- Multiplayer support
- Large open-world expansion beyond prototype town

2. Deliverables

- Game Design Document (GDD)
- Core Mechanics Implementation (Prototype)
- Explorable Town
- AI Behavior System
- VFX and SFX Integration
- Playable Alpha Build
- Testing Report
- Deployment Build for Showcase

3. Work Breakdown Structure (WBS) (Simplified)

- 1.0 Project Initiation
- 1.1 Define project goals

- 1.2 Identify team roles
- 2.0 Design & Planning
- 2.1 Create environment layout
- 2.2 Visual concept and asset planning
- 3.0 Development
- 3.1 Core mechanics (health, stamina, hunger)
- 3.2 Basic zombie AI
- 3.3 Combat and crafting system
- 3.4 Town environment modeling
- 4.0 Visual & Audio Design
- 4.1 3D asset creation
- 4.2 VFX creation
- 4.3 Sound effect integration
- 5.0 Testing
- 5.1 Internal playtesting
- 5.2 Performance optimization
- 6.0 Alpha Build
- 6.1 Town and combat polishing
- 6.2 AI upgrade and integration
- 6.3 Closed alpha release
- 7.0 Project Closure
- 7.1 Prepare documentation
- 7.2 Showcase presentation

4. Project Schedule Snapshot

Phase	Start Date	End Date	Duration
Planning & Setup	Jul 24	Aug 3	11 days
Core System Development	Aug 4	Aug 31	28 days
AI & Combat Systems	Sep 1	Sep 12	12 days
World Building	Sep 13	Sep 23	11 days
Visuals & Sound	Sep 24	Oct 4	11 days
Testing & Optimization	Oct 5	Oct 18	14 days
Final Polish & Submission	Oct 19	Oct 28	10 days

5. Milestones

Milestone	Target Date
Project Kickoff	Jul 24
Core Systems Completed	Aug 31
Major 3D Models Ready	Sep 10
Combat & AI Integrated	Sep 12
World Map Assembled	Sep 23
Visuals & Sounds Implemented	Oct 4
Playtesting & Optimization Done	Oct 18
Final Build & Submission	Oct 28

6. Risks and Mitigation

Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigation
Scope creep	High	High	Focus on one vertical slice only
AI performance issues	Medium	High	Modular AI system + Unreal profiling tools
Burnout due to workload	Medium	Medium	Balanced task distribution + sprint cycles

7. Project Team

Name	Role
Syed Minhal Raza	Project Manager/Lead Developer
Muhammad Raffay Sheikh	Developer
Mughees Azhar	3D Modeler
Ahmer Siddiqui	Visual Effects Specialist
Yahya Saleem	Visual Effects Specialist
Fahad	Sound Effects Designer

8. Budget (Not Applicable / None)

9. Communication Plan

- Weekly sprint meetings via Google Meet
- Discord For team collaboration, real-time discussion, and daily check-ins.
- Trello for task tracking

- GitHub for source code collaboration
- Shared Google Drive for design docs, builds, and reports

10. Approval Requirements

• Prototype approval by: October 28, 2025

(No Alpha build required – project ends at prototype stage)

11. Success Criteria

- Functional full AI, combat, and survival systems
- Game runs at acceptable frame rate across tested machines
- Positive feedback from internal testers