Star report Proftaak group “Steve”

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| Situation | A member of my group (hereby named Steve for privacy) came to me with a question whether or not he had to attend all the group meetings during the day. After I talked with Steve about why he didn’t want to attend every meeting, it became apparent that he was unsure about his knowledge of programming. He also feared that if he asked questions he would be perceived as stupid. He also had great difficulty with planning how he could start on his task during the group project. |
| Task | I thought it was my task to make sure that he would again feel comfortable in the group and that he wouldn’t fear asking questions. |
| Action | I went to have a conversation with Steve about how I felt during my first semester of demand based, and that I, much like him right now, often had the feeling that I had a lesser understanding about programming as other people in my group at the time. I made multiple agreements with Steve on this subject:   * We agreed that he could always ask me anything if he lacked certain knowledge. * We agreed that if he feared to ask a question within the group he could send me a private message so I could answer his question privately, if I also didn’t know the answer we will search for it together. * We agreed that it isn’t a bad thing that you have to ask things during school, the entire point of school is to learn new things after all. * We agreed that he could always ask me for help when he had trouble with planning, the only catch on this agreement is that he must show me a draft of what his planning was. So he can’t come to me without a planning, he first needs to have tried making a planning of his own. |
| Result | After we talked Steve told me that he would keep to our agreements, and that he would feel more at ease during group meetings with these agreements in place. |