SPRINT DOCUMENTATION — Week 3 (Refocus & Planning)

1) Summary data	
Sprint start date	13 Oct 2025
Sprint end date	19 Oct 2025

I met my supervisor on 16 Oct 2025 at 3:30 PM. We agreed that I should shift the focus of Week 3 from heavy coding to the "thinking bit": literature review, methods and planning for the Week 7 interim report. I will still keep essential engineering tasks in scope (AI settings with real keys, metrics capture, and a refactor plan for AI manager), but I won't spend time on new scene or feature integration this week. The immediate goal is to make my Week 7 report strong and well-grounded in literature and a clear methodology.

1. Tasks this sprint

Sprint goal: Refocus from heavy coding to research, planning, and method design for a strong Week 7 interim report; retain only essential engineering tasks (live API keys, metrics) as planned work without drawing time away from writing.

- Stakeholders engaged: meeting held on 16 Oct 2025 at 3:30 PM; decisions led to a planning-first pivot this week. Next meeting scheduled for 23 Oct 2025 at 3:30 PM (same time).
- [Completed] Conduct a literature review on AI narrative systems (procedural narrative, LLM-in-games, coherence, evaluation)
- [Completed] Audio support audit & polish (AudioManager hooks for UI/achievements, SFX audits, volume controls in settings)
- [Completed] Audit & document systems (TooltipManager, QuickAccessMenu, Responsive Scaling, Font/Language toggles, Characters/Terms pages, Save/Load flows)
- [Completed] Create/extend Achievement System (triggers, progression, UI wiring, journalling). Prepare Thursday 16 Oct 15:30 supervisor meeting2 (demo current build + questions)
- [Completed] Extract requirements from Meeting 2 discussion and fold into the sprint scope
- [Completed] Live API path: enable real Gemini/OpenRouter keys in Settings and harden error states

2) Requirements analysis

- Functional (shall):
 - Shall capture supervisor guidance from the 16 Oct meeting inside sprint docs and reflect in an updated plan that prioritises literature/methods over new scene/feature work.
 - Shall produce an interim-report outline and drafting notes in 8.Report/Interim Report (Week7)/Interim_Report_Draft.md (tracked and iteratively expanded this week).

- Shall keep new scene/feature integration out of scope this week to protect report drafting time.
- Shall establish and document Achievement System triggers and their connection to stats/events and the achievement viewer.
- Functional (should):
 - Should wire live API key entry and storage in the Settings UI and prove graceful degraded behavior (disabled send, clear messaging) when keys are absent.
 - Should outline AI metrics capture (token, latency) for inclusion in the interim report evidence.
 - Should document TooltipManager, QuickAccessMenu, responsive scaling behaviors, font/language toggles, and characters/terms content plumbing for clarity in the report.
- Non-functional:
 - Preserve a deterministic MockAlGenerator path so report work is never blocked by API/network.
 - Keep UI responsive and non-blocking (timeouts/retries encapsulated by AIManager; progress overlays in story_scene.gd).
 - Ensure audio does not block UI or AI calls; centralise playback via audio_manager.gd.
- Domain requirements:
 - Continue to frame tasks and evaluation against the core values system (Reality vs Positive Energy vs Entropy), with journal/achievements providing evidence of thematic consistency.

3) Design

- Achievement System plan:
 - Centralise achievement definitions and triggers in achievement_system.gd, wiring signals from game_state.gd and story/prayer events. Ensure the UI viewer (achievement_viewer.tscn/.gd) can subscribe and render unlocked progress cleanly.
 - o Confirm journalling hooks so achievements can be referenced in narrative context.
- AI pipeline and refactor plan:
 - Extract provider strategies from ai_manager.gd (GeminiStrategy,
 OpenRouterStrategy, MockStrategy) with a unified interface;
 keep ai_manager.gd as a coordinator and metrics collector (timeouts, retries,
 token counters, response times, history windows).
 - Maintain the existing ai_metrics_chart.gd hooks and extend to include response-error counts for reliability tracking in the report.

4) Test plan and evidence of testing

- Unit intentions (to be executed as coding proceeds):
 - AIManager strategies: simulate success, timeout, and error paths; verify metrics counters and history ring sizes; ensure callbacks fire correctly on cancellation.
 - Markdown/BBCode path remains covered via test markdown parser.gd.

- Audio: volume/mute toggles update AudioServer and players; event-driven SFX
 plays immediately; pooling fallback works; music fade-out; no blocking under load.
- System intentions:
 - With mock provider: open story/prayer/achievements overlays → perform AI request with overlay shown/hidden; confirm save slots not blocked and notifications show.
 - With live keys (when entered): perform the same flow, capturing token/latency samples for inclusion in Week 7 report.
- Evidence this week:
 - Focus is on planning and report drafting; test execution is scheduled but not prioritised until after literature and methods milestones are achieved.

5) Summary of sprint

- Plan change summary: Following the 16 Oct (15:30) meeting, Week 3 prioritises literature review, interim-report drafting, and a methods/evaluation plan. The timing now diverges from the proposal's Gantt; new scene/feature work is explicitly out of scope this week.
- Deliverables targeted this week: an expanded interim report draft outline, an updated sprint plan, a concrete AlManager refactor plan, and a documented Achievement System triggers/UI plan.
- Next steps: Continue drafting (Week 7 sections), prepare questions for the 23 Oct supervisor meeting (15:30) to improve the Week 7 report, and plan minimal engineering only where it supports report evidence (metrics, error surfaces, and achievement trigger verification).