Epic Worksheet

The purpose of this worksheet is to help you identify high-level business requirements for your project.

An epic simply describes, at a high level, a group of functionality that your product or service will contain. It is a story about how a target audience wants to accomplish a goal and how your project will help them achieve that goal. It answers the question: why would users need to do this and generally, what should happen.

Use this worksheet in conjunction with the Persona worksheet.

***As a...***

<List the personas (or group of people) that will be affected by this epic.>

***I need to...***

<Actions to be taken: what steps should your persona take during this epic.>

**In order to...**

<Describe the goal of this epic: what do they need to accomplish and generally what should happen for this goal.>

***Epic assumptions:***

<Considering your personas you identified, what assumptions about this epic can you make? Note: you’ll need to validate these assumptions later.>

***Questions:***

<Write out any open questions you have about this epic or potential personas affected by this epic. You don’t need to answer these questions now, but it helps to facilitate conversation and exploration with your team.>

***Related epics:***

<As you identify and create epics for your project, you’ll want to have a sense of how your project pieces fit together. Listing related epics here can help keep you aligned on overall project goals.>

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| As a... | <List the persona that will be affected by this epic> |
| I need to… | <Actions to be taken.> |
| In order to… | <Goal to be achieved.> |

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| Assumptions | <What will potentially stop this persona from achieving their goal? What barriers exist now that we should remove or develop new solutions?> |
| Questions? | <What else do you need to find out about this persona? How would you do that?> |
| Related Epics | <What are the other epics you identified that may fit together with this one?> |