

Retrospective – Sprint 1

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In Sprint 1, the goal was to start working on the actual product, both the front and back end, to create a demo that we could show to the client. Teamwork within the team improved from the previous Sprint, as team members started working more with each other on some of the tasks. We also had a new team member join the team at the start of this Sprint. As one of the other teams had to be disbanded. The team did well in integrating the new team member into the team. With the team up with one more member, we had more hands on deck to complete the tasks planned for this Sprint, but this also meant that communication would be more complicated as the more people you have, the more difficult it is to get everyone on the same page. This proved to be a small problem as we almost had some members work on the same tasks at the same time, but this was prevented by the quick updates each team member gave at each scrum meeting.

The team had placed priority on creating the database, this was needed to start the work on the CRUDS. The team experienced a lot of problems concerning the creation of the database. The initial plan we had for the database had to be scratched as that plan could not be executed. We had to think of a new solution. This process took a lot more time than we wanted to spend on resolving the issue. The result of it was the delay on a lot of the tasks the team wanted to work on. This brought some stress and tension within the team, but as far as how the team handled the situation, the team actively sought out a solution throughout the whole two weeks. Doing research, with trial and error as well as seeking help from teachers. The members responsible for the database handled the situation quite well.

With the contact we had with the client, we mainly used Telegram. A meeting was planned for the demonstration of the current version of the product. This would preferably be done in each Sprint. As we sought contact with the client, the client mentioned that it would have been better if we had contacted the client a bit earlier beforehand.

Something we would want to improve on for the next Sprint would be to contact the client earlier beforehand for any meeting planning. This was also brought up by the client himself and would improve our communication with the client. Another point we could learn from is to improve a bit more on the communication between the members. The team got bigger and the bigger the team the more difficult it is to have good communication within the team. We as a team had decided upon a set of rules, we would want every member to uphold, with one of them being to inform the other team members of your absences at the meetings beforehand. This was mostly upheld but also broken by some members this Sprint. We would want to improve this lack of communication by communicating these sorts of information more clearly to each other within the team.