# Circle Language Spec Plan Legend of Symbols and Color Markings

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## Introduction

You may find these symbols and color markings in the planning docs, that indicate the status of things done/not done.

## Symbols

- An item ( / to do )

x Done

x~ Just about done / done just about this way

~x Just about done / done just about this way

/ Don’t do

> Answer / conclusion / finding

>> Check that

->| Done

->~| Just about done

… Working on

->.. Postponed ( / pick up later ( from ) )

>.. Postponed ( / pick up later ( from ) )

..-> Picked up again

..> Picked up again

|-> Started

~ Maybe do it, maybe don't

<< >> Stereotype e.g. <<use case>>

## Colors

No color Open

Grey Done

Brown Do not do

Orange Postponed / wait / request pending

Red Big problem / error

Green Quite important / this is correct

Blue Very Important / do this

Slight variations in colors should have no meaning.

**Scientific Method**

Hyp Hypothesis

Exp Experiment

Obs Observation

Conc Conclusion

Q Question

A Answer

**Template Markings**

These markings appear in the templates.

… You have to put something in its place or more has to come after the ellipsis

< Text > Placeholder. You have to fill in something here.

Can also denote an un-worked-out idea.

[ Text ] Indicates an optional element.

Text | Text The symbol | is used to separate different options.

{ Text } Annotation / comment. The curly braces contain explanations about the template.  
The explanations can be left out of the eventual document.