

## Query 1: Resource Allocation Misalignment

I'm assigned to tasks that don't align with my core skills. It's taking me longer to complete them and causing delays for the team.

### **Suggested Solution:**

Conduct a quick skills mapping exercise across the team. Reallocate tasks based on expertise using a skill matrix. Ensure future sprint planning includes capability-based task assignments to improve efficiency and reduce delivery time.

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## Query 2: Communication Bottlenecks

Our team often waits on approvals from other departments. It's causing standstills, and we don't know who to escalate to.

### **Suggested Solution:**

Create a **cross-functional ownership map** that lists stakeholders by responsibility. Use tools like RACI matrices or tagging in task management software (e.g., Jira, Trello) to make approval workflows visible and traceable. Set SLAs for response times to unblock communication.

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## Query 3: Measuring Productivity

I feel like our team is always busy, but it's unclear what we've actually accomplished week to week.

### **Suggested Solution:**

Start tracking **weekly outputs vs. team OKRs** using visual dashboards. Use metrics like completed story points, resolved blockers, or goal progress bars. Set up a lightweight retrospective every Friday to review wins, blockers, and improvements.

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## Query 4: Meeting Overload

My calendar is packed with meetings. I barely get time for focused work and always end up working late to catch up.

### **Suggested Solution:**

Audit your calendar for low-impact or redundant meetings. Propose default meeting lengths of

25/50 minutes. Advocate for **async updates** via Slack or shared docs. Block at least 2 hours per day as "**no-meeting focus time**" and align this with your manager.

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## □ Query 5: Context Switching Fatigue

I'm juggling too many projects at once and constantly switching between tools, which hurts my concentration.

### **Suggested Solution:**

Use **time-blocking** to assign deep work hours for each project. Minimize tool-switching by centralizing work into a unified platform (e.g., ClickUp, Notion). Set boundaries with your team for communication windows to reduce real-time distractions.

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