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Behavior-Driven Development (BDD) is a software development approach that emphasizes collaboration among developers, testers, and non-technical stakeholders to ensure the developed software meets the desired behavior. It uses a simple, domain-specific language known as Gherkin for writing tests. Here are some of the key Gherkin keywords:

1. **Feature:** This keyword is used at the beginning of a Gherkin file to provide a high-level description of the application feature that the following scenarios will address.
2. **Scenario:** This keyword is used to describe a specific behavior of the application in a specific situation. Each scenario is a list of steps that outline a particular test case.
3. **Given:** This keyword is used to describe the initial context of the system - the scene of the scenario. It is typically used to set up the test conditions.
4. **When:** This keyword is used to describe an event or an action. This is something that the user does or that happens to the system.
5. **Then:** This keyword is used to describe the outcome or result of the action. It is used to observe outcomes.
6. **And, But:** These keywords are used when you have multiple Given, when, or Then steps. They help to make the scenarios easier to read and understand.

Here's an example of how these keywords are used in a Gherkin test case:

Feature: Account Holder withdraws cash

Scenario: Account has sufficient funds

Given the account balance is \$100

And the card is valid

When I request \$50

Then the ATM should dispense \$50

And the account balance should be \$50

In this example, Given sets up the initial state of the system (an account balance of \$100 and a valid card), When describes the action of requesting \$50, and Then describes the expected outcome (the ATM dispensing \$50 and the account balance being \$50).

Remember, the aim of using BDD and these keywords is to promote communication between technical and non-technical team members, clarify requirements, and drive development with executable specifications. Let me know if you need more information! 😊