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Journal – Tester

As a tester team member, it’s our job to pay attention to detail. That makes it harder to pay attention to much else. That is an added benefit of the Agile method; there will rarely be an overload on any team. “Our team is responsible for planning, coding,  
testing and refining backlog items while maintaining close collaboration and  
communication.”( Salihu 2024). That seems like a lot of work but when done correctly in the Agile method it can seem more fun and easygoing until completion. When I developed my initial test case, the most helpful element to me from the user stories was the sentence structure of “I want to <perform some task>. So that I can <achieve some goal>.” This allowed me to map out the details needed to make the steps in the test cases make sense. The communication between a Product Owner and a tester is extremely critical. It allows the testers to know what needs to change in a timely manner. The product Backlog is a tool for communication, and that is the most essential part of the communication between the two. The Product Owner needs to stay on top of the Product Backlog to make sure the flow stays at a constant acceptable pace. I believe the User Stories could use a theme/category section to better sort them out into categories. This additional information would have to be gotten from the Product Backlog or just plain old common sense. For example: “User Story Category: Menu Options” or “User Story Category: Side Bar Profile” This would make it easy to find and fix anything on a certain user story.

Dear Annabelle,

I have looked at the user stories you sent to me, and I am currently developing test cases for each of them, so we know whether they pass or fail. I’m going to need a little more detail so that I can be more specific in our tests.

**User Story 4**

* When navigating the profile settings page do we want the Vacation Preferences Type to be its own section?
* Do we want it to have a new page or a drop/pop-up menu?
* Do you want to give each option (car, boat, plane, etc.) its own line or can we do columns with selection boxes?

**User Story 3**

* When saving personal history do we want a 2fa so it’s protected?
* When choosing previous trips can we add a filter to filter the results of previous trips?
* Regarding the format, do we need to have all the details like User Story 1 & 2? I’d remember the qualities of every vacation I’ve gone to, wouldn’t our users?

I will most likely think about it more and will email again when I do. I hope this finds you well and have a great week!!

Thank you again,

Kelly

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