

## PROTOTYPING IS...?

a way to seek an answer that allows a better-informed team to move forward

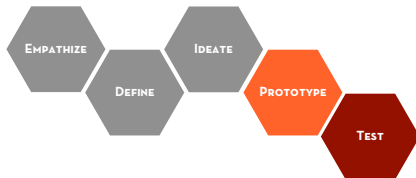
a single question brought to life

a productive exploration

a way to learn

an attitude of experimentation

building to think



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to TEST

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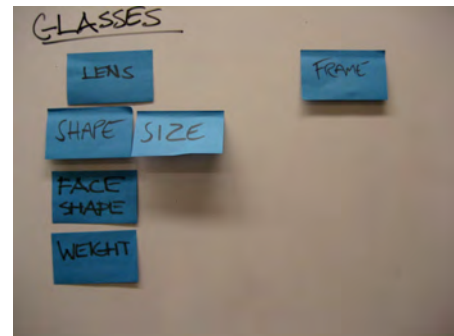
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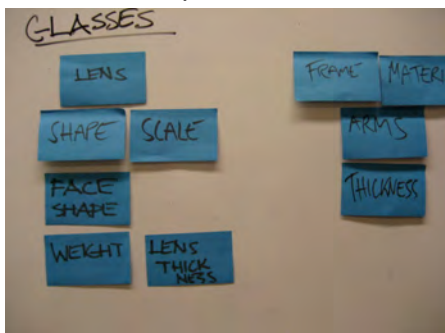
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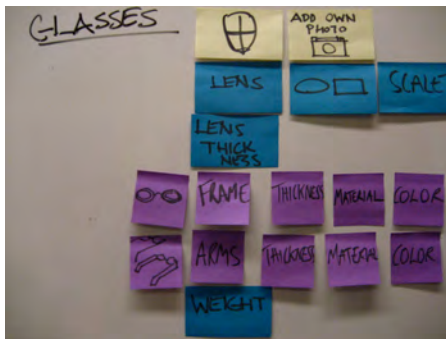
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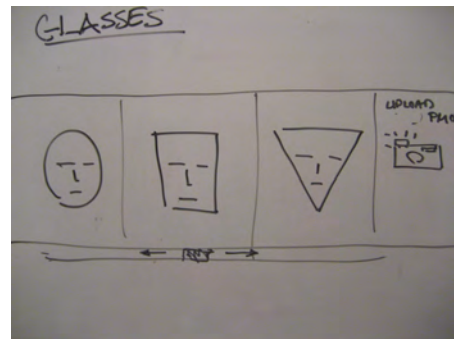
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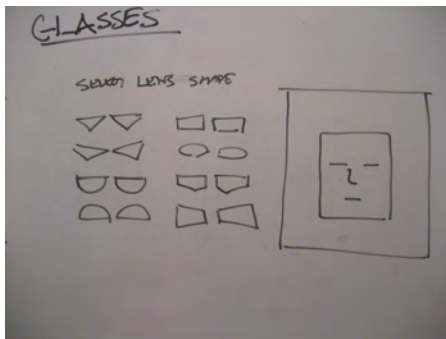
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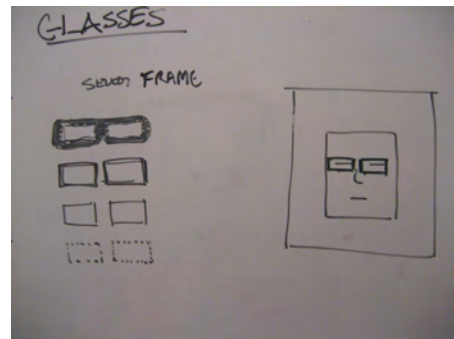
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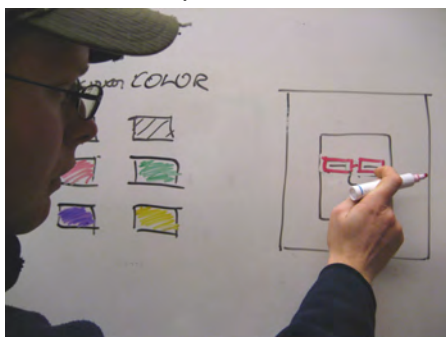
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### Build to Think

- Use materials you can manipulate
- What can you do with post-its and a sharpie?
- Frankenstein as needed



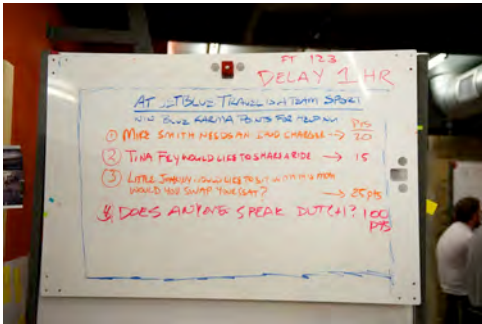
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### Advance Your Concept

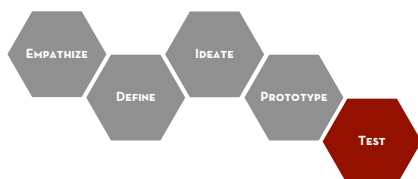
Create an experience to react to

Think about what aspect you are testing

Carry multiple ideas forward



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## TESTING with users

EMPATHY...again!!

Watch & understand how users interact with your prototype

Capture learnings on needs AND solutions to take forward in your next iterations





## TESTING with users

Remember...

Your prototypes are not precious,  
so be ready to listen openly

(it's only natural to want to explain  
or defend!)



## TEST with team roles



Host/Hostess



Active Observers

## tips for TESTING your prototypes

### Let your user experience the prototype

"Can you show me how you would use this?"

### Have your user talk through their experience

"Tell me what you're thinking here..."

### Actively observe and capture

### Follow up with questions

"Can you tell me about how this made you feel?"  
"Show me why this would/would not work for you..."



## tips for TESTING your prototypes

"interesting..." **WHY** "do you ask?"

## PROTOTYPING and TESTING

PROTO TO EXPLORE:  
prototyping to keep ideating

PROTO TO TEST:  
prototyping to get feedback from users and  
continue your empathy work

TESTING:  
testing to continue your empathy...you'll get info  
on needs AND solutions

