

Given \_\_\_\_\_, When \_\_\_\_\_, Then \_\_\_\_\_.

The Given-When-Then formula is a template intended to guide the writing of acceptance tests for a user story:

(Given) some context

(When) some action is carried out

(Then) a particular set of observable consequences should obtain

For example:

Given a hungry cat.

When I attempt to feed the cat.

Then the cat should no longer be hungry.

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hungry  
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**When I  
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**WHEN**

**THEN**

# Group 1

Given

Some Context:

- Hungry Cat
- Smelly Cat
- ?

When

Some Actions:

- Feed
- Pet
- Bathe
- Walk

Then

Some observations:

- Hunger
- ?

**Given a hungry cat.**

**When I attempt to feed the cat.**

**Then the cat should no longer be hungry**

Try it out yourself using a dog instead of cat

**Given a smelly dog**

**When I fill the bath**

**Then the dog runs away**

**Given a hungry dog**

**When I pour his food into a container**

**Then the dog eats**

**Given a sad dog**

**When I give him a toy**

**Then he wags his tail**

**Given a happy and energetic dog**

**When I open the pool gate**

**Then the dog runs and jumps into the water.**

# Group 2

Given

Some Context:

- Hungry Cat
- Smelly Cat
- ?

When

Some Actions:

- Feed
- Pet
- Bathe
- Walk

Then

Some observations:

- Hunger
- ?

**Given a hungry cat.**

**When I attempt to feed the cat.**

**Then the cat should no longer be hungry**

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**Given a hungry dog**

**When I get home from work**

**Then I will feed him**

**Given a lonely dog**

**When I take him to the park**

**Then he should make friends**

**Given a sick dog**

**When I take her to the vet**

**Then she will be healed**

**Given that I have a good dog**

**When I ask her to sit**

**Then she will get a treat**

# Group 3

Given  
Some Context:  
- Hungry Cat  
- Smelly Cat  
- ?

When  
Some Actions:  
- Feed  
- Pet  
- Bathe  
- Walk

Then  
Some observations:  
- Hunger  
- ?

**Given a hungry cat.**

**When I attempt to feed the cat.**

**Then the cat should no longer be hungry**

Try it out yourself using a dog instead of cat

**Given a sad dog**

**When petting the dog / leaving dog outside / scolding the dog**

**Then it becomes a happy dog / remains a sad dog**

**Given a smelly dog**

**When given a bath / playing in the dirt / not given a bath**

**Then dog smells good / remains smelly**

**Given a naughty dog**

**When disciplined / not disciplined**

**Then dog should behave / dog will remain naughty**

**Given an active dog**

**When taken for a long walk / given a treat / a friend comes to visit**

**Then dog will be more relaxed / will still be active and disruptive**

**Given a hungry dog**

**When fed with dog food / not fed / given 'bad' food**

**Then dog is no longer hungry / is still hungry / gets sick**



# Group 4

Given

Some Context:

- Hungry Cat
- Smelly Cat
- ?

When

Some Actions:

- Feed
- Pet
- Bathe
- Walk

Then

Some observations:

- Hunger
- ?

**Given a hungry cat.**

**When I attempt to feed the cat.**

**Then the cat should no longer be hungry**

Try it out yourself using a dog instead of cat

**Given an angry dog**

**When you take his food away**

**Then He should bark at you**

**Given a happy dog**

**When you pet him**

**Then he should crawl up and cuddle**

**Given a white dog**

**When he plays in mud**

**Then his fur should turn brown**

**Given a sad alone dog**

**When he is cuddled**

**Then he should wag his tail**