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Task 1: Waterfall vs. Agile (pros & cons)

### **Waterfall**

#### **PROS**

- □Defines deliverables, milestones, timelines and deadlines clearly and early in the project
- A well defined methodology that has been used in same business niche
- ☐ It is simple to understand, follow and arrange tasks as deliverable is predictable

#### CONS

- □Design flaws when discovered sometimes means starting over
- □Doesn't accommodate changes, scope adjustments and updates
- □Does not facilitate working on different phases that overlap
- ■Working product is not produced until later stages
- ☐ Rigid requirement definitions inhibit creativity

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## **Agile**

#### **PROS**

- □Priorities & requirements can be easily adjusted throughout the project
- □Embraces uncertainty of project outcome while end product is less defective
- □ Encourages constant testing and feedback throughout development
- ☐ Room for creativity

#### CONS

- □Lack of proper documentation during development process
- ☐ Tendency of scope creep if project is not handled by professionals
- □Lack of predictability
- □A lot of time is invested throughout the project