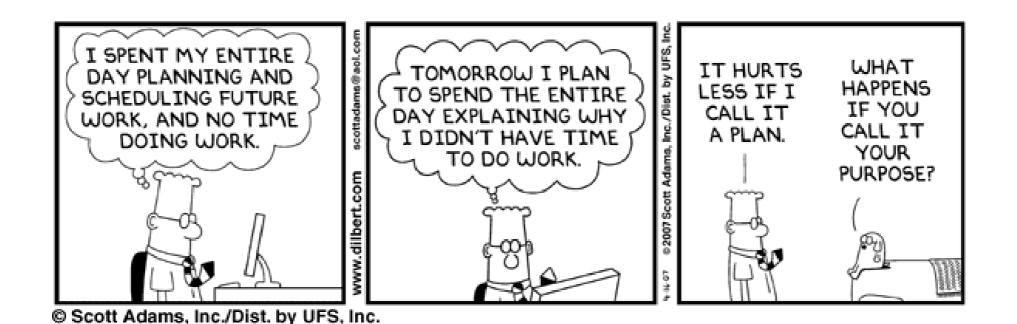
Managing your project

Some False Assumptions of Traditional Project Planning and Management for student projects



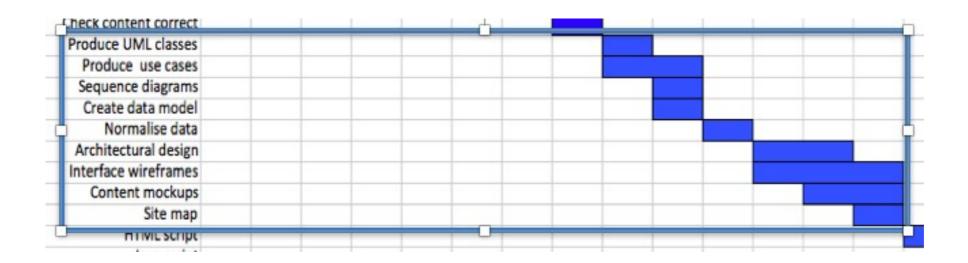
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1. All requirements are known up-front and won't change.

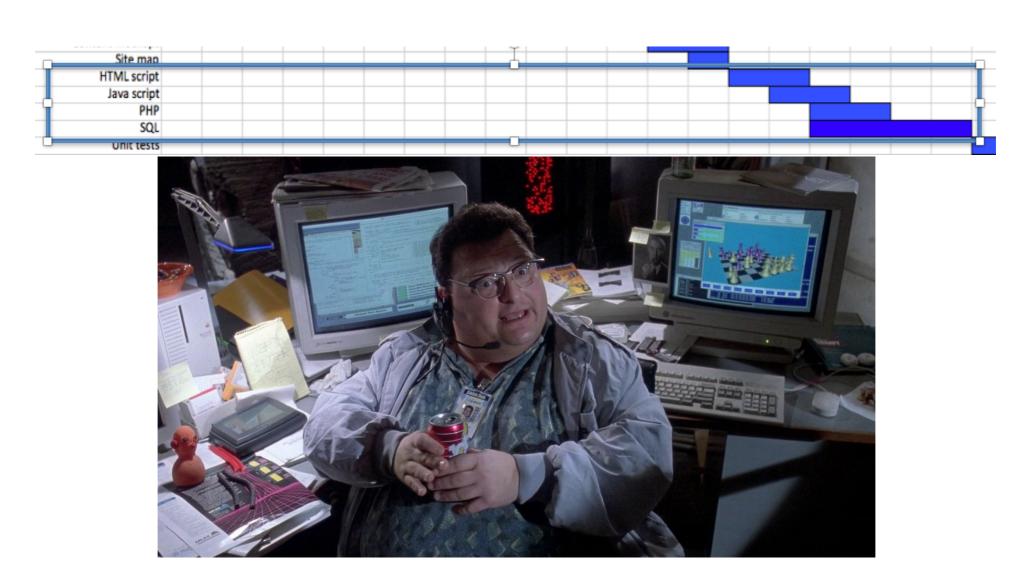
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2. You will design entire system first before any code is cut.

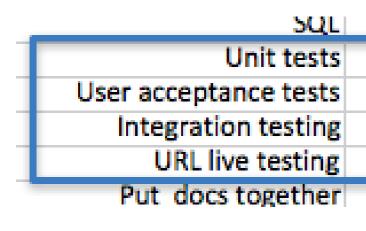


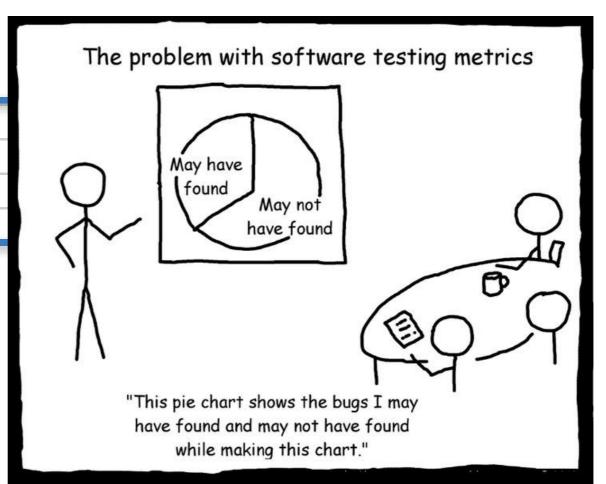
3. You will code the entire system in one go



4.

You will test everything only once and it will all work!





5. Your customer will remember who you are after three months with no contact!



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Or you will BIG block build!

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A better way?

Your project consists of the following **fixed** components:

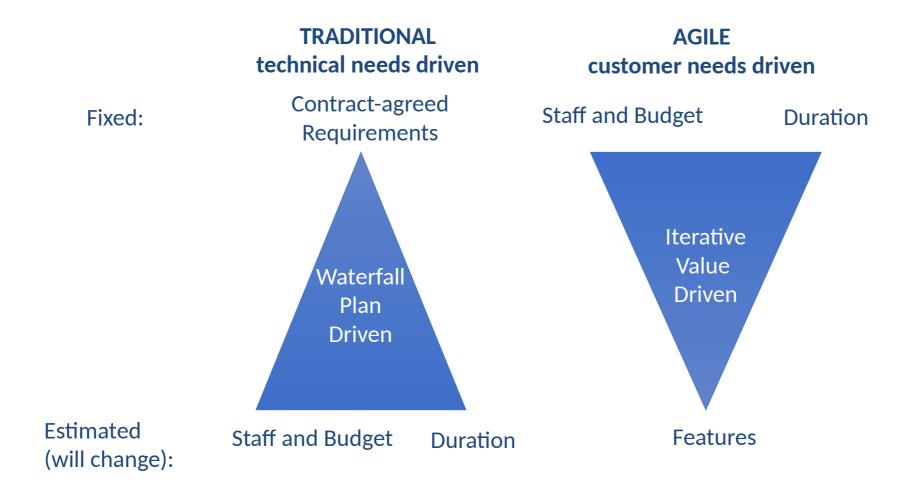
- Your group
- Fixed deadline
- Fixed cost (there is none allocated!)
- Scheduled time in classes
- Report deliverable for marking

More on your project

Your project consists of the following <u>variable</u> components:

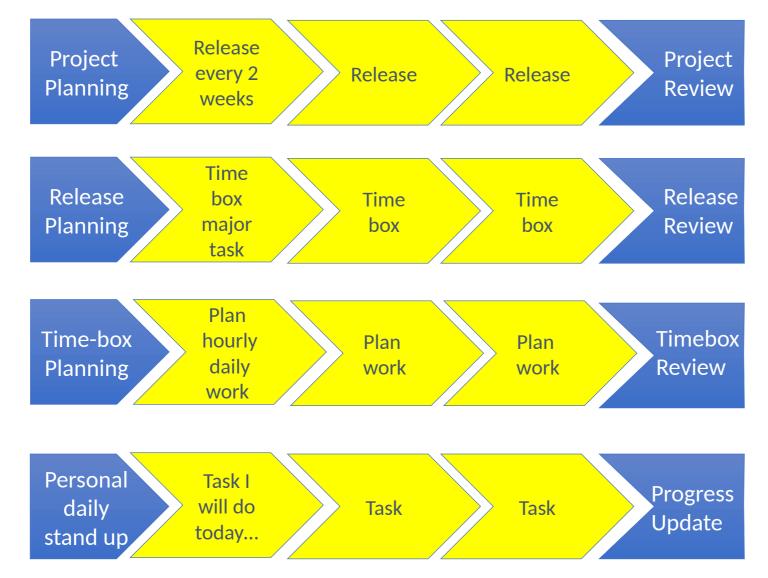
- Customer (external to university or within -- lecturer)
- Individual deliverables within final submitted report
- Effort per week changes dependent upon other deliverables such as assignments on degree programme (but this is known in advance because of deadline dates announced at start of year or when assignment is handed out)

What is Agile?



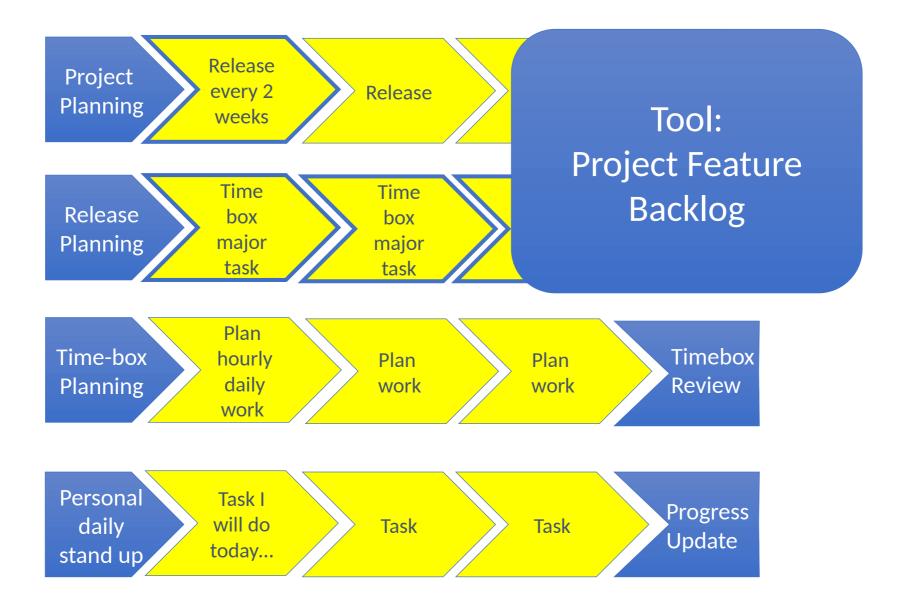
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Agile planning process overview

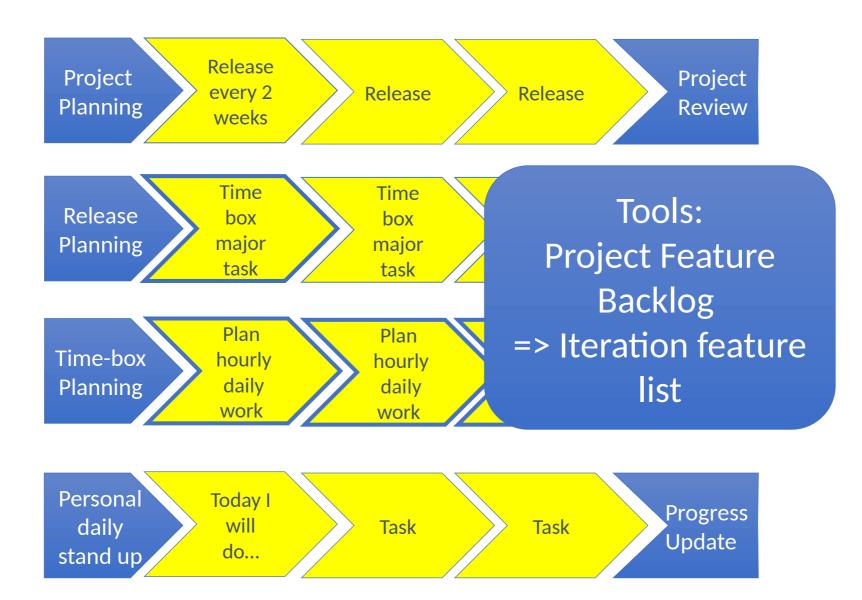


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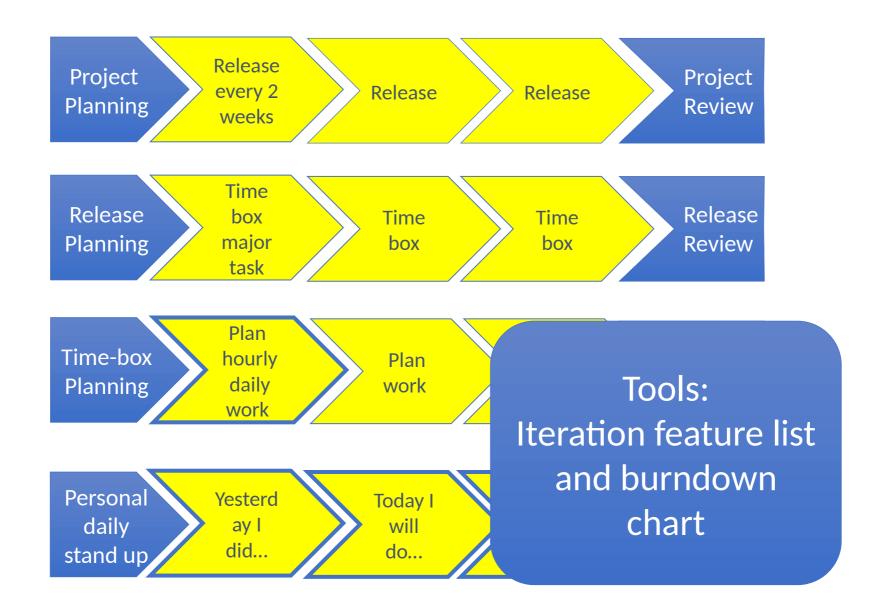
High-end planning



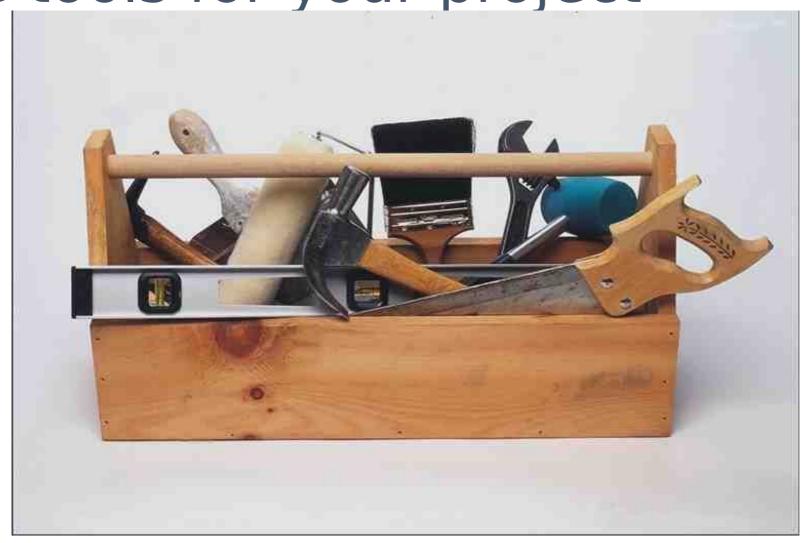
Iteration planning



Daily considerations



Agile tools for your project



The 3 agile tools

1. Project feature backlog

- Overview of key features
- User stories
- > Technical stories
- General effort ...

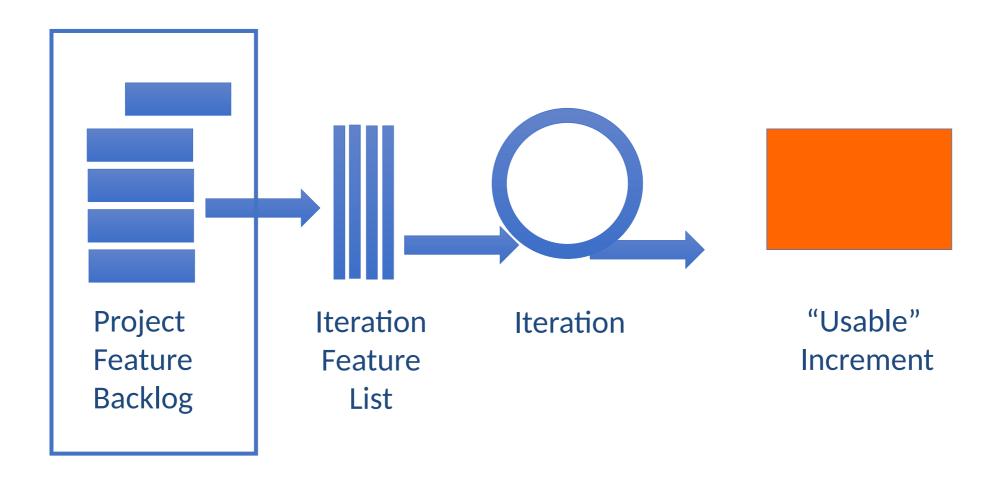
2. Iteration feature list

- > 2-week detailed plan
- Features, stories etc broken into fine-grained chunks
- Effort estimates, actuals recorded

3. Burndown chart

- Plots ideal progress ('velocity') against actual
- Project risks and log are recorded on the above 3 (wherever you need to)

Agile Process



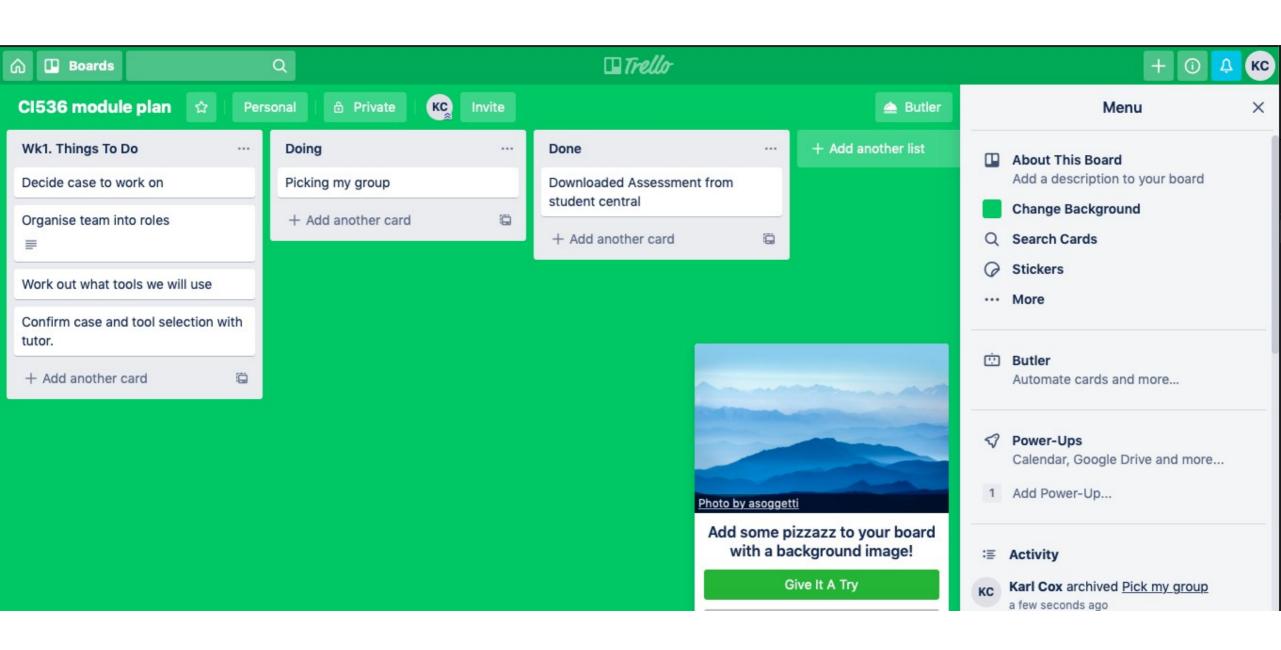
Scrum or Trello?

- Both are used in industry.
- Scrum is a little different to Trello
- Trello is collaborative and online so it's easy access and use.

Recommended tools for project management

- Trello: https://trello.com/home
- This is a Kanban-esque agile planning and management tool.
- It's free and it's collaborative.

• You can also use a Scrum-like tool (provided on studentcentral).



Wk1. Things To Do

Decide case to work on

Organise team into roles



Work out what tools we will use

Confirm case and tool selection with tutor.

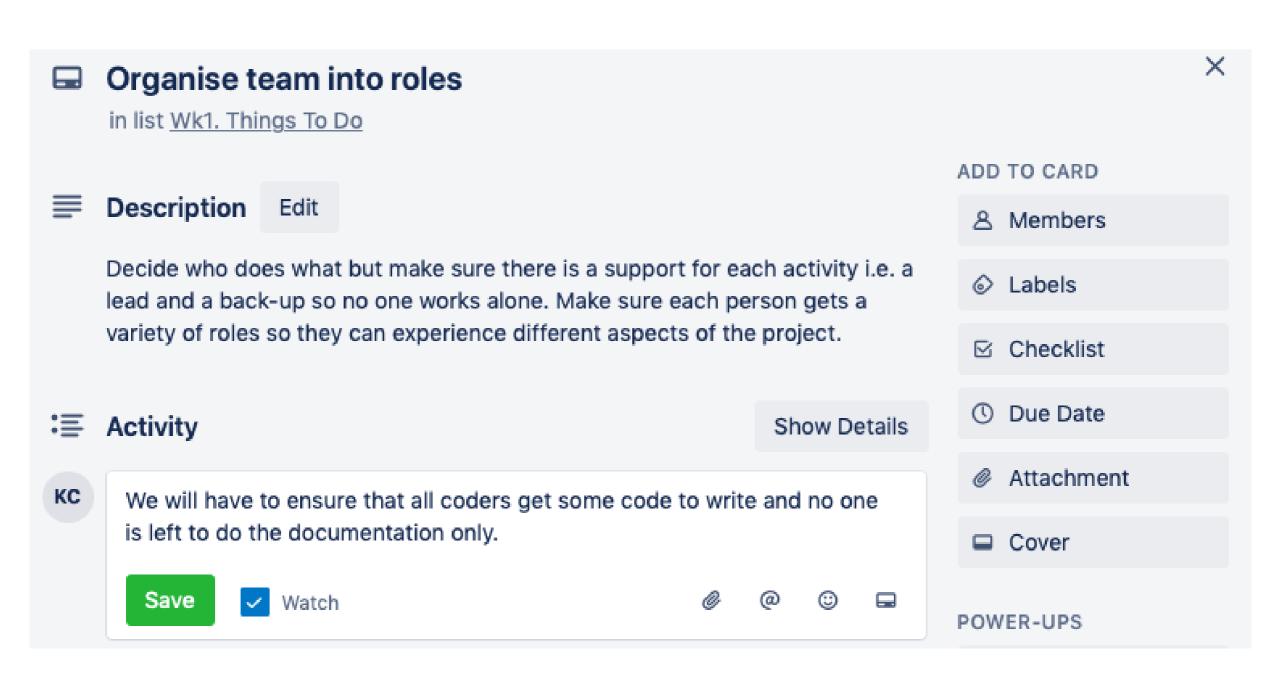
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You can add as many cards (tasks) as you like.

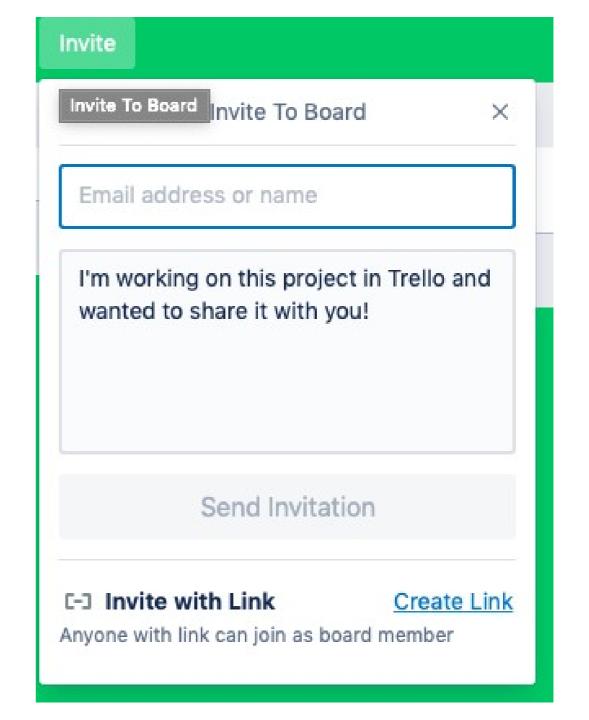
I recommend as many as you can think of.

Put them in order of priority.



Inviting your team

- Each person has to sign up to Trello first.
- https://trello.com/home
- Then simply invite each group member to access the Trello board.
- You can all work on it then.



Reporting on project management

• Bi-weekly screen shots of your board are all you need.

• If you use Scrum then you can report every two weeks by including sprints and burndowns in your documentation.