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Working Independently at Labman

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Working independently is crucial for personal development, improving productivity, and ensuring high-quality work. When I'm assigned a task with a deadline, I typically start by creating user stories and estimating the time needed for each. This helps me structure my work effectively. For example, in a recent project, I developed the following user stories with estimated completion times:

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As an hourly-holidays user,  
I want to see my remaining holiday in hours,  
so I can easily track how much holiday I have left.
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Estimated duration: 30 minutes
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As a daily-holidays user,  
I want to only take a minimum of half a day (4.5 hours),  
so I can comply with the company policy.
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Estimated duration: 2 hours
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As a holiday manager,  
I want a graph showing holiday usage over time,  
so I can identify trends in when holidays are most frequently taken.
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Estimated duration: 2 days
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Given that I was given only 2 days to complete the project, but the total estimated time for all the user stories was 4 days, I had a discussion with the person who assigned me the task. After reasoning together, we decided to exclude the final user story to ensure I could meet the deadline.